

This is durham

A county with breathtaking dales, a dramatic coastline,
a vale steeped in history and a vibrant city at its heart.

25/9/2026 till 25/9/2026	Fletcher Perkins - Slug & Lettuce Live Big vibes. Live sounds. Killer cocktails. Every Friday from 8pm, Slug & Lettuce Walkergate turns up the energy with S&L LIVE — bringing you fresh local talent, feel-good anthems, and the soundtrack the start of your weekend deserves. Join us on Friday 25th September and see Fletch	slugandlettuce.durham@stonenegategroup.co.uk https://www.slugandlettuce.co.uk/durham/events +44 0191 384 3564
	Slug and Lettuce, Unit 7 Walkergate, Durham City, County Durham, DH1 1SQ	
25/9/2026 till 25/9/2026	Gala Lunchtime Concert - September - Gala Durham Renowned for their distinctive compositions and innovative use of effects and loops, the Mark Williams Trio crafts a unique modern sound that distinguishes them from traditional guitar-led jazz trios.	boxoffice@durham.gov.uk https://galadurham.co.uk/galapost/gala-lunchtime-concert-september/ +44 03000 266600
	Gala Durham, 1 Millennium Place, Durham, County Durham, DH1 1WA	
25/9/2026 till 25/9/2026	Great British Beach Clean - Seaham Hall Beach Join us during this year's Great British Beach Clean Week at Seaham Hall Beach and help keep our coast litter free!	volunteer@durhamwt.co.uk https://www.durhamwt.com/events/2026-09-25-great-british-beach-clean-seaham-hall-beach
	, Seaham, County Durham, SR7 7AG	
25/9/2026 till 25/9/2026	Oyster Festival at Hardwick Hall Hotel ONE of the North East's top festivals will be adding a new dimension to this year's event – by supporting a charity which is working to restore native oysters to the region.	events@hardwickhallhotel.co.uk https://hardwickhallhotel.co.uk/events/north-east-oyster-festival-2025/
	Hardwick Hall Hotel , Sedgefield, , TS21 2EH	+44 01740 620 253
25/9/2026 till 25/9/2026 30/10/2026 till 30/10/2026	Street Food Carousel Aycliffe LAST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH Aycliffe, Street Food Carousel.	marketing@baccanalia.co.uk http://www.baccanalia.co.uk
	78 Beveridge Way, Aycliffe, Durham, County Durham, DL5 4DS	+44 01388540823

25/9/2026 till 25/9/2026	Sunderland Legends: Peter Reid & Kevin Phillips - Gala Durham Join us for an audience with Sunderland Legends Peter Reid and Kevin Phillips.	boxoffice@durham.gov.uk https://galadurham.co.uk/galapost/sunderland-legends/
	Gala Durham, 1 Millennium Place, Durham, County Durham, DH1 1WA	+44 03000 266600
26/9/2026 till 26/9/2026	Americana Music Day - Beamish, The Living Museum of the North Join us in our 1950s welfare hall for a truly toe-tapping celebration of Americana music! We'll be joined by bands Northern Roots, Evergreen and Mills & Farrell for this special event. Find out more below.	https://www.beamish.org.uk/events/americana-music-day/ +44 0191 370 4000
	Beamish, The Living Museum of the North, Beamish, Stanley, County Durham, DH9 0RG	
26/9/2026 till 26/9/2026	An Evening of Kate Bush - Durham Cathedral Join for an Evening of Kate Bush performed live by a full band, vocalists and string quartet in Durham Cathedral this September. Let Me In are back with a brand new show, exploring the evocative music of Kate Bush, on a UK Cathedral tour in late 2026.	enquiries@durhamcathedral.co.uk https://www.durhamcathedral.co.uk/events/an-evening-of-kate-bush
	Durham Cathedral, The College, Durham, County Durham, DH1 3EH	+44 0191 374 4069
26/9/2026 till 26/9/2026	Cuthbert Centre for Pilgrimage and Prayer Open Day - Durham Cathedral As we take the first steps in this shared journey, we invite you to come and see the new Cuthbert Centre for Pilgrimage and Prayer and hear about opportunities to get involved. The Cuthbert Centre for Pilgrimage and Prayer is Durham Cathedral's newest addition, centred on the Chapel of the Holy Cross and opening up beautiful spaces of the Deanery never before used for public ministry.	enquiries@durhamcathedral.co.uk https://durhamcathedral.ticketsolve.com/ticketbooth/shows/1173668229
	Cuthbert Centre for Pilgrimage and Prayer, Durham Cathedral, Palace Green, Durham, County Durham, DH1 3EH	+44 0191 374 4069
26/9/2026 till 26/9/2026	Dried Flower Wreath Workshop - Raby Castle, Park and Gardens Join Deborah from Periwinkle Barn in the Conservatory at Raby Castle, Park & Gardens for a beautifully relaxed autumn dried flower wreath workshop, set against views over the Walled Gardens.	admin@raby.co.uk https://www.raby.co.uk/events/dried-flower-wreath-workshop/
	Raby Castle, Park and Gardens, Staindrop, Darlington, County Durham, DL2 3NF	+44 01833 660888
26/9/2026 till 26/9/2026	Family Activities: Falling into Autumn - Oriental Museum Spot the first signs of autumn and make some autumn leaf art. Explore, learn and create with our programme of FREE family events. Taking inspiration from objects on display across the Oriental Museum's galleries, families can get creative all season long. Activities are generally suitable for families with children aged 5 - 11 years.	https://www.durham.ac.uk/things-to-do/whats-on/events-calendar/2026/09/family-activities-falling-into-autumn/ +44 0191 334 5691

