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Christmas is like no other time of year. And Hull is like no other city. Making them the perfect match for a wondrous winter adventure.

Whether you're a day-tripper, a weekend visitor, a holiday tourist or a resident rediscovering our cultural city, we're sure you'll make memories that will last a lifetime.

Throughout your visit, make sure to keep this leaflet to hand. From attractions to eateries and events to shopping, it's got everything you need to know for a glistening Christmas in Hull. Especially after 18th November when the city's Christmas lights are switched on and the festivities ramp up a level.

So, what are you planning for your trip to Hull?

We have plenty of choice if you're looking to hit the shops. You might be searching for the perfect Christmas gift or hitting the sales, either way, we've got you covered. Turn to pages 4 and 5 to find out more.

When it comes to food and drink, you can escape to sunnier climes or warm yourself through with some winter grub, right here in Hull city centre. Pages 6 and 7 have all your culinary needs covered.

For family Christmas treats, head to pages 8 and 9. From the traditional classics, like the panto, to one of a kind experiences you'll only find in Hull, the whole family will have a Christmas adventure to remember.

But Christmas isn't just for the little ones. We've also included a whole host of remarkable winter events for big kids over on pages 12 and 13.

And to round up, we have a handy overview of all the events mentioned on the back page of this booklet.

So, as we said, keep this guide handy throughout your trip. You won't regret it.



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Looking to hit the shops? Whether you're supporting the city's incredible independents or rifling through the rails of the big, high street names, we're sure you'll be able to find everything on your Christmas list.

The independent scene in Hull city centre is thriving.

Humber Street, at the heart of the Fruit Market, is a hub of creativity and colour. If you start at the marina end, there are plenty of eateries and bars. Beyond those, you'll find the sweet aroma of Light and Scent's home fragrances and bath products filling the air. A little further down Humber Street is Form Shop & Studio, a space showcasing and selling the creative products of independent artists, designers and illustrators. 19point4, a contemporary fashion store, can also

be found on Humber Street as well as Plant & Paint and Ophelia.

Over in Trinity Market and Hepworth's Arcade you will find some of Hull's oldest independents alongside some of its newest.

Turning Ho Ho Ho into Ha Ha Ha is Dinsdale's Joke and Trick Shop in Hepworth's Arcade. From fake poo to whoopee cushions this is a must-visit for practical jokers of all ages. Across the way from Dinsdale's is Beasley's Clothing, famous for its magnificent selection of vintage and retro apparel.

Cut through to Trinity Market, Hull's oldest covered market, and you'll discover the Hull Wall of Fame at Spin-It Records, a vinyl-only record shop. There, you'll also find Outside The Lines, the city's graffiti shop stocking spray paint, caps, markers, ink, stickers and merchandise. For those unique gifts that can't be found elsewhere, Trinity Market and Hepworth's Arcade could be the perfect stop and on your Christmas shopping spree.

Paragon Arcade is the last stop on the quick sleigh ride around the city's independents. If you're looking for some Christmas sparkle for that special someone, make sure to stop by Segal's Jewellers – a family-run store since 1919. Or maybe you want to spruce up your humble abode with some winter homewares from Homestead Store. Across all of these spaces, there are plenty of other independents to discover too.

However, for the high street names we all know and love, the city's three shopping centres (St Stephen's, Prospect Centre and Princes Quay) would be the perfect place to start. Whether you're looking for ideas or scouring the sales, each centre has a different selection of shops which you can spend hours exploring.

Don't forget to mark the Christmas markets in your diary:

4th December – Craft and Flea Market in Hull Minster.

11th December – Victorian Kitsch-mas Market in Trinity Square with Horse and Carriage rides.

18th December – Victorian Kitsch-mas Market in Trinity Square.

Princes Quay will also be hosting a weekly indoor Christmas Market every Thursday and Friday 4pm to 9pm and Saturday and Sunday 10am to 6pm.





For a festive feast...

