Mickey's Very Merry Christmas Party 2026

Snow on Main Street, a parade with Santa, fireworks over the castle and cookies at every turn — Magic Kingdom's beloved Christmas party returns on 25 select nights from 8 November to 22 December 2026.



Minnie's Wonderful Christmastime Fireworks over Cinderella Castle. Photo: Disney Parks Blog

25 nights | **7:00 p.m. – midnight** | **Entry from 4:00 p.m.** | **Separately ticketed**

Details checked 4 November 2026. Entertainment times can change — always confirm in the My Disney Experience app on the night.

PARTY ESSENTIALS

The classic Magic Kingdom Christmas night

Mickey’s Very Merry Christmas Party is a limited-capacity, separately ticketed event. Your party ticket alone gets you into Magic Kingdom from 4:00 p.m. — no daytime park ticket or park reservation needed.

PARTY HOURS

7:00 p.m. – midnight

Ticket holders enter from 4:00 p.m., giving three extra hours in the park before the party starts.

TICKETS

$189 – $229

Per adult, plus tax, depending on the night. Children ages 3–9 save $10; Annual Passholders and Disney Vacation Club Members save $10 on select early nights.

What’s included in your ticket

- Admission to Magic Kingdom from 4:00 p.m. on your party night
- Mickey’s Once Upon a Christmastime Parade, Minnie’s Wonderful Christmastime Fireworks and Mickey’s Most Merriest Celebration
- Complimentary cookies and hot cocoa at treat stations around the park, all night
- A holiday ornament on arrival at the party
- Snowfall on Main Street, U.S.A.
- Holiday character greetings, dance parties and festive attraction overlays
- Party-exclusive merchandise and PhotoPass Magic Shots

What costs extra

- Specialty party food and drinks beyond the complimentary cookies and cocoa
- Merchandise, including the 2026 event collection
- Fireworks dessert parties at Tomorrowland Terrace and Plaza Garden (separately priced, need a party ticket for the same night)

What’s new for 2026

- **15 new food and drink items** across the park — see page 7 for the headliners
- **A brand-new 2026 merchandise collection** with a nostalgic Christmas feel, including a Mickey and Minnie ear headband in mistletoe and peppermint colours
- **Santa’s Christmas Carnival returns** to Storybook Circus — meet Santa, plus holiday crafts and festive friends
- No major new entertainment was announced for 2026 — the beloved line-up returns in full

DATES & TICKETS

Every 2026 party night

25 select nights. Prices are per ticket, plus tax, as published for the 2026 season. Children ages 3–9 pay $10 less than the adult price shown. Annual Passholder and Disney Vacation Club discounts of $10 apply on 8–20 November and 29 November–3 December only.

Date	Adult	Child (3–9)	Date	Adult	Child (3–9)
Sun 8 Nov 2026	$199	$189	Tue 1 Dec 2026	$209	$199
Mon 9 Nov 2026	$189	$179	Thu 3 Dec 2026	$214	$204
Thu 12 Nov 2026	$189	$179	Fri 4 Dec 2026	$219	$209
Fri 13 Nov 2026	$194	$184	Sun 6 Dec 2026	$214	$204
Sun 15 Nov 2026	$194	$184	Tue 8 Dec 2026	$219	$209
Tue 17 Nov 2026	$189	$179	Thu 10 Dec 2026	$219	$209
Thu 19 Nov 2026	$194	$184	Fri 11 Dec 2026	$224	$214
Fri 20 Nov 2026	$199	$189	Sun 13 Dec 2026	$224	$214
Tue 24 Nov 2026	$204	$194	Tue 15 Dec 2026	$224	$214
Wed 25 Nov 2026	$209	$199	Thu 17 Dec 2026	$229	$219
Fri 27 Nov 2026	$219	$209	Fri 18 Dec 2026	$229	$219
Sun 29 Nov 2026	$214	$204	Sun 20 Dec 2026	$229	$219
			Tue 22 Dec 2026	$229	$219

Cheapest and priciest nights

- **Cheapest nights ($189 adult):** 9, 12 and 17 November
- **Priciest nights ($229 adult):** 17, 18, 20 and 22 December — the final four parties
- **There are no Saturday parties** — the calendar runs Sundays, Mondays and selected midweek nights

