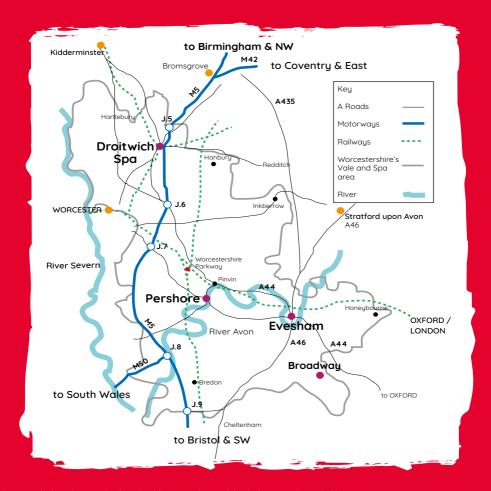


Broadway | Droitwich Spa | Evesham | Pershore www.valeandspa.co.uk

## HOW TO FIND US

Worcestershire's Vale & Spa is the ideal destination no matter where you are located, with transport routes from anywhere in the country. The M5, M4, M42 and M50 motorways provide fantastic access to the area, so there's no reason why you can't enjoy everything it has to offer. The opening of the new Worcestershire Parkway railway station (situated between Pershore and Worcester) will provide a new timetable for both Cross Country and GWR, this covering services across Western England and South Wales. As well as much improved rail links, a wide range of bus services linking the whole of the area are also available. Visit www.valeandspa.co.uk/how-to-find-us for details.



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WHAT'S ON 2020







# VELCOME 2020

### **FUN FOR ALL**

Look out for these symbols - they are a quick quide to the event type and each will be coloured to identify which area theu are in...

> Broadway & surrounding area Droitwich Spa & surrounding area Evesham & surrounding area Pershore & surrounding area





Horticulture, Countryside & Gardens









History & Heritage

Specialist

Waterways

Village Celebrations



Can't decide which events to visit? Why not turn your day trip into a relaxing short break and stay a while longer in some of the very best accommodation the area has to offer from hotels, B&Bs, self catering and even camping or glamping (visit www.valeandspa.co.uk for further details).

Its not only events that the area has to offer. You will be spoilt for choice when it comes to shopping, gardens, historic buildings, heritage, galleries, countryside and outdoor activities.

Once you have visited one of the towns, you will definitely want to keep coming back to explore more of the unique events and stunning scenery.

**WHAT'S ON 2020** 

# PISICION

## **Bands in the Park**

A series of Sunday afternoon concerts take place throughout the summer.

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These are largely organised by volunteers and provide free live music for all to enjoy.

For more information please visit: www.bandsinthepark.org.uk





## Markets

Local producers can be found exhibiting at markets as part of numerous events. These include seasonal farmers' and specialist markets at different times of the year. However, weekly and monthly markets can also be visited across the district.

For more information on where and when, please visit www.valeandspa.co.uk to experience the pride of the area's local distinctiveness.

## **Tourist Information**

For information regarding local accommodation, town and village maps, attraction leaflets, tickets and souvenirs please contact:

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<b>Droitwich Spa</b> :	6	01905 774312	🖂 h
Evesham:	6	01386 446944	🖂 ti
Pershore:	6	01905 843896	🖂 to

- 🖂 info@visitbroadway.co.uk
- 🖂 heritage@droitwichspa.gov.uk
- 🖂 tic@almonry.ndo.co.uk
- ☑ tourism@pershore-tc.gov.uk

## **Guided Town Walks**

### Discover DROITWICH SPA

The walks start outside Droitwich Spa Heritage Centre at St Richard's House at 11am, take approximately 1 ½ hours and cost £3 per person (under 16's go free). Saturday 14 March, Saturday 11 April, Saturday 9 May, Saturday 13 June, Saturday 11 July, Saturday 8 August, Saturday 12 September, Saturday 10 October, Saturday 14 November. Advanced booking recommended by calling 01905 774312.

### Discover EVESHAM & PERSHORE

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Guided town walks in Evesham and Pershore available for group **bookings only.** 

These must be pre-booked by calling the relevant Tourist Information Centre.

Evesham: 01386 446944 Pershore: 01905 843896

## **Exploration Walks**

### PANORAMA TOWER OPEN DAYS

### National Trust Croome

Explore one of Croome's eye-catchers, usually closed to the public, with fantastic views at the top.

Sunday 26 January Wednesday 19 February Saturday 14 March Friday 24 April Sunday 17 May Monday 22 June Tuesday 14 July Saturday 15 August Wednesday 23 September Sunday 18 October Saturday 21 November

### RAF DEFFORD AIRFIELD GUIDED WALK

### **National Trust Croome**

Join our guide taking in points of interest that relate to the once top-secret airbase during WW2.

Saturday 11 & Tuesday 21 April Saturday 9 & Tuesday 19 May Saturday 13 & Tuesday 16 June Saturday 11 & Tuesday 21 July Saturday 8 & Tuesday 18 August Saturday 12 & Tuesday 15 September Saturday 10 & Tuesday 20 October

Check the website what's on pages for details. www.nationaltrust.org.uk/croome

## BROADWAY

Broadway's unique location makes it the perfect base to visit Worcestershire's Vale & Spa. Home to one of the longest high streets in England, with horse chestnut trees and a mixture of period houses and picturesque honey-coloured Cotswold stone cottages, it is often referred to as "The Show Village of England". A visit to this delightful location is a MUST.

The village has an interesting artistic heritage which include well known artists, writers and performing artists such as William Morris, John Singer Sargent, Capability Brown, J. M. Barrie and designer Gordon Russell and this aspect is perfectly portrayed in its award-winning Arts Festival.



Providing an array of attractions including Broadway Tower, Broadway Museum and Art Gallery and the Gordon Russell Design Museum and events including the Broadway Food Festival and the Horticultural and Craft Show, this "Jewel of the Cotswolds" is a perfect spot for a relaxing and entertaining short break.