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Whether you're treating yourself to a bit of retail therapy, exploring the sights or seeing a show, why not make a day of it and sample the culinary delights the city has to offer?



- **Are you after a new food experience in Hull city centre?**
- **The HoH Food Hall will open on 3rd December, just in time for festive foodies to experience.**
- **The HoH Food Hall Launch will take place on 3rd and 4th December and will feature live music, local street food concessions and entertainment.**

Fancy a festive tippie?

You might be sharing a night of dancing with colleagues, enjoying a catch-up with old friends or spending a quiet night with the family. Whatever the occasion, there's a drink waiting for you in one of Hull's impressive selection of pubs and bars.

Along the cobbled streets of the Old Town, you'll find pubs steeped in history – Ye Olde White Hart, The Lion and Key and The Sailmakers Arms to name but a few. Across the rest of the city centre, there are

thriving, modern establishments such as Taphouse with its onsite brewery and expansive choice of beers to work your way through.

When it comes to bars, there's plenty to choose from too. Maybe take a stroll along Princes Dock Street where you'll find Furley & Co and Bar 82. Or head to the Fruit Market which is home to Humber Street Distillery and Tribal II.

From traditional Christmas feasts to tastes from further afield, there's plenty on the menu in Hull.

If you're looking for a roast with all the trimmings, there are plenty of great spots dotted around the city centre, meaning you're never too far away from a plate full of pigs in blankets. A favourite with locals, The Minerva Pub will be serving up a 3-course menu packed with homemade dishes. If you're heading to a show at Hull New Theatre, the Kingston Theatre Hotel & Restaurant are assuring a feast fit for royalty with locally sourced produce. There is also the Marco Pierre White Steakhouse, Bar & Grill at the DoubleTree by Hilton where you can indulge in Christmas classics with a Marco twist. These are just a few of the options if you're looking for a Christmas dinner whilst visiting Hull.

We can also offer you a twist on the classic though. Interested? Well, there are two places to check out. First up is the Pattie Shack in Atom Bar on North Church Side. Offering some mouth-

watering combinations with the famous Hull Pattie, they're known to offer a Sunday lunch version. The ideal alternative to a Christmas dinner? Quite possibly. Our second shout out goes to Looby Lou's in Trinity Market. With a reputation for phenomenal Yorkshire pudding wraps, this could be the perfect grab-and-go option.

If you're sick of the sight of carved turkey and stuffing balls though, why not sample tastes from further afield? Around the city centre, there's an international selection of restaurants where you'll find something from every corner of the globe.

There's Ambiente serving up a banquet of Spanish tapas. Or you could head to Bert's new pasta bar which also offers incredible gelato. But if a taste of India is more your thing, check out the magnificent Tapasya on the marina. Alternatively, the Hispanist is where you'll find dishes taken straight from Spain, Central America and South America. And there's so much more. Vietnamese, Brazilian, Greek, Thai – the list goes on.

For the perfect family
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This Christmas in Hull, kids eyes will light up with joy and families will create memories that will last a lifetime. From pantos to grottos, we've got you covered.

No Christmas is complete without a trip to the panto. That's why it's a good job that we have a couple of incredible shows to choose from.

First up we have Hull New Theatre's *Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs* (11th Dec – 2nd Jan) starring Coronation Street star Faye Brookes. This will be the ultimate fairy-tale adventure.

The second option comes from Hull-based theatre company, Middle Child. Featuring pantomime dame, Pattie Breadcake, *Rapunz'ull* (16th – 24th Dec) is their tenth-anniversary show. But, if panto isn't your thing, maybe Hull Truck Theatre is the place to be.

Grab a drink and a bag of sweets, settle down in your chair and take in the award-winning *Railway Children* (26th Nov – 2nd Jan). The classic E Nesbit tale tells the uplifting story of Bobby, Peter and Phyllis as they experience life by the railway in Yorkshire.



What do you think of when you hear the word Christmas? Father Christmas? Christmas dinner? Christmas presents? How about Christmas trees?

