

Welcome to WatchFest

34 Days | June 11-July 19

Decatur WatchFest is an Official FIFA Viewing Party celebrating all things FIFA World Cup 2026™. Enjoy 34 days of soccer fun, 60 free match showings on three big screens (and all 104 matches at WatchSpots around the city), free nightly concerts featuring national, regional and local acts and DJ sets to keep you moving. There's something for everyone of all ages!

Welcome to Decatur!

On behalf of the Decatur City Commission, welcome to Decatur and to one of the most exciting moments for our community.

We are proud to host visitors from across the globe as the world comes together to celebrate the game that knows no borders. Whether you are joining us for a single day or staying for the entire run of Decatur WatchFest '26 festivities, know that you have arrived in a community that has long committed itself to being a place where everyone belongs. Decatur formally affirmed that commitment by issuing proclamations to become a Welcoming City and Compassionate City, a reflection not just of our values, but of who we are as neighbors, as a community, and as a city.



Tony Powers
Mayor, City of Decatur

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From the Mayor

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Decatur is shaped by active community participation, strong local businesses, and a deep sense of shared pride. The same spirit that fuels our community year-round is the spirit we extend to every visitor who walks our streets during this event. We hope you will take time to explore our local businesses and parks, connect with our community members, and experience the warmth that makes Decatur more than a destination. It makes it a home.

To our international guests: we are glad the world's journey brought you here. To our neighbors near and far: thank you for sharing your city with the world.

Please use this guide as your companion as you explore, connect, and celebrate with us. We are honored to have you.

Welcome to our lovely city. We invite you to come and visit WatchFest and hang out on our "front porch."

– Mayor Tony Powers

Pictured (from left): Decatur City Manager Andrea Arnold, Mayor Tony Powers



Music, Matches And More



John Boy & Surround Sound



Join fellow soccer fans to cheer on the teams and watch matches on three screens set up on our downtown square. A full roster of live performances is scheduled before and/or after the matches.

In addition to sold-out free shows for Big Boi, The War And Treaty, and Indigo Girls, catch Grammy-worthy acts, regional sensations, and local bands and DJs on Decatur's brand-new performance stage. FREE!

Access starts one hour before listed events and ends 30 minutes afterward. Check decaturwatchfest26.com for updates.

Full WatchFest Schedule



Clip 'n save!

