

# Veterans Day: Discounts and Freebies

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The following is a list of Veterans Day discounts on restaurants, goods, services and events for 2014. Please check back frequently as the list is updated daily.

*All of the following discounts have been confirmed for 2014, either through press release or direct communication with the company.*

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Keep in mind that most businesses require proof of military service, which can include a VA Universal Access Card, Military I.D., DD-214 (Discharge Papers), Veterans Service Organization Card (VSO's include groups like the VFW, DAV, AmVets, MOAA, FRA, and the American Legion), or in some cases businesses will accept a picture of the veteran in uniform.

**Note:** Not all franchise locations participate in their national chain's Veterans Day programs -- be sure contact your nearest establishment to make sure they are participating.

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## 2014 Veterans Day Restaurant Offerings:

[54th Street Grill](#) -- Veterans and active duty military get a free meal (up to \$12) on **Tuesday, November 11**.

[Applebee's](#) -- Veterans and active duty military receive a free meal from a limited menu, on Veterans Day, **Tuesday, November 11**.

[Bar Louie](#) -- On **Monday, November 10 and Tuesday, November 11**, veterans and active military personnel get a free meal up to a \$12 value.

[Bob Evans](#) -- Veterans and active military personnel receive free all-you-can-eat hotcakes on **Tuesday, November 11**.

[California Pizza Kitchen](#) – Veterans and active military receive a complimentary entrée from a special menu on **Tuesday, November 11**.

[Carrabba's](#) – All active and retired veterans get a free appetizer **November 8 through 11**.

[Cattlemens](#) – Active, inactive, and retired military personnel get a free Small Sirloin Steak Dinner on **Tuesday, November 11**.

[CentraArch Restaurants](#) – Veterans and active duty service members get a free entrée and 25% off to their accompanied family and friends on **Tuesday, November 11** at participating restaurants.

[Cheeseburger in Paradise](#) -- Active and retired military personnel receive a complimentary All-American Burger with fries on **Tuesday, November 11**.

[Chuck E. Cheese's](#) – Veterans and active duty military get 20 free tokens from **November 9 through November 15**.

\*NEW\* [City Barbeque](#) – All veterans get a free sandwich platter on **Tuesday, November 11**.

[Claim Jumper](#) -- On **Monday, November 10**, all Claim Jumper locations will provide veterans with a complimentary meal from a special menu.

[Denny's](#) -- Active, inactive and retired military personnel get a free Build Your Own Grand Slam on **Tuesday, November 11**, from 5 a.m. to noon at participating locations.

[East Coast Wings & Grill](#) -- Veterans get a free appetizer or a free dessert on **Tuesday, November 11**. Offer good with a minimum purchase of \$10.

[Famous Dave's](#) -- On **November 11**, former and active military receive a free One Meat Salute at participating locations from 11:00 am to 4:30 pm.

[Friendly's](#) – Friendly's is treating veterans and active military to a free breakfast, lunch or dinner from a limited menu on Veterans Day, **Tuesday, November 11**.

[Golden Corral](#) -- Golden Corral Restaurants' Military Appreciation Monday free dinner will be available on **Monday, November 17**, from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. Military retirees, veterans, active duty, National Guard and Reserves are all welcome.

[Greene Turtle](#) -- Veterans and active duty military receive a free meal from a select menu on **Tuesday, November 11** at participating locations.

[Handel's Homemade Ice Cream](#) -- Veterans and active duty military get a free single scoop ice cream cone on **Tuesday, November 11** at participating locations.

[Hooters](#) – Veterans and active duty military get a free meal up to \$10.99 in value with a drink purchase at participating locations on **Tuesday, November 11**.

[IHOP](#) -- On **Tuesday, November 11**, participating IHOP Restaurants offer veterans and active duty military free Red, White and Blue pancakes from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

[JJ's Red Hots](#) – Veterans and active duty military get with an unlimited free meal on **Tuesday, November 11**.

[Krispy Kreme](#) – Krispy Kreme is offering a free doughnut and small coffee to all veterans on **Tuesday, November 11** at participating locations.

\*NEW\* [Krystal](#) -- Active and retired military receive a free Krystal Sausage Biscuit from 6 AM to 10:30 AM on **Tuesday, November 11**.

[Lone Star Steakhouse](#) -- On **Tuesday, November 11**, active duty, reserve and retired service members get a free appetizer.

[LongHorn Steakhouse](#) – Veterans and current service members receive a complimentary Texas Tonion appetizer and non-alcoholic beverage from a select menu on **Tuesday, November 11**.

[Max & Erma's](#) – On **Tuesday, November 11**, participating Max & Erma's locations are offering veterans and active military personnel a free Best Cheeseburger in America Combo meal.

