



Events around the Bluegrass week of January 27, 2025

Exploring the Bluegrass State: More Than Just Horses!



When people think of the Bluegrass, what's the first thing that comes to mind? Of course, it's horses! While Kentucky is undeniably known for its equestrian heritage, the state offers so much more. From world-class Bourbon and thrilling horse races to historic sites like Shaker Village and charming river towns, Kentucky is a true treasure trove.

Whether you're drawn to the excitement of college basketball, the natural beauty of Mammoth Cave, or the sounds of Bluegrass music, there's something for everyone. But when it comes to horses, Kentucky stands apart. From its picturesque horse farms to world-famous horse races and museums, there's no place quite like it.

In the coming weeks and months, make sure to experience everything Kentucky has to offer. Tour horse farms, attend Keeneland sales, explore equestrian events, or even go horseback riding. These experiences will enrich your time here and create lasting memories! For more information on the best horse farm tours in Lexington, check out this guide: [Best Horse Farm Tours in Lexington](#).



Hit the Road and Discover Kentucky's Horse Country!

Want to see horses up close? Simply hop in a car—yours or a friend's—and head out on any road leading out of Lexington. No matter the direction, Kentucky's iconic horses will be there to greet you. Even in the cold, you'll spot them—some even wearing cozy

coats! A few favorite roads to take in these magnificent creatures include Old Frankfort Pike, Athens-Boonesboro Road, Harrodsburg Road, and Paris Pike. Along the way, keep an eye out for side roads or touring signs that will lead you to more hidden gems. So, be brave, take a detour, and embrace the adventure—you won't be disappointed!

Upcoming Events You Won't Want to Miss

Kentucky has a packed calendar of exciting events in the near future. Don't miss UK Basketball, the *Scaled to Perfection: Encore & More!* exhibit, UK Early Music Collective performances, the Distillery District Food & History Tour, Monster Truck Wars, and more! Other highlights include Waveland State Historic Site's Tea Tuesdays, the UK Wind Symphony Concert featuring Jessie Clark Middle School, Comedy Off Broadway, and the Kentucky Recreation Show. For something unique, check out Picnic with Goats, John Hartford Days, art exhibits, and Wilderness Trail Distillery Tours. Plus, there's the Woodsongs Old-Time Radio Hour, concerts, and even an Arboretum Bird Walk. Whether you're in the mood for something laid-back or lively, there's an event for every interest!

Explore the Bluegrass Region

If you want to dive deeper into the region, consider booking a tour that showcases Lexington and the surrounding Bluegrass area. From scenic drives to local landmarks, there's so much to explore. For more information on the available tours, check out this guide: [Tours of Lexington and the Bluegrass](#).

Monday, January 27

Keeneland's Morning Works

Monday, January 27 (ongoing)

For more information, check out <https://www.keeneland.com/morning-works-tour>

Location: Keeneland Racecourse, Lexington

Wilderness Trail Distillery Tours

Monday, January 27 (ongoing)

Enjoy one of the newest distilleries on the Kentucky Bourbon Trail! Tours conclude with an outdoor tasting offered Tuesday through Saturday. For more information, check out https://wildernesstraildistillery.com/bourbon-distillery-tours-kentucky/#_ga=2.188584301.475033086.1663065127-1430386174.1663065127

Location: Wilderness Trail Distillery, Danville, KY

Raven Run Nature Sanctuary

Monday, January 27 (ongoing)

Various hiking trails for you to enjoy! For more information, check out

<https://ravenrun.org/>

Location: 3885 Raven Run Way, Lexington

Picnic With Goats

Monday, January 27 (ongoing)

Enjoy a private picnic lunch or dinner with goats on our private farm just 15 minutes from downtown Lexington. Food is brought in from Lexington's top rated restaurants, set just steps from your car. For more information, check out

<https://www.picnicwithgoats.com/>

Location: Lexington

Woodsongs Old-Time Radio Hour

Monday, January 27 (ongoing)

For more information, check out <https://www.visitlex.com/event/woodsongs-old-time-radio-hour%3a-sugar-harp-and-gail-ceasar/22107/>

Location: Lyric Theatre, Downtown

Patti's Festival of Lights

Monday, January 27 – January 31

For more information, check out <https://ourwildwanderers.com/pattis-1880s-settlement/>

Location: Grand Rivers, KY

The Lion In Winter

Monday, January 27 – February 1

For more information, check out <https://www.visitlex.com/event/the-lion-in-winter/24875/>

