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When communities thrive - the people, their businesses, and their dreams grow even bigger.

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Dear Readers,

This publication features over 50 incredible local businesses and is part of our ongoing effort to encourage North Bay residents to shop locally. As you gear up for the holiday season, remember that every dollar you spend here directly fuels our local economy.

Did you know that when you shop local, you're keeping 68% of your hard-earned money circulating within our community, compared to just 43% with national chains? That's nearly 50% more support for our local economy when you choose to buy from our amazing local businesses instead of online mega-retailers.

But it's not just about dollars and cents. Our small businesses are the backbone of our community, providing the most jobs for North Bay residents. Plus, they're contributing to local causes at double the rate of national chains. We have an abundance of fantastic nonprofits right here in the North Bay, and our local businesses are right there with open hearts to support them.

Join us in the movement to shop local. Let's celebrate the business owners in our community who are not just entrepreneurs, but also our neighbors, family, and friends. Browse through this early holiday guide to uncover local shopping ideas and exciting events to enjoy with your loved ones.

Stay safe, be well, and enjoy the joy of shopping local!

Warm regards,

Karleen Arnink-Pate
Chief Revenue Officer, Sonoma Media Investments

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Source: American Express 2022 Small Business Economic Impact Study

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DreamStart is Redwood Credit Union's new home loan program designed for first-time home buyers looking to turn their homeownership aspirations into reality. The program combines affordability with personalized assistance from local loan officers who know the challenges faced by perspective homebuyers.

What is the DreamStart Program?

DreamStart is designed to help individuals and families purchase their first home by offering competitive interest rates, flexible terms, and personalized support throughout the buying process. RCU's goal is to make homeownership accessible and affordable for everyone.

I'm interested in buying a home, but don't know where to start or if I will qualify, can RCU help me?

Yes! We offer free mortgage consultations to anyone who is interested in buying a home. Whether it's solutions for now or preparing for the future, we can review your income history, financials, and credit score to determine what loan types and amounts might be right for you. RCU's loan officers are here to help and there are no obligations to apply for a loan.

Can RCU help me get preapproved?

Absolutely! Getting preapproved is a great way to show real estate agents and sellers that you are serious about buying a home. The RCU team is here to help with pre-approvals and any documentation you might need to help you create a stronger offer.

Do I need a down payment? If so, how much?

Yes, a down payment is typically required. However, the amount can vary depending on the loan type. Some loans may offer down payment assistance or require as little as 3% down for qualified buyers. The RCU team will guide you through the options to find a solution that works for you.

Who is eligible for the DreamStart Program?

To qualify for RCU's DreamStart Program, you must meet the following criteria:

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- Have the ability to make a down payment, which may vary based on the loan type
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EVENTS

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 1

Marin Arts & Crafts Show — Marin Arts & Crafts Show: A Festive Celebration of Art and Handcraft! 10:00 am to 5:00 pm. Marin Center Showcase Theater, 20 Avenue of the Flags, San Rafael, 94903. 5302637170.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9

Petaluma Elks HOLIDAY CRAFT & VENDOR FAIRE — FREE ADMISSION • ALL INDOORS • OPEN TO PUBLIC. Local Artisans, Hand-Crafted Items, Unique Goods! Food, snacks, and more fun! Over 70 crafters & vendors -- something different each day. 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. Petaluma Elks Lodge #901, 2105 South McDowell Boulevard, Petaluma, 94954. 707-763-0901.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16

Holiday Mercato — The holidays are coming and it's time to get festive! Join us at Jacuzzi for our annual holiday market. 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm. Jacuzzi Family Vineyards, 24724 Arnold Drive, Sonoma, 95476. +1 707-931-7516.

