

Holiday Sales & Clearance Calendar 2026

Every date below comes from the store's or carrier's own website, and each one has a numbered source link (list on page 2). If a store hasn't published its 2026 dates, we say "**not announced yet**" and show its 2025 date for reference, never a guess. At Price Bug Alerts, deals are checked before we post, 20%+ below the usual price, clearly labeled; we only call it a glitch when it's verified.

Key dates, Oct 2026 - Jan 2027

DATE (2026)	WHAT'S HAPPENING	STATUS
Oct 24-26	Wayfair Way Day ⁸	Confirmed
Oct 26-Nov 2	Steam Scream V themed sale (horror and Halloween games) ¹⁴	Confirmed
Thu Oct 29	Lowe's Black Friday deals start ⁹	Confirmed
Wed Nov 4	Home Depot Black Friday deals start. USPS military mail (APO/FPO/DPO), Ground Advantage: last recommended day ^{10,1}	Confirmed
Nov 16-23	Lowe's 12 Days of Deals start Nov 16 · Steam Auto-Battler RPG Fest Nov 16-23 ^{9,14}	Confirmed
Thu Nov 26	Thanksgiving. Closed: Home Depot, Lowe's and Walmart stores; UPS holiday; FedEx: "all locations and operations are unavailable" ^{7,11,9,13,6,4}	Confirmed
Fri Nov 27	Black Friday. Best Buy: "drop November 27 into your calendar" for its Black Friday 2026 Sale · Lowe's Doorbusters for everyone (MyLowe's members get online access a day earlier) · Home Depot opens 6 a.m. ^{12,9,11}	Confirmed
Dec 3-24	Lowe's December Deal Drops ⁹	Confirmed
Wed Dec 9	USPS international (First-Class Package Intl, Priority Mail Intl) and military First-Class / Priority: last recommended day ¹	Confirmed
Tue Dec 15	FedEx Ground Economy: last day to ship for Dec 24 ³	Confirmed
Wed Dec 16	USPS Priority Mail Express International; military Priority Mail Express Military Service (not ZIP 093) ¹	Confirmed
Thu Dec 17	USPS Ground Advantage & First-Class Mail (lower 48) · FedEx Ground/Home Delivery for 5-day transit · Steam Winter Sale starts (to Jan 4, 2027) ^{1,3,15}	Confirmed
Fri Dec 18	USPS Priority Mail · FedEx Ground 4-day transit · UPS: Dec 24 Air pickups must be prearranged by today ^{1,3,6}	Confirmed
Sat Dec 19	USPS Priority Mail Express ¹	Confirmed
Mon Dec 21	UPS 3 Day Select · FedEx Express Saver · FedEx Ground 3-day transit ^{5,3}	Confirmed
Tue Dec 22	UPS 2nd Day Air · FedEx 2Day & 2Day AM · FedEx Ground 2-day transit ^{5,3}	Confirmed
Wed Dec 23	UPS Next Day Air · FedEx First/Priority/Standard Overnight · FedEx Ground 1-day transit ^{5,3}	Confirmed
Thu Dec 24	FedEx SameDay · No UPS Ground pickup · Home Depot closes 5 p.m. ^{3,6,11}	Confirmed
Fri Dec 25	Christmas. UPS and FedEx closed; Home Depot, Lowe's and Walmart stores closed ^{7,6,4,11,9,13}	Confirmed
Mon Jan 4, 2027	Steam Winter Sale ends ¹⁵	Confirmed

Shipping dates are each carrier's recommended last days, not guarantees: USPS dates are for "expected delivery before Dec. 25" and USPS says actual delivery "may vary"; FedEx and UPS dates are for delivery by Dec. 24. FedEx Ground dates depend on transit days between the origin and destination ZIP codes. Store dates can change, so check the store before you plan around them.

Clearance: why there are no clearance dates here. No major store publishes an official after-Halloween or after-Christmas clearance calendar, so this sheet lists none. Our guides cover what shoppers *report*, clearly labeled as reports: [After-Halloween clearance 2026](#) · [Target clearance markdowns](#) · [Kohl's yellow-sticker clearance](#) · [Walmart hidden clearance](#).

Before you buy a "price error": a big "was" price is often an item's peak price, not its usual price, so compare it with what the item usually sells for. Stores can cancel orders placed on real pricing mistakes. Read [Black Friday orders that get cancelled](#) and [how to tell if a deal is real](#). Buying early? See [price match policies](#).

Holiday shipping: last recommended days to send

USPS · FOR EXPECTED DELIVERY BEFORE DEC 25 ^{1,2}		FEDEX · SCHEDULED TO ARRIVE BY DEC 24 ³	
Ground Advantage	Thu Dec 17 (lower 48). AK/HI/PR/territories: "10-day or more service expectation"; check postcalc.usps.com	Ground Economy	Tue Dec 15
First-Class Mail	Thu Dec 17	Ground / Home Delivery	Dec 17 (5-day transit) · Dec 18 (4) · Dec 21 (3) · Dec 22 (2) · Dec 23 (1)
Priority Mail	Fri Dec 18	Express Saver	Mon Dec 21
Priority Mail Express	Sat Dec 19	2Day / 2Day AM	Tue Dec 22
International	Dec 9 (FCPIS, Priority Mail Intl) · Dec 16 (Express Intl)	Overnight	Wed Dec 23
Military APO/FPO/DPO	Nov 4 (Ground Adv.) · Dec 9 (FCM, Priority) · Dec 16 (PMEMS)	SameDay	Thu Dec 24
		UPS · RECOMMENDED FOR DEC 24 DELIVERY ^{5,6}	
		Ground	No fixed date: "Check ups.com/ctc for details"
		3 Day Select	Mon Dec 21
		2nd Day Air	Tue Dec 22
		Next Day Air	Wed Dec 23

Retailer order-by dates for Christmas

Walmart	Not announced yet (2025 date: standard shipping: order until 12:30 p.m. local Dec 23 for arrival by Christmas Day) ²⁹
Target	Not announced yet (2025 date: Drive Up / Order Pickup orders until 6 p.m. local Dec 24) ³⁰
Kohl's	Not announced yet (2025 date: order by 11:59 p.m. CT Dec 19 to get gifts by Dec 24; pickup: order by 1 p.m. Dec 24) ³¹

Sales not announced yet (as of Oct 20, 2026)

Walmart Black Friday deals events	Not announced yet (2025 date: Nov 14–16 and Nov 25–30; Cyber Monday Dec 1) ¹⁶
Target Black Friday	Not announced yet (2025 date: Early Black Friday Sale Nov 6–8; Black Friday Nov 23–29) ^{18,17}
Target Holiday Price Match	Not announced yet (2025 date: Nov 1–Dec 24) ¹⁸
Kohl's Black Friday	Not announced yet (2025 date: Early Access Nov 7–9; Black Friday Week Nov 23–29) ²¹
Costco Holiday Savings	Not announced yet (2025 date: Nov 17–Dec 1) ²³
GOG Winter Sale	Not announced yet (2025 date: Dec 11, 2025 – Jan 3, 2026 (8 a.m. UTC)) ²⁵
Epic Games Store Holiday Sale	Not announced yet (2025 date: Dec 11, 2025 – Jan 8, 2026 (11 a.m. ET)) ²⁷

Amazon isn't covered on this sheet.

More on pricebugalerts.com: [Black Friday 2026 dates by store](#) · [PC game sale calendar 2026](#) · [Gift card deals](#) (no shipping needed) · [Email alerts](#)

Happy hunting.

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