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**PHILADELPHIA DOES FOOD & BEER FESTIVALS, SPRING THROUGH FALL**  
*Warm Weather Brings Visitors Out To Celebrate Food All Over The City & Countryside In 2017*

**PHILADELPHIA, April 26, 2017** – With spring in full gear and summer on its way, the Philadelphia region will keep bellies full with a delicious, mostly neighborhood-centric lineup of food and drink festivals. May through the fall features few empty weekends on the calendar—some are even double-booked. The Food Trust’s popular **Night Market** returns with four dates over the next six months. Other highlights include **Philly Beer Week**, the **9<sup>th</sup> Street Italian Market Festival**, **2<sup>nd</sup> Street Festival** and many more. Here’s a chronological list of the region’s top food and drink festivals:

**May 6, 2017**

**PHOENIXVILLE FOOD FESTIVAL.** Downtown Phoenixville sees thousands of people—rain or shine—to enjoy food trucks (Undrgrnd Donuts, The Cow and the Curd and plenty more) and a day’s worth of activities, including Phoenixville First’s short movies series at the Colonial Theatre, playing on loop 12:30-6 p.m. (610) 933-3070, [phoenixvillefoodfestival.com](http://phoenixvillefoodfestival.com)

**May 7, 2017**

**SLY FOX BOCK FEST & GOAT RACE.** Free admission, goat races (yes, real goats), German-style brats and schnitzel and, of course, a large lineup of bock-style beers make this event in Pottstown worth the drive. (484) 300-4644, [slyfoxbeer.com](http://slyfoxbeer.com)

**May 11, June 29, August 10, October 5, 2017**

**NIGHT MARKET.** Philly’s popular nighttime neighborhood-based food truck series (established in 2010) returns for another year and with four dates to fill the hungry person’s appetite—while helping The Food Trust, an organization that works to give all Philadelphians access to healthy foods. The series’ first installment will take place in the Burholme section of Northeast Philadelphia (May 11). Next comes Spruce Hill in West Philly (June 29), then Roxborough (August 10) and the 9<sup>th</sup> Street Italian Market (October 5). (215) 575-0444, [thefoodtrust.org](http://thefoodtrust.org)

**May 13, 2017**

**PHILADELPHIA TACO FESTIVAL.** The Delaware River Waterfront’s SugarHouse Casino hosts the city’s first taco festival, replete with Mariachi music, tequila sampling, margarita bar and tacos from more than 30 vendors. (484) 935-3378, [tasteofyourtown.com/phillytaco](http://tasteofyourtown.com/phillytaco)

**May 17-October 1, 2017**

**PARKS ON TAP.** Philadelphia’s first and only traveling beer garden will debut at the Azalea Garden, tucked behind the Art Museum along Kelly Drive. Thereafter, Parks on Tap visits 19 more city parks in 19 weeks, offering food, beer, wine, family fun and weekly programming, Wednesday through Sunday. (215) 422-3561, [parksontap.com](http://parksontap.com)

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**May 20-21, 2017**

**9<sup>TH</sup> STREET ITALIAN MARKET FESTIVAL.** The nation's oldest outdoor market draws crowds for this annual two-day festival with plenty of food, drink, music and even a Procession of Saints. (215) 278-2903, [italianmarketfestival.com](http://italianmarketfestival.com)

**May 20-21, 2017**

**STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL.** "Find your berry bliss," Peddler's Village says of the weekend that offers a village-wide strawberry celebration at the bucolic Bucks Country's 42-acre shopping paradise. (215) 794-4000, [peddlersvillage.com](http://peddlersvillage.com)

**June 1-11, 2017**

**PHILLY BEER WEEK.** As part of the newly rechristened Philly Loves Beer initiative, the city's 10-day beer week kicks off its 10<sup>th</sup> year when the famed "Hammer of Glory" smashes open the first keg at The Fillmore. The ensuing days and nights are filled with tastings, dinners, beer Quizzo, tailgate Olympics, happy hours (and naked happy hours), outdoor bashes and more. [phillylovesbeer.org](http://phillylovesbeer.org)

