



PinkUK

PinkUK LGBTQ+ guide for the UK & worldwide

Aspen Gay Ski Week. 15-19 January 2025, Colorado, USA



The festive season – thinking of our less fortunate PINK friends

The festive season is upon us once again whether you're a fan or not. We bet many of you have already put your Christmas decorations up or made a start. Here's hoping for a white one if it is likely where you live – well, ideally just for the 25th so it doesn't interrupt travel.



Before then is **Worlds AIDS day**, this Sunday 1 December. Let's pause to reflect on all the people that we have lost to HIV over the years and related illnesses, as well as remember those who are living with HIV. In many parts of the UK there are vigils such as in Brighton & Hove, often dubbed the UK's Pink capital, where all the major LGBTQ+ choirs will



collaborate in a **Brighton Hove World Aids Day Concert** raising money for HIV cause **Lunch Positive.**

From a bird to butterfly: X/ Twitter:

according to a new report from the Financial Times, Elon Musk's X has lost nearly one-fifth of its daily active user base in the U.S. and a whopping one-third in the UK. We at PinkUK Towers don't want to miss out on the new party so we've **joined the Bluesky community** come and say hi. So far we've found it a much friendlier.



This month, we continue with the second part of our story from PinkUK founder Dave on his **heart attack:** this time about his

recovery in hospital post an operation for a quadruple heart by-pass and how he counted the days, sorely missing his adorable spaniel Stanley.

Finally, we seem to be in a time when LGBTQ+ people around the world are under attack whether in the West or other parts of the world. So we hugely recommend this moving **Tedx Talk** by **Drew Dalton CEO of ReportOUT**, a charity that helps combat homophobia and transphobia in the Global South. Drew's new powerful 15-minute talk on the plight of LGBTQ+ people fleeing persecution in their home countries is a 'must-watch' on YouTube to remind ourselves how lucky we are this festive season.



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Featured venue:

GayStPete House Petersburg, Florida



GayStPeter house was built in 1928 on the then outskirts of Saint Petersburg as a single family residence by F.W. Webster, a railroad executive and a member of the St Petersburg City Council. The 9 room two-story house was started a month later. Their goal has been to create an old Key West feel, laid back, quirky and friendly.

A relaxing clothing optional place to stay, where you can make new friends, or just work on your tan. The Central location allows you to explore the beaches, museums, and neighbourhoods which make up the greater St Petersburg area. The LGBT friendly Grand Central District is just round the corner.

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PinkUk Featured article



Explore your Kink Side

Are you ready to introduce some kink into your bedroom? You might have been looking at this for a while, or maybe you have been feeling something is missing, or certain urges are not being met. In this article, we are going to explore kink

in more detail lose your inhibitions. [Find out more](#) in our latest [features & views](#).

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Our prides/LGBTQ events



We have broken our record for the number of global prides this year.

Last year we had 1,093.

2024 is now nearly over and we have **5** prides/LGBTQ+ events in December. In **2025** we have **56** in the UK, and **234** globally, in **35** countries.

[Add your pride/LGBTQ event to our listings.](#) (its free)

Featured UK pride:

Big Gay Christmas Party, Soho, UK



Big Gay Christmas Party takes place at the Underbelly Boulevard in Soho, London and starts at 9.30pm on the 19th December.

The award-winning smash-hit fringe sensation Big Gay Afterparty has had a Christmas makeover that's guaranteed to get you on the naughty list. Featuring the very

best of London's cabaret scene bringing you a XXXmas special hot enough to defrost Mariah Carey's Christmas pudding.

Indulge in an evening of fire breathing, sing-along anthems, death-defying circus stunts and sultry burlesque.

[Read more about Big Gay Christmas](#)



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