

HOLIDAYS

- December 6: St. Nicholas Day
- December 7: Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day
- December 14: Beginning of Hanukkah
- December 15: Bill of Rights Day
- December 17: Wright Brothers Day
- December 21: Winter Solstice
- December 25: Christmas
- December 26: Boxing Day
- December 31: New Year's Eve

JUST FOR FUN DAYS

- December 2 - National Cookie Cutter Day
- December 9 - Christmas Card Day
- December 12 - Gingerbread House Day
- December 14 - National Cocoa Day
- December 17 - National Maple Syrup Day
- December 26 - National Candy Cane Day
- December 29 - Tick Tock Day
- December 30 - Bacon Day

Some of the Best Christmas Movies of All Time

Snuggling up with a mug of hot cocoa on the couch and watching a marathon of the best Christmas movies ever made is the perfect way to get into the holiday spirit, and it's never too early to start. Everyone knows that watching a heartwarming holiday flick as the snow falls outside is one of the merriest parts of the season. Here are 25 of the best Christmas Movies according to Town & Country Magazine.

JUST HOW MANY HAVE YOU SEEN?

1. A Christmas Story (1983)
2. It's a Wonderful Life (1946)
3. Elf (2003)
4. National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation (1989)
5. Home Alone (1990)
6. Home Alone 2: Lost in New York (1992)
7. The Christmas Chronicles (2018)
8. The Polar Express (2004)
9. Klaus (2019)
10. Dr. Seuss' The Grinch (2018)
11. The Santa Clause (1994)
12. The Santa Clause 2 (2002)
13. A Christmas Prince (2017)
14. Almost Christmas (2016)
15. The Nightmare Before Christmas (1993)
16. Christmas With the Kranks (2004)
17. A Very Harold & Kumar Christmas (2011)
18. A Charlie Brown Christmas (1965)
19. Last Holiday (2014)
20. The Family Stone (2005)
21. The Family Man (2000)
22. Jingle Jangle (2020)
23. Ernest Saves Christmas (1988)
24. The Holiday (2006)
25. Miracle on 34th Street (1947)

For the Full list of 65 Movies visit:
<https://www.townandcountrymag.com/>

National Impaired Driving Prevention Month

National Impaired Driving Prevention Month is observed every December to raise awareness about the dangers of driving under the influence of alcohol, drugs, or other substances. The month aims to encourage responsible choices, like planning for a sober ride home, especially during the holiday season, which sees an increase in impaired driving and related fatalities.

National Impaired Prevention Month encompasses alcohol, marijuana, prescription medications, and over-the-counter drugs that can impair a driver's ability. Drivers should avoid driving while impaired by any of these factors, just as they would if they consumed alcohol. The week between Christmas and New Year's Day is particularly dangerous due to increased travel and parties.

Alcohol-impaired driving was a factor in 13,524 traffic deaths in 2022, notes the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. At a blood alcohol level of 0.08% (the legal limit in every state), a driver is about four times more likely to crash than a sober driver, according to JustThinkTwice.gov

Iowa impaired driving laws, or OWI (Operating While Intoxicated), include penalties that escalate with each offense. Underage individuals face similar penalties.
 MORE INFO: iowadot.gov

Penalties by offense

	First Offense	Second Offense	Third and Subsequent Offenses
Jail Time	48 hours to 1 year	Minimum of 7 days, up to 2 years	Minimum of 30 days, up to 5 years
Fines	\$625 to \$1,250 (plus surcharges)	\$1,875 to \$6,250	\$3,125 to \$9,375
License Revocation	180 days to 1 year	Up to 2 years	6 years

Did you know?

Fruits were the first ornaments

Alabama was the first state to recognize Christmas

Japan's favorite holiday meal is fried chicken

Christmas wreaths are religious symbols



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HAPPY Holidays