Chicago Winter Bucket List for 2019

Winters in Chicago are typically brutal and can be pretty long but make the most of it with this list of the best things to see and do during the winter in Chicago. Use this checklist to plan out your winter weekends, this will give you some different ideas, perfect for locals or even if you are visiting Chicago.



- [ ] Winter is the perfect time to visit some of Chicago's museums. There are also some free days coming up which is a great opportunity to visit. Museum of Contemporary Art is still on my list and it's free to Illinois residents every Tuesday!
- [ ] Bundle up and Instagram your way through Chicago with this new FREE walking tour. It's available to all hotel guest of the ACME Hotel as well as locals. You can sign up and get more information here https://www.acmehotelcompany.com/acme-chicago-walking-tour.aspx
- [ ] Use the Goldstar app to find free and discounted comedy shows. It's seriously the best deal for comedy tickets.You can sometimes even get FREE tickets!
- [ ] Go ice skating at the Park at Wrigley, Millennium Park, or Maggie Daley. These rinks are open till the beginning of March.
- [ ] Plan a Chicago staycation and order room service and use all the hotel amenities. You can use the Hotel Tonight to get an amazing deal! Hotels in Chicago are typically much cheaper during the winter months.
- [ ] Plan a relaxing spa day with your girlfriends, check Groupon for discounts!
- [ ] Feel all the summer vibes with drinks with the girls at Beatnik, Lost Lake, or Three Dots and a Dash.
- [ ] Go dancing with your girlfriends at The Flamingo Rum Club or the new TAO Chicago.
- [ ] Listen to jazz music at Winter Jazz Club. You can get tickets for the listening room or enjoy listening to live music from the bar.
- [ ] Cozy up and head to some of the best places in Chicago for hot chocolatehttps://tinyurl.com/y9yajral
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- [ ] You still have a few more weeks to go to the Wnder Museum!wndrmuseum.com

- [ ] Take advantage of Chicago Restaurant Week. It's starts January 25th!
- [ ] Enjoy some great jazz music at Winter Jazz Club. You can listen to music in the listening room or just from the bar.
- [ ] Check out the new Aster Hall at the 900 shops. You will love it, especially if you are a fan of Green Street Meats, Small Chavel, or Ginza Ramen. You can also enjoy a great cocktail (or two) upstairs at the bar.
- [ ] Try a cooking class (it's perfect date night activity!) at Sur La Table or The Chopping Block.
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- [ ] Go to a Chicago Bulls or Blackhawks game.
- [ ] Eat deep dish pizza at Labriola on Michigan Avenue. It's the perfect place for pizza, especially after a day of shopping or before a movie at AMC right down the street. Pequod's Pizza might actually have some serious competition!
- [ ] Hang out in some of Chicago hippest new hotels. At the new Found hotel, you can get great cocktails at Blind Dragon or head to Hotel Julian at the new steakhouse gastropub About Last Knife.
- [ ] Relax in luxury at AIRE Ancient Baths. It's one of the best luxury experiences in Chicago.
- [ ] Make a list of all the new restaurants you want to try throughout the city and make some reservations in advance. West Loop is a great place to start!
- [ ] Eataly is a great place to hang out during the winter. It's a fun place to enjoy great food inside and they also have some fun cooking classes.
- [ ] Did you know that some of Chicago's patios and rooftops are open all winter long! Check out which ones https://goo.gl/gE6pge
- [ ] Cozy up with a cup of afternoon tea with your girlfriends. There are so many great places for both high tea and afternoon tea https://goo.gl/y2x9gk.
- [ ] I have to also note that The Smith (one of my favorite New York restaurants) is opening in Chicago. They say they hope to open early January or February. Fingers crossed!

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