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Gilroy Gardens - "Holiday Lights"	Gilroy, California	\$29.99 not including feast		12/4-12/30	4pm-9pm	Various discounts on website. California's Great America Gold & Platinum Pass holders get \$9.99 admission.	Yes	Yes, with 2010 pass	Holiday lights, feast, themed rides, visits with Santa, ice skating.	http://www.gilroygardens.org/hl.html
Busch Gardens Williamsburg - "Christmas Town"	Williamsburg, Virginia	\$19.95		See website for further details.	3pm-10pm	Passmembers get discount.	Yes	No	Live Carolers and musicians, Christmas concert, orchestra, lights, snow, Santa's workshop, feast, select rides.	http://www.christmastown.com/#/explore
Busch Gardens Tampa - "Holidays at Busch Gardens"	Tampa, Florida	\$74.95		See website for further details.	See website for further details.	Discounts available online and for Florida Residents.	No, however there are separate ticketed events.	Yes	Ice skating show, live choir, strolling carolers, Christmas characters, festive decorations, classic holiday music, fireworks 12/26-12/31.	http://www.buschgardens.com/Bgt/CP/default.aspx?page=Holidays%20at%20Busch%20Gardens
Magic Kingdom - "Mickey's Very Merry Christmas Party"	Orlando, Florida	\$59.00	\$53.00	See website for further details.	7pm-12am	Online admission: \$52 adult, \$46 Junior	Yes	Yes	Christmas Parade, fireworks, Christmas decorations, Santa Claus appearance, live entertainment, cookies & hot cocoa, snow fall, select attractions.	http://disneyworld.disney.go.com/parks/magic-kingdom/special-events/mickeys-very-merry-christmas-party/
Disneyland Resort - "Holidays at Disneyland"	Anaheim, California	\$72.00	\$62.00	11/13-1/3	See website for further details.	Discounts available online and for California Residents.	No	Yes, however, some passes have blackout dates	Fireworks, 2 parades, festive attractions, games, activities	http://disneyland.disney.go.com/disneyland/en_US/special/holidays/detail?name=HolidaysMiniSite
Universal Studios Orlando - "Holidays at Universal Orlando"	Orlando, Florida	\$99.99	\$89.99	12/5-1/1	See website for further details.	Discounts available online and for Florida Residents.	Included with 2 park ticket or annual pass	Yes	Musical guests on specific dates, live version of "How the Grinch Stole Christmas", parade.	http://www.universalorlando.com/Events/Holidays/holiday_overview.aspx?ComponentId=11330&SourcePageId=7805#page=Events_Holidays_holiday-overview.html&explD=13-11391&contentID=13-11330&seq=2
Universal Studios Hollywood - "13 Days of Grinchmas"	Universal City, California	\$69.00	\$59.00	12/19-12/31	See website for further details.	2 visits for the price of 1 / Discounts for Southern California Residents.	No	Yes	Winter playground of real snow, Whoville celebration, tree lighting.	http://www.universalstudioshollywood.com/grinchmas_outer.html



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Six Flags Discovery Kingdom - "Holiday in the Park"	Vallejo, California	\$44.99	\$29.99	11/27-12/13, 12/19-1/3 (closed 12/24-25)	See website for further details.	See website for further details.	No	Yes including a 2010 season pass.	Main Street Festival of Lights, Blitzen's Wonderland snow Mountain, Santa's Workshop, Candy Cane Lane, Toy Land, Winter Wonderland, Reindeer Village, Christmas Tree Forest, Killer Whale Show, Dolphin Holiday, Sea Lions Show.	http://www.sixflags.com/discoveryKingdom/events/HolidayinthePark2009.aspx
The Great Escape - "Holiday in the Park"	Lake George, New York	\$19.99		11/20-12/31	See website for further details.	See website for further details.	Yes, park is only open for the event.	Yes including a 2010 season pass.	Three holiday shows, Santa's Workshop, daily tree lighting, ice skating, strolling carolers, kids holiday karaoke, snow hill, visit Santa.	http://www.sixflags.com/greatEscape/events/HolidayinthePark.aspx