Good to know before you buy

- Tickets are date-specific and non-refundable — pick your night carefully
- No regular park ticket or theme park reservation is needed if you enter at or after 4:00 p.m.
- Children under 3 do not need a ticket
- After the final party night (22 December), the party entertainment typically runs during regular park hours through New Year’s Eve — 2026 details for this were not confirmed when this guide was checked

ENTERTAINMENT · SHOWTIMES

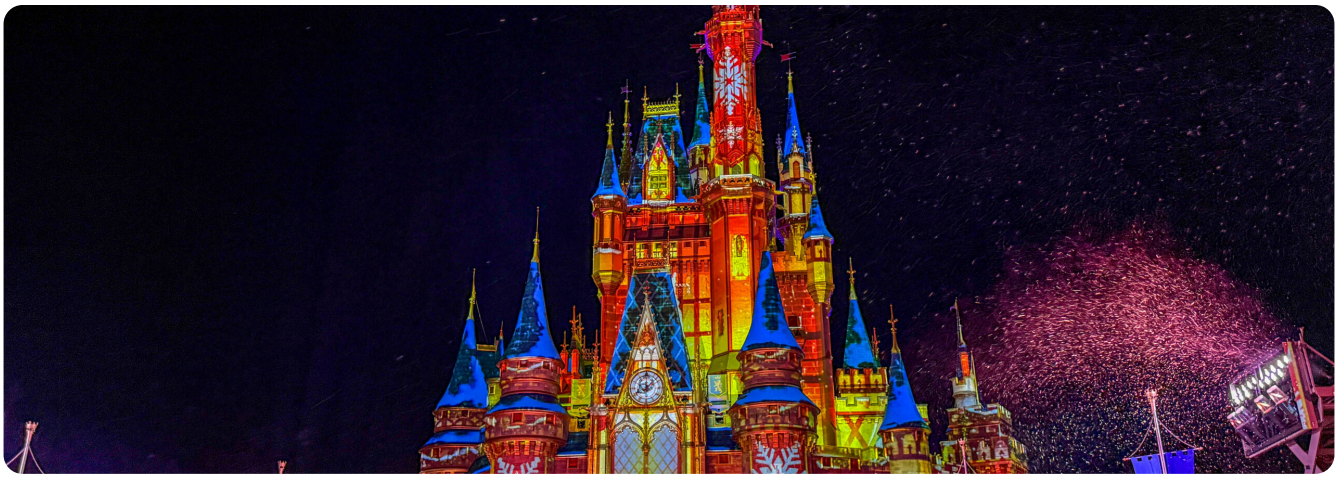
The big three — plus Frozen

These times run the same on all 25 party nights. Shows can be cancelled or retimed for weather — check the app on the night.

Mickey's Most Merriest Celebration — Cinderella Castle stage

7:40 · 9:25 · 10:35 · 11:55 p.m.

Mickey and friends deck the castle with a high-energy stage show of songs, dancing and holiday cheer. Four performances a night, so you can fit one around the parade and fireworks.



Mickey's Most Merriest Celebration on the castle stage. Photo: Disney Parks Blog

Mickey's Once Upon a Christmastime Parade

8:30 · 11:00 p.m.

The party-exclusive parade from Frontierland down Main Street, U.S.A., with characters in festive costumes, gingerbread men, dancing reindeer and Santa Claus himself to close. The 11:00 p.m. parade is usually quieter — the 8:30 p.m. one is the busiest viewing of the night.

Minnie's Wonderful Christmastime Fireworks

10:00 p.m.

One showing only, hosted by Minnie with classic holiday music over the castle. Be in place by 9:30 p.m. for a good spot.

Frozen Holiday Surprise

8:15 p.m. — party nights only

Elsa, Anna, Olaf and Kristoff light the castle in a short nightly moment. Party-only timing: on party nights it runs at 8:15 p.m.

ENTERTAINMENT · MORE TO FIND

Parades, snowfall and Santa’s carnival



Mickey’s Once Upon a Christmastime Parade on Main Street, U.S.A. Photo: Disney Parks Blog

Beyond the big three

- **Snowfall on Main Street, U.S.A.** — real-feeling snow drifts down Main Street through the evening; it is included with your ticket and costs nothing extra
- **Santa’s Christmas Carnival** — Storybook Circus transforms for the party: meet Santa, try holiday crafts and meet festive friends near Dumbo and The Barnstormer
- **Dance parties** — party dance spots run through the night across the park; the best-known is Club Tinsel in Tomorrowland
- **Stitchmas! (NEW for 2026)** — a brand-new dance party hosted by Lilo and Stitch inside Cosmic Ray’s Starlight Café in Tomorrowland, for guests of all ages on select party nights. It takes the space Disney Junior Jingle Jam filled last year. Set times had not been published when this guide was checked — check the app on the night
- **Character greetings in holiday outfits** — see page 6 for the confirmed meets
- **Party-exclusive PhotoPass Magic Shots** around the park, including holiday frames you cannot get in daytime
- **A Totally Tomorrowland Christmas is not returning** — the Tomorrowland stage show has ended, so it is not part of the 2026 party