## **DROITWICH SPA**

Droitwich Spa is a town of great charm and offers visitors an abundance of things to do and places to visit. It has been the site of a settled community for over 2,000 years and owes its existence to the natural brine springs that emanate from beds of pure rock salt 200ft below the ground. Its proximity to the M5 and M42 makes it an idea centre from which to explore the area.

Droitwich Spa's distinctive heritage is celebrated throughout the year and 2020 is no exception. With its close association with Edward Winslow (born in the town in 1595), a major event taking place on Saturday 4 July will memorialise the Mayflower 400 commemorations.



Other leisure activities available in and around the town include guided walks, an open air lido and two award-winning parks. The Droitwich Canal network is a haven for walkers, cyclists and nature lovers and for those who love a retail experience, look no further than the wealth of independent shops and markets that take place on a regular basis.

## EVESHAM

## PERSHORE

At the heart of the horticultural Vale, the historic market town of Evesham is set in the loop of the River Avon where fishing and boating are popular pastimes and also the foundation of admired events in the town; a nationally renowned angling festival, the colourful River Festival and the exciting rowing regattas that take place throughout the year.



Evesham is an ideal base to tour the Worcestershire's Vale & Spa area and is easily accessible from anywhere in the country with its extensive links by road and rail. The site of the bloodiest battle in history – the Battle of Evesham in 1265, the start of the famous Spring Blossom Trail and the home to the much sought after Vale of Evesham asparagus – which has now gained PGI European protected food name status – are all magnificently depicted in the town's Almonry Museum and Tourist Information Centre.

Shoppers are well catered for in and around the town with a range of independent traders, outdoor markets and with something for all the family – The Valley, a shopping experience with a difference, located off the A46. Pershore is a small but thriving, picturesque Georgian market town situated on the banks of Shakespeare's River Avon. Renowned for its association with the horticultural Vale of Evesham and its famous Plum Festival, the town is also legendary for its beautiful 13th century Norman Abbey that sits majestically within the award winning Abbey Park.

Pershore will entice you back time after time with its wealth of independent shops, an indoor market, restaurants, pubs and cafés serving up locally sourced produce. Events for all the family take place in the town throughout the year - these include Tiddesley Wood Open Day, Pershore Carnival, Midsummer Brass, River Festival, Jazz Festival and The Bia Plum to name just a few. Number 8 Community Arts Centre is the hub of the town as far as entertainment and the arts are concerned, with a full programme of live productions and cinema films.





### Friday 3 January The Snow Dragon



### Number 8, Pershore

Magical tale about a young goat and the legendary Snow Dragon with toe-tapping sonas and lots of laughs. 2.30pm. www.number8.org

### Friday 10 January Matthew Bourne's **Romeo & Juliet**



### Number 8, Pershore

A contemporary re-imagining of Shakespeare's classic love storu, recorded at Sadler's Wells. London, 7pm. www.number8.org

### Saturday 11 January Wassail!



### The Fleece Inn. Bretforton

An ancient tradition of waking the trees to encourage a good apple harvest! Cider, singing and Morris Dancing. Free entru. www.thefleeceinn.co.uk

### Sundau 12 -

Sunday 19 January Acorn to Oak Exhibition



### National Trust Croome

Paintings by Jilly Oxlade-Arnott celebrating 125 years of the National Trust's properties. www.nationaltrust.org.uk/croome

Wednesday 22 -Sunday 26 January Cinderella



### **Evesham Arts Centre**

Phoenix Theatre Group are pleased to present their 30th anniversary pantomime, Cinderella. www.phoenixtheatregroup.co.uk



### Sunday 26 January (see page 5 for further dates) Panorama Tower Open Days



### National Trust Croome

Explore one of Croome's eye-catchers, usually closed to the public, with fantastic views at the top. Check website What's on pages for details. www.nationaltrust.org.uk/croome

### Wednesday 29 January Pershore Jazz Club



### Pershore Town Football Club

Frog & Henry Jazz Band. New Orleans jazz at its best. 8pm. Tickets: £10 including raffle tickets. www.pershorejazz.org.uk/club-diary

### Friday 31 January The BIG Plum Fun Ouiz

### Pershore Town Football Club Teams of up to 6 players - prize for best plum named team.

www.pershoreplumfestival.org.uk



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### Saturday 1 February Paul Jones & Dave Kelly



#### Number 8, Pershore

Founder members of The Blues Band, Paul and Dave, join us for an evening of live acoustic music. 7.30pm. www.number8.org

### Monday 10 February W Factor Final Show



### Number 8, Pershore

Young people aged 11-18 showcasing their talents in various categories of performing arts. f @theWfactor

### Thursday 13 & Sunday 16 February Kinky Boots – The Musical



### Number 8, Pershore

The smash hit musical based on the film comes to cinema screens, recorded on the West End in 2018. Thursday 7pm, Sunday 2.30pm. www.number8.org

### Saturday 15 -Saturday 22 February Fabulous February Family Fun!

### Almonry Museum, Evesham

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Join us for a fabulous week of half term fun at the Almonry. Check website for more details. www.almonryevesham.org

Saturday 15 -Sunday 23 February **Zoo Quest** 

### All Things Wild, Honeybourne

Can you complete our Zoo Quest? Complete lots of fun challenges and activities, aimed at all ages. Fun for all the family! www.allthingswild.co.uk

### www.diftningswiid.co.uk

### Wednesday 26 February Pershore Jazz Club

### Pershore Town Football Club

Gaz Hughes Sextet plays Art Blakey. A tribute to Art Blakey by six exceptional jazz musicians. www.pershorejazz.org.uk/ club-diary

### Friday 28 February Andy Parsons: Healing the Nation

### **Evesham Arts Centre**

Topical stand-up comedy from that sharp, sardonic bald bloke off 'Mock the Week'. Age 14+. www.eveshamartscentre.co.uk