Local Love Market — Celebrate Small Business Saturday with our Local Love Market! Find perfect gifts for your loved ones while supporting small businesses. 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. 5400 Old Redwood Hwy N, 5400 Old Redwood Highway North, Petaluma, 94954.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22

Gifts N Tyme Holiday Faire in Napa November 22, 23 & 24th. — Be a part of the Napa Valley holiday tradition and get your Christmas shopping done early. Get your Holiday shopping done early ~ from stocking stuffers to works of art ~ with the personal touch! 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. 575 3rd St, 575 3rd St, Napa, 94559

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23

Veterans Holiday Market — VFW Auxiliary 1943 in Sonoma hosting 2nd Annual Veterans Holiday Village Arts & Crafts Fair. Food available, musicians will be playing both days. All proceeds support local Veterans in need. 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. Sonoma Veterans Memorial Hall, 126 1st Street West, Sonoma, 95476. (707) 812-8340.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 30

Holiday Celebration & Marketplace — Holiday Celebration & Marketplace 12:00 pm to 4:30 pm. Dry Creek Vineyard, 3770 Lambert

Bridge Road, Healdsburg, 95448. 7074331000

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 30

AbbaFab: ABBA Holly Jolly Christmas @ Marin Center — Put on your Santa hat and bell bottoms, and get ready to celebrate the holidays with ABBA HOLLY JOLLY CHRISTMAS! The cast of ABBAFAB, America's #1 ABBA tribute band, brings you an unforgettable night where Christmas classics meet ABBA's greatest hits. Enjoy festive favorites like Let It Snow, White Christmas, and Santa Claus is Coming to Town, along with ABBA hits like Dancing Queen and Mamma Mia. This fun and unique show is a surefire way to send you back in time and get you into the holiday spirit! So slip into your best disco Christmas outfit, grab your friends and family, and join ABBA HOLLY JOLLY CHRISTMAS for a magical holiday journey you'll never forget! ABBAFAB is the ultimate ABBA tribute concert, having played to sold-out crowds across the U.S. and abroad for more than 15 years! Click on TOUR DATES to see when ABBAFAB is performing at a venue near you! 7:30 pm to 11:30 pm. Marin Center Showcase Theater, 10 Ave of the Flags, San Rafael.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7

25th annual SANTA PAWS! Holiday Event — Take your pet and family's photo with Santa and festive holiday backgrounds! Sat and Sun 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. Western Farm Center, 21 West 7th Street, Santa Rosa, 95401. 707-210-6670.

Mercatini di Natale: Italian Christmas Market at Orsi Family Vineyards — Join us in embracing the festive spirit at Orsi Family Vineyards for our annual Mercatini di Natale! 11:00 am to 3:00 pm. Orsi Family Vineyards, 2306 Magnolia Drive, Healdsburg, 95448.

Handmade Holiday Crafts Fair — The 49th annual crafts fair is a festive shopping experience featuring over 90 local artists! Note: This is a two day event. Saturday, Dec. 7, 2024 10am-4pm Sunday, Dec. 8, 2024 10am-4pm 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. Finley Community Center, 2060 West College Avenue, Santa Rosa, 95401. 707-543-3737.

Imagery Winter Wreath Making — Join us for a fun afternoon as you learn the art of wreath making while sipping unique Imagery, with this hands-on workshop. All materials and first glass of wine included. 12:00 pm to 2:00 pm. Imagery Estate Winery, 14335 Sonoma Highway, Glen Ellen, 95442. 7079353000.

Editor's Note: Although several organizations and businesses posted events occurring on these specific dates and times, we suggest you confirm that the event has not changed.

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Ripe for the Pickin'

The Ultimate Guide to Sonoma and Napa County Pumpkin Patches 2024

Local pumpkin patches offer a variety of fun activities for the whole family, from corn mazes and hay rides to festive seasonal fare and even wine tastings.

By Maci Martell
September 2024

As the spooky season draws nigh, local pumpkin patches ready their gourds and prepare an assortment of autumnal activities for the whole family. From late September through Halloween, they will offer a variety of pumpkin-picking opportunities, as well as attractions such as corn mazes, hay rides, petting zoos, jump zones, festive seasonal fare and even wine tastings.

The famed Petaluma Pumpkin Patch on Stony Point Road opens tomorrow, Sept. 20, the first of the season in Sonoma County. Since 1993, locals and visitors alike have traveled in droves to the north Petaluma patch — not only to pick their favorite pumpkin for Halloween, but also to challenge their sense of direction when navigating owner and farmer Jim Goverman's 4-acre Amazing Corn Maze.

