

# 100+ WINTER BUCKET LIST IDEAS FOR FAMILIES

The things I've linked to are just suggestions. In fact, the whole list is just suggestions and ideas to help you enjoy more family time this winter. I hope you find some new favorite winter/holiday traditions on this list!

(Cross them out as you go or put a star on the line next to each item that you have completed to help you keep track!)

1. \_\_\_\_ Go ice skating
2. \_\_\_\_ Donate old toys to a shelter
3. \_\_\_\_ Build a snowman
4. \_\_\_\_ Complete the [Cure Cabin Fever Activity Packet](#)
5. \_\_\_\_ Have a snowball fight – Hate the cold? You might prefer this Indoor Snowball Fight kit.
6. \_\_\_\_ [Make \(and eat\) snow cream](#)
7. \_\_\_\_ Ride snowmobiles
8. \_\_\_\_ Go Snow Bowling - Fill some water balloons with colored water and freeze them, then peel off the balloons and use these ice balls for a round of outdoor bowling. (Use empty cans and plastic bottles for the pins.)
9. \_\_\_\_ Go sledding
10. \_\_\_\_ Donate old towels and bedding to an animal shelter
11. \_\_\_\_ Go ice fishing
12. \_\_\_\_ See the Nutcracker
13. \_\_\_\_ Make [hot mulled apple cider](#)
14. \_\_\_\_ Make a gingerbread house.
15. \_\_\_\_ Go snowboarding (or learn how)
16. \_\_\_\_ Learn to Ski
17. \_\_\_\_ Volunteer for a charity
18. \_\_\_\_ Host a family game night (Here are our [Favorite Board Games For Families!](#))
19. \_\_\_\_ Donate toys to Christmas programs
20. \_\_\_\_ Attend a hockey game
21. \_\_\_\_ Watch classic Christmas movies
22. \_\_\_\_ Camp out in the living room

- 23.\_\_\_\_ Go snowshoeing
- 24.\_\_\_\_ Create a pine cone wreath
- 25.\_\_\_\_ [Make winter crafts](#)
- 26.\_\_\_\_ Make your own winter table centerpiece
- 27.\_\_\_\_ Take a Christmas light tour
- 28.\_\_\_\_ See the holiday lights in your own neighborhood
- 29.\_\_\_\_ Make [homemade bread](#)
- 30.\_\_\_\_ Bake holiday cookies
31. \_\_\_\_ Make your own snow globe
- 32.\_\_\_\_ Make snow angels
- 33.\_\_\_\_ Spend a night (or weekend) in a winter cabin
- 34.\_\_\_\_ Build a snow fort
- 35.\_\_\_\_ Host a football party
- 36.\_\_\_\_ Visit a museum
- 37.\_\_\_\_ Do Elf on a Shelf
- 38.\_\_\_\_ Make a nativity scene (or display yours)
- 39.\_\_\_\_ Blow Bubbles and Watch Them Freeze - Instead of using your Summer bubbles, mix 3 cups water, 1 cup dish soap and a 1/2 cup light corn syrup - and blow, baby, blow. Make sure it's below freezing outside.
- 40.\_\_\_\_ Find and cut down a fresh Christmas tree
41. \_\_\_\_ Decorate your Christmas tree
- 42.\_\_\_\_ Stay in your pajamas all day
- 43.\_\_\_\_ Have an indoor picnic
44. \_\_\_\_ Celebrate the Winter Solstice - The shortest day / longest night falls on December 21st. Celebrate by making luminaries and lanterns
45. \_\_\_\_ Set goals for the New Year
- 46.\_\_\_\_ Shovel a neighbor's driveway
- 47.\_\_\_\_ Do an outdoor winter photoshoot
- 48.\_\_\_\_ Make holiday cards for friends and family
- 49.\_\_\_\_ Take professional winter family photos
- 50.\_\_\_\_ Create an indoor workout routine
51. \_\_\_\_ Go for a sleigh ride
- 52.\_\_\_\_ [Go winter camping](#)
- 53.\_\_\_\_ Donate cold weather gear to a homeless shelter
54. \_\_\_\_ Make a huge warm breakfast
- 55.\_\_\_\_ [Make hot cocoa](#) and share family stories
- 56.\_\_\_\_ Watch a marathon of your favorite show