### Friday 28 February **The National Trust Fan Club**



### Number 8, Pershore

Hilarious one-woman show about Helen Wood's attempt to visit every National Trust property. 7.30pm. www.number8.org











# MARCH

### Sunday 1 March Legally Blonde The Musical



### **Evesham Arts Centre**

Workshop and auditions for Legally Blonde. Further information on our website and Facebook page. www.phoenixtheatregroup.co.uk

### Tuesday 10 March Plant Heritage Meeting

#### Pershore College

'A Cauliflower, a Eucryphia and an NGS Gardener' a talk by Philippa Lowe. Room 14, 7.15pm. www.plantheritage.org.uk





### Tuesday 10 March Walk up Bredon Hill Elmley Castle

A leisurely six mile walk up to the top of Bredon Hill to Parsons Folly. www.ramblers.org.uk/Evesham

### Mid March – Mid May Spring Blossom Trail Vale of Evesham

A 50 mile AA signposted route around the UK's only Blossom Trail. www.valeandspa.co.uk/ blossom

### Saturday 21 March Droitwich Spa & District Horticultural Society Spring Flower Show

#### The Sacred Heart Parish Hall

Traditional flower show. Classes for all. Tombola during the afternoon. f droitwichhortsoc

### Wednesday 25 March Pershore Jazz Club

### Pershore Town Football Club

The Mama Shakers. An energetic jazz band from France that will get your feet tapping. Ticket only. www.pershorejazz.org.uk/ club-diary

### Friday 27 March Fawlty Towers Comedy Dinner Show



### The Vale Golf & Country Club

Enjoy a three course dinner hilariously served by Basil, Sybil and Manuel. www.thevalegolf.co.uk/ upcoming\_events

## APRIL

### Friday 3 April An Evening of Food & Wine Pairing



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#### **Eckington Manor**

Dinner with wine flight. Please visit our website for full details. www.eckingtonmanor.co.uk

### Saturday 4 April Rapunzel: The Musical



A classic, Tangled adventure - with panto-style mayhem, music and lots of laughs for all the family. www.eveshamartscentre.co.uk

### Saturday 4 - Monday 13 April Cadbury Easter Egg Hunt

Snowshill Manor and Garden Follow rabbit's trail to spot signs of spring. Collect a chocolate prize (whilst stocks last). £2. www.nationaltrust.org.uk/snowshill-manor-

and-garden



### Saturday 4 - Saturday 18 April Easter Antics at the Almonry

### Almonry Museum, Evesham

Bunnies going bananas, chicks acting crazy? Come and see what's happening at the Almonry at Easter. www.almonryevesham.org

### Sunday 5 April Bishampton Spring Show

#### Villages Hall, Bishampton

Come and enjoy a wonderful display of the first blooms of spring. 2pm - 4pm. www.bishamptongardeningclub.org.uk

#### Thursday 9 April Countrytastic

#### Countrytastic Three Counties Showground,

Malvern

An educational event for children and families keen to learn all about farming and the countryside.

### www.countrytastic.co.uk



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### Thursday 9 & 16 April Spring Time in the Vale Coach Tours

### Various pick up points across the county

Experience the wonderful sights of the fruit orchards throughout the Vale of Evesham. www.dudleys-coaches.co.uk

### Saturday 11 & Tuesday 21 April (see page 5 for full dates) RAF Defford Airfield Guided Walk

### National Trust Croome

Join our guide taking in points of interest that relate to the once top-secret airbase during WW2. Check website What's on pages for details. www.nationaltrust.org.uk/croome

### Monday 13 April Easter Eggspress

Gloucestershire Warwickshire Steam Railway, Broadway Fun for all the family on Easter Monday with many children's activities. www.gwsr.com



### Monday 13 April Easter Family Fun Day

### Hampton Ferry, Evesham

Charity stalls and side shows, face painting, junior Easter bonnet parade, free Easter egg hunt, meet the Easter bunny. In aid of Evesham Adventure Playground. 11am - 3pm

www.hamptonferry.co.uk/ events.html



### Tuesday 14 April Plant Heritage Meeting

### Pershore College

'Border Auriculas', a talk by Nigel Hopes. Room 14, 7.15pm. www.plantheritage.org.uk

### Sunday 19 April Blossom Trail Bikeaway



Hampton Ferry, Evesham Cycle ride raising funds for St John Ambulance and Vale of Evesham Community First Responders. www.bikeawayventures.co.uk



### Thursday 23 April Great British Asparagus Run



The Fleece Inn, Bretforton Not only celebrating St George's Day but also the start of the award-winning British Asparagus Festival in the Vale of Evesham. Asparagus will be transported in true 'Asum Style'.

www.britishasparagusfestival.org



### Friday 24 -Sunday 26 April **Heritage Diesel Gala**

### Gloucestershire Warwickshire Steam Railway, Broadway

Ride behind classic diesels, all now well over 50 years old. www.gwsr.com

### Saturday 25 April Ultimate Commitments & Blues Brothers



### **Evesham Arts Centre**

Outstanding live cult film music from a 12-piece band as Chicago Blues meets Dublin Soul. www.eveshamartscentre.co.uk

### Saturday 25 - Sunday 26 April Wartime in the Cotswolds

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### Gloucestershire Warwickshire Steam Railway, Broadway

Enjoy the railway's nostalgic and light-hearted look at life in the Cotswolds in the 1940s. www.gwsr.com

### Monday 27 April The Mysterious Mrs Christie



### Ecgwin's Club, Evesham

Author Andrew Wilson on Agatha Christie's mysterious life and his inspiration by the Queen of Crime. www.eveshamfestivalofwords.org



### A fabulous packed programme of events throughout the year, celebrating words in all their forms – spoken, sung and written.