Oriental Museum, Elvet Hill, Durham, County Durham,
DH1 3TH

26/9/2026 till 26/9/2026

Sea Rangers: Cetacean watch - Seaham Hall Headland

Dive into coastal adventures! Hands-on workshops for ages 10–18 to explore, protect & celebrate the North East shoreline.

jhayton@durhamwt.co.uk

<https://www.durhamwt.com/events/2026-09-26-sea-rangers-cetacean-watch>

Seaham Hall Headland , North Road, Seaham, County Durham, SR7 7AF

+44 01915843112

27/9/2026 till 27/9/2026

Aurora Night - Grassholme Observatory

The event will begin with a personal welcome from our astronomer, Gary Fildes. Gary is a very experienced science communicator and astronomer, and founder of the Kielder Observatory, where he was Director and CEO for over 11 years.

gary@grassholmeobservatory.org

<https://www.grassholmeobservatory.com/whats-on/aurora-night-32/>

Grassholme Observatory, West Pasture, Middleton-in-Teesdale, Barnard Castle, County Durham, DL12 0PW

+44 07970 105607

27/9/2026 till 27/9/2026

Bark in the Park Dog Show - Raby Castle, Park and Gardens

It's a paw-some day out for dogs and their humans, come and join the fun! Get ready for a tail-wagging good time at Bark in the Park, one of the best dog-friendly events in North East England! Hosted in the beautiful grounds of Raby Castle, County Durham, this September celebration is perfect for pups and their humans alike.

admin@raby.co.uk

<https://www.raby.co.uk/events/bark-in-the-park/>

+44 01833660202

Raby Castle, Park and Gardens, Staindrop, County Durham, DL2 3AH

27/9/2026 till 27/9/2026

Bowes Book Club: The Lady and the Unicorn by Tracy Chevalier

Bowes Book Club invites readers and culture lovers to enjoy a cosy curator-led Sunday afternoon at The Bowes Museum.

hello@thebowesmuseum.org.uk

<http://thebowesmuseum.org.uk/whats-on/bowes-book-club/>

The Bowes Museum, Newgate, Barnard Castle, County Durham, DL12 8NP

+441833690606

26/9/2026 till 27/9/2026

Chester-le-EATS - Durham Cricket

Chester-le-EATS returns for its milestone fifth anniversary in 2026, bringing its biggest celebration yet to Chester-le-Street.

events@durhamcricket.co.uk

<https://www.durhamcricket.co.uk/events/chester-le-eats/>

Durham Cricket, Gate 1, County Ground, Riverside, Chester-le-Street, County Durham, DH3 3QR

+44 0191 387 1717

26/9/2026 till 27/9/2026

Families General Strike and Lock Out Soup Kitchen - Beamish, The Living Museum of the North

Visit The 1900s Pit Village as we continue our remembrance of the 1926 miners' lock out, this time looking at the role communities played in feeding those out of work, especially those who had been deprived of relief payments.