A fourth generation Sonoma County farmer, Goverman carefully designs the corn maze each year, planting over 150,000 corn seeds for the unique course. Goverman also sustainably grows 5 acres of pumpkins, including over 50 varieties of the gourd and other squash.

As one of the oldest family-run pumpkin patches in the county, the Petaluma Pumpkin Patch, now in its 32nd year, has long been a reliable fall retreat for gourd picking, maze walking, pony rides and more. Open the last Friday of September through Nov. 1.

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Petaluma Pumpkin Patch

Opens Sept. 20 for its 32nd season. The pumpkin patch boasts a 4-acre corn maze and a large assortment of pumpkins to pick, making it a sought-after patch come autumn. Plus, the patch has local food vendors on site and offers children activities, such as pony rides, jump houses, face painting and a carnival fun slide. 450 Stony Point Road, Petaluma, 707-781-3132, petalumapumpkinpatch.com

Mickelson Pumpkin Patch

Opens Sept. 21 through Halloween, Oct. 31. The patch will have a large variety of traditional and specialty pumpkins for sale from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. Sunday through Thursday and from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. Friday and Saturday. Activities include cornhole, giant Jenga, an animal farm, apple cannon, paintball gallery, corn pits, a 1-acre hay maze, grain train rides, a super slide and a jump zone. Admission to attractions range from free to \$30. Food vendors will also be on site. 5495 Redwood Highway South, Petaluma, 707-490-8088, mickelsonpumpkinpatch.com

Pronzini Farms Pumpkin Patch

Open daily from Sept. 28 through Oct. 31. The patch offers a variety of pumpkins in a rural setting, enhanced by decorated vintage vehicles. Attractions include a haunted trail and western village, hay maze, giant slides, jump zone, tractor rides, petting zoo, steer toss and corn pit. On weekends, there will be live music from noon to 6 p.m. and the Cowgirl Café will be open, offering barbecue foods. Admission ranges from free to \$7, with plenty

of activities included in admission, and punch cards for other attractions range from \$31.25 to \$106.25. 3795 Adobe Road, Petaluma, 707-778-3871, pronzinifarms.com

Pumpkins on Pikes

Tara Firma Farms will present its magical Pumpkins on Pikes fundraiser from 2-9 p.m. over three weekend days, Oct. 12, Oct. 19 and Oct. 20. Participants can pick a pumpkin to carve and decorate on site, then mount their lit jack-o'-lanterns on pikes for a glorious Halloween display. Food and drink, plus live music and games, will be available. Tickets are \$40, which includes one pumpkin. Children 3 and under can attend free. Purchase tickets online.

3796 I St., Petaluma, 707-765-1202, tarafirmafarms.com

Santa Rosa Pumpkin Patch

Opens Sept. 28 with a wide assortment of activities, in addition to its range of pumpkins for sale. Attractions include a Barnyard Ballzone, 8-acre corn maze, hay bale pyramid, petting zoo, bounce house, cornhole, zipline, hay rides, pumpkin tether ball and country tire swing set. Open daily through Halloween, closing at 6 p.m. Oct. 31. Keep an eye out for the pumpkin patch's Oktoberfest 8k run/walk, which is followed by a Bavarian-style party with food, drinks and live music.

5157 Stony Point Road, Santa Rosa, 707-582-3276, santarosapumpkinpatch.com

Muelrath Ranches Pumpkin Patch

Opens Sept. 28 through Oct. 31. The Muelrath pumpkin patch offers free family-fun activities with the purchase of a pumpkin. It includes a haunted house, picnic area, hay pyramid, pumpkin slingshot, toddler's corn maze and a narrated hayride. Refreshments will be available for purchase. Keep an eye out for historic tractors from the Santa Rosa branch of the National Early Day Gas Engine and Tractor Association on display. 3800 Walker Ave., Santa Rosa, 707-585-2195, muelrathspumpkins.com