Thursday, June 11

M1: Mexico vs. South Africa | 3-5 pm

Big Boi | 7:30-8:30 pm

Gated event, ticket required

Friday, June 12

Kasper Rouser & the 911 Band | 6:30-8 pm

M4: USA vs. Paraguay | 9-11 pm

Saturday, June 13

M7: Brazil vs. Morocco | 6-8 pm

DJ EU | 4-5:45 pm & 8-8:45 pm

M5: Haiti vs. Scotland | 9-11 pm

Sunday, June 14

Peaceful Forest | 3:30-3:45 pm

M11: Netherlands vs. Japan | 4-6 pm

The Dammages | 6-7:30 pm

Monday, June 15

M14: Spain vs. Cabo Verde | Noon-2 pm

M16: Belgium vs. Egypt | 3-5 pm

M13: Saudi Arabia vs. Uruguay | 6-8 pm

The Stews | 9-10:30 pm

Tuesday, June 16

M17: France vs. Senegal | 3-5 pm

DJ EU | 7-8:45 pm

M19: Argentina vs. Algeria | 9-11 pm

Wednesday, June 17

M22: England vs. Croatia | 4-6 pm

Vox Britannia | 7-8:30 pm

Thursday, June 18

C.O.T. Band | 7-8:30 pm

M28: Mexico vs. Korea | 9-11 pm

Friday, June 19

M32: USA vs. Australia | 3-5 pm

John Boy & Surround Sound | 6:30-8 pm

M29: Brazil vs. Haiti | 8:30-10:30 pm

Saturday, June 20

3V3 Soccer Tournament | 8:30 am-Noon

M35: Netherlands vs. Sweden | 1-3 pm

M33: Germany vs. Côte d'Ivoire | 4-6 pm

Rouzbeh | 8-9:30 pm

M34: Ecuador vs. Curacao | 8-10 pm

Sunday, June 21

M38: Spain vs. Saudi Arabia | Noon-2 pm

Lennon Jones Band | 4-5:30 pm

M37: Uruguay vs. Cabo Verde | 6-8 pm

Monday, June 22

M43: Argentina vs. Austria | 1-3 pm

M42: France vs. Iraq | 5-7 pm

Drivin N Cryin | 7:30-9 pm

M41: Norway vs. Senegal | 8-10 pm

Tuesday, June 23

M45: England vs. Ghana | 4-6 pm

Broasis | 7-8:30 pm

Wednesday, June 24

M51: Switzerland vs. Canada | 3-5 pm

M49: Scotland vs. Brazil | 6-8 pm

M50: Morocco vs. Haiti | 6-8 pm

Andrew Holley Band | 8-9:30 pm

Thursday, June 25

M56: Ecuador vs. Germany | 4-6 pm

The War And Treaty | 7:30-9 pm

Gated event, ticket required

M59: Türkiye vs. USA | 10 pm-Midnight

M60: Paraguay vs. Australia

10 pm-Midnight

Friday, June 26

M61: Norway vs. France | 3-5 pm

M62: Senegal vs. Iraq | 3-5 pm

Gurufish | 6-7:30 pm

M65: Cabo Verde vs. Saudi Arabia | 8-10 pm

M66: Uruguay vs. Spain | 8-10 pm

Saturday, June 27

DJ La Superiorrr x La Choloteca | 3:30-5 pm

M67: Panama vs. England | 5-7 pm

M71: Colombia vs. Portugal | 7:30-9:30 pm

M72: Congo vs. Uzbekistan | 7:30-9:30 pm

M70: Jordan vs. Argentina | 10 pm-Midnight

Sunday, June 28

M73: Group A runners-up vs. Group B

runners-up | 3-5 pm

Wolves, Lower | 6-7:30 pm

Monday, June 29

M74: Group E winners vs. Group A/B/C/D/F

third place | 4:30-6:30 pm

Khaliko | 7-8:30 pm

M75: Group F winners vs. Group C

runners-up | 9-11 pm

Tuesday, June 30

M77: Group I winners vs. Group C/D/F/G/H

third place | 5-7 pm

Her Majesty's Request | 8-9:30 pm

Wednesday, July 1

M80: Group L winners vs. Group E/H/I/J/K

third place | Noon-2 pm

M81: Group D winners vs. Group B/E/F/I/J

third place | 4-6 pm

Buffalo | 6-7:30 pm

Thursday, July 2

M84: Group H winners vs. Group J

runners-up | 3-5 pm

DJ EU | 5-6:45 pm

M83: Group K runners-up vs. Group L

runners-up | 7-9 pm

Friday, July 3

M86: Group J winners vs. Group H

runners-up | 6-8 pm