<https://www.beamish.org.uk/events/centenary-of-the-general-strike-2/>

+44 0191 370 4000

Beamish, The Living Museum of the North, Beamish,
Stanley, County Durham, DH9 0RG

27/9/2026 till 27/9/2026
10/10/2026 till 10/10/2026

Guided Walk: Durham and the River Wear - Crook Hall Gardens

Join walk leaders Janet and Steven to explore the countryside on Durham's doorstep. You'll follow the River Wear through the peaceful surroundings of the green space surprisingly close to the city centre. Approximately 4 miles/6.5km.

crookhallgardens@nationaltrust.org.uk

<https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/visit/north-east/crook-hall-gardens/events/b8f827c8-f584-4379-9605-3a06e1b487d0>

Crook Hall Gardens , Sidegate, Durham, County Durham, DH1 5SZ

22/9/2026 till 27/9/2026

Memory of a Journey: Final Station - Hopetown Darlington

Step into the final chapter of Memory of a Journey, the much-loved S&DR200 festival that brought communities together across Teesside and County Durham. At Hopetown Darlington, thousands of hand-crafted peg dolls - each telling its own story - will come together in a powerful, large-scale exhibition marking the end of S&DR200.

hopetown@darlington.gov.uk

<https://www.hopetowndarlington.co.uk/whats-on/Memory-of-a-Journey-Final-Station>

+44 01325 405060

Hopetown, McNay Street, Darlington, County Durham, DL3 6SW

27/9/2026 till 27/9/2026
28/9/2026 till 2/10/2026
3/10/2026 till 3/10/2026

Murdered To Death by Peter Gordon - A Comedy - The City Theatre

A spoof Miss Marple set in a country mansion.

la_510@hotmail.com

<http://www.durhamcitytheatre.co.uk>

The City Theatre, Fowler's Yard, Back Silver Street, Durham, County Durham, DH1 3RA

+44 07531858341

26/9/2026 till 27/9/2026

Shildon's Wagon Legacy - Locomotion

The opening of the Stockton & Darlington Railway in September 1825 transformed Shildon into one of the world's first railway towns. But that was only the beginning. As Shildon grew, Shildon Works became a nationally significant centre for wagon construction, maintenance and repair, supporting industries, communities and railways across Britain. Today, its legacy continues to shape the town's identity and railway heritage.

<https://www.locomotion.org.uk/whats-on/wagon-legacy>

+44 0330 058 0058

Locomotion, Dale Road, Shildon, County Durham, DL4 2RE

27/9/2026 till 27/9/2026

South Causey Brass: Battle of the Band - South Causey Inn

Get ready for an afternoon packed with live brass music, energy and entertainment as South Causey Brass brings the sounds of the brass band world to The Old Barn on 27th September!

enquiries@southcausey.co.uk

<https://southcausey.co.uk/event/south-causey-brass-battle-of-the-bands/>

South Causey Inn, Stanley, County Durham, DH9 0LS

+44 01207 235555

27/9/2026 till 27/9/2026

Transport Classic Car Day by NECPWA - Beamish, The Living Museum of the North

Start your engines and get to Beamish to see the NECPWA fantastic display of cars on the museum's Events Field. For more information, keep checking back

<https://www.beamish.org.uk/events/classic-car-day-by-necpwa/>

here or follow us on our Facebook and Instagram pages. As with all daytime events, you can use your Unlimited Pass or Friends of Beamish membership to enjoy this special event. Beamish reserves the right to alter events, activities, facilities, operations and opening times without prior notice.