Main Festival weekend Friday 26 June – Sunday 28 June, but with fringe events every month through the year. With plays, author talks, writing workshops, short story competition, and poetry, there really is something for everyone.

### www.eveshamfestivalofwords.org

⊠ info@eveshamfestivalofwords.org

Sue Ablett (Festival Chair): 07871 285606.

🚯 Evesham Festival of Words 🌶 @infoFoW













WHAT'S ON 2020





### Saturday 2 -Sunday 3 May Evesham Rowing Club Annual 2 Day Regatta

### **Evesham Rowing Club**

2 days of top class rowing on the Avon. Refreshments and bar facilities with no admission charge. www.erc.club

### Sunday 3 May Tiddesley Wood Spring Open Day

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### Tiddesley Wood Nature Reserve

Open Day in this beautiful nature reserve. www.tiddesley.org.uk

### Thursday 7 -Sunday 10 May RHS Malvern Spring Festival

### Three Counties Showground, Malvern

RHS Malvern Spring Festival is packed with flowers, food, crafts and family fun. www.rhsmalvern.co.uk





Thursday 7 -Sunday 10 May St Richard's Canal Festival



### Vines Park, Droitwich Spa

Family friendly festival with attractions and entertainment throughout the event. Different theme each day. Many boats on display. www.strichardsfestival.co.uk

Friday 8 -Sunday 10 May VE Vintage Festival

### Ashdown Camp, Badsey, Nr Evesham

Vintage festival celebrating VE Day with music, dancing and wheels. www.vevintagefestival.co.uk



Thursday 14 -Saturday 16 May **Razzle Dazzle** 

### Evesham Arts Centre

Join EODS as they present songs from shows and films that Bob Fosse choreographed, directed and staged. www.eods.org.uk Saturday 16 -Sunday 17 May Evesham May Medieval Market & Banquet

### Evesham Market Square

Medieval battle demos, craft, food and drink stalls plus medieval music, games and a banquet. www.battleofevesham.co.uk

### Sunday 17 May The Valley Asparagus Colour Run 2020



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### The Valley, Evesham

Family-friendly fun run enjoying the sights, sounds and smells of the stunning Worcestershire countryside. www.thevalleyshopping.co.uk

### Thursday 21 May Superfood Spotlight: Cooking with Asparagus



### Eckington Manor Cookery School

A "hands on" cookery course, 10am - 2pm. Please visit our website for full details. www.eckingtonmanor cookeryschool.co.uk



### Thursday 21 -Monday 25 May Dubs in the Middle

### Ashdown Farm, Nr Evesham

The alternative VW show for dubbers, car enthusiasts, families and music lovers. This year, our theme is "Back to School". www.dubsinthemiddle.co.uk

### Thursday 21 & 28 May Asparabus Coach Tours

### Various pick up points across the county

Enjoy an 'asparagus experience' with this unique tour. www.dudleys-coaches.co.uk

### Saturday 23 May Little Comberton Street Market



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### Manor Lane, Little Comberton, WR10 3ER

Traditional stalls, children's games, bar, pork baps, cream teas, church display, and live music. 2pm - 5pm. www.little-comberton.com/ street-market

### Saturday 23 -Sunday 24 May Come and Explore



Snowshill Manor

Come and explore the manor and garden on a family trail. www.nationaltrust.org.uk/ snowshill-manor-and-garden

### Saturday 23 -Monday 25 May Cotswold Festival of Steam Gala

### Gloucestershire Warwickshire Steam Railway, Broadway

The best steam gala for miles and ride behind a large variety of steam engines. www.gwsr.com

### Saturday 23 -Saturday 30 May Springtime at the Almonry

### Almonry Museum, Evesham

Visit the Almonry and discover spring! Check website for more details. www.almonryevesham.org

### Saturday 23 -Sunday 31 May The Big Dino Day Out



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### All Things Wild, Honeybourne

Calling all Dinosaur enthusiasts... this half term is for you! Come and discover our Step Through Time Dinosaur Experience, Fossil Digs, Dino Barn and ride our Dino Land Train! Fun, dinosaur themed activities throughout the day for all the family. www.allthingswild.co.uk



Sunday 24 -Monday 25 May Cropthorne Walkabout

### Cropthorne Village

Open gardens, church flowers, stalls, refreshments, bar, music and dog show. www.cropthornewalkabout.co.uk

### Sunday 24 & 31 May Famous Fleece Asparagus Auctions

### The Fleece Inn, Bretforton

Bretforton Silver Band entertain as the best local Asparagus is auctioned to raise funds for the band. Free entry. www.thefleeceinn.co.uk

### Monday 25 May <mark>Asparagus Family Fun Day</mark>



### The Fleece Inn, Bretforton

Plenty of family fun, live music, and the infamous Asparagus Eating Competition! Free entry. www.thefleeceinn.co.uk

### Monday 25 May Pershore Carnival



### Pershore Abbey Park All day family fun even

All day family fun event, with fair ground attractions and floats. An evening concert and fireworks will bring the carnival to a close. www.pershorecarnival.co.uk

### Saturday 30 -Sunday 31 May Vale of Evesham Food & Drink Festival



### Evesham

Bringing together the Vale of Evesham's finest food and drink producers for a tasty summer festival. www.facebook.com/ VECTAEVESHAM

### Sunday 31 May Bretforton Open Gardens



### Bretforton Village

A variety of beautiful gardens including The Manor gardens. Refreshments, plant stall. Entry £5. www.bretforton-gardenclub.co.uk

### Sunday 31 May Have a go at Stone Carving



### Snowshill Manor and Garden

Come and get creative on a one day stone carving workshop. Booking essential. 0344 2491895. £80. www.nationaltrust.org.uk/ snowshill-manor-and-garden



