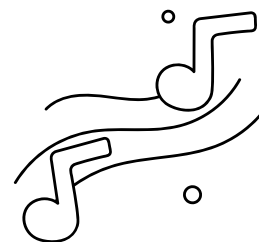




Holiday Sing Along

Oh what fun it is to sing holiday songs!



The best way to spread holiday cheer is singing loud for all to hear!

Warm up your vocal chords because we will be singing holiday tunes about the winter season, Christmas, and Hanukkah.

We encourage you to use Rendever's Spotify playlist "Holiday Songs" to listen to the songs featured in this guide! You can also use other streaming services, like YouTube, to play these songs.



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Frosty the Snowman

Our first song is a winter favorite, “Frosty the Snowman!” Written in 1950, this well-known tune is about a snowman that comes to life when children place an “old silk hat” on his head. Now, we’re going to sing along with Gene Autry, who was the first to ever record this song.

Frosty the Snowman
Was a jolly happy soul
With a corn cob pipe and a button nose
And two eyes made out of coal

Frosty the Snowman
Is a fairytale they say
He was made of snow, but the children know
How he came to life one day

There must have been some magic
In that old top hat they found
For when they placed it on his head
He began to dance around

Oh, Frosty the Snowman
Was alive as he could be
And the children say he could laugh and play
Just the same as you and me

Frosty the Snowman
Was a jolly happy soul
With a corn cob pipe and a button nose
And two eyes made out of coal

Frosty the Snowman
A fairytale they say
Was made of snow
But he came to life one day

There must have been some magic
In that old top hat they found
For when they placed it on his head
He began to dance around

Frosty the Snowman (snowman)
Knew the sun was hot that day (hot that day)
So he said, "Let's run, and we'll have some fun
Now before I melt away"

Frosty the Snowman
Had to hurry on his way
But he waved good-bye, saying, "Don't you cry
I'll be back again some day!"

Discuss: What is your favorite holiday song?

Winter Wonderland

"Winter Wonderland" was inspired by a snowy walk around a park in Honesdale, Pennsylvania. This ever-popular holiday song has been recorded by hundreds of artists over the years. Some of the most popular versions are by American singers Perry Como and Bing Crosby. Do you ever think of this song when you are on a walk in the snow?

Sleigh bells ring, are you listening?
In the lane, snow is glistening
A beautiful sight
We're happy tonight
Walking in a winter wonderland

Gone away is the bluebird
Here to stay is a new bird
To sing a love song
While we stroll along
Walking in a winter wonderland

In the meadow, we can build a snowman
We'll pretend that he is Parson Brown
He'll say, are you married?
We'll say, no man
But you can do the job when you're in town

Later on, we'll conspire
As we dream by the fire
To face unafraid
The plans that we've made
Walking in a winter wonderland

In the meadow, we can build a snowman
We'll pretend that he is Parson Brown
He'll say, are you ready?
We'll say, no man
But you can do the job when you're in town

Later on, we'll conspire
As we dream by the fire
To face unafraid
The plans that we've made
Walking in a winter wonderland
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Discuss: Do you like snow?

I Have a Little Dreidel

Let's celebrate Hanukkah! Hanukkah is also known as the "festival of lights" and it is an 8 day Jewish holiday celebrating a military victory of the Jews over unjust foreign rulers. To our left is a sculpture of a menorah, a candelabra used in Jewish traditions and an important symbol of Hanukkah.

Another symbol of Hanukkah is the dreidel, which is a four-sided spinning top used in a traditional Hanukkah game. We're going to sing the popular children's song "I Have a Little Dreidel." This song is upbeat, so let's dance while we sing!

I have a little dreidel. I made it out of clay.
And when it's dry and ready, then dreidel I shall play.
Oh dreidel, dreidel, dreidel, I made it out of clay.
Oh dreidel, dreidel, dreidel, then dreidel I shall play.

It has a lovely body, with legs so short and thin.
When it gets all tired, it drops and then I win!
Dreidel, dreidel, dreidel, with leg so short and thin.
Oh dreidel, dreidel, dreidel, it drops and then I win!

My dreidel's always playful. It loves to dance and spin.
A happy game of dreidel, come play now let's begin.
Oh dreidel, dreidel, dreidel, it loves to dance and spin.
Oh dreidel, dreidel, dreidel. Come play now let's begin.

I have a little dreidel. I made it out of clay.
When it's dry and ready, dreidel I shall play.
Oh dreidel, dreidel, dreidel, I made you out of clay.
Oh dreidel, dreidel, dreidel, then dreidel I shall play.

Discuss: What is your favorite holiday song?

Let It Snow! Let It Snow! Let It Snow!

The lyrics to “Let It Snow” tell a story about spending time with a loved one on a snowy day. Believe it or not, “Let It Snow” was written in Hollywood on one of the hottest days in 1945!

Dean Martin, who is best known as part of the iconic Las Vegas Rat Pack, recorded one of the most recognizable versions of “Let It Snow” in 1959. Let’s get ready to sing “Let It Snow” along with Dean Martin. During the song, you can look around to see the Christmas tree and Santa’s elves working at a table if you turn your head to the right.

Oh, the weather outside is frightful
But the fire is so delightful
And since we've no place to go
Let it snow! Let it snow! Let it snow!

When we finally kiss goodnight
How I'll hate going out in the storm
But if you really grab me tight
All the way home I'll be warm

Man it doesn't show signs of stopping
And I brought me some corn for popping
The lights are turned way down low
Let it snow! Let it snow!

Oh, the fire is slowly dying
And, my dear, we're still goodbying
But as long as you'd love me so
Let it snow, let it snow, let it snow!

