

January

JANUARY 6-8, 2011

Grand American Coon Hunt

This is the nation's largest field trial for coon dogs and a qualifying event for the World Coon Hunt. Dogs earn points for trailing and treeing raccoons, but the animals are not killed or harmed. Dogs also compete for the best breed.

orangeburgchamber.com • 803.534.6821 • Orangeburg

JANUARY 14-16, 2011

Winyah Bay Heritage Festival

A celebration of art, decoys, hunting, fishing and conservation in the Winyah Bay area. Events include over 50 exhibitors, children's decoy painting and fish printing, storytelling, retriever demonstrations, art and conservation exhibits.

winyahbay.org • 843.546.4500 • Georgetown

JANUARY 15-16, 2011

Battle of Cowpens Anniversary Celebration

Cowpens National Battlefield hosts the anniversary of this key battle of the Revolution. Living history encampments, tactical demonstrations and lantern-lit walks from 6-8:30pm are among the scheduled events.

nps.gov/cowp • 864.461.2828 • Chesnee

JANUARY 22, 2011

Greenville News Run Downtown

5K run starting at Broad Street and Spring Street finishing at Greenville News on Main Street Event Includes a 5K walk.

greenvilleonline.com/rundowntown • 864.298.4729 • Greenville

JANUARY 30, 2011

Lowcountry Oyster Festival

Oyster Fest activities include the oyster shucking contest, oyster eating contest, oyster recipe contest and local live entertainment. Aside from plenty of oysters, there's a food court offering taste-tempting selections from some of the Lowcountry's most popular restaurants.

charlestonrestaurantassociation.com/oyster_festival.php/oysterfestival.html • 864.452.6088 • Charleston

February

FEBRUARY 5, 2011

Sandblast Road Rally

This rally racing event takes place on closed roads throughout the Sand Hills State Forest. High horsepower all-wheel drive vehicles blast through the woods at speeds over 120 miles per hour.

sandblastrally.com/2011/index.php • 919.697.5282 • Patrick

FEBRUARY 12, 2011

Hilton Head Half Marathon 10K/5K

Scenic course thru two parks and over the Broad Creek.

bearfootsports.com • 843.757.8520 • Bluffton

FEBRUARY 4-13, 2011

Lowcountry Blues Bash

The best blues festival in the Southeast! A 12-day event with more than 50 acts of traditional and contemporary blues performing at some 20+ locations throughout the city.

bluesbash.com • 843.762.9125 • Charleston

FEBRUARY 11-13, 2011

Murder Mystery Weekend

While you enjoy The Sanctuary's amenities and exquisite fine dining, several murders are going to take place. Follow the twists and unravel the clues to narrow down suspects and find the murderer.

kiawahresortevents.com • 843.452.1486 • Kiawah Island

FEBRUARY 16-20, 2011

Beaufort International Film Festival

The Beaufort International Film Festival is a celebration of Southern culture including an internationally recognized film festival, art walk, art show and lively parties in various Lowcountry settings.

beaufortfilmfestival.com • 843.522.3196 Ext. 22 • Beaufort

FEBRUARY 18-20, 2011

Southeastern Wildlife Exposition

The largest wildlife and nature event of its kind, SEWE features artwork by 120 wildlife painters, sculptors and carvers, plus educational wildlife shows, falconry demonstrations, retriever demonstrations, lectures, outdoor outfitters and guides, children's activities and much more.

sewe.com • 843.723.1748 • Charleston

FEBRUARY 24-25, 2011

African American Heritage Days

Join a celebration of African American culture and history through demonstrations, re-enactments, performances, hands-on experiences and more!

ccprc.com • 843.572.7275 • Charleston

FEBRUARY 26, 2011

Lexington's Race Against Hunger

A 10K run, 5K fitness walk-run and a 1-mile fun run through the heart of Lexington. Starts and finishes at Saxe Gotha Presbyterian Church on Hwy 378. The event raises awareness of local and world hunger. All profits feed the hungry locally and worldwide.

lexrah.com • 803.359.7770 Ext. 20 • Lexington

FEBRUARY 25-27, 2011

Battle of Aiken

Civil War History comes alive with 20 cannons, 100 cavalry horses and 1,000 living history experts from the movies "Gettysburg" and "Glory."

