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## Ho Ho Ho-lidays at Ivar's Restaurants

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*Ivar's presents annual Clam Lights, winter beer tasting, holiday carolers and more*

**SEATTLE – Dec. 3, 2015** – Once again, Ivar's Restaurants brings the season a glow with festive holiday events, entertainment and special activities throughout the entire month of December. There's something for everyone, including the Ivar's Clam Lights display in Renton, Santa photos with Santa Clam, a Salmon-chanted New Year's Eve party and the best waterside views of the Argosy Christmas Ship festival and much more.

Ivar's holiday programming, includes:

- **All is clam, all is bright!** As one of the largest public light displays on the Eastside, the 22-annual Ivar's Clam Lights is back at Gene Coulon Memorial Beach Park in Renton, opening with a special ceremony on Friday, Dec. 4 and running through Jan. 1. The Dancing "Santa" Clam will kick off the festive activities at 6:15 p.m., followed by the official lighting at 7 p.m., igniting thousands of twinkling lights across the park's greenery. While there, spectators will be treated to the Rainier Yacht Club Parade of Boats and Argosy Christmas Ships and live entertainment. Don't forget to stop by Ivar's Seafood Bar to warm up with a cup of Ivar's famous clam chowder.
- **Strike a pose with Ivar's Santa Clam at Ivar's Acres of Clams** Ivar's famous Dancing Clam will be transformed into Santa Clam, complete with festive holiday garb, for children and families to snap a holiday photo. All photos will be posted on Ivars.com for free digital download – perfect for holiday cards – and kids will receive a free holiday treat. Santa Clam will appear on three consecutive Saturdays, Dec. 5, 12 and 19, from 12 – 3 p.m. Reservations recommended; call 206-624-6852.
- **Behold the Christmas Ships at Ivar's Salmon House!** (401 NE Northlake Way) Get a front-row seat to one of the Puget Sound's favorite holiday traditions as the Argosy Christmas Ships cruise the waters of Lake Union on closing night, Wednesday, Dec. 23. Guests in the Salmon House's waterfront dining room will enjoy fantastic views of the Christmas Ship parade starting at 9:15 p.m., with rails decked in lights, as it passes through to Gasworks Park. Reservations are strongly encouraged; call 206-632-0767.
- **Guests can help a child in need this holiday season by granting a wish from Ivar's Giving Tree, benefiting families at Childhaven.** Stop by participating Ivar's and Kidd Valley restaurants to select

a tag from the Giving Tree, and then return the unwrapped gift to the same location by no later than Monday, Dec. 14 – just in time for Santa to make the special delivery! Last year, the program contributed more than 2,000 gifts to Childhaven families. Started in 1909, Childhaven is a statewide advocate and national model in the treatment and prevention of child abuse and neglect; learn more at [childhaven.org](http://childhaven.org).

- **Ivar's Salmon House o-fish-ally invites revelers to ring in the New Year like never before!** From 9 p.m. – 12:30 a.m. on Dec. 31, Ivar's New Year's Eve Party package for \$80 includes party favors, unmatched views of Lake Union and the Seattle skyline, and a luxurious dinner buffet from Chef James Somerville, featuring classic and modern seafood dishes. The evening also promises dance-all-night live entertainment from EJ Diana Ruize, a sky aglow with fireworks from the Space Needle and a complimentary glass of Champagne for a memorable midnight toast. Reservations required; call 206-632-0767.
- **Returning to Mukilteo Landing (710 Front Street, Mukilteo) for a holiday encore**, the Kamiak High School carolers will perform a collection of treasured holiday tunes on the evenings of Dec. 11, 12, 17 and 18. Join in and sing-along or simply lend an ear to the special weekend performances from the men's ensemble and women's choral group. For more information and times, check [Ivars.com](http://Ivars.com).
- **Heat up Holiday gift-giving with Ivar's Cookbook!** *Ivar's Seafood Cookbook: The O-fish-al Guide to Cooking the Northwest Catch* is a perfect gift for even the hard to buy for people on this year's list. The first-ever cookbook from Ivar's features a collection of 62 fresh Northwest seafood recipes, including Ivar's Famous Puget Sound Clam Chowder and Grilled Halibut Cheeks with Cherry Chutney, along with anecdotes and beautiful photos that explore the company's rich history and 75 years of adventures. The book is available in [Ivar's online store](#), as well as at Ivar's Acres of Clams, Salmon House, Mukilteo Landing and Seafood Bar locations.

For more information on Ivar's holiday programming, visit [www.Ivars.com](http://www.Ivars.com).

### **About Ivar's**

Ivar's Restaurants opened on Seattle's waterfront in 1938. Today, there are 23 Ivar's fast casual Seafood Bars and three full-service restaurants: Ivar's Acres of Clams, Ivar's Salmon House and Ivar's Mukilteo Landing. Ivar's Seafood, Soup and Sauce Company markets and sells its award-winning soups, chowders and sauces nationally and internationally. The company also operates regional stadium concessions including Safeco Field, CenturyLink Field, Alaska Airlines Arena, Husky Stadium and Cheney Stadium. Learn more at [www.Ivars.com](http://www.Ivars.com) or Follow Ivar's on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [Pinterest](#) or [Instagram](#).

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