[McCormick & Schmick's Seafood Restaurants](#) -- On **Sunday, November 9**, participating McCormick & Schmick's Seafood Restaurants will offer a complimentary entree to veterans from a special menu.

[Menchi's](#) -- All veterans and active duty will receive a free 6 oz. frozen yogurt on **Tuesday, November 11**.

[MOD Pizza](#) -- Veterans and active duty military get a free individual, artisan-style pizza or hand-tossed salad on **Tuesday, November 11**.

[Olive Garden](#) – On **Tuesday, November 11**, all veterans and current service members get a free meal from a limited menu.

[On the Border](#) -- Veterans and active duty military can enjoy a free meal from the “Create Your Own Combo menu” on **Tuesday, November 11**.

[Orange Leaf](#) -- Retired and active duty military get a free cup of froyo on **November 11**.

[Outback Steakhouse](#) – All active and former service members receive a free Bloomin' Onion and a beverage on **November 11**. Outback is also offering active and former service members 15% off their meals Nov. 12 through Dec. 31.

[\*\*Pie Five Pizza\*\*](#) -- Active duty, reserve and retired service members get a free customized pizza on **Tuesday, November 11**.

[\*\*Pinnacle Entertainment\*\*](#) -- Veterans and active duty military get a free meal at select casinos on **Tuesday, November 11**.

[\*\*Pizza Factory\*\*](#) -- Veterans get a free lunch special or a free lunch buffet on Tuesday, November 11.

[\*\*Red Hot & Blue\*\*](#) -- Veterans receive a free entrée with the purchase of a second entrée on **November 10, 11 and 12**. Coupon required.

[\*\*Red Lobster\*\*](#) -- Veterans, retired and active-duty military personnel receive a complimentary appetizer from a limited menu from **Monday, November 10 to Thursday, November 13**.

[\*\*Red Robin\*\*](#) -- Veterans and active duty military get a free Red's Tavern Double Burger with Bottomless Steak Fries on **Tuesday, November 11**.

\*NEW\* [\*\*Ruby Tuesday\*\*](#) -- Veterans, active duty and reserve service members get a free appetizer on **November 11**.

[\*\*Shoney's\*\*](#) -- Shoney's will be offering a free All-American Burger to veterans and active duty service members on **Tuesday, November 11**.

[\*\*Sizzler\*\*](#) -- Sizzler offers active duty and veteran military members a free lunch from a limited menu on Tuesday, November 11 until 4 p.m.

\*NEW\* [\*\*Smokey Bones Bar & Fire Grill\*\*](#) -- Veterans and active duty get a free meal from a select menu on **November 11**.

[\*\*Spaghetti Warehouse\*\*](#) -- On **Tuesday, November 11**, buy one entrée and get the second entrée free. This deal requires a coupon, which is available starting November 4.

[\*\*Texas Land & Cattle\*\*](#) -- On **Tuesday, November 11**, active duty, reserve and retired service members get a free appetizer.

[\*\*Texas Roadhouse\*\*](#) -- Texas Roadhouse locations nationwide will offer veterans a free lunch on **Tuesday, November 11** from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Offer is good for active duty, retired or former U.S. military.

[\*\*Tim Hortons Café & Bake Shop\*\*](#) -- Active duty military and veterans receive a free donut all day long on **Tuesday, November 11**.

[\*\*Travel Centers of America\*\*](#) -- On **Tuesday, November 11**, all CDL drivers who are military veterans eat free at participating full-service restaurants.

[Tubby's](#) -- Veterans and active duty military members get a free small Grilled Steak N' Cheese or Tubby's Famous Sub on **Tuesday, November 11**.

[Village Inn](#) -- Veterans and active military personnel receive a free breakfast on **Tuesday, November 11** from a select menu at participating locations.

\*NEW\* [Wayback Burgers](#) – Veterans and active duty military get a free Wayback Classic Cheeseburger with purchase of any side and any drink on **November 11**.

[Zoes Kitchen](#) – Active duty military and veterans get a free entrée, and family members get 10% off on **November 11**.

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## **2014 Veterans Day Travel and Recreation Discounts:**

[24 Hour Fitness](#) -- Service members receive a weekend of complimentary workouts at clubs nationwide **November 8 – 11**.

\*NEW\* [9/11 Memorial and Museum](#) -- Veterans will receive free Museum admission from **November 7 to November 11**.

[Army Corp of Engineers Recreation Areas](#) -- The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will waive day use fees for veterans, active and reserve component service members, and their families at the USACE-operated recreation areas nationwide on **November 11**.

[Busch Gardens](#) -- Veterans and active duty military can get 50% off single-day admission tickets **through November 11**.

[Colonial Williamsburg](#) – Active duty military, reservists, retirees, veterans, and their direct dependents receive free Colonial Williamsburg admission for Veterans Day weekend (**November 7–11**).