Location: Luigart Studios, Downtown

Tuesday, January 28

Downtown Walking Food & History Tour

Tuesday, January 28 (ongoing)

For more information, check out <https://www.visitlex.com/event/downtown-walking-food-%26-history-tour/22193/>

Location: Downtown

Waveland State Historic Site Tea Tuesday

Tuesday, January 28 (ongoing)

For more information, check out <https://parks.ky.gov/explore/waveland-state-historic-site-7805>

Location: Waveland State Historic Site, Lexington

Yoga at The Kentucky Castle

Tuesday, January 28 (ongoing)

For more information, check out <https://www.thekentuckycastle.com/events>

Location: The Kentucky Castle, Versailles, KY

Wednesday, January 29

Food Truck Wednesday - Location: Base 249, Downtown

Wednesday, January 29 (ongoing)

For more information, check out <https://www.basehere.com/events>

Thursday, January 30

Trivia at Town Branch

Thursday, January 30 (ongoing)

For more information, check out <https://lexingtonbrewingco.com/whiskey-spirits/town-branch>

Location: Lexington Brewing and Distilling Co., Downtown

Bourbon Barons Historic Tour

Thursday, January 30 (ongoing)

For more information, check out

<https://www.stonefencetours.com/index.php/bourbon-tours/bourbon-tours>

Location: Various locations in the Bluegrass

Kentucky Recreation Show

Thursday, January 30 – February 2

For more information, check out

<https://www.centralbankcenter.com/events/detail/kentucky-boat-show>

Location: Central Bank Center, UK Campus

Arnez J. – Comedian

Thursday, January 30 – February 2

For more information, check out

<https://www.comedyoffbroadway.com/events/102619>

Location: Comedy Off Broadway, Lexington

Friday, January 31

Charlie Berens Good Old Fashioned Tour

Friday, January 31

For more information, check out

<https://www.centralbankcenter.com/events/detail/charlie-berens>

Location: Lexington Opera House, Downtown

John Hartford Days

Friday, January 31 – February 1

For more information, check out

<https://www.facebook.com/events/1803440787140559>

Location: Owensboro, KY

Saturday, February 1

UKY Basketball vs. Arkansas

Saturday, February 1

For more information, check out <https://www.visitlex.com/event/uky-basketball-vs-arkansas/24804/>

Location: Central Bank Center and Rupp Arena, Downtown

Monster Truck

Wars

Saturday, February 1

For more information, check out <https://kyhorsepark.com/event/monster-truck-wars/>

Location: Kentucky Horse Park, Lexington

EquineED: featuring Bob Coleman

Saturday, February 1

For more information, check out <https://kyhorsepark.com/event/equineed-featuring-bob-coleman/>

Location: Kentucky Horse Park, Lexington

Winter Jam 2025

Saturday, February 1

For more information, check out https://tprlive.co/event/winter-jam-louisville-ky-february-1-2025/?t_id=Mjk2

Location: KFC Yum! Center, Louisville, KY

Downtown Farmers Market - Location: Tandy Centennial Park, Downtown

Saturday, February 1 (ongoing)

For more information, check out <https://www.lexingtonfarmersmarket.com/>

Sunday, February 2

Black Jacket Symphony Presents: The Beatles Abbey Road

Sunday, February 2

For more information, check out

<https://www.centralbankcenter.com/events/detail/black-jacket-symphony-presents-the-beatles-abbey-road>

Location: Lexington Opera House, Downtown

Distillery District Food & History Tour

Sunday, February 2 (ongoing on Sunday)

For more information, check out <https://www.visitlex.com/event/distillery-district-food-%26-history-tour/23408/>

Location: Downtown

Stills & Stallions Tours

Sunday, February 2 (ongoing every other Sunday)

For more information, check out <http://www.stonefencestours.com/index.php>

Join the Stills and Stallions tour to experience the best of the Bluegrass. You will journey along a fence-lined Kentucky back road to Old Friends Farm to talk about the history of the industry, tour the stables, and see their Thoroughbreds. You will take a trip down the bourbon trail to savor Kentucky's native spirit at Buffalo Trace. You will learn the art and science of bourbon making as you tour the facilities and learn the history of this famous industry. The tour will conclude with samples from the distillery's selection of spirits. Pick up will be at the Keeneland, 4201 Versailles Rd, Lexington (When Keeneland is in session, pickup will be at the Lexington Visitors Center, 215 W Main St, Lexington). Tour is approximately 4 hours in length. Water and snacks are provided. Price includes transportation, fees for the horse farm tour, tasting and tour at distillery and water and snacks.

Location: Various locations around Lexington