Six Flags Fiesta Texas- "Holiday in the Park"	San Antonio, Texas	\$49.99	\$34.99	See website for further details.	See website for further details.	See website for further details.	No	Yes including a 2010 season pass.	The Magic of Christmas live manger, snow hill, daily tree lighting, Santa's castle, limited rides.	http://www.sixflags.com/fiestaTexas/events/HIP2009.aspx
Six Flags Over Texas - "Holiday in the Park"	Arlington, Texas	\$34.99		11/27-1/3	See website for further details.	See website for further details.	Yes, park is only open for the event.	Yes including a 2010 season pass.	Santa Land (\$7 entry fee), snow hill, daily tree lighting, Santa Express Train Ride, Holiday-Themed Entertainment, Reindeer Landing, Family Photos, Parade of Trees, Cookie Decorating.	http://www.sixflags.com/overTexas/events/HIP2009.aspx
SeaWorld - Orlando - "SeaWorld's Christmas Celebration"	Orlando, Florida	\$78.95	\$68.95	11/13-1/3	See website for further details.	See website for further details.	No	Yes	Polar Express Experience, Ice Show, Holiday themed shows, A Sesame Street Christmas Show, Shamu Christmas - Miracles.	http://www.seaworld.com/sitepage.aspx?PageID=826
SeaWorld - San Diego - "SeaWorld's Holiday Celebration"	San Diego, California	\$69.00	\$59.00	Weekends: 11/27-29, 12/5-13. Daily: 12/19-31	See website for further details.	See website for further details.	No	Yes	Polar Express Experience, Ice Show, Christmas Tree, Holiday themed shows, visit from Santa, Shamu's Holiday Night.	http://www.seaworld.com/sitepage.aspx?PageID=212
SeaWorld - San Antonio - "SeaWorld's Christmas Celebration"	San Antonio, Texas	\$56.99	\$48.99	11/21-1/3	See website for further details.	See website for further details.	No	Yes	Polar Express Experience, Shamu Christmas...Miracles, Holiday themed shows / singers, FantaSea Holiday Walk-thru, A Sesame Street Christmas, New Year's Party.	http://www.seaworldsanantonio.com/christmas/
Louisville Zoo - "Santa Safari"	Louisville, Kentucky	\$14.50	\$5.00	12/5-6, 12-13, 19-20	9am, 11am, 1pm	Discounts for Zoo Members	Yes	Discount for Zoo Members	Christmas craft, visit with Santa, holiday refreshments, activities.	http://www.louisvillezoo.org/info/gifts2009.htm



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Detroit Zoo - "Breakfast with Santa at the Detroit Zoo"	Royal Oak, Michigan	\$30.00	\$25.00	Saturdays 12/5, 12, 19	8:30am-10am	Discount for Zoo Members	Yes	Discount for Zoo Members	Buffet Style breakfast with Santa, special give, arts & crafts, photo opportunities, visit from Santa and wildlife friends.	http://www.detroitzoo.org/index.php?option=com_events&task=view_detail&agid=100&year=2009&month=12&day=05&Itemid=413
Cincinnati Zoo - "PNC Festival of Lights"	Cincinnati, Ohio	\$13.00	\$9.00	11/27-1/3	5pm-9pm	Member discount for 4-D Theater	Yes	No	Puppet Theatre, Rappin' Elves, Santa, Storytelling by Mrs. Claus, reindeer, animal character meet & greets, train rides, Polar Express 4-D Experience (separate admission price).	http://www.cincinnati.org/events/pnc_festival_lights.html
Cleveland Zoo - "December Days at the Zoo"	Cleveland, Ohio	\$7.00	\$5.00	12/21-24, 26-30	11am-3pm	N/A	No	Yes	Animal programs, seasonal music, eco-friendly crafts, holiday cookie decorating and more.	http://www.clemetzoo.com/events/event.asp?event_id=77
Cleveland Zoo - "Breakfast with Santa"	Cleveland, Ohio	\$22.50	\$18.50	12/5, 6, 12, 13	8:30am-9:30am	N/A	Yes	No	Breakfast and pictures with Santa, gifts, Get Close Animal Encounters, holiday crafts, opportunities to see animals before general public.	http://www.clemetzoo.com/events/event.asp?event_id=58
