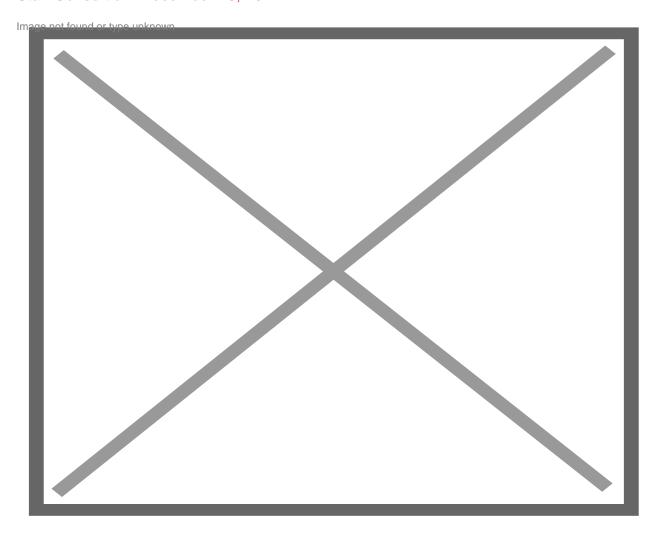
St. Croix Lights Up the Season with ICEE Cooler Fete and Rise & Wine

The December 26 Soca vs Dancehall showdown at Starlight and the January 3 morning party at The Fred bring music, fun, and culture to the island's year-end festivities

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St. Croix is brimming with festive cheer this holiday season, offering a lineup of dynamic events filled with excitement, music, and cultural pride to celebrate the end of 2024 and ring in 2025.

The holiday festivities in St. Croix continue with a dynamic slate of events to end 2024 and welcome 2025 in style. On December 26, 2024, the "ICEE Cooler Fete: Cowboys vs Indians – Soca vs Dancehall" at Starlight, Sidney Lee Road in Christiansted, promises an epic showdown between Team Soca and Team Dancehall (get tickets here).

From 9 p.m. to 4 a.m., top DJs like LIPS International w/ Chef Maddness, Willy Chin, Supa Trakz International, DJ Kareem, Big Kat Sounds, Trinity Krew, Star General, and DJ Darkshadow will keep the vibes going. Partygoers can bring their own coolers, and tickets are available at iceecoolerfete.eventbrite.com.

The celebrations continue on January 3, 2025, with the third edition of "Rise & Wine" at The Fred in Frederiksted from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. This stylish morning event offers a dynamic mix of music and breakfast, featuring performances by Leisha Donastorg, T-Rockk, Fsi Oran Solomon, LIPS International, DJ Swain Productions, and newly announced DJ Jelani "Jel" Roberts.

The Trini Posse Riddim Section will provide live percussion to keep the energy flowing. Sponsored by the Division of Festivals, the U.S. Virgin Islands Department of Tourism, and Grapetree Bay Hotel, Rise & Wine promises a sophisticated start to the new year. Tickets are available at <u>riseandwinestx.eventbrite.com</u>, with breakfast included and exciting door prizes up for grabs.

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