[CSI: The Experience](#) -- Active and retired military receive 50% off admission on **November 11** at MGM Grand Hotel & Casino. Family members accompanied by a veteran will also receive the discount.

[Harley-Davidson Museum](#) -- The Harley-Davidson Museum is offering free admission to military members and families on **November 8, 9, and 11** in honor of Veterans Day.

[Jefferson Lines](#) -- Jefferson Lines offers free travel to veterans on **Tuesday, November 11**.

[Kingsmill Resort](#) – Veterans and active duty military enjoy a 25% discount off regular room rates on stays from **November 7 to 13**.

[Knotts Berry Farm](#) -- Knott's Berry Farm is offering free admission for veterans and active duty military personnel and one guest from **November 2, 2014 to January 4, 2015**.

[Mariners' Museum](#) -- Active duty and retired military, veterans and their families receive \$5 off admission price **Saturday, November 8 to Tuesday, November 11**.

[Mohegan Sun](#) -- Mohegan Sun offers active and retired military members a special hotel \$99.00 room rate available from **Monday, November 10 to Thursday, November 13**.

[Mount Vernon](#) -- All active duty, former, or retired military personnel are admitted for free on Veterans Day, **November 11**.

[National Parks](#) -- On Veterans Day, **November 11**, veterans will have access to over 100 National Parks that require entrance fees for free.

[Professional Association of Innkeeping International](#) -- Inns and B&Bs throughout the country will open their doors to thank veterans for their service on **Monday, November 10 and Tuesday, November 11** with free or discounted stays.

[Queen Mary](#) -- The Queen Mary offers free admission to active service members, retired military personnel, veterans and special discounts for their family members on **November 11**.

[Red Roof Inn](#) - Red Roof Inn is offering 15% off stays in the **month of November** to veterans, active duty military and their families.

[SeaWorld](#) -- Veterans and active duty military can get 50% off single-day admission tickets **through November 11**.

[Sesame Place](#) -- Veterans and active duty military can get 50% off single-day admission tickets **through November 11**.

[Shark Reef Aquarium](#) -- All active and retired military personnel receive \$10 general admission **November 7 through 11**. Each veteran can bring up to 4 dependents using this offer.

[Siegfried & Roy's Secret Garden and Dolphin Habitat](#) -- All active and retired military personnel receive complimentary admission from **November 7 to 16**. Family members receive a \$5 discount.

[Southampton Inn](#) -- Veterans get a special \$100 nightly rate for any stay between **November 7 and November 13**.

[World of Coca-Cola](#) -- Active duty, reserves and retirees get free admission, and **November 8 through November 16**, members of the Armed Forces may also purchase up to four half-price general admission tickets for their friends and family.

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## 2014 Veterans Day Retailer Offerings:

**\*NEW\*** [Bed Bath and Beyond](#) – Veterans, active duty, Reserves, Guard and spouses get 20% off their entire purchase **November 8 through 11**.

[Commissaries](#) – In honor of Veterans Day, commissaries are collaborating with their industry partners to offer savings through in-store sales promotions including high-value coupons and other discounts beyond the everyday savings.

**\*NEW\*** [Firestone Complete Auto Care](#) --Between **November 9 and 16**, veterans and active duty personnel receive an additional 10% off the lowest advertised price of any automotive service.

[Grace for Vets](#) -- Car washes from around the world who join this program offer free car washes to veterans and service members on **Tuesday, November 11**.

[Great Clips](#) – On **Tuesday, November 11**, customers who come in for a service can get a free haircut card to give to their favorite veteran. Veterans can also receive a free haircut or get the free haircut card. Haircuts are redeemable until Dec. 31.

[Home Depot](#) -- Home Depot offers a 10% discount to all veterans on Veterans Day **November 11**. Home Depot offers the 10% discount year round to for active duty and retirees.

**\*NEW\*** [JCPenney](#) -- Veterans, active duty, Guard, Reserves and family members receive an extra 20% off select apparel and 10% off select furniture in stores **November 3-15** with coupon.

[Jockey](#) -- Discount info will be available Nov. 6, so check back with us then for details.

[Lowe's](#) -- All veterans receive a 10% discount on Veterans Day, **November 11**. The offer is available in stores only.

[Massage Envy](#) – Participating Massage Envy locations in the Chicago area are offering a complimentary 1-hour massage to active military and veterans on **Tuesday, November 11**.

[Publix](#) -- Active and retired military personnel and their families get a 10% discount on **Tuesday, November 11**.

[Rack Room Shoes](#) -- Military personnel and their dependents get a 10% discount off entire purchase on Veteran's Day, **November 11**.

[Sleep Number](#) -- From **October 14 through November 16**, Sleep Number is providing special offers for current and past military personnel. Save \$400-\$700 on selected Sleep Number mattress sets.