BattleofAiken.org • 803.642.2500 • Aiken

FEBRUARY 1-28, 2011

Hilton Head Island Gullah Celebration

A showcase of the arts, crafts, foods and history of the Native Island Gullah people. Events include a monthlong art exhibit, a gospel extravaganza, a National Freedom Day Celebration, a Taste of Gullah, De Gullah Playhouse and an Arts, Crafts and Food Expo.

gullahcelebration.com • 843.689.9314 • Hilton Head Island

March

MARCH 5, 2011

Trash to Treasures

Elloree's historic downtown will be full of vendors during the town's annual town-wide yard sale. Local merchants and visiting vendors will offer items including custom art and framing, estate jewelry, handmade baskets and many other craft items. Food vendors will be present.

elloreesouthcarolina.com • 803.897.2821 • Elloree

MARCH 3-6, 2011

Friendship Cup

This two-man team tournament for amateur players is contested over Kiawah's world-famous Ocean Course, site of the 2012 PGA Championship and Jack Nicklaus-designed Turtle Point Golf Course. Enjoy lavish receptions, hospitality suites, dinner in The Ocean Room, fabulous prizes and The Spa at the Sanctuary (for non-playing guests).

kiawahresort.com/special-events/friendship-cup.php
843.452.1486 • Kiawah Island

MARCH 3-6, 2011

Craftsmen's Spring Classic Arts & Crafts Festival

Features original work from over 300 talented artists and crafts people. All juried exhibitors' work has been handmade by the exhibitors and must be their own original design and creation.

gilmoreshows.com/craftsmens_classics_myrtle_summer.shtml
336.282.5550 • Myrtle Beach

MARCH 4-6, 2011

BB&T Charleston Wine + Food Festival

A wine and food event like no other, this festival provides guests the opportunity to educate their palates with Southern cuisine and the Lowcountry's unique food styles, heritage and recipes at one of the 50+ events throughout the weekend.

charlestonwineandfood.com • 843.727.9998 • Charleston

MARCH 1-12, 2011

Hilton Head Island Wine & Food Festival

Savor wine dinners, events and tastings during Hilton Head Island's annual Wine Festival. Events planned include Wine Centered Women, Uncork the Festival, International Wine Judging and Competition and Great Chefs of the South.

hiltonheadhospitalityassociation.com • 843.686.4944
Hilton Head Island

MARCH 12, 2011

Shuckin' in the Park Festival

Come and enjoy a bucket or two of oysters while listening to some Lowcountry music. There will be activities for the kids, so bring the whole family for an afternoon of good eats and treats!

oldsanteecanalpark.org • 843.899.5200 • Moncks Corner

MARCH 12, 2011

St. Patrick's Day Festival

A day of music, crafts, food and entertainment for everyone to feel a wee bit Irish. The festival is open from 9am to 4pm, and starts off with a parade down Main Street. Immediately following the parade, enjoy live entertainment, great food and arts and craft vendors.

stpatmb.com • 843.280.5570 • North Myrtle Beach

MARCH 12, 2011

Too Tough to Tame 200 NASCAR Camping World Truck Series Race

Head to Darlington when the tough trucks of the NASCAR Camping World Truck Series return to the track that's "Too Tough to Tame!" The day will be jam-packed with action featuring practice and qualifying then finishing with the "Too Tough to Tame" 200 under the lights!

darlingtonraceway.com • 843.395.8499 • Darlington

MARCH 12, 2011

Flowertown Run

This 10K is a great warm-up race for Charleston's Cooper River Bridge Run! Our course takes you through the quaint Town of Summerville, past beautiful gardens and historic homes.

summervilleymca.org • 843.871.9622 Ext. 120 • Summerville

MARCH 12, 2011

Shamrock Run - Hilton Head Island

Annual 5K running of the green.

bearfootsports.com • 843.757.8520 • Bluffton

MARCH 11-13, 2011

Charleston Garden Festival

The famed gardens at Middleton Place are the setting for an extended weekend of speakers, exhibition gardens, tours, demonstrations, vendor's market, as well as festive meals and gatherings – all designed to inspire garden enthusiasts and showcase Charleston's rich botanical and gardening heritage.

charlestongardenfestival.org • 843.556.6020 • Charleston

All dates are subject to change. Please contact event before making final plans.

