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HOME WITH

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CELEBRATING THE HOLIDAY SEASON *in Austin*

There's a lot to love about this time of year in Austin, especially the way familiar places give us new reasons to get out, gather, and enjoy where we live.

That's why I'm so excited to share this magazine with you. Whether you're planning something special or simply looking for a new favorite close to home, you'll find it here this season. Inside, you'll find a taste of how our local food scene welcomes fall, places to make family memories, and ways to enjoy Halloween around town.

As the season moves along, there's a day trip to consider, ideas for a memorable evening out, and local touches for welcoming people into your home.

We'll also share ways to support the neighbors and organizations that do so much for our community.

And when December arrives, I hope you'll find time for the lights, the views, thoughtful gifts from nearby shops, and a festive night in with the people you love. However you celebrate, I hope these pages give you ideas worth making your own.

Thank you for reading and for being part of this community. Wishing you a wonderful holiday season and a happy new year!

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OCTOBER



Welcome to fall in Austin

October in Austin often begins with sunlight that still feels like summer. Then an evening arrives when the air softens, porch decorations appear, and a pumpkin on a front step finally looks right at home. Our fall is less about sweaters and changing leaves than finding reasons to stay outside a little longer.

The season stretches across the city and beyond it. On one weekend, families can head to a farm south of town, choose a pumpkin, and come home with dusty shoes and a photo worth keeping. Another afternoon might call for something sweet from a local bakery. After dark, Halloween plans range from a neighborhood walk to a performance that turns familiar music into a little theater of its own.

What I enjoy about making a guide to Austin in fall is the variety. There is room for a big festival in Zilker Park, a quiet outing with the kids, or an unplanned stop when a seasonal menu catches your eye. You can do a lot, or pick one tradition and give it your full attention.

The pages ahead offer places to taste the season, find pumpkins at a farm, make a family memory, and choose a Halloween outing. Start wherever your October takes you.

FALL FINDS ITS WAY TO THE AUSTIN TABLE

Seasonal cooking, a warm café stop, and a little something sweet to bring home.



On an Austin October afternoon, the light can feel golden even when the temperature has other ideas. A seasonal meal here does not depend on a cold snap. It might begin with a café menu that follows the harvest and end with a small pie carried home for later.

At Pecan Square Café on West Sixth, the kitchen takes its cues from what is in season. That approach gives a fall lunch its own sense of occasion, with ingredients and dishes changing as the harvest does. Settle in for a meal, leave time for another conversation, and let the kitchen introduce you to its version of October. I like the idea of welcoming fall through the food on the table.



For a sweeter pause, Tiny's Milk & Cookies on West 35th brings pumpkin bread and pumpkin spiced lattes to the season. Its little walk-up window makes the stop feel casual: pick up a treat, find a place to sit, and watch an ordinary errand turn into an outing. Sunshine on the sidewalk is part of the Austin charm.

Tiny Pies on Burnet Road rounds out the afternoon with a pumpkin mini pie, spiced filling and vanilla bean whipped cream. Carry one home for later or choose a few flavors to share. A restaurant, a café window, and a bakery case each offer a different way to follow your appetite into fall.

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SEASONAL FUN

PUMPKIN PATCHES THAT GO BEYOND PUMPKINS

01 Sweet Eats Adventure Farm

14400 E. State Highway 29, Georgetown
@sweeteatsfruitfarm

Choose a pumpkin, meet farm animals, and make time for the corn maze and hayride. The Georgetown farm's fall festival has room for a full day of play.

02 Texas Pumpkin Fest

8760 FM 2243, Leander
@texaspumpkinfest

A pumpkin search comes with rides, games and live entertainment at this Leander festival, open October 10 through November 1, 2026. Bring the whole family.

03 Indian Springs Ranch Fall Festival

403 Elm View Way, Manchaca
@indianspringsranch

Find more than 30 pumpkin varieties, meet ranch animals and try the sensory corn pit or low ropes course beneath the shade trees near South Austin in fall.

04 Mama Mary's Farm & Pumpkin Patch

5701 Williamson Road, Creedmoor
@mamamarysfarm

Pick a pumpkin at this family farm near South Austin, then enjoy hay rides, animal barn visits, a kiddie hay maze and plenty of places for fall photos.