Frozen Holiday Surprise — Elsa lights the castle at 8:15 p.m. on party nights. Photo: Disney Parks Blog

CHARACTERS & PHOTO OPS

Who you can meet

Confirmed character greetings for the 2026 party — all in holiday outfits, all party-exclusive in these looks.

Princess Fairytale Hall

Anna and Elsa — meet the Frozen sisters in their festive finery. One of the longest queues of the night; go early or late, not mid-evening.

Town Square Theater

Jack Skellington as Santa, with Sally — the party's most famous meet, and regularly the longest line in the park. Queue before the party starts if this is your priority.
Mickey Mouse and Minnie Mouse in their finest holiday looks.

Storybook Circus — Santa's Christmas Carnival

Santa Claus — meet Santa himself, plus holiday crafts and festive friends in the Storybook Circus area.
Winnie the Pooh and friends (NEW party location for 2026) — on party nights Pooh and friends greet at Storybook Circus instead of their daytime home at The Thotful Spot in Fantasyland, giving one of the party's longest character lines more queue space. Disney has not shared the exact spot within Storybook Circus or which friends join Pooh — check the app on the night.

Photo and queue tips

- Main Street snowfall photos are best taken after dark with the castle lit behind you
- The castle hub during fireworks is the classic shot — but the parade route in Frontierland gives you characters with far fewer people in frame
- Party-exclusive Magic Shots are worth hunting down; photographers are stationed around the park all night
- If a queue is over an hour, come back during the fireworks — many guests leave the meet lines for the 10:00 p.m. show

FOOD & DRINK

15 new tastes for 2026

Specialty party food and drinks are sold across the park during the party and are **not** included in the ticket price (the complimentary cookies and cocoa on page 8 are the exception). Disney published no individual item prices for the 2026 party menu, so none are printed here.

New for 2026

- **Tostada de Nochebuena** — Pecos Bill Tall Tale Inn & Café
- **Gingerbread Cheesecake Beignets** — Golden Oak Outpost
- **Mongolian Beef Bao** — Sleepy Hollow Refreshments
- **Mickey the Elf** — Cosmic Ray's Starlight Café
- **Peppermint Bark Cola Slushy** — party-exclusive sip
- Plus ten more new items across every land — the full 2026 menu runs to 15 new dishes and drinks

Returning favourites

- **Holiday Pot Roast Melt** and **Nice List Shake**
- **Holiday Turkey Burger**
- **Peppermint Bark Funnel Cake** — Sleepy Hollow Refreshments
- **Mexican Hot Chocolate Churro Loops** — Pecos Bill Tall Tale Inn & Café



Gingerbread Cheesecake Beignets (new) — Golden Oak Outpost. Photo: Disney Parks Blog



Mongolian Beef Bao (new) — Sleepy Hollow Refreshments. Photo: Disney Parks Blog



Mickey the Elf (new) — Cosmic Ray's Starlight Café. Photo: Disney Parks Blog



Peppermint Bark Funnel Cake — Sleepy Hollow Refreshments. Photo: Disney Parks Blog

TREATS & RIDES

Free cookies, cocoa and overlays

Complimentary cookies and hot cocoa

- **Included with your ticket, all night:** Christmas cookies and hot cocoa at treat stations around the park
- Different stations serve different cookie varieties — grazing your way around the park is half the fun
- Stations are marked on the party map in the app; they are busiest right after the party starts and quieten later

2026 cookie stops:

- The Launching Pad
- Gaston's Tavern
- Sunshine Tree Terrace
- Tortuga Tavern
- Cosmic Ray's Starlight Café
- Storybook Circus Train Station

Cookie variety varies by stop — check the party map in the My Disney Experience app on the night for what each station is serving.