This year, the Lord Mayor's Christmas Tree Festival (30th Nov – 12th Dec) returns to the spectacular Hull Minster. With a wonderful display of trees decorated and sponsored by local businesses, this free festival event is a great way to see Hull Minster in all its Christmas splendour.

But, if you thought of Father Christmas before Christmas trees, here's where you can find the main man in Hull across the festive period. This year, Hull's vibrant Fruit Market is home to The Santa Claus Experience (27th Nov – 24th Dec). Children will help elves save Christmas by joining in with yuletide stories, singalongs and preparing the food for the reindeers. And once the workshop team are ready for Christmas Eve, there'll be a chance to get a picture with Santa Claus himself as well as a camera roll full of elfie selfies.

Father Christmas will, once again, open up his grotto in Princes Quay following a parade on the 21st November. Returning after a Christmas in a North Pole bubble in 2020, Santa and his little helpers can't wait to meet all of those who've made it onto the nice list this year.

We're normally saying how warm and friendly Hull is. But this year, things are going to get a little bit icy. On 18th December, there will be an ice sculpture trail around the city centre, culminating in a live sculpture finale.

Visit the Museums Quarter between 4th and 20th December to take part in a Christmas themed trail. Can you find the Polar Bears hiding at Streetlife Museum and Hull & East Riding Museum?



Ice Sculpture 1
Queen Victoria Square



For a festive Ice Sculpture Trail...

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Visit Hull city centre on 18th December between 11am and 3pm to watch three ice sculptures being carved, each from a single block of ice. From a huge ice sleigh to an ice post-box you can post your letters to Santa in, catch them before they melt! See the map below for the 3 locations where you can watch the ice sculpting.



Ice Sculpture 3
Streetlife Museum



Whilst you are wandering the city centre on 4th, 11th and 18th December you may come across some festive frivolity from a roller skating Christmas present, a sofa driving Santa, some fairy stilt walkers or some other unexpected spectacle! There will also be music and lights in Queen Victoria Square from Friday 19th November to Monday 4th January.

Ice Sculpture 2
Trinity Market



Hull's Gingerbread House will be back this year for the perfect Christmas selfie, for yourself or the whole family! Head to Paragon Square between 18th November and 4th January.





For a Christmas that's
not just for kids...

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At Christmas, the focus is very much on the kids. But, here in Hull, there's plenty for adults to enjoy too. So, grab a mulled wine and start planning your ultimate Christmas outing.

Let's start with panto. Think it's just for kids? Well... "Oh no it isn't!". Hull's rock'n'roll Christmas panto, Rapunz'ull (16th, 17th, 18th, 21st, 22nd and 23rd Dec), is back with five late night performances. With live music, a child-free audience and anarchy guaranteed, Middle Child's renowned pantomime is an experience you didn't know you needed in your life.

Maybe a rock'n'roll panto party isn't your scene though. Well, how about a classic seasonal rom-com with live orchestral soundtrack? At the Bonus Arena this Christmas, a full, live orchestra will perform the soundtrack to Love Actually (9th Dec) as the film is projected onto a large screen in HD. For those aged 15+, this must-see Christmas film is available to experience in a completely different way.

For a full list of events mentioned in this guide, turn to pages 14-19. Alternatively, all Christmas events in Hull can be found at visithull.org

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A live orchestra isn't the only musical experience in Hull this Christmas. Hull City Hall will be hosting a feel-good Irish inspired Christmas show named Fairytale of New York (11th Dec). Set in McGrath's Irish Pub, the night will feature the best Christmas songs alongside classic Irish tunes. This night of music and dancing will be sure to have you on your feet and singing at the top of your voice.

And for those who may be recovering from a night of merry Christmas adventures, there is the Victorian Kitsch-mas Market (4th, 11th & 18th Dec) to explore in Trinity Square. Taking place between 10am and 4pm across three Saturdays in the run-up to Christmas, there will be 30 stalls to browse alongside the incredible offering in Hepworth's Arcade and Trinity Market.



