

2024 VISITS WITH SANTA - FAQs

What age is 'A CF visit with Santa' intended for?

Visits with Santa are intended for guests of all ages.

My friend received early access to purchase her ticket. How come I didn't? How do I get on the list for next year?

CF Insiders received early access to purchase tickets for their visit with Santa. To get on the list for next year, and to receive updates about all of our unique offerings and experiences year-round, please sign up to be a CF Insider through our website. The sign-up button is located in the top right-hand corner of our website.

I am a CF Insider but I was not able to secure a ticket. Why?

Early access tickets for CF Insiders are available on a first-come, first-served basis and unfortunately, cannot be guaranteed. Please continue to check the website as some time slots may become available due to cancellations.

Do you need to be a CF Insider to book a reservation?

No, however we encourage you to sign up for the newsletter to receive timely details about our upcoming holiday offerings.

What is the schedule for visits with Santa?

Visits with Santa take place from Friday, November 15th to Tuesday, December 24th and are by reservation only. Please visit your preferred CF shopping centre's website for Santa's hours of operation.

How much are photos with Santa?

There is a mandatory \$15 fee that includes your visit and up to 5 digital photos that will be emailed to you right away and can be downloaded at your own convenience.

Why are tickets only available online?

We listened to our guests and understand the lengthy time involved in standing in line. With everyone leading such busy lives, online ticket sales makes the process easier and more convenient for our guests.

Can I visit Santa without a reservation?

Visits with Santa are by reservation only. To purchase your ticket, please visit our website and click on Visits with Santa.

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Can I make a reservation when I'm at the mall?

We strongly encourage you to make your reservation prior to your visit to avoid disappointment and ensure your booking with Santa.

How many people can I bring for my visit with Santa?

To ensure we capture everyone in your photo, it is recommended that your group size is limited to 6 people.

Can I book more than one reservation to visit with Santa?

Reservations are limited to one per email address.

How do I book a visit with Santa?

To purchase your ticket, please visit our website and click on Visits with Santa.

Where is my reservation confirmation?

After booking your visit with Santa, you will receive a confirmation email with your reservation details. Please check your junk or spam email folders if you don't see an email from us. If you don't see a confirmation email from us in your inbox, spam or junk folders, please contact tickets@cadillacfairview.com.

Can I cancel my reservation and get a refund?

To receive a full refund, cancellations must be made 24-hours or more before your reservation date and time. A refund will be issued within 2-7 business days.

Any cancellation made less than 24-hours before your reservation date and time will not be refunded. To cancel your reservation, please check your confirmation email. There is a link in the confirmation email which will take you to the appropriate website page to cancel your reservation.

Can I reschedule my visit?

Changes to your reservation can only be made 24 hours or more before your original reservation date and time. Please note that we cannot guarantee that time slots will be available should you decide to reschedule your visit.

I keep trying to book a visit with Santa but all the time slots are sold out. Will you be adding more time slots?

Unfortunately we will not be able to add more time slots. Please continue to check the website as some time slots may become available due to cancellations.

Where is Santa located in the mall?

Please visit your preferred CF shopping centre's website for Santa's location in the mall.

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How early should I arrive?

Please arrive at your scheduled reservation time. Late arrival accommodations cannot be guaranteed.

How long is my visit with Santa?

Each visit is approximately 5 minutes long.

Why are the time slots listed in 15-minute increments on the ticketing platform?

We are booking 3 families in every 15-minute time slot. Each family will have approximately 5 minutes to visit with Santa and have their photos taken.

I am booking a ticket online and it says 'Groups' next to the time slot. What does this mean?

We book 3 families in every 15-minute time slot. Each family will have approximately 5 minutes to visit with Santa and have their photos taken.

What do I need to bring with me for my visit with Santa?

Please bring your confirmation email with you as your confirmed ticket to check in for your visit with Santa. Kindly arrive at your scheduled reservation time.

Will my child be sitting on Santa's knee or near Santa?

Santa will be sitting in an oversized chair with room for visitors to sit next to him. There will also be small stools next to Santa's chair or you can stand next to the chair if you'd prefer to maintain more distance.

What company is managing the photos this season?

We will be working with Page Activations Inc. for photography this holiday season.

How long will it take to get my digital photos?

You will receive your photos via email within a few seconds after the photos are taken. However, this may take longer depending on factors beyond our control (i.e. slow internet connection). Our team will ask you to confirm you have received your photos via email before you leave the Santa set.

You can download your photos to any connected device such as a cell phone, tablet or personal computer. The photo files are full resolution and can easily be used to print up to a 8" x 10" photo.

Who do I contact if I cannot find my photos or I am experiencing issues with my photos after my visit?

Please contact hello@cfsantaphotos.com for any inquiries specific to your photos.

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Can I get printed photos at the Santa set?

No. There will be no printed photos available at the Santa set. The photo files are full resolution and can easily be used to print up to a 8" x 10" photo at your preferred photo print vendor.

Can I view my photos before I leave?

Yes, you may view your photos before leaving.

What if I don't like my photos? Can I request a retake?

Yes, you can request a retake. We kindly ask that any retakes be done within your 5-minute timeframe.

How long does the photographer keep the photos?

All photos are retained until February 28, 2025 as a back up should any customers misplace their photos. After February 28, 2025, all photos will be permanently deleted.

Can I use my personal camera to take a photo?

Yes, personal photography is permitted with your reservation.

Will there be pet photos this year?

No, unfortunately we will not be offering pet photos this year.

Will you have Sensitive Santa sessions this year?

Yes we will be running Sensitive Santa in conjunction with Autism Speaks Canada at the following properties: CF Richmond Centre, CF Chinook Centre, CF Market Mall, CF Polo Park, CF Fairview Park, CF Lime Ridge, CF Masonville Place, CF Sherway Gardens, CF Toronto Eaton Centre, CF Fairview Mall, CF Markville, CF Rideau Centre, CF Carrefour Laval, CF Fairview Pointe Claire and CF Promenades St-Bruno. For more information, please visit www.autismspeaks.ca.

Will there be storytime live with Santa on Facebook this year?

No, we're focused on our in-mall Santa experience this year.

I can no longer attend my scheduled visit with Santa. Can I transfer my ticket to someone else?

Unfortunately tickets cannot be transferred to someone else. If you need to cancel your visit, cancellations must be made 24-hours or more before your reservation date and time in order to receive a refund.

I can no longer attend my visit with Santa at my scheduled time. Can I arrive later in the day for my visit?

We ask that you please arrive at your scheduled reservation time. Late arrival accommodations cannot be guaranteed.

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I booked the wrong CF location for my visit with Santa. Can I change my ticket to another mall?

Unfortunately tickets cannot be transferred to another mall. If you need to cancel your visit, cancellations must be made 24-hours or more before your reservation date and time in order to receive a refund. You are welcome to book another visit at your preferred CF location, however we cannot guarantee that time slots will be available.

I booked the wrong date/time for my visit. Can I reschedule my visit with Santa?

To reschedule your visit with Santa, please check your confirmation email. There is a link in the confirmation email which will take you to the appropriate website page to modify your reservation. Modifications must be made 24-hours or more before the date and time of your original reservation. Please note we cannot guarantee that other time slots will be available.