Punky's Pumpkins

Punky's has been a reliable hometown pumpkin patch since 1995, offering a wide selection of pumpkins and other squash. Attractions at Punky's include Johnny Popper tractor hay rides, train rides, bounce houses, a giant slide, corn pit, hay maze and cartoon billboards for fun photo ops. Snow cones, cotton candy and fresh squeezed lemonade will be available on weekends. Bring a lunch to enjoy at the patch's picnic tables. Opens Sept. 29 for the season and will be open from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, and on Halloween from 11 a.m. to dusk. 50 Mark West Springs Road, Santa Rosa, 707-579-8474, punkysadobefarm.com

Floating Pumpkin Patch

The Ridgway Swim Center will host its 13th annual Floating Pumpkin Patch on Oct. 19, with two separate, two-hour sessions in the day (the first starting at 1:30 p.m. and the second starting at 3:45 p.m.). Participants can pick a favorite bobbing pumpkin from the pool and dress it up at the decorating station. There will also be other games, crafts and prizes available for kids all afternoon. Entry fee is \$12 (pumpkin included); children under 2 enter free.

455 Ridgway Ave., Santa Rosa, 707-543-3421, scity.org

Larson Family Winery's Pumpkin Patch

The winery's pumpkin patch returns Oct. 3 through Oct. 31, pairing family fun activities with wine tasting opportunities for adults. The patch is free to roam, and pumpkins, gourds and flint corn will be available to purchase. The winery will also host a canine costume contest from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Oct. 27, with wine-related prizes for the top three costumed pups. Wine tastings are \$35-\$50; reserve on Tock. 23355 Millerick Road, Sonoma, 707-938-3031, larsonfamilywinery.com

Orsi Family Vineyards Pumpkin Patch

This Healdsburg winery is bringing back its annual pumpkin patch from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Oct. 5. The event is free to attend and activities include grape stomping, lawn games, face painting and a complimentary pumpkin to take home. Snow cones will be available for purchase, as well as wine by the glass or bottle. Reserve a spot on Tock.

2306 Magnolia Drive, Healdsburg, 707-732-4660, orsifamilyvineyards.com

Grandma's Pumpkin Patch

Enjoy an old-fashioned experience at Grandma's Pumpkin Patch. The patch includes vintage tractors, a hay pyramid and climbing structure for kids to explore, as well as a pumpkin decorating station, farm animals and shaded picnic tables. Admission is free. Opening date to be announced, check Facebook page for updates.

17740 Healdsburg Ave., Healdsburg, 707-293-5750, facebook.com/HealdsburgGranny

Papa's Pumpkin Patch

Pick pumpkins under serene redwoods at Papa's Pumpkin Patch. Opening date to be announced, check Facebook page for updates. 13110 Occidental Road, Sebastopol, 707-874-9070, facebook.com/PapasPumpkinsPatch