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November 2021

**22nd September to
24th December**

Flesh 'n' Blood, Jaslee Kaur
Humber Street Gallery
Price – free

**21st October to
17th January**

Northern Lights –
The Winter Show
Studio Eleven
Price – free

13th to 30th November

Autumn HIP Club Exhibition
HIP Gallery
Price – free

**13th November to
5th December**

Pride in Our City
Ferens Art Gallery
Price – free

**13th November to
17th December**

Creel | Sea Change
87 Gallery
Price – free

**13th November to
9th January**

In Conversation as
Collective Strategy
Humber Street Gallery
Price – free



Christmas Light Switch On

18th November

Christmas Lights Switch On
Hull City Centre
Price – free

21st November

Princes Quay Santa Parade
Princes Quay
Price – free

22nd to 27th November

Rocky Horror Show
Hull New Theatre
Price – ticketed

23rd November

The Sesh
Polar Bear Music Club
Price – free

23rd November

Acoustic Tuesday at
Service Station
Service Station
Price – free

24th to 27th November

Tower Tours
Hull Minster
Price – free

25th November

Ant Middleton
Bonus Arena
Price – free

25th November

Italia Ninety &
Sapphire Blues
The New Adelphi Club
Price – free

26th November

Keith James – The Songs of
Leonard Cohen
Wrecking Ball Arts Centre
Price – ticketed

26th November

The Australian Pink Floyd
Bonus Arena
Price – ticketed

26th November

Friday DJs
Social
Price – free

26th November

Funny Friday
Comedy Lounge
Price – ticketed

26th November

U2UK Returns
O'Rileys
Price – ticketed

26th November

Wrecking Ball Film Club:
Frida
Wrecking Ball Arts Centre
Price – ticketed

26th November

We Are Scientists
Social
Price – ticketed

**26th November to
2nd January**

The Railway Children
Hull Truck Theatre
Price – ticketed

27th November

Saturday DJs
Social
Price – free

27th November

Deacon Blue
Bonus Arena
Price – ticketed

27th November

Saturday Night Live
Comedy Lounge
Price – ticketed

27th November

Terry Edwards' Spaghetti
Western Adventures
Wrecking Ball Arts Centre
Price – ticketed

27th November

The Hull Record Fair
Hull Minster
Price – free

27th November

Nancy and the Dolls
The New Adelphi Club
Price – ticketed

27th November

Hull Philharmonic Orchestra
Hull City Hall
Price – ticketed

27th November

Gypsy's Kiss +
Buffalo Fish Live
O'Rileys
Price – ticketed

27th to 28th November

Good Things Market
Fruit Market
Price – free

27th to 28th November

The Santa Claus
Experience
Fruit Market
Price – ticketed

28th November

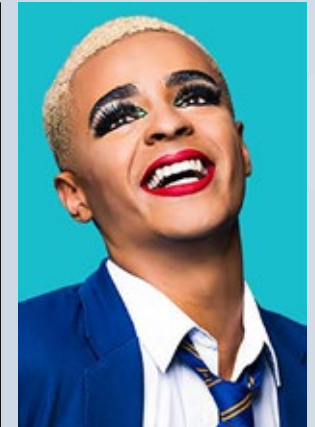
Acoustic Sunday
Social
Price – free

28th November

A Night with Tiny Tim
Comedy Lounge
Price – ticketed

29th November

Musicians Night
The New Adelphi Club
Price – free



Everybody's Talking about Jamie

**29th November to
4th December**

Everybody's Talking
about Jamie
Hull New Theatre
Price – ticketed

30th November

The Sesh
Polar Bear Music Club
Price – free

30th November

Acoustic Tuesday
at Service Station
Service Station
Price – free

30th November

Killer Queen
Hull City Hall
Price – ticketed

**30th November to
12th December**

Lord Mayor's Christmas
Tree Festival
Hull Minster
Price – free

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December 2021

22nd September to 24th December
Flesh 'n' Blood, Jasleen Kaur
Humber Street Gallery
Price - free

