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Denver Christmas Show

November 3-5. Friday & Saturday 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Sunday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. 450 exhibitors.

- Holiday & home décor
- Arts, crafts
- One-of-a-kind gifts & Jewelry
- Specialty foods & Cooking demonstrations
- Santa Claus (each day from noon to 4 p.m.).

Admission: \$16 (online) \$17 (at the door). Kids 13 and under FREE. The show is located in Exhibit Hall A. Free parking & shuttle at Elitch Gardens (Lot A) over the weekend. Colorado Convention Center, 700 14th St., Denver.

—<https://www.denver-christmasshow.com/>

Fall has always been my favorite season. The time when everything bursts with its last beauty, as if nature had been saving up all year for the grand finale.

— **Lauren DeStefano**

The Gift Spectacular

November 18 & 19, Saturday, noon to 8 p.m. Sunday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Artisanal crafts, including intricate jewelry, beautifully knitted scarves, whimsical ceramics, stunning artwork, one-of-a-kind finds and more. Gourmet food vendors, live music holiday drinks and cocktails, as well as food trucks. Denver Sports Castle, 1000 N. Broadway, Denver.

— <https://www.coloradoevents.org/giftspectacular>

Fun and Meaningful Thanksgiving Traditions to Add to Your Holiday

Play a Board Game - Select something suitable for whole family and retire to the living room to see who will secure victory.

Start a Tournament - A little friendly competition never hurt anyone! If your family isn't into football, might we suggest a different activity, such as ping pong, to get the blood pumping? Winner gets first access to dessert!

Run a Turkey Trot - Nothing will gear you up for a big midday meal quite like a brisk 5K! Encourage the whole family sign up for this healthy morning activity, which will still leave plenty of time for feasting afterwards.

Play Some Football - Whether you're watching, attending, or playing, football is a big part of many families' Turkey Day itinerary.

Watch the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade - Join Tom Turkey and all of your other favorite balloon friends for one of the most American Thanksgiving traditions—the Macy's Thanksgiving Day parade! Watch performances from pop stars, marching bands, and more.

Bless the Food - Express gratitude for family, friends, and food with a meaningful Thanksgiving prayer or Thanksgiving poem. Make it a tradition to go around the table and have everyone say what they are most thankful for in 2023.

Host a Friendsgiving - Whether on Thanksgiving Day or another time during November, celebrate your nearest and dearest friends by hosting a Friendsgiving feast. Because after all: "There are friends, there's family, and then there are friends who become family."

Set Up a Craft for the Kids - Keep the children occupied while the food is being prepared by stocking a table with Thanksgiving coloring sheets and more and the makings for a turkey-themed craft or two.

Go for a Post-Thanksgiving Walk - When your Thanksgiving feasting comes to an end, head outdoors to stretch your legs (and walk off all that turkey!).

Split the Wishbone - Weird as it may seem, wishbone splitting is an age-old Thanksgiving tradition.

Take a Trip to the Tree Farm - Get outside after that epic Thanksgiving dinner and kick off the Christmas season with a trip to a nearby Christmas tree farm. Major bonus points if you chop your tree down yourself!

— in part from www.countryliving.com



Pumpkin Dump Cake

Putting the name aside, Pumpkin Dump Cake is a delicious twist on pumpkin pie that's perfect for fall! It's a cake on top of a pumpkin pie without the hassle of a pie crust!

Ingredients

- 1 15 oz can pumpkin puree (not pie filling)
- 1 10 oz can evaporated milk
- 3 eggs
- 1 cup brown sugar
- 3 tsp pumpkin pie spice
- 1 15.25 oz box yellow cake mix (just the dry mix)
- 1 cup butter melted (2 sticks)

Frosting glaze

- 2 cups powdered sugar
- 2 tbsp milk
- 1 tsp vanilla extract

Instructions

1. Mix the pumpkin, milk, eggs, sugar and pumpkin pie spice in a bowl with a whisk.
2. Pour the pumpkin pie filling in a greased 9x13 baking pan.
3. Sprinkle yellow cake mix evenly over the top.
4. Pour melted butter over the cake mix.
5. Bake at 350° for 45-50 minutes, until center is set and a toothpick comes out clean.