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Beamish, The Living Museum of the North, Beamish, Stanley, County Durham, DH9 0RG

29/9/2026 till 29/9/2026

Lemn Sissay - Let The Light Pour In Live - Gala Durham

Spend an evening with a master of the spoken word, BAFTA award-winning author, activist, performer and Sunday Times number one bestseller, Lemn Sissay OBE as he returns to the stage with this acclaimed show.

boxoffice@durham.gov.uk

<https://galadurham.co.uk/galapost/lemn-sissay/>

+44 03000 266 600

Gala Durham, 1 Millennium Place, Durham, County Durham, DH1 1WA

7/1/2026 till 30/9/2026

Little Dragons - Durham University Oriental Museum

Join us at the Oriental Museum on Wednesday mornings for Little Dragons, our FREE session for children under 5 and their families/carers. Each session will be packed full of exploring the museum galleries, fun craft activities, singing, games and stories.

oriental.museum@durham.ac.uk

<https://www.durham.ac.uk/things-to-do/whats-on/events-calendar/?day=07&month=01&year=2026&search=all&keywords=little+dragons&categories%5B%5D=Event+Venues%3EOriental+Museum>

+44 0191 334 5691

Durham University Oriental Museum, Elvet Hill, Durham City, County Durham , DH1 3TH

1/10/2026 till 1/10/2026

Ballet Black at 25 - Gala Durham

Cassa Pancho's Ballet Black celebrates its 25th Anniversary with a much-anticipated return to Gala Durham. For twenty-five years, Cassa Pancho's Ballet Black has brought bold new ballet to stages across the UK, creating and sharing original stories with dancers from around the world. This anniversary season celebrates a quarter of a century of innovation, mentoring and collaboration, while looking ahead to the future.

touring@balletblack.co.uk

<http://galadurham.co.uk/galapost/ballet-black-at-25>

+44 03000 266 600

Gala Durham, 1 Millennium Place, Durham City, County Durham, DH1 1WA

30/9/2026 till 10/10/2026

Ensemble '84 - The Ragged-Trousered Philanthropists

Ensemble '84's adaptation of Robert Tressell's The Ragged-Trousered Philanthropists brings a classic story of work, poverty and solidarity to Horden's new Playhouse. Set in the early twentieth century, the story follows a group of painters and decorators who make beautiful homes for wealthy people while struggling to heat and feed their own families.

<https://www.ensemble84.com/the-ragged-trouserred-philanthropists>

+44 0191 300 4340

The Playhouse, Horden, Peterlee, County Durham, SR8 4NQ

21/9/2026 till 16/10/2026

PortrAlt - Art Exhibition - Dead Dog Gallery

portrAlt: An exploration of photography, promptography and the algorithmic mirror of AI

hannah.collier@durhamsixthformcentre.org.uk

		https://deaddoggallery.co.uk/
	Dead Dog Gallery, Durham Sixth Form Centre, The Sands, Durham, County Durham , DH1 1SG	+44 0191 383 0708
9/6/2026 till 27/10/2026	History of Durham City Walk - Crook Hall Gardens A guided walk from Crook Hall Gardens delving into the history of Durham.	crookhallgardens@nationaltrust.org.uk https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/visit/north-east/crook-hall-gardens/events/3526cd84-7f98-4c9c-9b98-353a446e34de
	Crook Hall Gardens, Frankland Lane & Sidegate, Durham, County Durham, DH1 5SZ	+44 0191 383 1832
3/6/2026 till 28/10/2026	Crook Hall Gardens Tour: History and Literary Links - Crook Hall Gardens Join volunteer Chris for a guided tour of Crook Hall Gardens and the medieval hall. Learn about the history of the home, all the way back 1217, when it first appears in written records. Hear about some of the fascinating families who lived here over the centuries and discover the hall's surprising literary connections.	crookhallgardens@nationaltrust.org.uk https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/visit/north-east/crook-hall-gardens/events/ed7040aa-6555-4ed6-aaaa-87904fc0b79f
	Crook Hall Gardens, Frankland Lane & Sidegate, Durham, County Durham, DH1 5SZ	+44 0191 383 1832
29/5/2026 till 30/10/2026	Crook Hall Gardens Tour: Horticulture - Crook Hall Gardens Join our gardening guru volunteers for a horticultural tour of Crook Hall Gardens.	crookhallgardens@nationaltrust.org.uk https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/visit/north-east/crook-hall-gardens/events/d8e35d70-8f86-4f3c-8aa1-396217ee7327
	Crook Hall Gardens, Frankland Lane & Sidegate, Durham, County Durham, DH1 5SZ	+44 0191 383 1832
12/9/2026 till 1/11/2026	Making Westwood - The Bowes Museum An extended version of the museum's recent and highly successful exhibition, Vivienne Westwood: Rebel – Storyteller – Visionary in the Fashion & Textile Gallery. It honours one of fashion's most provocative and imaginative British designers, Vivienne Westwood (1941-2022). Spanning the early 1980s to 2000s, the show concentrates on Westwood's extraordinary journey following the rebellious energy of punk from her early partnership with Malcolm McLaren (1946–2010), to her later years as an outspoken activist, when she used her global platform to campaign for peace, social justice and action on climate change	hello@thebowesmuseum.org.uk https://thebowesmuseum.org.uk/exhibitions/making-westwood/
	The Bowes Museum, Newgate, Barnard Castle, County Durham, DL12 8NP	+44 01833 690606