## JUNE

### June 2020 - May 2021 Surf, Sweat and Tears: The Life of Ted Deerhurst

National Trust Croome Exhibition exploring his life as heir to an Earldom and the UK's first professional surfer

www.nationaltrust.org.uk/ croome

### Friday 5 -Sunday 14 June **Broadwau Arts Festival**

### Various locations in and around Broadway

Celebrity speakers, renowned artists, awardwinning theatre productions and world-class musicians. www.broadwayartsfestival.com

### Tuesday 9 June Walk up **Bredon Hill**



### Elmleu Castle

A six mile leisurely walk up Bredon Hill to Parsons Follu. www.ramblers.org.uk/Evesham

### Friday 12 -Sunday 14 June **Roual Three Counties Show**

Three Counties Showground, Malvern The Heart of England's première celebration of the countruside and rural life. www.royalthreecounties.co.uk

### Saturday 13 June Hampton Ferry Car and Bike Show

### Hampton Ferry, Evesham

A great family day out for car and bike enthusiasts. If you have a veteran. vintaae, classic, kit car. military vehicle or motorbike uou would like to show. then please come along. 11am - 4pm. Admission free, spectators car parking £2 all day. www.hamptonferry.co.uk/

events.html

### Saturday 13 -Sunday 14 June Ashton under Hill **Open Gardens**

Ashton under Hill will be hosting its 43rd Open Gardens in 2020. www.ashtonopengardens.co.uk

### Sunday 14 June **Classic Vehicle** Clubs Dau



Gloucestershire Warwickshire Steam Railway, Broadway

Static displays of beautiful vintage vehicles at our stations www.gwsr.com

### Sunday 14 June Wick NGS Gardens **Open Day**



Wick Village, Nr Pershore Over nine gardens. 1.30pm - 6pm. Tickets £7 adult, children free. www.ngs.org.uk









### Sat 13 - Sun 14 June 2020 1pm - 6pm

2020 theme: "The Plant Hunters"

Free parking | Stalls selling refreshments, local produce, plants and garden supplies.

### Adults £6 | Under 16s Free

Discounts for larger pre-booked parties. Tickets are valid for both days.

FOR MORE INFORMATION WWW.ASHTONOPENGARDENS.CO.UK EMAIL: CONTACT@ASHTONOPENGARDENS.CO.UK

### Friday 19 - Sunday 21 June National Morris Weekend



### In and around Evesham

Multi-side national festival of Morris Dancing. www.nationalmorrisweekend.co.uk

#### Monday 19 - Sunday 21 June Steam and Real Ale Weekends



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### Gloucestershire Warwickshire Steam Railway, Broadway

A great selection of craft beers and ciders on our railway. www.gwsr.com

### Saturday 20 June Plant Heritage Study Day

### Pershore College

Garden photography and Philadelphus; talks, guided tour and workshop. Room 14. www.plantheritage.org.uk

### Saturday 20 - Sunday 21 June Eckington Open Gardens and Flower Festival

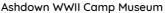


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### Eckington Village and Holy Trinity Church

Featuring over 30 gardens. Refreshments, free village transport, coach parties welcome. £6. www.eckington.info

### Saturday 20 & Sunday 21 June Wartime in the Vale



WWI, WWII & Post-War military vehicles (500+) and vintage living history show. Stalls and entertainment. www.ashdowncamp.com

### Sunday 21 June Bishampton Open Gardens

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### **Bishampton Village**

Come and enjoy a wide variety of gardens in one of Worcestershire's prettiest villages. 12pm - 5pm. www.bishamptongardeningclub.org.uk



WHAT'S ON 2020

### Wednesday 24 June The Muck and Shovel Brigade



#### Unitarian Chapel, Evesham

One-woman show with Heather Wastie, following the life and near-death of the Droitwich Canals. www.eveshamfestivalofwords.org

### Saturday 27 June Bish Bosh Bash



### St James Church, Bishampton

Brilliant summer fête. Brass band, classic cars, fun dogs, tug-o-war, food, drink, raffle. 1pm. www.bishamptonandthrockmorton.org.uk

#### Saturday 27 June From Gold to Rio



### **Evesham Arts Centre**

The great 1980s sounds of Spandau Ballet and Duran Duran. New Romantics, live! www.eveshamartscentre.co.uk

### PERSHORE MIDSUMMER BRASS

SATURDAY 4 JULY 2019



### Four Venues 10am to 10pm

All Day Ticket £7.50

accompanied under 16 free

Tickets and programme will be available in June from BLUE, Broad Street & the EYECARE Centre, Bridge Street also on the day from booths & venues



www.pershoremidsummerbrass.org.uk 💽 01386 554004

### Saturday 27 June White Ladies Aston Fête



### Redfern House, White Ladies Aston

A traditional village fête with attractions for all ages. Free entry and ample parking. 2pm - 4.30pm. Email: margaret.haywood@gmail.com

### Saturday 27 - Sunday 28 June Church Lench Flower Festival and Open Gardens

### Church Lench and Atch Lench, WR11 4UE

Open gardens and scarecrows in both villages, with plants, crafts and refreshments in the Village Hall. www.thelenches.org.uk

### Saturday 27 -Sunday 28 June Droitwich Spa Food & Drink Festival



#### Lido Park

Free event with local quality food producers, demo kitchen, entertainment and celebrity chefs. Awarded county's best event in 2019. www.droitwichspafestival.co.uk

### Sunday 28 June Bright Clothes and Bradshaws

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### Gloucestershire Warwickshire Steam Railway, Broadway

Have an extra bright day on the GWSR and put on your brightest glad rags. www.gwsr.com

### Sunday 28 June Dick Whittington

### **Evesham Arts Centre**



Workshop and auditions for Dick Whittington. Further information on our website and Facebook page. www.phoenixtheatregroup.co.uk

### Sunday 28 June Travel Writing Workshop

### Hampton Community Hall

Learn the tricks of the trade with awardwinning travel writer, Solange Hando. www.eveshamfestivalofwords.org