- 57.\_\_\_\_ Make handwritten letters to friends and family
- 58.\_\_\_\_ Send a [care package to a soldier](#)
- 59.\_\_\_\_ Go through your old photos/ tell stories about them
- 60.\_\_\_\_ Try all your favorite new casserole recipes
61. \_\_\_\_ Make your own [Christmas tree ornaments](#)
- 62.\_\_\_\_ Write letters to Santa
- 63.\_\_\_\_ Make [gingerbread men](#)
- 64.\_\_\_\_ Cut out paper snowflakes
- 65.\_\_\_\_ Make treats for your neighbors
- 66.\_\_\_\_ Eat candy canes
- 67.\_\_\_\_ Write your own Christmas story
- 68.\_\_\_\_ Go bowling
- 69.\_\_\_\_ Start a new winter [family tradition](#)
- 70.\_\_\_\_ Make cinnamon rolls
71. \_\_\_\_ Have a “no screen day” together
- 72.\_\_\_\_ Try a new restaurant
- 73.\_\_\_\_ Declutter and organize your closets
- 74.\_\_\_\_ Plan a winter staycation
- 75.\_\_\_\_ Go on a Scavenger Hunt (we do this as gifts from Grandma & Grandpa now, and the kids LOVE it)
- 76.\_\_\_\_ Learn a new hobby
- 77.\_\_\_\_ Take a winter walk
- 78.\_\_\_\_ Make Christmas stockings
- 79.\_\_\_\_ Visit Santa / take a picture with Santa
- 80.\_\_\_\_ Do an advent calendar
81. \_\_\_\_ Adopt a child/ family for Christmas
- 82.\_\_\_\_ Go caroling
- 83.\_\_\_\_ Enjoy a great holiday dinner with your family
- 84.\_\_\_\_ Start a Family Read-Aloud
- 85.\_\_\_\_ Play “Elf” - secretly leave a basket of treats at a neighbor’s door, ring the doorbell and run. Don’t forget to leave a note that encourages the family to keep the fun going.
- 86.\_\_\_\_ Read/site by the fire
- 87.\_\_\_\_ Catch a local Holiday Show - It can be [A Charlie Brown Christmas Live on Stage](#), The Nutcracker ballet, [Elf the Musical](#) or the local high school production of whatever.
- 88.\_\_\_\_ Have a Disney Movie Marathon

- 89.\_\_\_\_ Cook [Chicken Noodle Soup](#)
- 90.\_\_\_\_ [Make Homemade Gifts](#) - Cookies, breads, a Christmas Tree ornament - it doesn't matter what as long as your kiddo used their hands to create it.
91. \_\_\_\_ Have a Winter Picnic
- 92.\_\_\_\_ Host a Cookie Exchange Party
- 93.\_\_\_\_ Drive around to see the Holiday Lights
- 94.\_\_\_\_ Tackle a Giant Puzzle
- 95.\_\_\_\_ Make Ornaments - No matter if it's salt dough ornament or made from the kits you get at the craft store, it's a sweet tradition to add to your annual winter bucket list.
- 96.\_\_\_\_ Take a Train Ride
- 97.\_\_\_\_ Make S'Mores - Roast them over a fire pit in the yard, in your fireplace, over the gas \_\_\_\_flame of your stove or in the microwave—it tastes delicious anyway!
- 98.\_\_\_\_ Go Swimming - Find a nearby indoor pool or water park and spend a day cannonballing to escape the winter cold.
- 99.\_\_\_\_ Have the kids do an act of kindness for each other
100. \_\_\_\_ Play Tic-Tac-Toe in the Snow
- 101.\_\_\_\_ Go Snow Tubing - It's not the same as sledding—it's better. You can do it at most ski mountains or find a great sledding hill!
102. \_\_\_\_Learn to play Chess

