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Unwrap the holiday spirit: Discover Christmas in Lancaster, Pa.

(Lancaster, Pa.) Christmas is often about the small and the special. Experiences unexpected or eagerly anticipated, but equally meaningful just the same.

When visitors [Discover Christmas in Lancaster](#), such moments and more are all possible at some of the area's most cherished events and traditions:

- Sing along with yuletide favorites during **American Music Theatre's** [2018 Christmas Show – The First Noel](#), share in [A Christmas to Remember](#) at **Bird-in-Hand Stage**, or renew your own “spirit” with [A Christmas Carol](#) at **Dutch Apple Dinner Theatre**.
- Ride with childlike wonder on [the various Christmas Trains](#) at **Strasburg Rail Road** or on the amusing offerings at [Dutch Winter Wonderland](#) theme park.
- Enjoy holiday treats, ticket vouchers, and a \$325 prize drawing as part of the Authentic B&Bs of Lancaster County's self-guided [Belsnickel Christmas Tour](#) of 15+ beautiful houses, Dec. 1-2.
- Head to [Elizabeth Farms](#) for a pre-cut Christmas tree or pick one out the old-fashioned way, with a horse-drawn wagon ride into the fields to choose & cut the perfect tree. Afterward, warm up with complimentary hot chocolate and explore the Christmas Fantasy Barn, featuring Santa's Workshop, Bloomingdale's Holiday Window Displays, and the Model Train Room.
- Make merry with shopping “finds” from **our charming towns and villages** like [Litzitz](#) and [Ephrata](#), great deals from the many outlet stores at both [Tanger](#) and [Rockvale](#), and the joyous treasures and activities at iconic foodie stop [Kitchen Kettle Village](#).
- Revel in historical seasonal cheer at the Lancaster City home of U.S. Pres. James Buchanan during the mansion's portrayal of [“Yuletide at Wheatland.”](#) or warm yourself with holiday traditions and memories as part of **Landis Valley's** [“Country Christmas Village.”](#)
- Experience [“Lancaster City for the Holidays.”](#) with horse-drawn carriage rides, visits with Santa, festive music, and distinctive city retailers.
- For another truly unique experience, travel back over 100 years ago, “before the movies,” to delight in the spellbinding drama, humor, and antics of a master showman and his spectacular projected images for [the holiday edition of the Magic-Lantern Shows](#) at the Amish Experience.
- Extend your seasonal delight in the week after Christmas with the [holiday Lantern Tours](#) at **Ephrata Cloister**, and [Yuletide Candlelight Tours](#) at **Rock Ford Plantation**.

Lancaster County is a wonderful blend of urban style and rural splendor, with many rich cultures, from the Amish to the arts. Travelers can take in our vibrant downtown city life – with galleries, great dining, specialty shops, and live music – or explore surrounding towns and villages to get a sampling of the heritage, food, craftsmanship, and attractions for which Lancaster is famous. Visit us at www.DiscoverLancaster.com.