Indianapolis Zoo - "Christmas at the Zoo"	Indianapolis, Indiana	\$8.50	\$6.50	12/4-30 (closed Christmas Eve and Day)	5pm-9pm	See website for further details.	Yes	Yes	Lighted trees, Santa's Village, meet Santa & Mrs. Claus, Santa's Sweet Shop, carolers, Holiday Train Rides, Polar Express 4-D Experience (separate admission price).	http://www.indyzoo.com/content.aspx?CID=1325
Jacksonville Zoo - "Visit With Santa"	Jacksonville, Florida	\$13.00	\$8.00	12/19, 20	11am-3pm	\$2 off admission with non-perishable food donation	No	Yes	Zoo train, pictures with Santa.	http://www.jaxzoo.org/happening/santa.asp
Nashville Zoo - "A Croft House Christmas"	Nashville, Tennessee	\$14.00	\$9.00	12/5-6, 12-13, 19-20	10am-3pm on the half hour	See website for further details.	No	Yes	Yuletide tour of the Zoo's Historic Home.	http://www.nashvillezoo.org/events/detail.asp?eventID=54
Brookfield Zoo - "Holiday Magic"	Chicago, Illinois	\$12.00	\$8.00	12/5-6, 12-13, 19-20, 26-31	4pm-9pm	See website for further details.	No	Yes	Holiday lights, ice-carving demonstrations, live musical performances, magicians, Wild Lights Spectacular light show, Santa visits, select exhibits.	http://www.brookfieldzoo.org/czs/HolidayMagic.aspx
Houston Zoo - "Breakfast with Santa"	Houston, Texas	\$30.00	\$21.50	12/19, 20	Saturday: 8am-9:30am, 10:30am-noon. Sunday: 8am-9:30am	Discounts for Zoo Members	Yes	Discount for Zoo Members	Breakfast with Santa, animal encounters.	http://www.houstonzoo.org/en/cev/423
Newport Aquarium - "Scuba Santa's Water Wonderland"	Newport, Kentucky	\$20.00	\$13.00	11/27-1/3	10am-6pm	N/A	No	Yes	Reindeer Roundup game, Scuba Santa's Post Office, Kids crafts (Sundays only), Scuba Santa underwater dive show.	http://www.newportaquarium.com/guestinfo.cfm



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National Zoo - "Zoo Lights"	Washington D.C.	\$8.00		12/4-13 (Friday - Sunday nights) 12/18-1/2 (except 12/24-25, 31)	6pm-8:30pm	Discounts for FONZ members. No service fee when tickets are purchased at the zoo.	Yes	Discount for FONZ Members	Zoo lights, keeper talks, live entertainment.	http://nationalzoo.si.edu/ActivitiesAndEvents/Celebrations/ZooLights/default.cfm
Columbus Zoo and Aquarium - "Wildlights"	Columbus, Ohio	\$11.00	\$6.00	11/20-1/2	Sunday - Thursday: 5pm-9pm, Friday and Saturday: 5pm-10pm (closed 12/24-25)	Order tickets online and save \$1.	Yes	Yes	Holiday lights, Memories of the Season Display, Santa's Reindeer Corral, Pop Culture Christmas Light Show, Sounds of the Season, Photos with Santa, Mrs. Claus' Kitchen, Zoo Year's Eve Celebration Light Show (12/26-1/2)	http://www.columbuszoo.org/events.aspx
Buttonwood Park Zoo - "Breakfast with Santa"	New Bedford, Massachusetts	\$16.00		12/5, 12, 19	9am	Discounts for Zoo Members	Yes	Discount for Zoo Members	Photo with Santa, Train Ride, hot breakfast.	http://bpzoo.org/2009/11/holiday-events/
Buttonwood Park Zoo - "Milk & Cookies with Santa"	New Bedford, Massachusetts	\$9.00		12/6, 7, 12, 13, 14, 19, 20, 21	Saturdays and Sundays: 1pm & 3pm, Mondays: 12:30pm	Discounts for Zoo Members	Yes	Discount for Zoo Members	Photo with Santa, Train Ride, cookies and milk with Santa.	http://bpzoo.org/2009/11/holiday-events/
Buttonwood Park Zoo	New Bedford, Massachusetts	\$16.00		12/6, 11, 12, 18, 19	5:30pm-7:30pm	Discounts for Zoo Members	Yes	Discount for Zoo Members	Photo with Santa, Train Ride, party with holiday characters including Santa, Frosty & Rudolph. Pizza dinner, holiday lights, craft with Mrs. Claus.	http://bpzoo.org/2009/11/holiday-events/
Turtle Back Zoo - "Holiday Lights Spectacular"	West Orange, New Jersey	\$7.00	\$3.00	11/27-1/3 (closed 12/24-25)	5pm-9pm	N/A	Yes	No	100,000 bulbs and 50 lit displays illuminate the zoo.	http://www.turtlebackzoo.com/tbzo/npa.jsp?pg=event&eventid=653
Point Defiance Zoo & Aquarium - "Zoo Lights"	Point Defiance, Washington	\$13.00	\$10 / \$12	11/27-1/3	5pm-9pm	See website for further details.	Yes	No	More than a half-million lights, view the sharks in the aquarium, camel back ride, antique carousel.	http://www.pdza.org/page.php?id=435