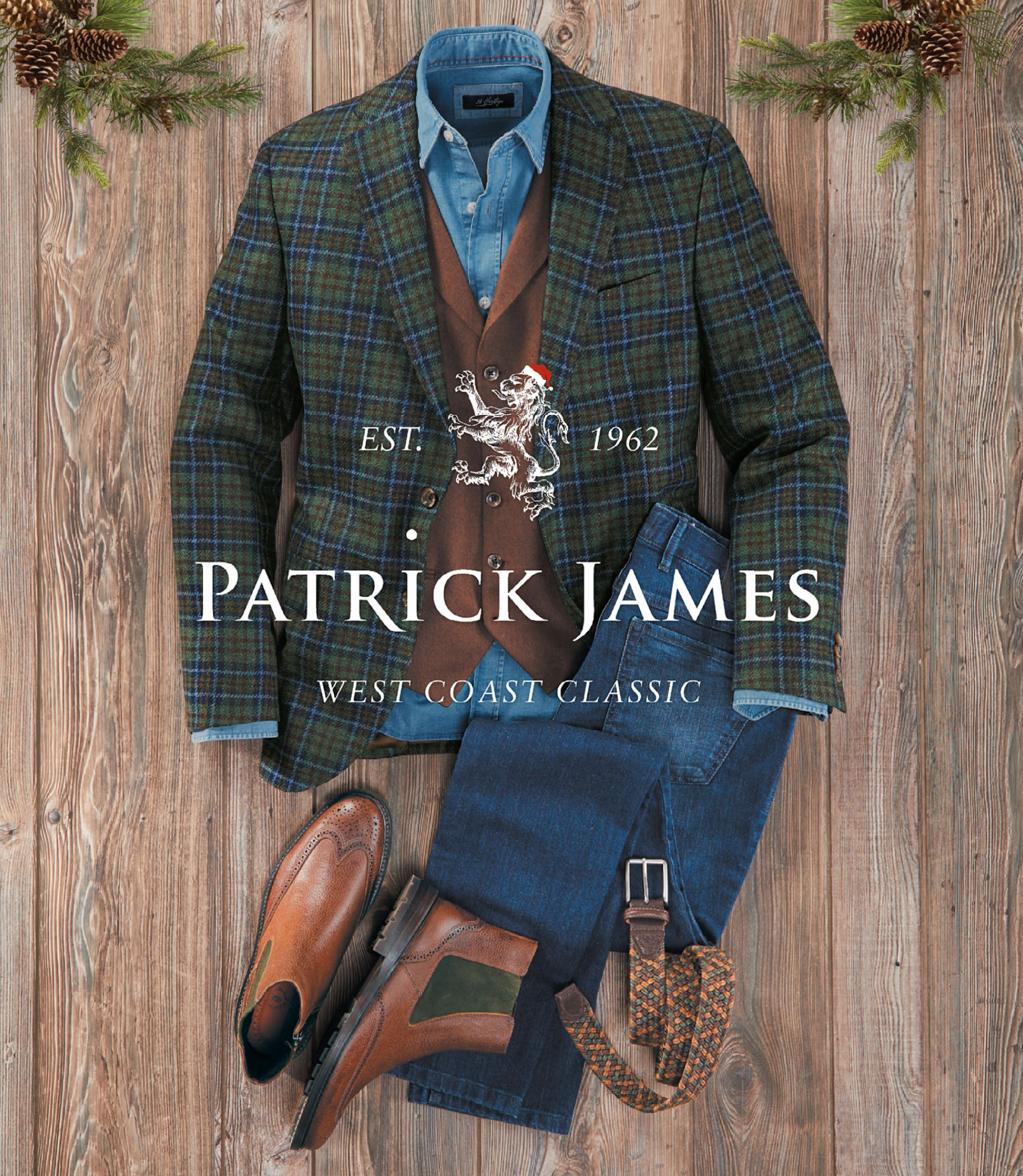
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Stanly Lane Smokehouse Deli

The family-owned Stanly Lane Smokehouse will temporarily convert into a deli (meaning no barbecue for now) as the owner focuses on running the Stanly Lane Pumpkin Patch, a Napa tradition for over 40 years. Features at the scenic patch include thousands of pumpkins, farm animals and antique farm equipment. The patch opens Sept. 28 and will be open through October, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Sunday. There is no admission fee. 3100 Golden Gate Drive, Napa, 707-224-2575, stanlylanesmokeydeli.com

ABC Tree Farms & Pick of the Patch Pumpkins

The Napa County location of this West Coast tree farm and pumpkin patch business opened Sept. 18 and will stay open daily through Halloween. Attractions include pony rides, petting zoos, a paintball range, and inflatable games and rides for children ages 2-12. Prepackaged foods and refreshments will be available at the ticket kiosk. Admission and parking is free; pumpkins and tickets for games and rides are available for purchase. 4225 Broadway, American Canyon, 408-393-6303, abctreefarms.net



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Use These Tools to Plan Your Thanksgiving Dinner



Roman Samborskyi via 123RF

Making Thanksgiving dinner is a significant undertaking! With some planning, collaboration, and the right supplies, laying out a beautiful table of delicious food can be stress-free and even fun. These are the four essential tools for a stress-free Thanksgiving dinner!

