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Nationwide grocer Aldi says its Thanksgiving meal for 10 people will cost \$40 this year. PROVIDED BY ALDI

Find ready to eat Thanksgiving meals and bundles in Alabama

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The smell of turkey roasting, pies cooling on the counter and the buzz of family chatter, Thanksgiving is a holiday full of tradition. Still, sometimes it can feel overwhelming with work, travel and holiday prep, it’s no wonder many families are turning to premade meals or bundles that cut prep time in half.

Thanksgiving in Alabama just got easier and more budget-friendly. From fully premade feasts to handy meal bundles, families can enjoy a delicious holiday spread without breaking a sweat or the bank.

Here’s where in Alabama you can get a holiday meal bundle or premade meals for Thanksgiving 2025.

ALDI

ALDI is committed to helping you

keep your Thanksgiving holiday budget-friendly by offering a full Thanksgiving meal for \$40. The meal includes a 14-pound turkey, ingredients to make sides and dessert to feed up to 10 people. While this meal is a do-it-yourself feast, it takes a big chunk of stress off your wallet.

Walmart

Walmart is offering a Thanksgiving meal basket for the 2025 holiday. Much like the ALDI meal, Walmart provides you with the ingredients to make a meal for up to 10 people for less than \$4 per person. In the basket is a 13.5-pound turkey, ingredients for sides and dessert. And to save you a trip to the store, you can order your Thanksgiving basket for delivery via the app or website.

Target

Don’t need to feed up to 10 people? Target has a Thanksgiving meal for four people for just under \$20. It includes a 10-pound turkey, potatoes, cranberry sauce, stuffing mix, gravy, corn and French bread. They’re offering desserts for \$4.99 to include pie, empanadas and more.

Costco

Feeding a family is a lot of work and Costco is prepping it all for you. Costco is cooking a meal for a family of eight for \$199. The meal includes a 5-pound turkey, 3 pounds each of mashed potatoes, green bean casserole, mac and cheese, stuffing and sweet corn. They’ll also provide two 2-pound pies, rolls, cranberry and turkey gravy.

Kroger

Kroger has announced a Thanksgiving meal bundle that will feed 10 people for less than \$4.75 per person. The bundle has 16 items, and it includes a 14–16-pound turkey, turkey stuffing, rolls, and ingredients to make sides and a pumpkin pie. Don’t need a whole bundle? Kroger has Thanksgiving staples for low prices to include stuffing, broth, gravy and more.

More Alabama stores offering holiday meals and bundles

Of course, these aren’t the only places

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TARIFFS

Details unclear on dividend checks

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President Donald Trump is promising a \$2,000 dividend check for U.S. citizens in a recent post on Truth Social.

In his Nov. 9 Truth Social post, President Trump highlights the United States’ global economic standing, emphasizing the tariffs recently imposed. The post also promises a dividend of at least \$2,000 per person, though high-income earners would be excluded from the payout.

President Trump’s Truth Social post reads:

“People that are against Tariffs are FOOLS! We are now the Richest, Most Respected Country In the World, With Almost No Inflation, and A Record Stock Market Price. 401k’s are Highest EVER. We are taking in Trillions of Dollars and will soon begin paying down our ENORMOUS DEBT, \$37 Trillion. Record Investment in the USA, plants and factories going up all over the place. A dividend of at least \$2000 a person (not including high income people!) will be paid to everyone.”

Just hours after the plan was floated, Treasury Secretary Scott Bessent cast doubt on the idea of a “tariff dividend” for Americans, saying it could take many forms.

For Alabamians watching, that could mean any extra money might not show up in your pocket exactly as promised. Here’s what we know.

Will there really be a dividend check?

While a \$2,000 check sounds appealing, Bessent says any payout could come in other forms. On ABC’s “This Week,” Bessent said he hadn’t spoken with the president about the proposal.

He explained that the money could take the form of tax cuts included in President Trump’s agenda, such as no tax on tips, overtime or Social Security, and deductions for auto loans. “Those are substantial deductions being financed in the tax bill,” Bessent said.

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What fans need to know before Alabama, Oklahoma football game

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Homecoming week at the University of Alabama means a pep rally and bonfire on the Quad, a parade through downtown Tuscaloosa and plenty of other fun activities. Oh yeah, there will be a pretty big football game, too.

The Alabama Crimson Tide will host the Oklahoma Sooners on Nov. 15, bringing thousands of fans to the UA campus for a key SEC matchup with big implications for UA’s post-season plans.

Here’s a look at what fans need to know before the Alabama-Oklahoma game.

When is kickoff?

Kickoff for the Alabama-Oklahoma game is set for 2:30 p.m. Nov. 15 at Bryant-Denny Stadium. Gates will open at 12:30 p.m.

A sellout crowd of 100,077 fans is expected in Tuscaloosa, with the game televised on ABC. Tickets are available on the resale market at www.seatgeek.com, along with other online vendors.

The weather forecast calls for mostly sunny skies with high temperatures in the low to mid-70s for the game, according to the National Weather Service in Birmingham.

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Big Al leads the Million Dollar band onto the field for their pregame performance at Saban Field at Bryant-Denny Stadium before the game with ULM on Sept. 6 in Tuscaloosa. GARY COSBY JR./IMAGN IMAGES

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