Grab your pumpkin spice latte, put on your favorite plaid flannel, and get ready for the quintessential fall activity.

These pumpkin patches around Austin have the vibes and activities to kick off fall, beyond just pumpkins!



KIMBERLY'S TIP

I'd choose an earlier time slot and leave space for the kids to linger over the pumpkins. At Indian Springs Ranch, weekend arrivals before 11 require advance tickets.



FAMILY TRADITIONS

Making Fall Memories in Austin

The outings, photos, and little traditions your family might look forward to year after year.



A fall memory does not have to come from a packed calendar. It can be the small repeatable thing: the same photo each October, the child who insists on choosing the pumpkin, or the treat everyone talks about on the drive home. Austin's warm afternoons leave plenty of room for those traditions to happen outdoors.

At Mama Mary's Farm in Creedmoor, a family can wander between the pumpkin patch, animal barn, hay rides and photo spots without making the day feel like a race. Let the kids pick the activity that matters most to them, then take a picture in the same corner of the farm each year. The backdrop changes as they grow. Check the current schedule before setting out and bring water for a sunny afternoon.

For a different outing, the Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center in southwest Austin brings Fortlandia back on October 2. The outdoor exhibit invites families to climb, crawl and explore locally designed forts, turning a garden visit into an adventure. Give younger explorers time to find their own secret hideout, then pause for a family photo. The forts offer something to discover together, with native plants and open sky all around.

On a weekend with more energy to spare, Sweet Eats Adventure Farm in Georgetown brings pumpkins and farm activities together. A hayride or maze can become the thing everyone asks to do again next year. Decide together which part of the day is worth slowing down for.

For me, fall memories also live in the kitchen. I used to make fudge with my Grannie; now it's cooking with my Mom. An outing, a recipe, or a photograph can each become a way of saying, "Remember when?"



MY FAMILY'S FAVORITE

I used to make fudge with my Grannie. These days, cooking with my Mom is one of the ways I carry that warmth into a new season.

COSTUMES & CANDY

HALLOWEEN, THE AUSTIN WAY

From neighborhood traditions to the events that come out after dark, here's how Halloween takes shape around town.



Halloween at our house starts in the front yard. My husband, Terry, and I love decorating, getting into our best costumes, and welcoming neighbors as they make their trick-or-treating rounds. We call it Halloweiners: hot dogs, fun snacks, plenty of candy, and a chance to spend Halloween night together.

Those stops between doorbells are part of what makes the evening feel like a neighborhood celebration. Kids compare candy, costumes become conversation starters, and a quick hello has room to turn into a longer visit. I love how something as simple as feeding people can give them a reason to linger.

Austin also makes room for traditions with a different meaning. Mexic-Arte Museum's Viva la Vida festival and parade on October 24 brings Día de los Muertos art and remembrance downtown. It deserves to be experienced on its own terms. Whether your October plans take you into the city or keep you close to home, leave time for the people who make the season memorable.



FOR THE KIDS

Halloween Children's Concert

Wear a costume to the Austin Symphony's October 18 concert at Dell Hall. Peter and the Wolf, props and pre-concert activities make the music feel like an adventure.

FOR THE ADULTS

Bat City Scaregrounds

Three haunted attractions, live music and roaming monsters fill Bat City Scaregrounds in Buda on select nights September 26–October 31. Choose your date when booking.





ON THE CALENDAR

OCTOBER EVENTS

01 Austin City Limits Music Festival

Zilker Park, Austin

October 2–4 and 9–11; tickets through the festival

Nine stages and two weekends fill Zilker with music. Plan for a full day, then leave time to wander between sets and food.

02 Austoberfest

Scholz Garten, Austin

October 3; check Austin Saengerrunde admission

German-Texan music, food and bowling take over historic Scholz Garten for a lively, distinctly Austin afternoon with friends.

03 Hot Luck Festival

Various Austin venues

October 16–17; ticketed events

The food-and-music gathering moves to fall, mixing open-fire cooking, Austin chefs and live sets across the city. Eat well.