When we finally kiss goodnight
How I'll hate going out in the storm
But if you'll really hold me tight
All the way home I'll be warm

And the fire is slowly dying
And, my dear, we're still goodbying
But as long as you'd love me so
Let it snow! Let it snow and snow!

Discuss: Do you prefer to be outside playing in the snow or inside relaxing by a fire?

Santa Claus is Comin' to Town

The holiday tune, "Santa Claus Is Comin' to Town," became an instant holiday hit in 1934 when it was first performed by Eddie Cantor on his radio show. The song was so popular that it was turned into a magical stop-motion movie in 1970 about how Santa Claus came to be. Fred Astaire, an iconic American entertainer, was the main narrator of the beloved Christmas film. Have you ever seen it before? Let's join together and sing about this holly, jolly man!

You better watch out
You better not cry
You better not pout
I'm telling you why
Santa Claus is coming to town

He's making a list
And checking it twice
He's gonna find out who's naughty and nice
Santa Claus is coming to town

He sees you when you're sleeping
He knows when you're awake (really?)
He knows if you've been bad or good
So be good for goodness sake

Oh, you better watch out
You better not cry
Better not pout
I'm telling you why
Santa Claus is coming to town

Say, you better watch out
You better not cry
Better not pout
I'm telling you why
Santa Claus is coming to town

He's making a list
And he's checking it twice
He's gonna find out who's naughty and nice
Santa Claus is coming to town

He sees you when you're sleeping
He knows when you're awake
He knows if you've been bad or good
So be good for goodness sake

Oh, you better watch out
You better not cry
Better not pout
I'm telling you why
Santa Claus is coming to town

Discuss: What is your favorite holiday movie?

Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree

Let's sing and dance to the swinging hit, "Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree." This fun Christmas song was written in 1958 by Johnny Marks, who was a well-known holiday songwriter. His other works include "Holly Jolly Christmas" and "Rudolph The Red-Nosed Reindeer." Brenda Lee's version of the song is the most popular; astoundingly, she recorded the song when she was only 13 years old.

Rockin' around the Christmas tree
At the Christmas party hop
Mistletoe hung where you can see
Every couple tries to stop

Rockin' around the Christmas tree
Let the Christmas spirit ring
Later we'll have some pumpkin pie
And we'll do some caroling

You will get a sentimental feeling when you
hear
Voices singing, let's be jolly
Deck the halls with boughs of holly

Rockin' around the Christmas tree
Have a happy holiday
Everyone dancin' merrily
In the new old-fashioned way

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Voices singing, let's be jolly
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Have a happy holiday
Everyone dancin' merrily
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Discuss: Have you ever written a song?

Jingle Bells

Jingle Bells was written in 1857 by James Lord Pierpont, a song writer and soldier who resided in New England. This jolly jingle was not originally intended to be a holiday tune, but was first performed for a Thanksgiving service church in Savannah, Georgia where Pierpont was an organist. The Andrews Sisters and Bing Crosby put out one of the most popular versions in 1945. Let's sing together!

Dashing through the snow
In a one-horse open sleigh
O'er the fields we go
Laughing all the way

Bells on bobtails ring
Making spirits bright
What fun it is to ride and sing
A sleighing song tonight, oh!

Jingle bells, jingle bells J
ingle all the way
Oh, what fun it is to ride
In a one-horse open sleigh, hey!

Jingle bells, jingle bells
Jingle all the way
Oh what fun it is to ride
In a one-horse open sleigh

Now the ground is white
Go it while you're young
Take the girls tonight
Sing this sleighing song

Get a bobtailed bay
Two forty for his speed
And hitch him to an open sleigh
And you will take the lead

Oh, jingle bells, jingle bells
Jingle all the way
Oh, what fun it is to ride
In a one-horse open sleigh, hey!

Jingle bells, jingle bells
Jingle all the way
Oh, what fun it is to ride
In a one-horse open sleigh
Oh, what fun it is to ride
In one horse open sleigh!

Discuss: Who do you prefer - Bing Crosby or The Andrews Sisters?



Blue Christmas

Blue Christmas is a sad holiday song compared to most, but it is still just as beloved. The song was made famous on Elvis Presley's 1957 Christmas Album, which today is still one of the best selling Christmas albums in the United States. Let's slow it down and sing along!

I'll have a blue Christmas without you
I'll be so blue just thinking about you
Decorations of red on a green Christmas tree
Won't be the same dear, if you're not here with me

And when those blue snowflakes start falling
That's when those blue memories start calling
You'll be doing all right
With your Christmas of white
But I'll have a blue, blue, blue, blue Christmas

You'll be doing alright
With your christmas of white
But I'll have a blue, blue, blue, blue Christmas

You'll be doing all right
With your Christmas of white
But I'll have a blue, blue, blue, blue Christmas

Discuss: What is your favorite Elvis song?

Sleigh Ride

Leon Anderson, a composer of light concert music, wrote “Sleigh Ride” in the 1940s and was made popular by the Boston Pops. A few years later, Mitchell Parish added lyrics and it was recorded by The Andrews Sisters. This upbeat song will surely have you clapping along!

Just hear those sleigh bells jingling, ring tingle tingling too
Come on, it's lovely weather for a sleigh ride together with you,
Outside the snow is falling and friends are calling yoo hoo,
Come on, it's lovely weather for a sleigh ride together with you.

Our cheeks are nice and rosy and comfy and cozy are we
We're snuggled up together like two birds of a feather would be
Let's take the road before us and sing a chorus or two
Come on, it's lovely weather for a sleigh ride together with you.

Our cheeks are nice and rosy and comfy and cozy are we
We're snuggled up together like two birds of a feather would be
Let's take the road before us and sing a chorus or two
Come on, it's lovely weather for a sleigh ride together with you.

Discuss: Would you like to take a sleigh ride?