26/9/2026 till 1/11/2026	PSYCHO PATH - The North East's Biggest Halloween Event Our multi-award-winning attractions offer something truly unique to any Halloween events the world over. We pride ourselves on reaching and engaging our guests in complex and completely different environments, causing fear and fun all round. No maze is the same, and no maze uses the same techniques, styles, and mechanics in order to achieve our desired fear factors.	info@psycho-path.co.uk https://www.psycho-path.co.uk/
	Lintz Hall Farm, Burnopfield, , County Durham, NE16 6AS	
20/6/2026 till 8/11/2026	Extinction - Ushaw, Historic Houses, Chapels and Gardens Extinction affects us all and one in ten of our wildlife in the UK is critically endangered. Scientists have identified five periods of mass extinction over the geological record and the question is now being asked: are we in a sixth? The exhibition will also have a life size baby triceratops and a life size utahraptor on display. Extinction addresses this fascinating topic and journeys through the demise of the dinosaurs and marine reptiles, death of the ice age mammoths and the impact of humans on the dodo.	enquiries@ushaw.org https://ushaw.org/whatson/extinction/ +44 01913738500
	Ushaw, Historic Houses, Chapels and Gardens, Woodland Road, Bearpark, Durham, County Durham, DH7 7DW	
24/9/2026 till 8/11/2026	The Haunting of The Magic Corner The Magic Corner is a custom built magic show bar located in the heart of Durham.	https://www.themagiccorner.co.uk/halloween-show +44 0191 926 0502
	19 1/2 Old Elvet, Durham, County Durham, DH1 3HL	
3/7/2026 till 4/12/2026	Discover Big Library - Ushaw Historic House, Chapels and Gardens Experience the Big Library on the first Friday of every month (July-Dec 2026) as we celebrate the 175th anniversary of one of Britain's most extraordinary historic libraries.	enquiries@ushaw.org https://ushaw.org/whatson/discover-big-library-26/ +44 0191 373 8500
	Ushaw Historic House, Chapels and Gardens, Durham, County Durham, DH7 7DW	
14/11/2025 till 11/12/2026	Live Music Nights at South Causey Inn Sit with us and enjoy live music every Friday, where we welcome a brilliant mix of local musicians from all across the North East to our cosy indoor bar - with a roaring log-burning fire.	enquiries@southcausey.co.uk https://southcausey.co.uk/what-is-on-south-causey-inn/live-music-nights/ +44 01207235555
	South Causey Inn , Stanley, County Durham, DH9 0LS	
10/1/2026 till 12/12/2026	Free Monthly Guided Walks - Wolsingham Our monthly guided walks take place on the 2nd Saturday of every month leaving Wolsingham Town Hall in the Market Place at 10am.	wolsinghamwayfarers@gmail.com https://wolsinghamwayfarers.co.uk/guided-walks