Oregon Zoo - "Zoo Lights"	Portland, Oregon	\$9.00	\$6.00	11/27-1/3	Sunday - Thursday: 5pm-8pm, Friday - Saturday: 5pm-8:30pm	See website for further details.	Yes	Yes	More than 200 animated animals, select animal viewings.	http://www.oregonzoo.org/Events/ZooLights/index.htm
Toledo Zoo - "The Lights Before Christmas"	Toledo, Ohio	\$9.00	\$6.00	11/20-12/31	Monday -Thursday: 5pm-8pm. Friday - Sunday 5pm-9pm	Order tickets online and save \$1.	Yes	Yes	Over one million lights, ice carving demonstrations, carolers, holiday treats, model trains, visits with Santa.	http://www.toledozoo.org/events/lbch.html
Phoenix Zoo - "Zoo Lights"	Phoenix, Arizona	\$9 weekday tickets, \$10 weekend tickets		11/26-1/10	6pm-10pm	Discounts for Zoo Members	Yes	No	2.5 million lights, 500 custom-made animal and nature light sculptures, horse-drawn wagon rides, carousel and camel rides.	http://phoenixzoo.org/events/ZooLights/



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Oklahoma City Zoo - "Holiday Happenings at the OKC Zoo"	Oklahoma City, Oklahoma	See website for further details.	See website for further details.	See website for further details.	See website for further details.	See website for further details.	See website for further details.	See website for further details.	Various activities throughout the holiday season.	http://www.okc zoo.com/media/recent-press-releases/m.blog/68/holiday-happenings-at-the-okc-zoo
Saint Louis Zoo - "U.S. Bank Wild Lights"	St. Louis, Missouri	\$5.00		11/27-29, 12/4-6, 11-13, 18-23, 26-30	5:30pm-8:30pm	Discount for Zoo Members	Yes	Discount for Zoo Members	Thousands of colorful lights, animated light displays, seasonal sounds, fireside stories, local choirs, rides (additional)	http://www.stlzoo.org/events/calendarofevents/wildlights
Georgia Aquarium - "Winter Fun at Georgia Aquarium"	Atlanta, Georgia	See website for further details.	See website for further details.	See website for further details.	See website for further details.	See website for further details.	See website for further details.	See website for further details.	Various activities throughout the holiday season.	http://www.georgiaaquarium.org/visit/holidays.aspx
South Carolina Aquarium - "An Ocean of Fun for the Holiday Season"	Charleston, South Carolina	See website for further details.	See website for further details.	See website for further details.	See website for further details.	With canned food donation.	See website for further details.	See website for further details.	Scuba Santa, penguin program, turtle tours, canned food drive.	http://scaquarium.org/holiday/adventure.html
Shedd Aquarium - "Polar Family Holidays"	Chicago, Illinois	\$35.95		12/5, 19, 22	8:30am-10:30am	Discounts for Aquarium Members	Yes	Discounts for Aquarium Members	Polar Express 4-D Experience, pictures with Santa, cookie decorating, hot chocolate & treats, Polar Play Zone to see penguins, otters, dolphins and belugas, gift from Santa, reserved seats for FantaSea.	http://www.sheddaqarium.org/hours.html#Special_Schedules_and_Events
Mystic Aquarium - "Holiday Sea of Trees"	Mystic, Connecticut	\$26.00	\$19.00	11/27-1/4	9am-5pm	N/A	No	Yes	More than 20 Decorated Christmas Trees decorated by local organizations.	http://www.mysticaquarium.org/visit/calendar/details/29-holiday-sea-of-trees
Tennessee Aquarium - "Ho Ho H2O"	Chattanooga, Tennessee	\$21.95	\$14.95	11/20-1/3 (closed Christmas Day)	10am-6pm	See website for further details.	No	No	Introduction of the aracari bird, Caribbean holiday music, scuba Santa's dressed in tropical attire, The Polar Express 3-D (additional charge).	http://www.tnaqua.org/PlanYourVisit/TropicalHoliday.aspx

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