**June 24, 2017**

**PHILADELPHIA ZOO SUMMER ALE FESTIVAL.** This 21-and-older event turns part of the country's oldest zoo into the country's most fun zoo too—with beer, entertainment and food to benefit the animals who dwell there. (215) 243-1100, [philadelphiazoo.org](http://philadelphiazoo.org)

**July 13-23, 2017**

**UNIVERSITY CITY DINING DAYS.** When students clear out, noodle restaurants, barbecue joints, steakhouses and artisan pizzerias do deals—three-course, fixed price meals in the \$15-\$35 range—for a whopping ten days of dinners. (215) 243-0555, [universitycity.org](http://universitycity.org)

**July 15-16, 2017**

**BLUEGRASS AND BLUEBERRIES FESTIVAL.** Live country and bluegrass music and berries—and the treats made with them—combine for a weekend-long midsummer celebration in lovely Bucks County. (215) 794-4000, [peddlersvillage.com](http://peddlersvillage.com)

**August 6, 2017**

**2<sup>ND</sup> STREET FESTIVAL.** The yearly festival on 2<sup>nd</sup> Street in Northern Liberties is as much about art and entertainment as it is food and drink, though there's plenty of all that to go around, with food trucks and the local bars and restaurants along the boulevard as enthusiastic participants. [2ndstfestival.org](http://2ndstfestival.org)

**August 13, 2017**

**PHILLY S.E.E.D FESTIVAL.** Sustainable Everyday Edibles and Drinkables is what the acronym stands for and the new vegan craft food and beer festival will cater to omnivores at Sugarhouse Casino, where those 21 and older can sample vegan food and drink from some Philadelphia's best restaurants and breweries. [phillyseed.com](http://phillyseed.com)

**September 2-4, 2017**

**CANSTATTER VOLKFEST.** Every Labor Day weekend, the Canstatter German society in Torresdale hosts a three-day Oktoberfest party with crafts and lots of German food and beers in a festive, family-friendly environment. (215) 332-0121, [cannstatter.org](http://cannstatter.org)

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**September 9-10, 2017**

**KENNETT SQUARE MUSHROOM FESTIVAL.** Always the weekend following Labor Day, the “mushroom capital of the world” puts the fun in fungi with outdoor culinary exhibits, contests, games and much more in a countryside Chester County borough. (610) 925-3373, [mushroomfestival.org](http://mushroomfestival.org)

**September 23, 2017**

**PHILLY’S CHEESESTEAK AND FOOD FEST.** Citizens Bank Park (CBP) will replace the Phillies for the day with Philly staples: cheesesteaks, hoagies, roast pork sandwiches, pretzels, water ice and beer. And, of course, no party at CBP is complete without the Phillie Phanatic on hand. [cheesesteakfest.com](http://cheesesteakfest.com)

**September 30, 2017**

**SOUTH PHILLY SAUSAGE FEST.** Passyunk Avenue between Broad and 15<sup>th</sup> Streets closes to traffic for this eight-hour festival featuring sausage-themed food and drink with live music, arts and crafts vendors and a play area for kids. (267) 571-9280, [spsausagefest.weebly.com](http://spsausagefest.weebly.com)

**October 6-8, 2017**

**OKTOBERFEST AT BRAUHAUS SCHMITZ AND 23<sup>RD</sup> ST. ARMORY.** South Street’s authentic German restaurant, Brauhaus Schmitz, plays host to Oktoberfest celebrations onsite and across town at the historic 23<sup>rd</sup> Street Armory, turning these Philly venues into mini Munichs. (267) 909-8814, [brauhauschmitz.com](http://brauhauschmitz.com)

**October 14, 2017**

**BLOKTOBERFEST.** Building on eight years’ of success, this neighborhood bash returns for year nine, once again shutting down the west side of South Street for plenty of loud music, great food and lots of drinks. [bloktoberfest.com](http://bloktoberfest.com)

**November 4-5, 2017**

**APPLE FESTIVAL.** Before popular Peddler’s Village turns into a Christmas-shopping getaway, the Bucks County destination celebrates the harvest with live entertainment, and apples galore—including a seriously sporty apple pie-eating contest. (215) 794-4000, [peddlersvillage.com](http://peddlersvillage.com)

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