

How much Christmas can you handle?

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(CNN) -- Did crawling into the grungy mall Santa's lap as a child send you into peals of laughter instead of hysterical sobs? Did you love the sight of rock-hard fruit cake? Did you start your countdown to the most glorious day of the year in mid-August? Then you just may be a Christmas addict.

And if the usual flow of sickly sweet candy canes and maniacal Christmas songs doesn't quench your passion for the season, any of these places will fill you with Christmas until the tinsel is pouring out of your ears and you're begging for mercy.

Nutcracker Tea, Carmel Valley Ranch, Carmel, California

Fluffy rhinestone tutus, massive graceful leaps, rich Tchaikovsky score ... does this sound like heaven to you?

Even the most die-hard Christmas fan might find nod off during a traditional rendition of "The Nutcracker," but not so with this <u>festive event.</u>

Enjoy champagne and a complete high tea while watching Dance Kids of Monterey County tell the classic Christmas story, complete with swordfighting as well as stellar dancing.



Jump into the magic and learn to perform an entire scene from the ballet, whether you have two left feet or a background in dance.

It may be fat sugar plums or it may be your absolutely horrific pirouettes, but something will certainly be dancing in your head after a magical night at the Nutcracker Tea.