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The Kitchen Tools

For the turkey, you will need:

- A roasting pan
- Turkey baster
- Food thermometer
- Good carving knife
- A large cutting board
- Gravy boat

Other helpful kitchen tools for the meal include a peeler, enough pots and pans for each dish, knives, cutting boards, and mixing bowls. Pull out all your serving dishes and make sure you have

one that will hold each dish you plan to make. Tools for Setting the Table

You'll also want to count to ensure you have enough dishes, silverware, and glassware for each guest. Keep in mind additional dishes and forks for dessert. Drinkware most likely means a water glass, wine glass, and coffee cups. If you are having children, consider unbreakable dishware and cups.

It's okay to borrow what you don't have. You can even rent dishes if you don't have the right supplies or room to store everything you need. Bonus: You won't need to clean them!

Special touches, such as a centerpiece, cloth napkins, and name cards, can bring elegance and a festive feeling to your table. Even on a budget, you can set a beautiful Thanksgiving table.

With a solid plan, help onboard, the right kitchen supplies, and everything you need to set a beautiful table, you are all set to have a stress-free, delicious, and memorable Thanksgiving dinner.



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6 Thanksgiving Side Dishes to Try This Year



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Planning the perfect Thanksgiving menu takes a lot of preparation and thought, so using old favorites is always a safe (and delicious!) choice. If you're looking to add some new flavors to the table this year, try these six side dishes that incorporate fall ingredients with a bold twist.

The Entertainer

As you plan your Thanksgiving feast this year, you'll undoubtedly place traditional favorites front and center—but don't stop there! Let your creativity shine by featuring a few unusual side dishes with bold flavors and beautiful fall colors. Who knows, you just may find a new favorite that the whole family loves!

Charred Sweet Potatoes with Hot Honey Butter and Lime

Looking for a sweet potato dish that isn't quite so sweet? These charred potatoes paired with a spicy honey butter sauce are the perfect alternative. Choose smaller sweet potatoes so that portions are right for your guests, and make sure you get a good crisp on them in the oven. The sauce is easy if you use room-temperature butter; just incorporate honey and hot sauce, then spread on the potatoes. Garnish with roasted pumpkin seeds for a festive crunch, and let guests squeeze lime over the top as they enjoy.

Baked Pineapple and Cheese Casserole

Serving pineapple at Thanksgiving isn't common, but pair it with cheese? That's truly a rare dish. Once you try this delicious treat, you'll put it into your regular holiday rotation. Start by coating cheddar cheese with flour and sugar, then add in drained pineapple. Create your topping by crushing Ritz crackers and mixing them with butter and the pineapple juice. Bake everything together until the top is crispy and the cheese has melted. This side

dish is the perfect complement to the more savory items on the table, and even guests who don't typically love pineapple will ask for seconds!

Glazed Shallots with Chile and Thyme

Adding a little spice to your Thanksgiving table this year is sure to make it memorable. These glazed shallots are a great complement to the richer, traditional side dishes and offer the perfect balance of spice and flavor. The key is to sauté the shallots in butter until they're golden on all sides, then transfer them to the oven to finish baking with sprigs of thyme, chile, and sugar. The glaze that forms is memorable enough that your guests will ask for the recipe next year!

Asparagus Puff Pastry Tart

Creamed spinach or green beans are typically the green vegetables on the Thanksgiving table. Try something new this year by serving asparagus puff pastry tarts. These tarts could even double as the biscuit, too! Using store-bought puff pastry dough, form enough shells so that each guest can have their own. Cook the puff pastry shells for about 10 minutes, then remove and use a fork to press down the middle so it stays flat. While these cool, cook your asparagus on the stovetop to give it a nice sear on all sides. Make a sauce using sour cream, horseradish, and spicy mustard, then spread into the pastry shells. Add several asparagus spears on top, and you have an easy yet sophisticated dish!

Vegan Wild-Rice-Stuffed Butternut Squash

It's always a good idea to offer vegetarian and vegan meal options for your guests, so this dish could serve as the main course for those skipping the turkey. For everyone else, this stuffed butternut squash is a delicious side dish that could easily replace more traditional stuffing recipes. Roast the squash halves with a rub of maple syrup, vinegar, and oil for about 40 minutes until tender. While it's baking, prepare your wild rice filling by cooking your rice of choice with onions, cayenne pepper, curry powder, and some cinnamon. These flavors mix wonderfully with other traditional dishes. Add some chunks of squash, cherries, and sage to cook, then spoon the finished mixture into the roasted squash halves and top with walnuts.