### CLOUDS OF CROOME EXHIBITION

### July 2020 - July 2021 National Trust Croome

Works by Antony Bridge inspired by expansive skies at Croome and the nearby Malvern Hills. www.nationaltrust.org.uk/ croome

### Late June / early July The Confetti Flower Field

### Wyke Manor Estate, Wick, Nr Pershore

Visit our wonderfully colourful Flower Field! A beautiful place to walk around and take photos.

www.confettidirect.co.uk/ flowerfields

### Wednesday 1 -Sunday 5 July Evesham Walking Festival

### Evesham and surrounding area

A variety of walks of differing lengths, catering for all abilities. www.eveshamramblingclub. org.uk

Saturday 4 July Pershore Midsummer Brass

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### Various venues around Pershore

A festival of brass band music spanning 12 hours from 10am to 10pm. www.pershoremidsummerbrass. org.uk

Saturday 4 -Sunday 5 July Fladbury Walkabout

### Village Centre

Open Gardens and Flower Festival. Stalls, music, classic cars, boat/carriage rides, refreshments. www.fladburyvillage.co.uk/ walkabout



### Sunday 5 July Bus Rally

Gloucestershire Warwickshire Steam

Railway, Broadway Large display of vintage buses with rides available on some of the buses. www.gwsr.com

### Sunday 5 July **(** Evesham Town 10k

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**Crown Meadow, Evesham** Popular 10k running race through Evesham and alongside the River Avon,

including children's fun runs. www.entrycentral.com/ event/104797

### Sunday 5 July Plum Blossom Sunday



### Angel Hotel, Pershore

Free live music, inflatable land, children's activities, hot food and beer tent. Crowning of 2020 Plum Princess and her attendants. www.pershoreplumfestival. org.uk

www.valeandspa.co.uk 19

### Friday 10 & 17 July Edinburgh Comedy Previews



### **Evesham Arts Centre**

Two comedy acts each night try out their 2020 Edinburgh Festival show material in Evesham. Age 16+.

www.eveshamartscentre.co.uk

### Saturday 11 July Evesham River Festival



### Workman Gardens

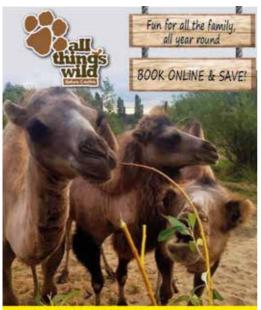
Evesham's annual river festival. Live music, river demo's and illuminated boat parade with fireworks. www.theeveshamriverfestival.uk

### Saturday 18 July Pershore River Festival



### Pershore Riverside Centre and King George's Field

Fun for all the family by and on the River Avon. 2020 theme will be Wind in the Willows. www.pershoreriverfestival.org



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### Saturday 18 - Sunday 19 July Château Impney Hill Climb



### Château Impney, Droitwich Spa

Over 200 classic cars competing at this annual historic motorsport event for all the family. www.chateauimpneyhillclimb.com

Saturday 18 July -Monday 31 August Summer Exhibition

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### Almonry Museum, Evesham

Join us at the Almonry as we unveil our annual Summer Exhibition. Check website for details. www.almonryevesham.org

Saturday 18 July -Sunday 6 September An Awfully BIG Adventure

### All Things Wild, Honeybourne

You never have to grow up, in our 'An Awfully BIG Adventure' themed summer. Have a funfilled summer here at All Things Wild, with plenty to do to keep everyone entertained. www.allthingswild.co.uk

### Sunday 19 July Evesham Cyclefest



Hampton Ferry A popular cycle event with routes to suit all abilities taking in the best of the Vale of Evesham. www.cycleeveshamvale.org/ cyclefest



### Friday 24 July The **BIG** Plum **Fun Ouiz**

### Pershore Town Football Club

Teams of up to 6 players prize for best plum named team. www.pershoreplumfestival. org.uk



### Saturday 25 July **Badsey Flower** Show

#### The Rec, Badsey Large village show with main arena, stalls, side shows and a large marguee of exhibits. www.badseyflowershow.co.uk

### Tuesday 28 July **Pershore Plum Festival Evening** Races

### Worcester Racecourse

Paint Pitchcroft purple at this popular annual race evening where local racing history is resurrected in style. Prizes for the best purple outfit. www.worcester-racecourse. co.uk

### Thursday 30 July The Forgotten Films of WW2



#### **Evesham Rowing Club**

TV producer David Parker with footage by amateur home movie enthusiasts in Britain and Germany. www.eveshamfestivalofwords. org









## AUGUST







### Saturday 1 -Sunday 2 August The Battle of **Evesham Medieval Festival**

### Crown Meadow, Evesham

An action-packed weekend of medieval mayhem with full battle re-enactments, stalls and living history. www.battleofevesham.co.uk

### Saturday 1 -Sunday 30 August The Valley Beach 2020

The Valley, Evesham Visit The Valley Evesham to enjoy a fun family day out at our bespoke summer beach. www.thevalleyshopping.co.uk

Tuesday 4, 11, 18 & 25 August **Teddy Bear** Tuesdays



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Gloucestershire Warwickshire Steam Railway, Broadway

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### Saturday 8 -Sunday 9 August **Cotswold Bricks &** Heritage Engineering **Skills Weekend**

### Gloucestershire Warwickshire Steam Railwau

See some great models and not just trains and our introduction to Heritage Skills Engineering. www.gwsr.com

### Sunday 9 August Plum Bikeaway

### Pershore Football Club

Choice of three plum based routes around Bredon Hill. raising money for local charities.