[Sport Clips](#) -- Participating locations are offering veterans and active duty service members free haircuts on **Tuesday, November 11**.

[Steve Madden](#) -- Steve Madden offers everyone 20% off the entire purchase, and service members receive an additional 10% off on **November 11**.

\*NEW\* [Wheel Works](#) -- Between **November 9 and 16**, veterans and active duty personnel receive an additional 10% OFF the lowest advertised price of any automotive service.

[Wudy Werks](#) -- Current and former military get a \$20 discount for the **entire month of November**.

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## 2014 Veterans Day Events:

\*NEW\* [9/11 Memorial and Museum](#) -- The National September 11 Memorial & Museum will pay tribute to our country's veterans during a special five-day Salute to Service from **November 7 to November 11**. The organization is hosting a series of events and special programs for veterans and their families and the visiting public. Veterans will receive [free Museum admission](#) throughout the tribute.

[America's Parade](#) -- Veterans are invited to march in this New York City parade on **November 11**. The theme for this year's Parade is Land of the Free/Home of the Brave, in honor of the 200th Anniversary of the writing of the "Star Spangled Banner."

[Cabela's](#) -- Cabela's hosts a Hometown Heroes event on Veterans Day, **November 11** with an increased discount for military personnel as well as Law-Enforcement, Firefighters and Emergency Medical Service personnel.

[Letters from War: A Tribute to Veterans](#) -- On **November 7** at 7 PM, the Washington National Cathedral presents a 75-minute concert tribute featuring the U.S. Marine Corps Orchestra, Washington National Cathedral Choir and selections from American War Letters. This tribute event is free and open to the public with no ticketing required.

[National Veterans Day Ceremony](#) -- The Veterans Day National Ceremony is held on **November 11** at Arlington National Cemetery. It begins at 11:00 AM with a wreath laying at the Tomb of the Unknowns and continues inside the Memorial Amphitheater with a parade of colors.

There are many national and state cemeteries throughout the country that may also be holding Veterans Day ceremonies. [Click here](#) for a cemetery listing.

[National Veterans Day Run](#) -- The National Veterans Day Run on **November 11** offers veterans and active duty military a reduced-rate entry into the race, as well as discounted rates to their spouses and children between 13 and 18 years of age.



**[NFL Salute to Service](#)** – To honor Veterans Day, the NFL will donate \$100 to each of its non-profit partners (the Pat Tillman Foundation, USO and Wounded Warrior Project) for every point scored during the 32 Salute to Service games.

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## Giving Back:

The following are organizations who are making a special effort to recognize Veterans Day by donating a portion of their sales to veteran causes or featuring special programs that give back to veterans during the month of November.

**[AARP](#)** – From October 30 to November 13, get 20% off AARP membership dues, and when a new membership is purchased, AARP will use a portion of the dues to help provide RealPad™ computer tablets to veterans to help them stay connected.

**Burger King** -- Burger King Franchisees across the country will host a fundraiser to benefit the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Unmet Needs program during the month of November. Patrons of participating BURGER KING Restaurants are encouraged to donate \$1 or more to the Unmet Needs program with the purchase of their meal. [Click here](#) for a list of participating restaurants.

**[Cracker Barrel](#)** -- From **November 1 to 11**, 10% of Cracker Barrel retail sales on specific items will be donated to the USO and on Veterans Day, 10% of the sales price on all Double Chocolate Fudge Coca-Cola Cake enjoyed in the restaurant will be donated as well. Cracker Barrel will also offer a free slice of Double Chocolate Fudge Coca-Cola Cake to all dine-in veterans on Veterans Day, November 11.

**Heinz** – Thank a veteran and Heinz will donate \$1 for every Thank You e-card and \$.57 for social media share to Wounded Warrior Project —up to \$250,000. Plus your Thank You e-card will be added to their Gallery of Gratitude. [Click here](#) to create an e-card.

**[McDonald's](#)** -- For the entire month of November, all 97 locally owned and operated McDonald's of Hampton Roads restaurants will donate a portion of all sales of Big Mac and Quarter Pounder with Cheese Extra Value Meals to the Virginia Wounded Warrior Program (VAWWP).

**[National Veterans Day Run](#)** – The National Veterans Day Run takes place on **November 11** with races throughout the country, and their National Charity Partner for 2014 is Operation Gratitude. Operation Gratitude will be onsite at each of the races to give care packages to all veterans and active duty military in attendance. (They also offer a [military discount](#) on entry fees.) [Click here](#) to register for a race.

**Outback Steakhouse** -- To celebrate Outback's partnership with Folds of Honor, which helps to fund educational scholarships and assistance to family members of military heroes, Outback

restaurants in select markets will be hosting Give Back Events on **November 4** by donating 15% of each check (up to \$5,000 per restaurant) to Folds of Honor.

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