13th November to 17th December
Creel | Sea Change
87 Gallery
Price - free

13th November to 5th December
Pride in Our City
Ferens Art Gallery
Price - free

29th November to 4th December
Everybody's Talking about Jamie
Hull New Theatre
Price - free

30th November to 12th December
Lord Mayor's Christmas Tree Festival
Hull Minster
Price - free

26th November to 2nd January
The Railway Children
Hull Truck Theatre
Price - ticketed

Until 16th January
Ferens Favourites
Ferens Art Gallery
Price - free

21st October to 17th January
Northern Lights - The Winter Show
Studio Eleven
Price - free

1st December
Hull Independent Cinema: Pig
Vue Cinema, Princes Quay
Price - ticketed

1st December
Rosellas
O'Rileys
Price - ticketed



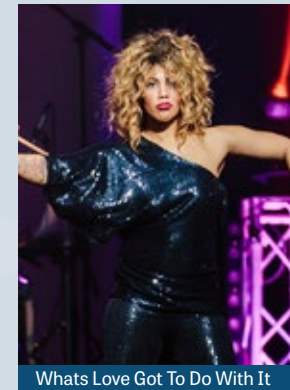
1st December
Shed Seven
Hull City Hall
Price - ticketed

1st to 4th December
Tower Tours
Hull Minster
Price - ticketed

2nd December
Christmas Memories
Hull City Hall
Price - ticketed

3rd December
Funny Friday
Comedy Lounge
Price - ticketed

3rd December
Trinity Laughs
Trinity Market
Price - free



3rd December
Friday DJs
Social
Price - free

3rd to 4th December
HoH Food Hall Launch
HoH Food Hall
Price - free

4th December
Carols by Candles
Hull Minster
Price - free

4th December
Craft and Flea Market
Hull Minster
Price - free

4th December
Huey Morgan presents Huey 54
Social
Price - ticketed

4th December
Michael starring Ben
Hull City Hall
Price - ticketed

4th December
The Nicol Band plus Mike Greaves' Lonesome Too
Wrecking Ball Arts Centre
Price - ticketed

4th December
The Darkness
Bonus Arena
Price - ticketed

4th December
Saturday Night Live
Comedy Lounge
Price - ticketed

4th December
Saturday DJs
Social
Price - free

4th December
Hull Yorkshire's Maritime City Tours
Museums Quarter
Price - free

4th to 5th December
The Santa Claus Experience
Fruit Market
Price - ticketed

4th to 20th December
Museums Christmas Trail
Museums Quarter
Price - free

5th December
Acoustic Sunday
Social
Price - free

5th December
City of Hull Band Concert
Hull Minster
Price - ticketed

5th December
Mosh 4 Josh 5
O'Rileys
Price - ticketed

5th December
Robin Ince: The Importance of Being Interested
Wrecking Ball Arts Centre
Price - ticketed

6th December
Musicians Night
The New Adelphi Club
Price - free

6th December
Human League
Bonus Arena
Price - ticketed

6th December
The Magical Music of Harry Potter
Hull City Hall
Price - ticketed

7th December
The Sesh
Polar Bear Music Club
Price - free

7th December
G4 Christmas
Hull City Hall
Price - ticketed

7th December
Il Divo
Bonus Arena
Price - ticketed

7th December
Acoustic Tuesday at Service Station
Service Station
Price - free

8th December
What's Love Got To Do With It
Hull City Hall
Price - ticketed

8th to 11th December
Tower Tours
Hull Minster
Price - ticketed

9th December
Hull Independent Cinema: Robin Hood
Hull Truck Theatre
Price - ticketed

