

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

JANUARY

Saturday 20th January to Sunday 21st January 2018:

Bradford on Avon: *Bradford Roots Music Festival*, Wilshire Music Centre, Ashley Road BA15 1DZ (01225 860100, <https://www.wiltshiremusic.org.uk/whats-on/bradford-roots-music-festival-2018>)

Monday 22nd January to Friday 26th January:

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.

Friday 26th January to Sunday 29th January 2018:

Gloucester: *Cajun & Zydeco Festival*, 23 Eastgate St. GL1 1NS (01452 503050, <http://venues.gloucester.gov.uk/Freetime/Guildhall/listings/music/Cajun-Festival-2018.aspx>)

FEBRUARY

Friday 16th February, 8pm-ish to Sunday 18th February 2018:

Sidmouth: *The Middle Bar Singers Winter Reunion*, Anchor Inn, Old Fore Street EX10 8LP (Tony Day: 01395 268653, www.sidmouthfolkweek.co.uk , <https://www.facebook.com/SidmouthFolkWeek/?fref=fb>)

3pm-ish. “As always in the Middle Bar anything goes, so long as it is unaccompanied. Admission is free but we will be collecting with the usual vigour for Sidmouth Folk Week.”

Saturday 24th February 2018:

Bursledon (nr. Southampton): *The Big Bursfest* (Bursledon Music Festival): Village Hall, Long Lane SO31 8BZ (www.thebigbursfest.btck.co.uk/)

MARCH

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Thursday 1st March to Sunday 4th March 2018:

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

APRIL

Friday 20th April to Sunday 22nd April 2018:

Torquay: *Grinagog Festival* (www.grinagogfestival.com)

"A weekend of mudless festival mischief by the sea. A huge range of music in many indoor venues."

MAY

Saturday 5th May to Monday 7th May 2018:

Brixham: *Pirate Festival* (<http://www.englishriviera.co.uk/whats-on/brixham-pirate-festival-2016-p1170073>)

Friday 11th May to Sunday 13^h May 2018:

Dartmouth: *Dart Music Festival* (<http://www.dartmusicfestival.co.uk/>)

Saturday 19th May 2018:

Bradford on Avon: *Day of Dance & Music* (<http://www.boamorrisday.org>)

xxxFriday 25th May to Sunday 27^h May 2018:

Lechlade: *Lechlade Music Festival*, Riverside Park (<http://lechldefestival.co.uk/>)

Friday 25th May to Monday 28th May 2018:

Chippenham: *Chippenham Folk Festival* (www.chippfolk.co.uk)

JUNE

Friday 1st June to Sunday 3rd June 2018:

Cheltenham: *Wychwood Festival*, Cheltenham Racecourse, Prestbury Park GL50 4SH (<http://www.wychwoodfestival.com/>)

Friday 1st June to Sunday 3rd June 2018:

Morchard Bishop (nr. Crediton): *Pennymoor Song & Ale*, The London Inn EX17 6NW (01363 877222; Sally Holland: 01363 85022, www.users.waitrose.com/~pennymoor)

"A weekend of singing and joviality. MUST BOOK IN ADVANCE. £15. Camping next to the pub."

Saturday 2nd June to Sunday 3rd June 2018:

Weymouth: *Wessex Folk Festival* (<http://www.wessexfolkfestival.com/>)

Includes various pub sessions around the Old Harbour.

Friday 8th June to Sunday 10th June 2018:

Chilthorne Domer (nr. Yeovil): *Home Farm Fest & Music Festival*, Home Farm, Main Street BA22 8RD (<http://www.homefarmfest.co.uk/>)

Friday 8^h June to Sunday 10th June 2018:

Wimborne : *Wimborne Minster Folk Festival* (<http://www.wimbornefolk.co.uk/>)

Sunday 10th June 2018:

Muchelney (nr. Langport): *Green Scythe Fair*, Thorney Lakes (just south of Muchelney) TA10

0DW (www.greenfair.org.uk)

11am till 11pm. Live music.

Saturday 16th June 2018:

Rockhampton (nr. Thornbury): *Rockhampton Folk Festival* GL139DX

(<http://www.rockhamptonfolkfest.org.uk/>)

Friday 22nd June to Sunday 24th June 2018:

Falmouth: *Falmouth International Sea Shanty Festival* (<http://www.falmouthseashanty.co.uk/>)

Friday 22nd June to Sunday 24th June 2018:

Little London (nr. Tadley): *Boar's Bridge Festival*, Boars Bridge House, Bramley Road

RG26 5EY (Lynne Whitland: 01256 881674, 07557 366006, , info@boarsbridgefestival.co.uk ,

<http://www.boarsbridgefestival.co.uk/>)

Friday 22nd June to Sunday 24th June 2018:

Teignmouth: *Teignmouth Folk Festival* (www.teignmouthfolk.co.uk)

Monday 25th June to Sunday 1st July 2018

Keynsham: *Keysham Music Festival*, The Memorial Park BS31 3SG (info@keynshamfest.co.uk , www.keynshammusicfestival.co.uk/)

Includes pub sessions and open mics.

JULY

Wednesday 4th July to Sunday 8th July 2018:

Plaitford (nr. Romsey): *New Forest Folk Festival*, 2 Powells Farm SO51 6EE (Helen Curtis: 07717 154574, info@nfpp.com , <http://www.newforestfolkfestival.co.uk>)

Thursday 5th July to Sunday 8th July 2018:

Over (nr. Gloucester): *Barn on the Farm*, Over Farm GL2 8DB (info@bornonthefarm.co.uk , www.barnonthefarm.co.uk/)

Full Price: £105. "An acoustic festival for indie and contemporary music. Shortlisted for Best Independent Festival 2015. Best Small Festival."

Friday 6^h July to Sunday 8th July 2018:

Priddy (nr. Wells): *Priddy Folk Festival* (<http://www.priddyfolk.org/modx/>)

On & around the Green, free pub sessions & open mic.

Friday 6th July to Sunday 8th July 2018:

Sturminster Newton: *UK Boogie Woogie Festival* (<http://www.ukboogiewoogiefestival.co.uk>)

Saturday 7th July 2018:

Timsbury (nr. Bath): **Radford Folk Festival**, Radford Mill Farm, Radford BA2 0QF (01761 479391, pat@hillsidestudios.co.uk , www.radfordmillfarm.co.uk)

Saturday 7th July 2018:

South Brent: **Folk Day** (0794 730 8268, <http://southbrentfolk.org.uk>)

Saturday 7th July 2018:

Timsbury (nr. Bath): **Radford Festival of Contemporary Folk Music**, Radford Mill Farm, Radford BA2 0QF (<http://www.radfordmillfarm.co.uk>)

Saturday 14th July 2018:

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

Throughout the streets and in venues all around the town.

Monday 16^h July to Sunday 22nd July 2018:

Milford on Sea (near Lymington): **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:

Tolpuddle (nr. Dorchester): **Tolpuddle Martyrs' Festival** DT2 7EH

(<http://www.tolpuddlemartyrs.org.uk/index.php?page=martyr-s-festival>)

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/>)

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 24th August to Monday 27th August 2018:

Wadebridge: Cornwall Folk Festival (info@cornwallfolkfestival.com , www.cornwallfolkfestival.com/)

Various venues in the town.

SEPTEMBER

Friday 21st September to Sunday 23rd September 2018:

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

NOVEMBER

Saturday 17th November 2018:

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

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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)