Winter Brussels Sprout Salad

Instead of relying on cooked vegetables for your Thanksgiving table, try this delicious raw brussels sprout salad instead. Combining thin strips of brussels sprouts with roasted grapes, pecans, and orange segments adds bright flavors to your table. The star of this salad is the dressing made from balsamic vinegar, oil, brown sugar, and red pepper flakes. Coat the brussels sprouts with the dressing and massage them into the leaves to tenderize a bit before adding the rest of the ingredients. Your guests will welcome these crisp, fresh flavors alongside more traditional dishes.

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Making Thanksgiving dinner is a significant undertaking! With some planning, collaboration, and the right supplies, laying out a beautiful table of delicious food can be stress-free and even fun. These are the four essential tools for a stress-free Thanksgiving dinner!

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The Plan

The plan for making Thanksgiving dinner is your most essential tool. Your plan should include a guest list, a menu, a shopping list, and a timeline. It's helpful to start with your guest list so you can plan how much food to make, arrange for seating, and plan ahead for having enough dishware and glasses.

The menu is key to your plan. Traditionally, the turkey is the centerpiece, with sides that include potatoes, vegetables, stuffing, cranberry sauce, and dessert, of course! It can be fun and creative to put your own twists on the dinner. But, make sure to keep your guest list in mind. Will they be disappointed if their favorite dish isn't on the table? Also, plan to accommodate picky children, vegetarians, vegans, and guests with allergies or specific food preferences.

Dividing your shopping list into two or three can be helpful for planning ahead. Make a list of everything that can be bought a few weeks in advance, including canned and boxed items and any new tools or gadgets you plan to buy. You can buy most other items up to a week ahead of time, including the turkey. In some places, turkeys can run out, so it is vital to purchase them in advance. Plus, it may be frozen and need time to defrost.

The timeline is your master plan of what you need to do and when. This Thanksgiving 10-day Timeline from Kitchn provides a helpful breakdown.

Some tips for your plan:

- Keep everything together in one notebook, spreadsheet, or printable planner.
- Shop for items online in advance to save time.
- Look for recipes that you can make in advance, so you don't have to do everything on Thanksgiving Day.

Ask for Help

No one expects you to put together the entire meal on your own! In fact, most guests look forward to bringing their favorite or signature dish. Reach out ahead of time and invite each guest to bring a side, dessert, or beverage. Ask them to be specific about what they will bring, so you don't end up with four stuffing dishes and no vegetables. If you find it easier, go ahead and assign dishes to each person based on what you think they will enjoy making.

Talk with family members or the others who will attend about necessary roles. Will they do the shopping, set the table, cook a specific dish, or stay by your side helping all day? Be realistic about what help you have and what you will need, then ask a friend or family member to come early to assist if needed. The last hour is usually the most hectic, and even one extra helping hand can make a big difference.