04 Halloween Children's Concert

Dell Hall at the Long Center, Austin

October 18 at 3 p.m.; tickets through Austin Symphony

Costumes are welcome as the orchestra turns Peter and the Wolf into music, masks and storytelling for Austin families.

What's going on around Austin that you'll want to add to your list this fall!

05 Viva la Vida Festival & Parade

Fourth Street and Congress Avenue, Austin

October 24, noon–6 p.m.; see Mexic-Arte Museum

Mexic-Arte Museum brings its Día de los Muertos parade, art and community celebration to downtown Austin on October 24.

06 Austin Film Festival

Downtown Austin

October 29–November 5; passes and individual tickets

Screenings and a writers conference bring filmmakers and audiences together for a week of stories across downtown Austin.



MY TOP PICK

I'm looking forward to Viva la Vida on October 24. The parade and art bring a thoughtful, colorful celebration of remembrance into downtown Austin this year.

NOVEMBER



Embracing the Seasonal Spirit

November in Austin does not arrive with a dramatic change of scenery. There may still be bright afternoons and patio weather, but the rhythm around town shifts. A calendar fills with invitations, a pie order becomes a practical decision, and conversations turn toward who will be around the table this year.

It is also a month to look more closely at the community around us. Local artists open their studios, the Texas Book Festival brings readers downtown, and people find ways to give time or support to organizations doing steady work throughout the year. Those connections matter well beyond a single holiday. I hope this guide makes a few of them easier to discover.

There is pleasure in getting out, too. A short drive can turn a free afternoon into a fall escape. Closer to home, a special dinner, live music or a theater seat can make a November night feel like an occasion. If you are welcoming people in, flowers from a neighborhood florist and a pie from a nearby baker can make the house feel ready without asking you to do everything yourself.

However your month takes shape, leave room for something unplanned: another conversation after dinner, a stop at an artist's studio, or a small act of generosity that stays with you. Let's see where November leads.

DAY TRIP

A NOVEMBER DAY IN LOCKHART

Barbecue, music, and a downtown worth exploring beyond the festival.



TRIP NOTES

Distance: About 30 miles southeast of Austin.

Don't Miss: The square and Sunday's Top 50 Picnic at Lockhart City Park.

Best Times to Visit: November 7–8, 2026; check tickets and live traffic.



The scent of wood smoke is reason enough to roll into Lockhart, but on November 7 and 8, the town has another invitation. Texas Monthly BBQ Fest returns for a weekend that turns a short drive from Austin into a full fall outing. Leave a little room in the schedule to see Lockhart beyond the plate.

Saturday's BBQ World's Fair brings the festival downtown, where the courthouse gives the streets an unmistakable center. Sunday's Top 50 Picnic returns to Lockhart City Park. Choose the day that appeals to you, then check the festival's ticket page for current availability before making plans. With barbecue at the center of the weekend, I'd leave room to sample something new and enjoy the town between bites.

Between festival stops, take a slow walk around the square. Lockhart is known for its historic barbecue joints, but its shops, artists and live music give you more reasons to linger. The pleasure of a day trip is being able to change plans: follow a storefront that catches your eye, sit for a while, or make the drive home before the evening rush.

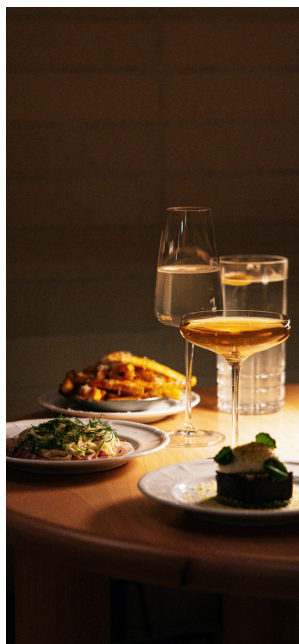
Go hungry, wear shoes made for walking, and leave time for a second look at the town. Lockhart makes a good case for letting the journey be part of the celebration.

