

The Acoustic Calendar



FESTIVALS

The following are not all Folk Festivals: some are Music Festivals, some are Family Festivals or Arts Festivals – but all contain at least elements that should be of interest to singers and acoustic musicians.

This file is updated as dates etc. become available.

2018

JULY

Wednesday 6th July to Friday 15th July 2018:

Frome: *Frome Festival* (<http://www.fromefestival.co.uk/>)

Saturday 14th July 2018:

Romsey: *Beggars Fair* (www.beggarsfair.org.uk/)

Throughout the streets and in venues all around the town.

Monday 16th July to Sunday 22nd July 2018:

Milford on Sea (near Lyminster): *Arts and Music Festival* (<http://www.milfordfestival.org.uk/>)

Friday 20th July to Saturday 21st July 2018:

Whiddon Down (nr. Okehampton): *Chagstock Festival EX20* (organiser@chagstock.info , www.chagstock.info/) Full Price: £90.

Friday 20th July to Sunday 22nd July 2018:

Bristol: *Bristol Harbour Festival* (0117 9276614, info@rem-events.com, <http://www.bristolharbourfestival.co.uk/>)

Friday 20th July to Sunday 22nd July 2018:

Tolpuddle (nr. Dorchester): *Tolpuddle Martyrs' Festival DT2 7EH* (<http://www.tolpuddlemartyrs.org.uk/index.php?page=martyr-s-festival>)

Friday 20th July to Sunday 22nd July 2018:

Wingfield (nr. Trowbridge): *The Village Pump Festival, Stowford Manor Farm BA14 9LH* (<http://www.villagepumpfolkfestival.co.uk>)

Friday 20th July to Sunday 29th July 2018:

Guiting Power (nr. Cheltenham): *Guiting Music Festival, Church Rd. GL54 5TX* (enquiries@guitingfestival.org , www.guitingfestival.org)

Thursday 26th July to Sunday 29th July 2018:

Malmesbury: *Womad Charlton Park*, Charlton Park Estate, Charlton Park SN16 9DG (01666 822146, info@womad.org , <http://womad.co.uk/>)

Friday 27th July to Saturday 28th July 2018:

Poole: *Beer and Bluegrass Festival*, Branksome BH12 1AD (<https://www.beerandbluegrass.co.uk/>)

Friday 27th July to Sunday 29th July 2018:

Bridport: *Bridport Folk Festival* (Ian, contact for dance: lauriancox@yahoo.co.uk ; Tim, contact for trade stalls: <https://www.bridportfolkfestival.com/events.html>) Music and dance – three open air stages plus three indoor venues – ceilidhs and workshops.

AUGUST

Thursday 2nd August to Sunday 5th August 2018:

Wickham (nr. Fareham): *Wickham Festival* (<http://www.wickhamfestival.co.uk/>)

Friday 3rd August to Friday 10th August 2018:

Sidmouth: *Sidmouth Folkweek* (<http://www.sidmouthfolkweek.co.uk/>)

Saturday 4th August to Wednesday 8th August 2018:

Salcombe Regis (nr. Sidmouth): *Sidmouth Fringe Sessions: McBuzz's Barn*, Thorne Park Golf Centre EX10 0JH (www.sidmouthfringe.co.uk/)

Thursday 9th August to Sunday 12th August 2018:

Winchester: *Boomtown Behind the Mask*, Matterley Estate SO21 1HW (www.boomtownfair.co.uk/)

Friday 10th August to Sunday 12th August 2018:

South Zeal (nr. Okehampton): *Dartmoor Folk Festival* (<http://www.dartmoorfolkfestival.org.uk/> , <https://www.facebook.com/events/543453232515700/>)

Saturday 11th August to Sunday 19th August 2018:

Bath: *Bath Folk Festival* (<http://bathfolkfestival.org/>)

Thursday 16th August to Sunday 19th August 2018:

Corfe Castle (nr. Wareham): *Purbeck Valley Folk Festival*, Purbeck Valley Farm, Valley Road, BH20 5HU (www.purbeckfolk.co.uk)

Friday 17th August to Sunday 19th August 2018:

Ottery St. Mary: *Beautiful Days*, Escot Park EX11 1LT (info@beautifuldays.org, <http://www.beautifuldays.org>)

Friday 24th August to Sunday 26th August 2018:

Stroud: *Stroud Fringe* (info@stroudfringe.co.uk , stroudfringe.co.uk/)
Venues all over the town.

Friday 24th August to Sunday 26th August 2018:

Watchet: *Watchet Music Festival*, Parsonage Farm TA23 0HS (info@watchetfestival.co.uk , www.watchetfestival.co.uk)

Friday 24th August to Monday 27th August 2018:
Wadebridge: Cornwall Folk Festival (info@cornwallfolkfestival.com ,
www.cornwallfolkfestival.com/)
Various venues in the town.