Holiday overlays

- **Space Mountain – Holiday Run**
- **Tomorrowland Speedway** — with its holiday overlay
- **Mad Tea Party** — holiday twist
- **Monsters, Inc. Laugh Floor** — holiday twist
- **Jungle Cruise as Jingle Cruise** — the classic cruise with a festive overlay

Also open through the party

Big Thunder Mountain Railroad; Pirates of the Caribbean; Haunted Mansion; "it's a small world"; Peter Pan's Flight; Seven Dwarfs Mine Train; The Many Adventures of Winnie the Pooh; Under the Sea ~ Journey of The Little Mermaid; Dumbo the Flying Elephant; The Barnstormer; Buzz Lightyear's Space Ranger Spin; Tomorrowland Transit Authority PeopleMover; TRON Lightcycle / Run.

With limited capacity, waits across the park are usually far lower than daytime, especially after the fireworks. TRON Lightcycle / Run, Tiana's Bayou Adventure, Seven Dwarfs Mine Train and Space Mountain are the usual late-night draws — expect their queues to stay longest.



Minnie's Wonderful Christmastime Fireworks. Photo: Disney Parks Blog

Dessert parties (separately priced)

The Tomorrowland Terrace and Plaza Garden fireworks dessert parties are available on party nights for an extra charge and require a valid party ticket for the same night. Advance reservations are required — book early, as they sell out.

PLAN YOUR NIGHT

A sample Very Merry evening

One way to fit the headliners into a single night — swap to taste, but protect the one-showing-only fireworks at 10:00 p.m.

Time	Do this
4:00 p.m.	Enter the park on your party ticket and collect your holiday ornament on arrival; ride headliners while day guests leave. Already inside Magic Kingdom? Collect your party wristband from 4:00 p.m. at Tortuga Tavern, Mickey's PhilharMagic or Monsters, Inc. Laugh Floor
6:00 p.m.	Grab a first cookie stop
7:40 p.m.	Mickey's Most Merriest Celebration on the castle stage
8:15 p.m.	Frozen Holiday Surprise — Elsa lights the castle
8:30 p.m.	Mickey's Once Upon a Christmastime Parade (or catch the quieter 11:00 p.m. parade instead)
10:00 p.m.	Minnie's Wonderful Christmastime Fireworks — one showing only, be in place by 9:30 p.m.
11:00 p.m.	Second parade, or character meets while queues ease during the fireworks
11:55 p.m.	Final Most Merriest Celebration to close the night

Tips that make the night better

- **Arrive at 4:00 p.m.** — three bonus hours is a lot of rides before the party even starts
- **Pick your parade:** the 8:30 p.m. parade is the busiest; the 11:00 p.m. parade is the same show with far more breathing room
- **Queue for Jack Skellington early** if he is a priority — his line is the longest of the night
- **Save the second half of the night for rides** — the park empties noticeably after the fireworks
- **Watch the weather:** outdoor shows can be delayed or cancelled for lightning; the castle stage show is your best wet-weather back-up
- **Getting home:** buses, monorail and boats run after midnight; allow time and expect queues at park close

BEFORE YOU GO

Checklist & sources

Before the night

- ☐ Party ticket bought for the right date
- ☐ Parade choice made: 8:30 or 11:00 p.m.
- ☐ Priority character meet picked (Jack? Anna & Elsa?)
- ☐ Cookie-stop route checked in the app
- ☐ Park entry plan: arrive for 4:00 p.m.
- ☐ Fireworks spot planned for 10:00 p.m.
- ☐ Food headliners picked from page 7
- ☐ Transport home planned for after midnight

Not yet confirmed — check the app on the night

- 2026 cookie variety at each stop
- Full 2026 character list beyond the confirmed meets on page 6
- Post-22 December regular-hours party entertainment details for 2026

Anything listed here was deliberately left out of the main guide rather than printed from a previous year's line-up. If it is announced, it will appear in a future update of this guide.

Photo credits

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- Disney Food Blog, DVC Shop, Crowd Levels — corroborating 2026 date and per-night price tables
- BlogMickey — Winnie the Pooh and friends move to Storybook Circus for party nights (3 November 2026); new Stitchmas! dance party at Cosmic Ray's Starlight Café (4 November 2026)
- Party details confirmed 4 November 2026: 2026 cookie-stop locations, Santa Claus at Storybook Circus and Mickey Mouse and Minnie Mouse at Town Square Theater, holiday attraction overlays, open rides, the arrival holiday ornament, and in-park wristband collection from 4:00 p.m. at Tortuga Tavern, Mickey's PhilharMagic and Monsters, Inc. Laugh Floor