#### www.bikeawayventures.co.uk

Friday 14 -Sundau 16 August Pershore Jazz Festival

### Pershore College Campus

Join us to listen to 150 of the UK's best jazz musicians plauina a diverse ranae of foot tapping jazz. www.pershoreiazz.ora.uk/ festival-2020



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### Saturday 15 August **Bishampton Summer** Flower & Produce Show

### Villages Hall, Bishampton

Over 70 exhibits - flowers, fruit, vegetables, craft, photography, home produce and children's. 2pm - 4pm. www.bishamptongardeningclub. org.uk

### Tuesday 18 August Pershore Past & Present



### Baptist Church, Pershore

A unique slide show depicting Pershore's historu. www.pershoreplumfestival. org.uk

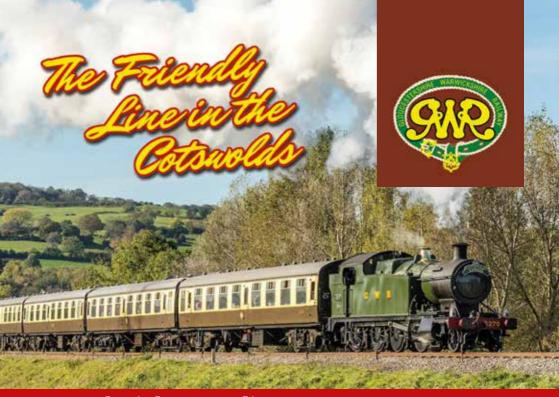
Saturday 22 -Sunday 23 August Plum Weekend



### Walsarove Farm

Up to 20 varieties of plums to try. PYO/ready picked. Guided walks around the orchard www.walsgrove.co.uk

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### Book tickets online at www.gwsr.com

## It's a great day out for the whole family!

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- Free parking at Toddington and Cheltenham Racecourse stations
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### **Gloucestershire Warwickshire Steam Railway** The Railway Station, Toddington GL54 5DT Ø 01242 621405

### WORCESTERSHIRE'S VALE & SPA



### AUGUST BANK HOLIDAY WEEKEND

### **Highlights include:**

- Over 100 plum related stalls
- Hundreds of classic & vintage cars
  - Live music
  - Family entertainment
    - Children's activities
    - Plum food & drink

Think Pershore, think purple, think plums!





www.pershoreplumfestival.org.uk 🏾 🍑 **[**] 🞯

### Tuesday 25 August Wizard of Oz Outdoor Theatre



The Fleece Inn, Bretforton

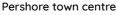
Expect the unexpected in this comedy for all the family, featuring physical humour, fast-paced multi-roling and plenty of laughs. www.thefleeceinn.co.uk

### Wednesday 26 August

### Various pick up points across the county Celebrating the fruit that

with the company of a Plum guide.

### Thursday 27 August Pershore Plum Festival Bike Nite



All bikes welcome at this evening of fun, live music, plum food and drink. Something for all the family www.pershoreplumfestival.org.uk

### Thursday 27 August Superfood Spotlight: Plum Cookery

### Eckington Manor Cookery School

A "hands on" cookery course. 10am - 2pm. Please visit our website for full details. www.eckingtonmanor cookeryschool.co.uk

### Friday 28 -Monday 31 August Worcestershire Open Studios



### Artist studios and spaces across Worcestershire

Meet artists and discover an array of wonderful artwork in creative spaces across Worcestershire. www.worcestershireopenstudios. org



### Saturday 29 August 74th Great Comberton Fruit, Flower and Craft Show

### Brailles Orchard, Great Comberton

Quintessential show - theme "the Seaside". Family games, dog show, classic cars, bar, teas and music. www.theflowershow.org.uk

### Saturday 29 August Plum Festival Football

Tournament

### Pershore Town Football Club

CHECK YOUR PLUMS FOR STONES LADS! A children's football tournament, auction and raffle with signed sports memorabilia raising awareness and funds for Prostrate Cancer UK. www.pershoreplumfestival.org.uk



### Saturday 29 -Monday 31 August **Evesham Angling** Festival



### Crown Meadow

Nationally renowned annual angling festival featuring the UK's best river anglers. www.eveshamfestival.com

### Saturday 29 -Monday 31 August **Pershore Plum Festival**



Enjoy a plum filled Bank Holiday weekend with attractions and entertainment throughout the town. Sat: Heritage and retail; Sun: Family Fun Day; Mon: Traditional plum fun. www.pershoreplumfestival.org.uk

Saturday 29 -Monday 31 August **The Big Plum** 



### The Angel Hotel riverside gardens

Pershore's biggest food, drink and live music event in celebration of the Pershore Plum Festival. www.angelpershore.co.uk

### Monday 31 August Droitwich Spa & District Horticultural Society 72nd Annual Flower Show

### Droitwich Sports Centre

Traditional flower show with entertainment and stalls. Open to all with something for all the family.

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## SEPTEMBER

### Friday 4 September An Evening of Food & Wine Pairing

### **Eckington Manor**

Dinner with wine flight. Please visit our website for full details. www.eckingtonmanor.co.uk



### Saturday 5 September **5th Annual Evesham Scarecrow Competition &** Cider Festival

Hampton Ferry, Evesham Stalls attractions and live music. Fun for all the family. 11am - 4pm. www.hamptonferry.co.uk/ events.html

### Saturday 5 September Peopleton **Autumn Show**



### Peopleton Village Hall and fields

Peopleton Show is a family event with classic cars, music, ales, food, fruit and veq competitions, crafts and games. www.peopletonvillage.co.uk

### Sunday 6 September Walk up Bredon Hill

### Elmley Castle

A leisurely six mile morning walk up Bredon Hill to Parsons Folly. www.ramblers.org.uk/Evesham



### Tuesday 8 September Plant Heritage Meeting

#### Pershore College

'It's Not Time For Bed Yet; Rethinking Autumn in the Garden', a talk by Helen Picton. Room 14, 7.15pm. www.plantheritage.org.uk



### Saturday 12 September Broadway Horticulture and Craft Show

### Broadway

Flower and craft show. Children free entry. Stalls, music, food and drink, classic cars, free kids climbing wall. www.broadway-cotswolds.co.uk

### Saturday 12 September Food & Wine Pairing Course

### Eckington Manor Cookery School

A half day course of food & wine pairing. 10am - 2pm. www.eckingtonmanor cookeryschool.co.uk





### Sunday 13 September Classic Vehicle Day

Gloucestershire Warwickshire Steam Railway, Broadway A large number of vintage

and classic cars on display. www.gwsr.com

### Sunday 13 September Broadway Food Festival

#### Village Green

Local artisan food and drink producers, cooking demos by local chefs and delicious food to go. You've tasted the rest, now taste the best! www.broadway-cotswolds. co.uk/food-festival

### Saturday 19 September Droitwich Spa & District Horticultural Society

### The Sacred Heart Parish Hall

Traditional flower show. Classes for all. Tombola during the afternoon.