Frosting Glaze

Mix the powdered sugar, milk and vanilla in a bowl with a whisk until smooth. Pour over the top of the cake while it's still warm. Let it cool and harden to a sweet crackled glaze on the top.

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Test Smoke And CO Alarms

With cold weather arriving and furnaces and fireplaces cranking up, this is a good time to test your smoke and carbon monoxide (CO) detectors to make sure they're functioning properly.

Press and hold the "test" button on the smoke or CO detector to make sure the alarm goes off. Replace the batteries if the alarm doesn't work, or if the batteries are more than a year old, then test again.

Be sure to write the date the battery was replaced on the battery or on a piece of tape stuck to the back of the alarm. It's also a good idea to blow out smoke and CO alarms with canned air periodically to remove dust. Also, be sure to replace any alarms that are over than 10 years.

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Fall Interior Home Upkeep

Change your furnace filter. Replace the filter in your HVAC system every month for better air quality and energy efficiency.

Schedule furnace preventative maintenance. Don't wait for a furnace breakdown. Have your HVAC pro perform an inspection and preventative maintenance to repair any issues before they become problems.

Safety check. Test smoke and carbon monoxide detectors now, before the main season for heating and fireplaces begins.

Start the humidifier. If your home is subject to dry winter air, now is the time to alleviate that. Install or start up your home's humidifier so you can breathe easier this winter.

Clean and inspect the gas heater. Gas space heaters are subject to dust and lint buildup. Vacuum debris from the burner and make sure the exhaust system is clear.

Sump pump checkup. Before the rainy/snowy season sets in, make sure your sump pump system is in good working order. Test it according to the manufacturer's directions.

Prepare the fireplace or wood stove. Clean out the firebox and check the exterior and door for gaps and air leaks. Test the damper to see that it is in good working order.

Clean the chimney. Make sure no bird or animal nests are blocking the chimney. Scrub out any buildup inside the flue to prevent a chimney fire. If the buildup is heavy, or if the chimney has not been used in a long time, hire a professional chimney sweep to clean and inspect the chimney.

Load up with firewood. If your woodshed is not full, now is the time to fill it with well-seasoned firewood. Rather than buying bundles from the grocery store, save money and support a local business by buying it locally by the truckload.

The Difference Between Veterans Day and Memorial Day

Both holidays were established to recognize and honor the men and women who have worn the uniform of the United States Armed Forces. Memorial Day, which is observed on the last Monday in May, was originally set aside as a day for remembering and honoring military personnel who died in the service of their country, particularly those who died in battle or as a result of wounds sustained in battle.

Veterans Day is intended to thank and honor all those who served honorably in the military – living and dead – whether in wartime or peace. In fact, Veterans Day is largely intended to thank living Veterans for their service, to acknowledge that their contributions to our national security are appreciated, and to underscore the fact that all those who served – not only those who died – have sacrificed and done their duty.

To ensure the sacrifices of America's fallen heroes are never forgotten, in December 2000 the U.S. Congress passed and the president signed into law "The National Moment of Remembrance Act," P.L. 106-579, creating the White House Commission on the National Moment of Remembrance. The

commission's charter is to "encourage the people of the United States to give something back to their country, which provides them so much freedom and opportunity" by encouraging and coordinating commemorations in the United States of Memorial Day and the National Moment of Remembrance.

The National Moment of Remembrance encourages all Americans to pause wherever they are at 3 p.m. local time on Memorial Day for a two minute of silence to remember and honor those who have died in service to the nation.

On October 7, 2016, President Obama signed the Veterans Day Moment of Silence Act. The law requires that the President issue a proclamation calling on the people of the United States to observe a two minute national moment of silence on Veterans Day at 3:11 p.m. Atlantic standard time, 2:11 p.m. Eastern standard time, 1:11 p.m. Central standard time, 12:11 p.m. Mountain standard time, 11:11 a.m. Pacific standard time, 10:11 a.m. Alaska standard time, and 9:11 a.m. Hawaii-Aleutian standard time.

–<https://department.va.gov/>

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