Macon Music Revue | 8:30-9:15 pm

M87: Group K winners vs. Group D/E/I/J/L
third place | 9:30-11:30 pm

Saturday, July 4

M90: W73 vs. W75 | 1-3 pm

Pied Piper Parade | 4-5 pm

M89: W74 vs. W77 | 5-7 pm

G Clef and the Playlist | 8-9:30 pm

Fireworks! | 9-9:30 pm

Sunday, July 5

M91: W76 vs. W78 | 4-6 pm

The REEBs | 6:15-7:45 pm

M92: W79 vs. W80 | 8-10 pm

Monday, July 6

M93: W83 vs. W84 | 3-5 pm

DJ EU | 5:30-7:30 pm

M94: W81 vs. W82 | 8-10 pm

Tuesday, July 7

M95: W86 vs. W88 | Noon-2 pm

DJ Cleotrppv | 2:15-3:45 pm

M96: W85 vs. W87 | 4-6 pm

Wednesday, July 8: Rest Day

Thursday, July 9

M97: W89 v W90 | 4-6 pm

Polly Holliday | 7-8:30 pm

Friday, July 10

M98: W93 vs. W94 | 3-5 pm

Little Hopes | 6-7:30 pm

Saturday, July 11

Purple Madness | 7:15-8:45 pm

M99: W91 vs. W92 | 5-7 pm

M100: W95 vs. W96 | 9-11 pm

Sunday, July 12: Rest Day

Monday, July 13: Rest Day

Tuesday, July 14

M101: W97 vs. W98 | 3-5 pm

These Crowded Streets | 7-8:30 pm

Wednesday, July 15

M102: W99 vs. W100 | 3-5 pm

Decatur City Band | 6-8 pm

Thursday, July 16: Rest Day

Friday, July 17: Rest Day

Saturday, July 18

M103: Runner-up match 101 vs.

Runner-up match 102 | 5-7 pm

Pushback | 7:30-9 pm

Sunday, July 19

M104: **WORLD CUP FINAL!**

W101 vs. W102 | 3-5 pm

Indigo Girls | 8-9:30 pm

Gated event, ticket required

On the Square: Event Map

WatchFest '26 is happening on and around Decatur Square atop the Decatur MARTA Station. Just six miles (9.6 km) east of downtown Atlanta, Decatur is an easy seven MARTA stops from Atlanta Stadium and Centennial Olympic Park.

Make your plans now – review best routes to WatchFest and plan to walk, bike, take MARTA, ride-share or scoot.

Rideshare

Use these locations for pickup from or drop-off to the festival:

274 Sycamore St.
Decatur, GA 30030

114 Clairemont Ave.
Decatur, GA 30030

More About MARTA

tracker.itsmarta.com/plan



Parking in Decatur

Driving? Check out our parking app where you can also pre-purchase a parking spot. decaturgaparking.com.



once de Leon Ave.



Know Before You Go!

Plan your day at WatchFest

Access begins one hour before listed events. The festival ends 30 minutes after the final match or concert each day. The festival will be held rain or shine.

Summer in Georgia is hot, so hats, hand fans, beach towels/yoga mats, sunscreen and empty plastic water bottles (water stations will be available) are encouraged.

Decatur Square is surrounded by charming shops and outstanding restaurants ready to welcome WatchFest visitors. In addition, look for food trucks and food vendors on East Court Square on the northern side of the square.

For gated and ticketed events

Three of our WatchFest concerts – Big Boi, The War And Treaty, and Indigo Girls – are gated, and require (free) tickets. There are special guidelines that apply specifically to these events, most notably:

- Security screening will be set up at festival entry gates
- No in/out once admitted into the venue
- No bags larger than 14 x 11 x 5 in. allowed
- All bags subject to search
- Umbrellas and chairs are not allowed