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DATE NIGHT

PLANNING A REFINED EVENING WORTH CELEBRATING

Four special ways to celebrate together as the holiday season begins in Austin



FINE DINING

Odd Duck on South Lamar gives a special night out an unmistakably Austin rhythm. The restaurant grew from a local food trailer and serves a changing menu of inventive, shareable plates. It feels celebratory without asking you to whisper across a white tablecloth, and its early evening happy hour offers another way to make a date of it.



CONCERT

At Dell Hall in Austin on November 29, Leslie Odom Jr. joins the Austin Symphony Orchestra for his Christmas Tour. His warm vocals and the full orchestra give the start of the holiday season a special sound. Settle into the Long Center for a concert that makes a November date feel like an occasion, and check current seating when booking.



WINE TASTING

At Duchman Family Winery in Driftwood, choose a tasting and leave time to sit beneath the oaks afterward. The winery has five tasting stations and a relaxed Hill Country setting that gives a date room to breathe. Reserve ahead for a Friday through Sunday visit; weekday walk-ins are offered when space allows.



THEATER

Dolly Parton's Smoky Mountain Christmas Carol comes to Bass Concert Hall in Austin on November 27 at 5 p.m., presented by Texas Performing Arts. Dolly's songs bring Dickens' story into a 1930s East Tennessee mining town, giving a familiar holiday tale a new setting. Make it a date with the musical, then leave time for dinner afterward.

Make Hosting at Home More Special with Local Touches

Thoughtful details that make guests feel welcome while incorporating what makes Austin unique this time of year



A welcoming table does not need to look like a production. I like the idea of choosing a few thoughtful details that give guests something to notice, taste and take home, then leaving plenty of room for the conversation to unfold. In Austin, those details can come from businesses with stories of their own.

For the table, Ben White Florist on South Congress is a family-owned Austin shop with seasonal arrangements. Ask for a low arrangement or a few stems that will let everyone see one another across dinner. Set the flowers out before you start cooking, and even a simple meal feels considered. A small vase at the end of the table also leaves room for serving dishes and the inevitable extra chair.

Dessert can be the part you happily leave to someone else. Texas Pie Company in Kyle makes full-size, deep-dish pies, including seasonal pumpkin and pumpkin praline varieties. A whole pie feels made for passing around after dinner. Slice it in the kitchen, put out plates and forks, and let guests decide whether they want a little piece or a generous one.



Check the shop's holiday ordering window before promising a particular flavor. If the gathering is larger, ask how many slices the pie will serve when you place the order.

For a parting gesture, stop at locally owned Shoal Creek Nursery on Hancock Drive. Its houseplants and succulents give you a starting point for small potted gifts. Ask the staff to help choose plants that suit your guests' spaces, then place each in a little pot with a handwritten care card. Arrange them along the table or beside each setting, and invite everyone to take one home. The greenery becomes both a decoration and a reminder of the evening.

Flowers, pie and a little gift are lovely, but none has to be elaborate. The point is to make people feel expected and welcome. When those touches come from businesses around Austin and nearby Kyle, the evening carries a little more of the place we call home.

COMMUNITY OF GIVING

WAYS TO GIVE BACK TO AUSTIN THIS SEASON

For the neighbors and organizations that make this place feel like home

The organizations doing good work in Austin are part of the community we share.

And this season, there are plenty of ways to support them, whether you have time to volunteer, something useful to donate, or a local cause you'd love more people to know about. Even sharing an organization's work with your friends and neighbors can help it reach someone ready to get involved.



VOLUNTEER

The SAFE Alliance supports Austin survivors of abuse and violence. Volunteers can sort donations, help with activities or take on service projects listed through SAFE's volunteer portal. Browse the current opportunities and sign up for a project that fits your time; direct service roles begin with an information session and require training.

SHOP LOCAL

BookPeople has been Austin's independent bookstore since 1970. Browse local authors, children's books and staff picks at its downtown shop, then give someone a story chosen with them in mind. Buying from the store keeps part of your holiday shopping rooted in a business that also supports reading and community programs here.

DONATE

Austin Pets Alive! works to save vulnerable shelter animals and accepts financial gifts through its current giving page. A donation helps support the rescue's programs and the animals in its care. Visit the organization's own donation page to give an amount that works for you; its site also lists other ways to help if you want to learn more.