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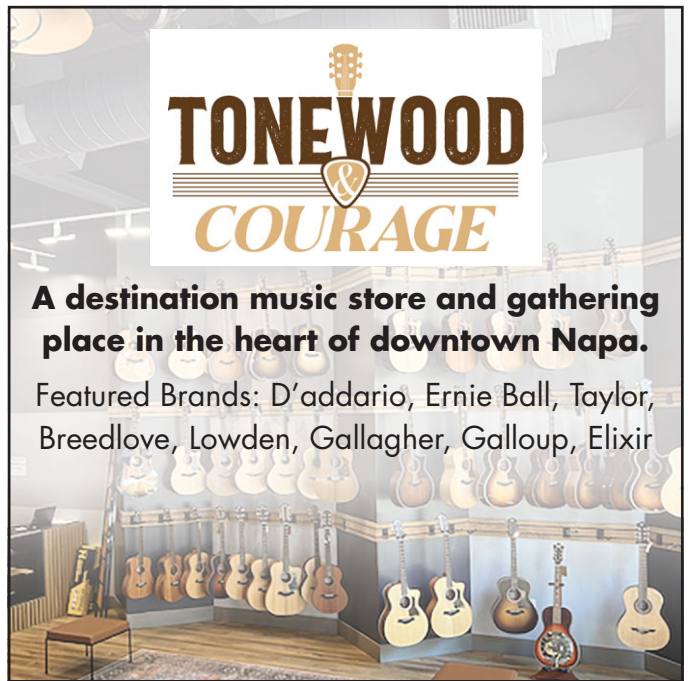
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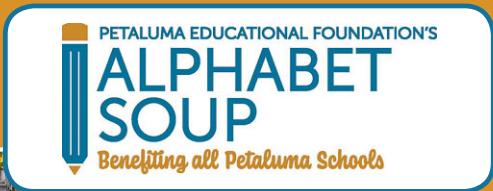
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There are many different experiences to accommodate people's specific interests. People who enjoy spending time in the kitchen will undoubtedly be excited by these food-related experiential gifts.

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Food as entertainment was first made popular by legendary television personality Julia Child. Child paved the way for many others, including professionally trained chefs and those like Rachael Ray, who honed her self-taught skills through experience. Network food shows often tape in metropolitan areas like New York and Los Angeles. Research how to purchase tickets and give the experience of being an audience member.

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While some may agree that there's "no place like home for the holidays," for others, Christmastime means vacation time. If you're thinking about heading out of town for the holidays, here are seven destinations to put on your list.

Best Places to Visit in November

- **Montpellier, Vermont.** From the changing colors of the leaves to the mouth-watering smell of freshly-baked desserts to bonfires to pumpkin everything, autumn is an all-around cozy season—this is especially true for those who live in Montpellier, the capital city of Vermont. Montpellier is a picturesque city located in New England. It's filled with European charm, breathtaking architecture, maple syrup farms like Morse Farm Maple Sugarworks, and vineyards. In the fall, Vermont gets a bit chilly, so you may need to bundle up. But, that doesn't mean you can't enjoy the great outdoors. Vermont is one of the nation's top destinations for experiencing fall foliage, after all.

- **Charleston, South Carolina.** If you're looking for somewhere that's romantic and irresistibly charming, Charleston is the place to go. This small city has an interesting history, (several) delicious food options, and several boutique hotels to choose from. A few standout restaurants include The Grocery, Fleet Landing, and Oak Steakhouse. What's more? In the fall, temperatures range between 58 and 76 degrees Fahrenheit—perfect weather for wandering one of the many cobblestone streets. And, if you're a fan of ghost stories, you'll be delighted to know the town offers spooky


ghost tours, including a tour of Magnolia Cemetery and The USS Yorktown.

- **Wilmington, North Carolina.** Just three hours north of Charleston sits Wilmington. Wilmington and its nearby beaches—Kure, Carolina, and Wrightsville—makes it a fantastic place to visit, no matter the season. This coastal college town is home to the Seahawks (the mascot of the University of North Carolina Wilmington), various museums, including the Cape Fear Museum of History and Science and the Cameron Art Museum, and scrumptious shrimp and seafood. Whether you're interested in dancing the night away downtown, lounging on the beach, or shopping till you drop in Mayfaire, Wilmington has a bit of something for everyone. Just be sure to stop at The Dixie Grill for a bacon, egg, and cheese scramble before you leave!

- **Scottsdale, Arizona.** Phoenix isn't the only gem in Arizona. Scottsdale is a beautiful city to visit in the fall. The average temperatures range between 49 and 74 degrees Fahrenheit, which is ideal for hiking one of the city's many trails, strolling the Scottsdale Artwalk, horseback riding, or viewing the Sonoran Desert while floating in a hot air balloon. (It's typically colder at night, so you may want to bring a sweater or a light jacket.) Thanks to its scenic views and mild fall temperatures, Scottsdale is also perfect for al fresco dining. If you're willing to splurge a bit, consider vacationing like a celebrity at the Sanctuary Resort—it's known for its high-end spa, luxury amenities, and enormous five-star suites.

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