Wolsingham Town Hall , Market Place, Wolsingham,
Bishop Auckland, County Durham, DL13 3AB

1/6/2026 till 14/12/2026	Half Day Bee and Beekeeping Related Courses - Unit A The Old School A selection of bee related short courses, hosted at our workshops beside the River Tees in Middleton-In-Teesdale. Join our expert Beekeeper to learn something new about bees! Unit A The Old School, Bridge Street, Middleton-in-Teesdale, Barnard Castle, County Durham, DL12 0QB	pamela@beerresponsible.co.uk http://www.beeresponsible.co.uk +44 07790480480
18/2/2026 till 24/12/2026	Tom McGuinness: Out of the Darkness - Mining Art Gallery Our new Tom McGuinness exhibition opens on 18 February 2026. In his centenary year, the Mining Art Gallery celebrates this quiet man who communicated through his art – he did not seek simply to record details of the mining industry but expressed what it really felt like to be a miner. Mining Art Gallery, 45 Market Place, Bishop Auckland , County Durham, DL14 7NP	enquiries@aucklandproject.org https://aucklandproject.org/event/tom-mcguinness-out-of-the-darkness/ +44 01388 743750
3/1/2026 till 26/12/2026	Durham parkrun A free, fun, and friendly weekly 5k community event. Walk, jog, run, volunteer or spectate – it's up to you! Nearby Sunday 2k junior parkrun events for 4 to 14 year olds and their families can be found here. Graham Sports Centre, Maiden Castle , Stockton Rd , Durham, County Durham, DH1 3SE	durham@parkrun.com https://www.parkrun.org.uk/durham/
3/1/2026 till 26/12/2026	Ushaw Historic House, Chapels and Gardens - parkrun A free, fun, and friendly weekly 5k community event. Walk, jog, run, volunteer or spectate – it's up to you! Nearby Sunday 2k junior parkrun events for 4 to 14 year olds and their families can be found here. Ushaw Historic House, Chapels and Gardens, Woodland Road, Durham, County Durham, DH7 7DW	ushawhistorichouse@parkrun.com https://www.parkrun.org.uk/ushawhistorichouse/ +44 0191 373 8500
16/1/2026 till 31/12/2026	Archaeology 'Open Lab' - an Auckland Project Exhibition Archaeologists uncovering the hidden history of Auckland Palace are inviting the public behind the scenes as historic finds from eight years of excavations are analysed in a new 'open laboratory' in Bishop Auckland town centre. Fridays weekly between 3.30pm and 4.30pm. The Hearth (formerly Mrs M's), 1 Market Place, Bishop Auckland, County Durham , DL14 7NJ	enquiries@aucklandproject.org https://aucklandproject.org/event/archaeology-open-lab/
1/1/2026 till 31/12/2026	Barnard Castle Farmers' Market Barnard Castle Farmers' Market is one of the North East's most popular markets featuring a wide range of artisan food and crafts from the region. Open 9:00 to 14:00 on the first Saturday of each month.	barnardcastlefarmersmarket@gmail.com http://www.barnardcastlefarmersmarket.co.uk/

The Cobbles , Horsemarket, Barnard Castle, County Durham, DL12 8LY

1/1/2026 till 31/12/2026

Barnard Castle Market

Stroll through the stalls, savour delicious local treats, and soak up the friendly atmosphere. Every Wednesday 8.00am to 16.30

market@barnardcastletowncouncil.gov.uk

<https://www.facebook.com/BarnardWednesdayMarket/>

Marketplace, Barnard Castle, County Durham, DL12 8NF

+44 (0)1833 690970

1/1/2026 till 31/12/2026

Bishop Auckland Market

Stroll through the stalls, savour delicious local treats, and soak up the friendly atmosphere. Every Thursday and Saturday 8:00-17:00

ehcp@durham.gov.uk

<https://www.durham.gov.uk/markets>

Market Place, Bishop Auckland, County Durham, DL14 7NP

+44 (0)3000 261 016

1/1/2026 till 31/12/2026

Consett Market

Stroll through the stalls, savour delicious local treats, and soak up the friendly atmosphere. Every Thursday, Friday and Saturday 8:00-16:00

ehcp@durham.gov.uk

<https://www.durham.gov.uk/markets>

Middle Street, Consett, County Durham, DH8 5QP

+44 (0)771 416 9208

1/1/2026 till 31/12/2026

Durham Food Producers' and Crafters' Market

Durham's Food Producers' and Crafters' Market is now on the first Thursday of each month – open from 9am until 4.30pm, or until stock has sold out.

