

How to watch the ball drop in Times Square on New Year's Eve

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One of the most iconic New Year's Eve celebrations around the world is the annual bash in New York City's Times Square.

Around 1 million people will crowd into the center of Manhattan to watch the ball drop during 2014's final seconds, but many more will watch from the comfort of their homes.

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We've rounded up the ways you can watch the ball drop — while staying warm. Check them out, below:
TV

The easiest way to watch the ball drop is to just turn your television on. ABC, NBC, Fox, CNN and other stations all have their own shows. For its part, Fuse is broadcasting a New Year's Eve dance party.

Anderson Cooper and Kathy Griffin will host CNN's New Year's Eve celebration for the eighth year in a row. They'll talk with correspondents about different New Year's traditions worldwide.

NBC and ABC will both have musical performances, but the latter snagged Taylor Swift, so it clearly wins that round.

Fox's "All-American New Year" will be hosted by five people, who will talk with people in Times Square. Two of the hosts kissed at midnight last year, so do with that information what you will.
Live stream

The official live stream begins at 6 p.m. ET, which is several hours earlier than when broadcast networks start their coverage. It will feature interviews with revelers and celebrities — with no commercial interruptions.

[EarthCam](#), which has camera around the globe, is also going to stream the celebration from multiple camera angles; its live stream kicks off at 10 p.m. ET.

Apps

If you find yourself on-the-go around midnight on the east coast of the United States, you can watch the ball drop on your phone.

Apps in the Apple Store and Google Play will host the official live stream, and they're both free.

EarthCam's free app is also available in both stores.

As long as you're near a TV or have an Internet connection, getting a good view of Times Square shouldn't be too hard come midnight.

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