SHARE THE MESSAGE

Jack Jack's Pack helps dogs living on the streets move toward safety and a new home. Follow the rescue's updates and share a dog's story, foster appeal or donation post with someone who may be able to help. Passing the word along can connect this smaller rescue with its next volunteer, foster or supporter, even when giving money is not possible.



ON THE CALENDAR

NOVEMBER EVENTS

01 Austin Food & Wine Festival

Auditorium Shores, Austin
November 6–8; ticketed festival

Taste your way through chef demonstrations and food and wine events beside Lady Bird Lake, with live music in the mix.

02 Wurstfest

New Braunfels
November 6–15; admission through Wurstfest

A short drive brings Bavarian-style music, food and carnival fun to New Braunfels for ten days of celebration this November.

03 Austin Celtic Festival

Pioneer Farms, Austin
November 7–8; see organizer for tickets

Music, traditional arts and Highland Games turn Pioneer Farms into an energetic weekend of Celtic culture in North Austin.

04 Texas Book Festival

Texas Capitol grounds, Austin
November 14–15; see festival schedule

Authors, panels and children's activities fill the Capitol area, making room to discover a new book together this fall.

The very best of the fall season and start of the winter holidays!

05 Austin Studio Tour

Studios and galleries across Austin
November 14–15 and 21–22; see tour map

Step inside local studios, meet makers and see where Austin art begins during two November weekends across the city.

06 ThunderCloud Subs Turkey Trot

Long Center area, Austin
November 26; registration through organizer

Run five miles or take the one-mile walk, then spend Thanksgiving morning outside with the Austin community by the lake.



MY TOP PICK

I've gone to the Austin Studio Tour several years in a row, and I love it. Meeting artists and seeing their work is a November tradition I look forward to.

DECEMBER



'Tis the season in Austin

December in Austin can bring a clear, mild afternoon and a glowing skyline after dark. The season moves between those two moods. People meet under the Zilker Tree, walk through a field of lights, shop for something made by a local artist, and still find an afternoon to take a slow walk outdoors.

The city's familiar places take on new roles. Zilker Park becomes an evening destination, Lake Austin reflects the lights at Mozart's, and the Palmer Events Center fills with the music and art of the Armadillo Christmas Bazaar. Each offers a different reason to gather. None requires the weather to feel like a northern winter.

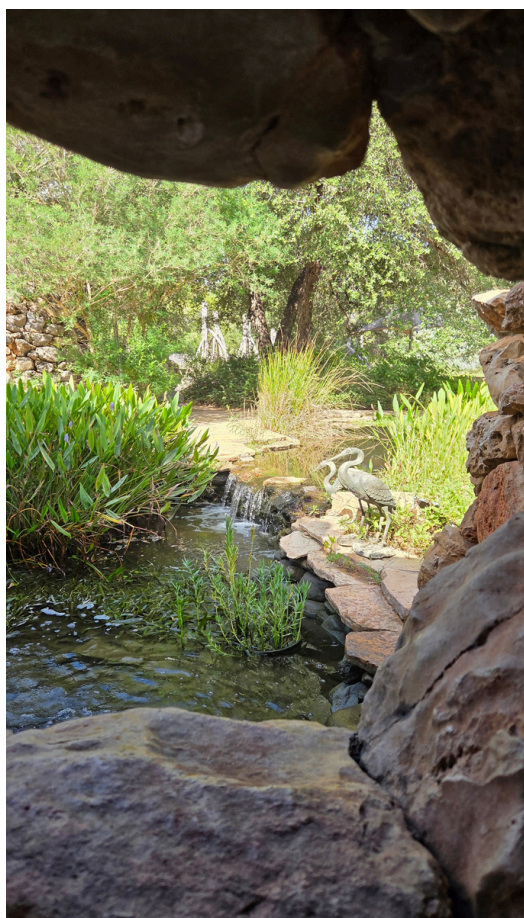
I hope the pages ahead help you choose a few moments that fit your own celebration. There are lights worth planning an evening around, shops where the person who made a gift is part of its story, and a quiet landscape for anyone who wants a little breathing room. A night at home can be just as festive with people you love, dinner that feels easy, and a game that keeps everyone at the table a bit longer.