Visit decaturwatchfest26.com/kbyg or scan the QR code for all the details,



Rendering of Decatur's new performance stage on the Square

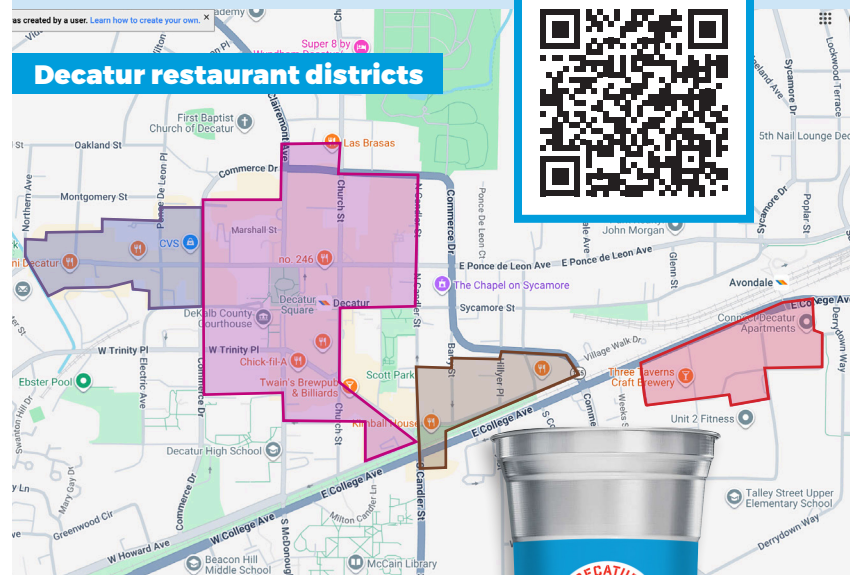
Pick a WatchSpot

Looking for a place to watch a game that's not on our outdoor screening schedule? Want to take a break from the heat? Need to refuel without missing a point? Step on over to one of these 21 Decatur WatchFest WatchSpots – Decatur's soccer-loving pubs, breweries, and restaurants.

Sip and Stroll

Thanks to the city's open container ordinance, you can take your cocktails, wine and beer to-go within Decatur's restaurant districts. A few important guidelines:

- Drinks must be purchased from City of Decatur restaurants and served in a special Michelob-Ultra-branded 20-ounce aluminum stadium cup with the official Decatur Watchfest '26 logo.
- No bottles or cans allowed.
- One drink at a time.
- Keep it in the district! Beverages must be enjoyed (consumed) within the restaurant district boundaries (see map) and not within a vehicle. More information at visitdecaturga.com





O'Sullivan's
111 Sycamore St.
osullivanspub.com



Brick Store Pub
125 East Court Sq.
brickstorepub.com



The Marlay House
426 W. Ponce de Leon Ave.
themarlayhouse.com



Kelly's Market
308 E. Howard Ave.
kellys.market



Sushi Avenue
(two locations)
308 W. Ponce de Leon Ave.
and 131 Sycamore St.
sushiavenuedecatur.com



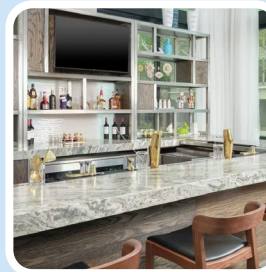
Raging Burrito
141 Sycamore St.
ragingburrito.com



Bench Warmers Sports Grill
240 W. Ponce de Leon Ave.
benchwarmersgrill.com



Three Taverns Brewery
121 New St.
threetavernsbrewery.com



Leila's at Hampton Inn & Suites
116 Clairemont Ave.
hilton.com



Takumi Cuisine
250 W. Ponce de Leon Ave.
takumicuisine.com



Little Shop of Stories
133 E. Court Square
littleshopofstories.com



Twain's Brewpub & Billards
211 E. Trinity Pl.
twains.net



Playa Bowls
335 W. Ponce de Leon Ave.
playabowls.com



Inner Voice Brewing
308 W. Ponce de Leon Ave.
innvoicebrewing.beer



Rebel Teahouse
225 E. Ponce de Leon Ave.
rebelteahouse.com



Iberian Pig
121 Sycamore St.
iberianpig.com/decatur



Folk Art
174 W. Ponce de Leon Ave.
folkartrestaurant.com



Siam Thai
123 Sycamore St.
siamthaidecatur.com



The Ramspeck
127 E Court Sq.
theramspeck.com



Leon's Full Service
131 E. Ponce de Leon Ave.
leonsfullservice.com

For the Kids!

The WatchFest Committee

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The YMCA Children's Healthcare Mini Pitch

A 23 x 40 ft. pitch with 4 x 6 ft. goals. Turf floor provided Great American Green, Tailor Made and Brock. Play managed by YMCA and volunteers.

Atlanta United Skill Zone

An inflatable pitch surround for micro games and skills practice, along with face painting, meet & greets, and more!

New! Permanent Play Area

Sit-and-spin, ADA wheelchair-friendly spinning disk, climbing area with ropes and sloped climbing wall, and a slide – all on a colorful cushioned surface to reduce impact.

Watchfest Swag!

Look for the Decatur WatchFest merch tent on the square during the festival with new style hats, cell phone chargers, cooling scarves, pocket fans, water bottles, t-shirts, clear bags and more!

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