Friday 31st August to Sunday 2nd September 2018:
Kemble (nr. Cirencester): **Didmarton Bluegrass Festival**, Cotswold Airport (Kemble Airfield)
GL7 6BQ (didmarton-bluegrass.co.uk/)

Friday 31st August to Sunday 2nd September 2018:
Lyme Regis: Lyme Folk Weekend (<https://www.lymefolk.com/>)
Various venues throughout the town. Some sessions.

Friday 31st August to Sunday 2nd September 2018:
Verwood: The Wail (formerly Wareham Wail), Oakfield Farm, Horton Way BH31 6JJ
(<http://www.wail.org.uk/>)
Traditional singarounds.

SEPTEMBER

Friday 7th September to Sunday 9th September 2018:
Stogumber (nr. Taunton): **Stogumber Festival** TA4 3TA (0845 539 0168,
<http://www.stogumberfestival.com/>)
Car park opposite Village Hall. *Saturday is Folk Day.*

Friday 7th September to Sunday 9th September 2018:
Swanage: Swanage Folk Festival (<http://swanagefolkfestival.com/>)

Saturday 8th September to Saturday 22nd September 2018:
St Ives: St Ives September Festival (secretary@stivesseptemberfestival.co.uk ,
www.stivesseptemberfestival.co.uk)
Various venues in the town.

Friday 14th September to Sunday 16th September 2018:
Priston (nr. Bath): **Priston Festival** (www.priston.org.uk/festival)

Saturday 15th September to Sunday 16th September 2018:
Wookey Hole: Wookstock (Wookey Hole Music Festival), Wookey Hole Club BA5 1BP
(www.wookeholemusic.co.uk)

Friday 21st September to Monday 23rd September 2018:
Crantock (nr. Newquay): **Crantock Folk Festival**, The Old Albion Inn, Langurroc Rd. TR8 5RB
(01637 830243)
Includes open sessions.

Friday 21st September to Monday 23rd September 2018:
Helston: The Little Big Gig, Henry's Campsite, The Lizard TR12 7NX (01326 290596,
info@littlebiggig.co.uk , www.littlebiggig.co.uk)

Friday 21st September to Sunday 23rd September 2018:

Looe: Looe Music Festival (contact@looemusic.co.uk , www.looemusic.co.uk)

Various venues in the town.

Friday 21st September to Sunday 23rd September 2018:

Stroud: Stroud Folk Weekend (<http://www.stroudfolkfestival.co.uk/>)

Pub sessions.

OCTOBER

Thursday 4th October to Sunday 7th October 2018:

Swanage: The Swanage Blues Festival (<http://www.swanage-blues.org/>)

Friday 12th October to Sunday 14th October 2018:

Beer (nr. Seaton): **The Beer R & B Festival** (www.beerblues.co.uk)

Friday 12th October to Sunday 14th October 2018:

Bristol: The Bristol Cajun & Zydeco Festival, The Folk House, 40a Park Street BS1 5JG
(<http://bristolcajunfestival.com/index.html>)

Friday 19th October to Sunday 21st October 2018:

Kilkhampton (nr. Bude): **Bude Folk Roots and World Music Festival**, Penstowe Park Holiday Village, Penstowe Rd, EX23 9QY (<http://www.budfolkfestival.co.uk/>)

Friday 26th October to Sunday 28th October 2018:

Okehampton: Baring-Gould Folk Weekend (www.baring-gould.co.uk)

NOVEMBER

Thursday 1st November to Sunday 4th November 2018:

Newquay: Lowender Peran: Cornwall's International Celtic Festival
(www.lowenderperan.co.uk/)

Saturday 17th November 2018:

Nailsea: Nailsea Festival of Music (<http://www.nfom.org.uk/>)

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JANUARY

Friday 25th January to Sunday 27th January 2019:

Bude: Bude Folk Club Winter Warmer, The Falcon Hotel, Breakwater Road EX23 8SD (01288 352005, <https://www.sites.google.com/site/budfolk/festival-p/upcomingevents>)

“Sing-arounds, music sessions, workshops – whatever you would like! We take over the Falcon Hotel and a jolly, musical time is had by all. There are occasional walks, and sometimes the odd craft session too! You tell us what you would like. The weekend ends with a Folk Club on Sunday from 7.30pm to 10.30pm. You are welcome to dip in and out of sessions and events over the weekend.”

Monday 28th January to Friday 1st February 2019:

Crowcombe (nr. Taunton): *Halsway Winter Warmer, Halsway Manor* (situated between Crowcombe & Bicknoller, off A358) **Halsway Lane TA4 4BD (01984 618274, halswaymanor.org.uk/event/winter-warmer-2/)**
4pm Monday to 10am Friday. “A popular winter break of folk dancing, music and fun for all abilities, led by a friendly and experienced team who’ll make sure you have an enjoyable stay!”
Book.

JUNE

Wednesday 26th June to Sunday 30th June 2019:

Pilton (nr. Shepton Mallet): *Glastonbury Festival, Worthy Farm, Worthy Lane BA4 4BY*
(<http://www.glastonburyfestivals.co.uk/>)
(No festival in 2018)