info@durhammarkets.co.uk

<http://www.durhammarkets.co.uk>

Market Place, Durham city, County Durham, DH1 3NJ

+44 0191 384 6153

23/1/2026 till 31/12/2026

Fireside Afternoon Tea and Waterfall Walk at High Force

Monday - Saturday Celebrate in the heart of Upper Teesdale with our cosy Fireside Afternoon Tea at High Force Hotel.

admin@raby.co.uk

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The High Force Hotel, Alston Rd, Forest-in-Teesdale, Durham, County Durham, DL12 0XH

3/1/2026 till 31/12/2026

Heritage Coastal Path parkrun, Easington

A free, fun, and friendly weekly 5k community event. Walk, jog, run, volunteer or spectate – it's up to you! Nearby Sunday 2k junior parkrun events for 4 to 14 year olds and their families can be found here.

heritagecoastalpatheasington@parkrun.com

<https://www.parkrun.org.uk/heritagecoastalpatheasington/>

Heritage Coastal Path, Off Crawlaw Avenue, Easington Colliery, Peterlee, County Durham, SR8 3QQ

15/7/2026 till 31/12/2026

Light and Fire: 500 Years of Tyndale's New Testament - The Faith Museum

A courageous man and his 'naughtily translated' book

enquiries@aucklandproject.org

<https://aucklandproject.org/event/event-light-and-fire-500-years-of-tyndales-new-testament/>

The Faith Museum, Market Place, Bishop Auckland, County Durham, DL14 7NR

+44 01388 743750

1/1/2026 till 31/12/2026

Mental Health Swims - Seaham

Mental Health Swims is an award-winning, mental health peer support community. The regular dip at Seaham takes place on the last Sunday of every month - booking required.

<https://www.mentalhealthswims.co.uk/>

The Slope Beach , Seaham, County Durham , SR7 7EE

18/2/2026 till 31/12/2026

Roger Wagner: The Seeds of Eternity - Exhibition at Auckland Palace

The Bishop Trevor Rooms at Auckland Palace will host an exhibition of the works of artist and poet Roger Wagner. Weaving together Biblical narratives and contemporary landscapes, Wagner's visionary paintings explore the mysteries of human existence.

enquiries@aucklandproject.org

<https://aucklandproject.org/event/roger-wagner-the-seeds-of-eternity-exhibition/>

+44 01388 743797

Auckland Palace, Market Place, Bishop Auckland, County Durham , DL14 7NR

28/1/2026 till 31/12/2026

Room on the Broom Trail at Hamsterley Forest

This interactive family trail is packed with Room on the Broom themed activities, fascinating forest facts and plenty of hands-on fun.

enquiries.hamsterley@forestryengland.uk

<https://www.forestryengland.uk/hamsterley-forest/room-on-the-broom>

Hamsterley Forest, Redford, Hamsterley Forest, County Durham, DL13 3NL

+44 01388 488312

1/1/2026 till 31/12/2026

Saturday Outdoor Market

Every Saturday, the Market Place is transformed by up to 30 small independent traders...it becomes a traditional, bustling, fresh air market and a great shopping experience.

info@durhammarkets.co.uk

<https://durhammarkets.co.uk/saturday-outdoor-market/>

+44 0191 384 6153

Durham Market Hall, Market Place, Durham, County Durham, DH1 3NJ

1/1/2026 till 31/12/2026

Seaham Seaside Market

Seaham Seaside Market is a weekly market held every Friday.

