

BRING IN THE NEW YEAR AT MOODY GARDENS

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Galveston, Texas (December 28, 2020) — Cruise out of 2020 and bring in the New Year at Moody Gardens, with all of the health and safety protocols in place to ensure that guests are comfortable and safe as they celebrate the wonder and possibilities of this brand new year. Whether it's a special date night, couple's retreat, or a family getaway that includes the kids, there are Hotel Package options for every occasion. Moody Gardens provides the ideal venue for families to remain safe while making lasting memories this New Year's, and the Pyramid Promise states that the guest experience is sure to be Clean, Safe and Fun.

Guests will have the opportunity to cruise out of 2020 and into 2021 aboard the Colonel Paddlewheel Boat, with spectacular water views of the Festival of Lights. There will be boat loads of music, dancing and a delightful menu featuring an array of heavy hors d'oeuvres ranging from Chilled Shrimp and Crab Cakes, to BBQ Short Ribs and White Cheddar Mac & Cheese, with two complimentary drink vouchers. Following a Midnight Champagne Toast, guests will return to shore to greet the New Year. Boarding for the New Year's Eve Cruise will begin at 9 p.m. and the Colonel Paddlewheel Boat will sail at 10 p.m. Tickets for the cruise are \$80 per person when purchased individually and \$349 per couple when purchased as a Hotel Package. The Hotel Package offers visitors the option to conveniently retire to the Moody Gardens Hotel just a few steps away, with spectacular views of the property dressed up for the holidays, and also includes a \$50 breakfast credit to use for New Year's morning at Café in the Park.

Now until January 2nd all room nights at the Moody Gardens Hotel are 15% off of the best available rate, starting at just \$135 a night on weekdays and \$269 on New Year's Eve. There are several other Hotel Package options in addition to the New Year's Eve Colonel Paddlewheel Boat Cruise Package to take advantage of during the holidays. For example, there is the Explore New Year's at Moody Gardens Family or Couple's Package, which includes a luxurious room for one night, Two-Day Passes to the Rainforest and Aquarium Pyramids, Discovery Museum, MG3D and 4D Theaters, Audience Recognition Theater, Colonel Paddlewheel Boat, and Festival of Lights, plus a \$100 dinner credit to Cafe in the Park and valet parking. Additionally, there is a New Year's Eve Couples Retreat Package which includes Champagne and Chocolate Covered Strawberries in the room, valet parking, a \$55 dinner credit for Café in the Park, and a Midnight Champagne Toast in the Hotel Lobby.

The Festival of Lights one-mile walking trail decked with two million lights and filled with sound enhanced lighted and animated displays themed to everyone's favorite holiday music, will be open regular hours (6 p.m. to 10 p.m.) on New Year's Eve and New Year's Day, as well as the other holiday attractions at Moody Gardens, including Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer playing in the 4D Theater, other holiday 3D films, the Arctic Slide and train rides, and fireside s'mores. New Year's Eve is the last

day for Food Drive Thursdays, where guests can bring a nonperishable food item with them to receive 2-for-1 admission to the Festival of Lights. The year-round attractions will also be open New Year's Eve and New Year's day, ensuring that there will be plenty of fun to be had with the family or as a couple.

For more information, including ticket and hotel package options, please visit www.moodygardens.com/newyears.

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