MARCH 14-18, 2011

Canadian-American Days Festival

Activities take place at various sites along the Grand Strand. This exciting celebration welcomes Canadian and American visitors on spring break to a festival of sporting events, concerts, historical tours, St. Patrick's Day events and more.

myrtlebeachinfo.com/canamdays/events.html • 843.626.7444
Myrtle Beach

MARCH 17-APRIL 16, 2011

Charleston Festival of Houses and Gardens

The annual Festival of Houses & Gardens provides a rare opportunity for visitors to explore the private houses and gardens of Charleston's beautiful historic district.

historiccharleston.org • 843.722.3405 • Charleston

MARCH 19, 2011

Camden Kitchen Tour

The Camden Kitchen Tour offers the opportunity to glimpse inside the heart of Historic Camden homes. The tour represents different periods in the town's history. A special cooking show and demonstrations by chefs will also highlight the afternoon.

fineartscenter.org • 803.425.7676 Ext. 306 • Camden

MARCH 17-19, 2011

Patchwork Tales Storytelling Festival

The 15th annual event features storytelling, concerts, workshops and more! Performances by nationally known storytellers Donald Davis, Carmen Deedy and Bil Lepp. Free events for the whole family. Sponsored by the York County Library.

patchworktales.org • 803.981.5840 • Rock Hill

MARCH 18-20, 2011

Charleston International Antiques Show

More than 30 international exhibitors will showcase a spectrum of period furnishings, decorative pieces and fine art from the late 17th to 20th century, including furniture, vintage jewelry, oriental rugs, ceramics, quilts and silver.

historiccharleston.org/news_events/cias.html
843.723.1623 • Charleston

MARCH 26, 2011

Aiken Spring Steeplechase

Watch horses pound the plush turf and soar over fences at the Aiken Spring Steeplechase! Steeplechasing mixes in the precision of jumping to create a hybrid not unlike hurdle events in track and field.

aikensteeplechase.com • 803.648.9641 • Aiken

MARCH 25-26, 2011

Art Sculpture Welding Rodeo

Come watch scrap metal being turned into sculpture before your very eyes! Sculptures auctioned at the end of the event.

fdtc.edu/weldingrodeo • 843.661.8003 • Florence

MARCH 25-26, 2011

Prince George Plantation Tour

The majority of the plantations and town houses on this tour are privately owned and lent to the Episcopal Church Women of Prince George. As part of the tour of pre-Revolutionary and antebellum churches, town houses and plantations, visitors are invited for tea each afternoon.

pgwinyah.org • 843.545.8291 • Pawleys Island

MARCH 26, 2011

Yellow Jasmine Festival

There will be continuous entertainment, food, crafts, contests, activities for children and a fireworks extravaganza.

northaugusta.net/Dept_Serv/Parks_Recre/SpecEvents.html
803.441.4300 • North Augusta

MARCH 26, 2011

Children's Day On The Farm

This annual family event focuses on how farm life was for children in the 18th and 19th centuries. A hands-on fun and historic learning opportunity that offers a variety of activities including candle making, toys, tractor rides, brickmaking, crosscut sawing and even a children's military drill.

chmuseums.org • 803.684.2327 • Rock Hill

MARCH 22-26, 2011

Charleston Fashion Week

Charleston Magazine presents the third annual Charleston Fashion Week, a five-night celebration of fashion and Charleston's burgeoning retail and design communities.

charlestonfashionweek.com • 843.971.9811 Ext. 331 • Charleston

MARCH 25-27, 2011

Renofest Bluegrass Music Festival

This three-day festival includes a bluegrass band contest, free bluegrass block party, BBQ fundraiser, workshops, guitar and banjo competitions, an open mic stage, plus performances by nationally recognized groups.

renofest.com • 843.332.1600 • Hartsville

MARCH 25-27, 2011

Palmetto Sportsmen's Classic

The largest family-oriented wildlife show in the Carolinas, it features presentations on archery, animal displays, fishing, hunting and conservation. Activities held for adults and children throughout the show.

psclassic.com • 803.734.4008 • Columbia

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