

Czech Republic Festivals

2024

January 1: New Year's Day; Restoration of Czech Independence Day (closures)

January 19: Anniversary of Jan Palach's Death (flowers in Prague's Wenceslas Square)

February 20–23 (likely): [Carnival celebrations](#), Český Krumlov

February 28–March 3: [Prague Short Film Festival](#)

March 20–31 (likely): [One World International Human Rights Film Festival](#), Prague

March 29–April 1: Easter weekend (Good Friday through Easter Monday; closures)

April 24 & 29 (likely): Second and seventh full days of Passover (Prague's Jewish Quarter sights closed)

April 25–May 1 (likely): [Febiofest](#), Prague (international film festival)

April 30: Walpurgis Night (Paleni Carodejnic, a.k.a. "Witches' Night"; farewell-to-winter bonfires, including a big one on Prague's Petřín Hill)

May 1: Labor Day (some closures), [Day of Love](#) (akin to Valentine's Day)

May 3–4: [United Islands of Prague](#) (cultural events and world music on the city's islands)

May 5: [Prague International Marathon](#)

May 8: Liberation Day (closures)

May 9–31 (likely): ["Prague Spring" Music Festival](#)

May 26–June 1 (likely): [Khamoro World Roma Festival](#), Prague (performances and events celebrating Romani culture)

May 27–June 1: [Prague Fringe Festival](#) (offbeat theater)

May 29–June 2: [Festival of Songs](#), Olomouc

May 30: Corpus Christi (religious festival; some closures)

June 7–8 (likely): [Microbrewery festival](#), Prague

June 12–13: Shavu'ot (Prague's Jewish Quarter sights closed)

June 13–15: [Rock for People](#), Hradec Králové (eclectic concert series in north central Czech Republic)

June 21–22 (likely): [Baroque Night in Český Krumlov Castle](#) (dance, music, dining)

June 21–23: [Celebration of the Five-Petalled Rose](#), Český Krumlov (medieval festival and knights' tournament)

June 21–July 7 (likely): [Český Krumlov Chamber Music Festival](#)

Late June–mid-October: [Prague Proms](#) (concert series)

June 28–July 6: [Karlovy Vary International Film Festival](#), western Czech Republic

July 5: Sts. Cyril and Methodius Day (closures)

July 6: Jan Hus Day (closures)

July 8–9 (likely): [Bohemia Jazzfest](#), Prague (free concerts in Old Town Square); travels to other Czech towns in following week or two

July 12–August 2 (likely): [Český Krumlov International Music Festival](#) (classical music and opera)

July 16–August 6 (likely): [Summer Festivities of Early Music](#), Prague

July 17–20: [Colours of Ostrava](#) (major city between Olomouc and Polish border; range of musical genres with international acts)

July 26–August 11: [Telč Vacations Festival](#) (folk music, open-air theater, exhibitions)

July 27–28 (likely): [Czech Ukulele Festival](#), Únětice (near Prague; held in brewery)

August 28–September 1: [Praha Music Festival](#), Prague (choral and orchestral performances)

August 28–September 1 (likely): [International Folklore Festival](#), Brno

September 5–23 (likely): [Dvořák's Prague Music Festival](#) (concert series)

September 6–8: [Pálava Wine Harvest Festival](#), Mikulov (music, medieval procession)

September 13–14 (likely): [Slunce ve Skle beer festival](#), Pilsen

September 13–15 (likely): [Český Krumlov Baroque Arts Festival](#)

September 28: St. Wenceslas Day (celebrates national patron saint and Czech statehood; kicks off three-day folk festival in Český Krumlov; closures)

September 29–October 1 (likely): [St. Wenceslas celebrations](#), Český Krumlov

October 3–4: Rosh Hashanah (Prague's Jewish Quarter sights closed)

October 12: Yom Kippur (Prague's Jewish Quarter sights closed)

October 10–13 (likely): [Signal Festival](#) (light show on facades of landmark buildings), Prague

October 17–18 & October 24–25: Sukkot (first two full days), Shemini Atzeret, and Simchat Torah (Prague's Jewish Quarter sights closed)

Mid-October–November: [Feast of St. Martin Wine Festival](#), Český Krumlov

October 28: Independence Day (closures)

November 1: All Saints' Day/Remembrance Day (religious festival, some closures)

November 17: Velvet Revolution Anniversary (closures)

December: Christmas festivals across the Czech Republic, most notably in [Prague](#) and [Český Krumlov](#) (markets, musical events, lights)

December 5: St. Nicholas Eve (St. Nicholas, devils, and angels walk the streets in search of nice — and naughty — children)

December 24–25: Christmas Eve and Christmas Day (Vánoce, closures)

December 26: St. Stephen's Day (closures)

December 31: St. Sylvester's Day (fireworks in Prague)

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