### Saturday 26 -Sunday 27 September Autumn Diesel Weekend



### Gloucestershire Warwickshire Steam Railway, Broadway

Come and see our classic diesels - all are now over 50 years old! www.gwsr.com



Saturday 26 -Sunday 27 September Malvern Autumn Show

#### Three Counties Showaround, Malvern

Malvern Autumn Show promises to be a fun-filled family affair celebrating all autumn has to offer. www.malvernautumn.co.uk



## OCTOBER -

### Thursday 8 -Sunday 11 October Legally Blonde The Musical

**Evesham Arts Centre** 

Phoenix Theatre Group are pleased to present Legally Blonde The Musical. www.phoenixtheatrearoup. co.uk

### Saturday 10 October Apple Day Walsarove Farm

Up to 60 varieties of apples to try. PYO/ready picked. Guided tours around the orchard www.walsgrove.co.uk



### Tuesday 13 October **Plant Heritage** Meeting

Pershore College 'Outstanding Asteraceae - the Daisy Family', a talk by Andrew Ward, Room 14. 715pm www.plantheritage.org.uk

### Friday 16 - Sunday 18 October Apple & Ale

### The Fleece Inn. Bretforton

A weekend of live music with real ale and cider festival. Watch as the apples are traditionally pressed to make cider. Free entru.

www.thefleeceinn.co.uk

Saturday 24 - Saturday 31 October Half Term F Horrors

### Almonru Museum, Evesham

Are you brave enough to visit the Almonry over Half Term? Check website for more details www.almonryevesham.org

### Saturday 24 October -Sundau 1 November Spook Academy All Things Wild. Honeybourne

Calling all ghosts and ahouls... can you araduate from Spook Academy? Follow the timetable to attend Spooktacular classes. www.allthingswild.co.uk

### Saturday 31 October Hallowe'en Pumpkin Patch



Hampton Ferry, Evesham Pumpkin carving and plenty of Hallowe'en fun for all ages. 11am - 3pm. www.hamptonferry.co.uk/ events.html



Saturday 31 October Steam & Scream Gloucestershire Warwickshire Steam Railway, Broadway Come and have a spooky time on our 'Spooky Special' Train.

www.gwsr.com Saturday 31 October Wychavon Festival of Brass De Montfort School.

### Evesham

One of the UK's largest brass band competitions featuring bands from all home countries and Europe. www.festivalofbrass.co.uk

### Bringing Brass Music to Worcestershire!

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## NOVEMBER

### Friday 6 November Bonfire, Fireworks and Live Music Spectacular



Pershore's biggest bonfire. fireworks and live music event www.angelpershore.co.uk

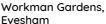
Tuesday 10 - Saturday 14 November All Shook Up



Evesham Arts Centre Join EODS as they present the musical inspired by Elvis Presley Music.

www.eods.org.uk

### Thursday 26 November **Evesham Tree of** Light Turning On Ceremony



Join The Rotary Club of Evesham for mulled wine (non-alcoholic), mince pies and a selection of carols. www.therotaryclubofevesham. org.uk

Friday 27 November & Friday 4 December

### **Broadway Late** Night Shopping Broadway

Enjoy beautiful Broadway at its seasonal best. Shops, restaurants, stalls and Santa to get you in the mood for Christmas!

www.broadway-cotswolds. co.uk/christmas-shoppingnights

### Saturday 28 November Church Lench **Christmas Faure**



Church Lench Village Hall Traditional stalls and crafts with seasonal refreshments. 2.30pm - 4.30pm. www.thelenches.org.uk

### Saturday 28 November **Droitwich Spa** Christmas Lights Switch On



Town centre Family entertainment and festive fun getting ready for Christmas. Featuring Santa's grotto, seasonal markets, fun fair and switch on ceremony including choirs and countdown.

### www.visitdroitwichspa.com

### Saturday 28 November **Evesham Christmas** Lights Switch On Market Place

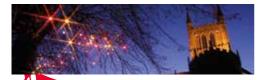
Annual event featuring entertainment, Santa, reindeer, switch on and fireworks www.visitevesham.co.uk

### Saturday 28 November Pershore Christmas Lights Switch On



### St Andrews Garden

Switching on the Christmas lights, Father Christmas and his reindeer. stalls and entertainment. www.visitpershore.co.uk



### Weekends 28/29 November, 5/6, 12/13, 19 - 24 December An Enchanting Christmas Experience



### All Things Wild, Honeybourne

Visit Santa at All Thinas Wild for a magical experience. Have fun with the elves, see the man himself and choose a present to take home! Join in with lots of festive activities and kick start Christmas with all the familul www.allthingswild.co.uk

## DECEMBER

### Saturday 5 December Hampton Ferry at Christmas



Hampton Ferry, Evesham

Christmas stalls, live music, mulled wine and mince pies. Even a visit from Santa himself! 12pm - 6pm. www.hamptonferry.co.uk/events.html

Keep a look out for our Christmas events guide available in November for a comprehensive list of the festive events taking place around the district.





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