However you mark December, or if you simply enjoy its gatherings and glow, let the city offer something new and something familiar. We can start outside, then follow the lights.

FRESH AIR

GET OUTSIDE & ENJOY THE VIEWS AT THE WILDFLOWER CENTER

A nearby escape that invites you to slow down and take in the season.



A December walk in Austin can begin without a heavy coat. At the Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center in southwest Austin, the appeal is not a promise of flowers in every bed. It is the shape of the place: native plants, limestone paths and open sky, all close enough to the city for a visit that does not take over the day.

Start in the Central Gardens and choose the pace that suits you. You can wander the paths, pause at the stonework, and see how Texas plants hold their own through the quieter season. The Luci and Ian Family Garden gives younger visitors room to explore, while the broader grounds offer a longer walk for anyone who wants it. The Center's gardens and trails are open during its September-through-May schedule, though holiday closures and special-event access should be checked when you plan.

This is a place to notice details rather than chase a viewpoint. Look at the seed heads, the shapes of live oaks, and the light falling across the garden walls. A warm Austin afternoon might make a bench the best part of the outing. If it turns cool, a shorter circuit can still feel like time well spent.

I would leave the schedule loose. Walk as far as you like, stop when something catches your eye, and let the familiar Central Texas landscape be the reason you came. December gives it a quieter voice, and that is part of the pleasure.



NIGHT LIGHTS

WHEN AUSTIN LIGHTS UP FOR THE HOLIDAYS

The streets and events worth heading out to see after dark.

Austin's holiday lights have a way of turning a familiar route into an outing. One evening might begin with a walk through Zilker Park; another might end beside Lake Austin with a warm drink in hand. The weather rarely supplies a storybook winter scene, but the reflections, music and people gathering outside give the season a character of its own.

At Austin Trail of Lights, the pleasure is in walking through it. Give yourself time to look at the installations, pause for a photo and let the evening move at a comfortable pace. Check the event's 2026 admission and parking details before leaving home, especially if you are bringing a group. The organizer has confirmed a December season, though its full public-night schedule may still change.

The Zilker Tree offers a different kind of stop. Its familiar cone of lights is an Austin landmark and a natural place to gather for a quick holiday photo. The City has scheduled the 2026 lighting for November 29 and visits through January 1. Check access details before pairing it with a wider night out around Zilker.

Across town, Mozart's Lake Austin Festival of Lights brings the spectacle to the waterfront. Lights along the lakeside setting make this one to enjoy slowly, with a drink and time to take in the view. Look at the café's current reservation options before you go so you know which experience you are booking.

These are three distinct ways to see Austin after dark: a walk, a landmark and an evening by the water. Pick the one that fits your company, or give each its own night.



A LOCAL FAVORITE

I'm looking forward to seeing the lights beside the water at Mozart's this year. The Lake Austin setting makes it feel like a particularly Austin way to celebrate.

CELEBRATING HOME

A FESTIVE NIGHT IN TO CELEBRATE THE SEASON

Make it an evening to enjoy together, with a little help from your Austin favorites.

A good holiday evening at home begins when everyone can settle in. Turn on music, put something simple in the middle of the table, and let the room feel welcoming without trying to stage a perfect picture. December can get busy enough. A night with friends, family or a partner deserves space to unfold at its own pace.

For dinner, Eldorado Cafe on West Anderson Lane offers curbside to-go ordering. Pick up a spread before the gathering, then set it out so guests can serve themselves. Check holiday hours and order ahead if your evening falls near a major holiday. It is a way to bring a local favorite to the table while saving your energy for the people around it. Add a dessert you enjoy, whether that means something homemade or a simple dish someone else brings.

After dinner, bring everyone back to the table for a game. A holiday round of 20 Questions takes almost no preparation, while Gift UN-Wrap turns a wrapped prize and a pair of oven mitts into a roomful of laughter. Keep the rules light and let guests join or simply watch. I gathered more ideas in my Fun Holiday Games guide, including games for groups that want to move around and others that work right at the table.