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December 2021 continued

9th December

Love Actually In Concert
Bonus Arena
Price - ticketed

10th to 11th December

Trinity Laser Light Show
Trinity Market
Price - free

10th December

Funny Friday
Comedy Lounge
Price - ticketed

10th December

Friday DJs
Social
Price - free

10th December

Deja Vu presents
Warehouse Concept
Princes Quay
Price - ticketed

10th to 11th December

Culture: Music Christmas
Concert
Hull Minster
Price - ticketed



Jason Manford: Like Me

11th December

Hull Yorkshire's Maritime
City Tours
Museums Quarter
Price - free

11th December

Saturday DJs
Social
Price - free

11th December

Fairytale of New York
Hull City Hall
Price - ticketed

11th December

Manchester Calling
The Welly Club
Price - ticketed

11th December

Victorian Kitsch-mas
Market
Trinity Square
Price - free

11th December

Saturday Night Live
Comedy Lounge
Price - ticketed

11th to 12th December

The Santa Claus
Experience
Fruit Market
Price - ticketed

11th December to 2nd January

Snow White and
the Seven Dwarfs
Hull New Theatre
Price - ticketed

12th December

Acoustic Sunday
Social
Price - free

13th December

Musicians Night
The New Adelphi Club
Price - free

13th December

Shoppers Carols
Hull Minster
Price - free

14th December

Hull Independent
Cinema: Never Gonna
Snow Again
Vue Cinema, Princes Quay
Price - ticketed

14th December

The Sesh
Polar Bear Music Club
Price - free

15th December

James Yorkston
Wrecking Ball Arts Centre
Price - ticketed

15th December

Jason Manford: Like Me
Hull City Hall
Price - ticketed

15th to 18th December

Tower Tours
Hull Minster
Price - ticketed



Snow White and the seven Dwarfs

16th December

FastLove - The Everything
She Wants Tour
Hull City Hall
Price - ticketed

16th to 24th December

Rapunz'ull Rock'n' Roll Panto
Social
Price - ticketed

17th December

Friday DJs
Social
Price - free

17th December

Life
The Welly Club
Price - ticketed

17th December

Showaddywaddy
Hull City Hall
Price - ticketed

17th to 18th December

Trinity Laser Light Show
Trinity Market
Price - free

18th December

Ice Trail
Hull City Centre
Price - free

18th December

Kitsch-mas Market
Trinity Square
Price - free

18th December

Hull Yorkshire's Maritime
City Tours
Museums Quarter
Price - free

18th December

Roadblock 2021
Hull City Hall
Price - ticketed

18th December

Ultimate Leppard
O'Rileys
Price - ticketed

18th December

Saturday Night Live
Comedy Lounge
Price - ticketed

18th December

Saturday DJs
Social
Price - free

18th December

Acoustic Sunday
Social
Price - free

18th to 24th December

The Santa Claus Experience
Fruit Market
Price - ticketed

19th December

Bill Bailey Live
Bonus Arena
Price - ticketed

19th December

The Non Stop Sixties
Christmas Show
Hull City Hall
Price - ticketed

20th December

Musicians Night
The New Adelphi Club
Price - free

21st December

Hull Independent Cinema:
Men Who Sing
Vue Cinema, Princes Quay
Price - ticketed

21st December

Rick Wakeman: The Even
Grumpier Old Christmas
Hull City Hall
Price - ticketed



Rick Wakeman

21st December

The Sesh
Polar Bear Music Club
Price - free

22nd to 23rd December

Trinity Laser Light Show
Trinity Market
Price - free

24th December

Funny Friday
Comedy Lounge
Price - ticketed

27th December

Musicians Night
The New Adelphi Club
Price - free

31st December

The Orchestra of Opera
North: Viennese Whirl
Hull City Hall
Price - ticketed

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Visit Trinity Market where you will discover an eclectic mix of independent & creative businesses.



Treat yourself to tastes and cuisines from all over the world and then venture round the stalls to find some amazing treasures.

Featuring live bands, comedy acts and family entertainment at selected times, Trinity Market really is the place to be.



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