A toast can be as modest as raising glasses of sparkling water, cider or whatever people like. Ask everyone for one good memory from the year, or simply thank them for being there. The night does not need a complicated centerpiece. Its best part may be how long everyone stays after the plates are cleared.



GIFT GUIDE

WHERE I'M SHOPPING & WHAT I'M BUYING

Thoughtful gifts for everyone on your list, found close to home



Holiday shopping in Austin is more enjoyable when finding the gift is part of the outing. At Blue Genie Art Bazaar, the room is full of work by artists and makers, with enough variety to discover something personal instead of settling for a generic stocking filler. Its 2026 holiday bazaar runs November 13 through December 24.

The Armadillo Christmas Bazaar adds live music to the search. At the Palmer Events Center December 12 through 21, you can spend time with the art, learn about its maker and give someone a piece with a story attached. It is an especially good stop when you have a person in mind but no particular object yet.

For a quieter shop visit, Take Heart on East 11th Street offers thoughtfully chosen small goods. Give yourself a little time to browse. A useful gift is even better when its color, shape or detail makes you think immediately of the person who will open it.



FOR THE HOST

A botanical soy candle

Slow North, North Central Austin

FOR THE KIDS

A hands-on game

Toy Joy, Austin

FOR THE HARD-TO-BUY-FOR

An artist-made print

Blue Genie Art Bazaar, Austin

FOR THE FOODIE

A cheese gift box

Antonelli's Cheese Shop, Austin

FOR THE NEIGHBOR

A box of Texas Chewie pralines

Lammes Candies, Austin

FOR THE COWORKER

A bookshop gift card

BookPeople, Austin

FOR THE FRIEND

An Austin-made petite dish

Take Heart, East Austin



ON THE CALENDAR

DECEMBER & NEW YEAR'S

From holiday celebrations to the New Year's countdown, these are the dates worth saving.

01 The Nutcracker

Dell Hall at the Long Center, Austin
December 4–23; tickets through Ballet Austin

Ballet Austin and the Austin Symphony bring the familiar story, dancing and live score back to Dell Hall for December.

02 German-Texan Christmas Market

German Free School, Austin
December 5; see society for admission details

Browse crafts and ornaments with German holiday music at the historic German Free School near downtown on December 5.

03 Armadillo Christmas Bazaar

Palmer Events Center, Austin
December 12–21; tickets through organizer

Meet artists, browse original work and hear live music at a market that makes the gift hunt feel like an Austin outing.

04 Elf in Concert

Dell Hall at the Long Center, Austin
December 15–16 at 7:30 p.m.; Austin Symphony tickets

Watch *Elf* on the big screen while the Austin Symphony performs John Debney's score live in Dell Hall this December.

05 Zilker Holiday Tree

Zilker Park, Austin
November 29–January 1; 6–10 p.m. per city schedule

Stand beneath the glowing Zilker Tree and make an evening of the Austin landmark; check city access details before going.

06 Austin's New Year

Auditorium Shores, Austin
December 31

Make Auditorium Shores part of your New Year's Eve plans, with a lakeside setting for Austin's annual year-end celebration.



MY TOP PICK

Elf is my favorite holiday movie of all time, so I'm especially excited to hear the Austin Symphony play its score live at the Long Center this December.



A NEW YEAR, A FRESH LOOK AT HOME



Want even more holiday tips and ideas this season? Be sure to follow me for local reels and insights.

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Putting this guide together reminded me of all the people and places that make our local area feel like home. I hope you found a new favorite somewhere in these pages, or a reason to revisit a place you already love. Thank you for reading, for staying connected, and for letting me share a little of this community with you.

I'm grateful that my work gives me the chance to help people think about home in a deeper way, too. Sometimes a new year brings a change in what we need from the place we live. Sometimes it reminds us how much we love where we are.

Those decisions are personal, and it means a lot when someone trusts me to help them talk through what comes next. If home is on your mind in the new year, I'm always here for a conversation.

Most of all, I hope you have time to enjoy this season and the people who make it special. Wishing you a wonderful holiday season and a happy new year.

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