stalls@events2gogo.com

<https://www.facebook.com/seahamseasidemarket/>

Church Street, Seaham, County Durham, SR7 7HF

+44 (0)7769 352637

1/1/2026 till 31/12/2026

Sedgefield Farmers Market

The market is run by Sedgefield Development Trust - and is held every first Sunday of the Month, on the village green, from 8.30am to 12.30pm - and includes a free community stall, music tent & health bus. The free stall is available to clubs and societies for promotion or fundraising.

roger@clubleys.co.uk

<http://www.sedgefield-farmersmarket.co.uk>

+44 01740 620609

Village Green, Sedgefield, County Durham, TS21 2AB

1/1/2026 till 31/12/2026

South Causey Monthly Dog Walk

Join the South Causey Dog Walking Club every 1st

southcausey@hotmail.com

Saturday of the month at 10 am for a picturesque stroll through the beautiful Beamish Valley. <https://www.southcausey.co.uk/offer/monthly-dog-walk/>

South Causey Inn, Beamish Burn Road, Stanley, County Durham, DH9 0LS +44 01207 235 555

1/1/2026 till 31/12/2026 **Stanley Market**
Stroll through the stalls, savour delicious local treats, and soak up the friendly atmosphere. Every Thursday and Saturday 8.00-16:00
ehcp@durham.gov.uk
<https://www.durham.gov.uk/markets>

Front Street, Stanley, County Durham, DH9 0JE +44 (0)191 373 0220

18/4/2026 till 31/12/2026 **Stay and Play at High Force Hotel and Barnard Castle Golf Club**
Nestled in the stunning countryside of Teesdale, Barnard Castle Golf Club offers an unforgettable golfing experience in the heart of the North East.
admin@raby.co.uk
+44 01833660202

The High Force Hotel, Alston Rd, Forest-in-Teesdale, , County Durham, DL12 0XH

22/8/2026 till 31/12/2026 **We Are The Durhams: The Durham Light Infantry**
Discover the history of the Durham Light Infantry and the remarkable life stories of "The Durhams" from 1758 to today in this bold new permanent exhibition at The Light.
TheLight@durham.gov.uk
<https://thelightdurham.org.uk/article/35670/We-Are-The-Durhams-The-Durham-Light-Infantry>
The Light , Aykley Heads, Durham, County Durham, DH1 5TU
+44 03000 266 590

27/6/2026 till 3/1/2027 **Norman Cornish: A Life in Sketchbooks - The Bowes Museum**
Step inside the working imagination of Norman Cornish in this intimate exhibition, bringing together finished drawings, paintings and watercolours alongside the preparatory sketches that shaped them.
volunteers@thebowesmuseum.org.uk
+44 01833 690606

The Bowes Museum, Newgate, Barnard Castle, County Durham, DL12 8NP

22/8/2026 till 17/1/2027 **Victory Over the Sun: Encounters with Light - The Light**
This major exhibition brings together groundbreaking works by a diverse group of international artists who explore light in innovative and unexpected ways.
TheLight@durham.gov.uk
<https://thelightdurham.org.uk/article/35687/Victory-Over-the-Sun-Encounters-with-Light>
The Light , Aykley Heads, Durham, County Durham, DH1 5TU
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26/9/2026 till 14/3/2027	Impressions of Light: Masterpieces from MuMa – Le Havre and The Bowes Museum Impressions of Light: Masterpieces from MuMa – Le Havre and The Bowes Museum is a major partnership between The Bowes Museum and the Musée d'Art Moderne André Malraux (MuMa), Le Havre. The Bowes Museum, Newgate, Barnard Castle, County Durham, DL12 8NP	hello@thebowesmuseum.org.uk https://thebowesmuseum.org.uk/exhibitions/impressions-of-light-masterpieces-from-muma-le-havre-and-the-bowes-museum/ +44 01833 690606
3/9/2026 till 3/9/2027	Thursday Evenings at The Light Regular events for curious minds and creative hands every Thursday from 5.00pm to 8.00pm. A new weekly programme of events making Thursday evenings at The Light a regular fixture in Durham's cultural calendar. The Light, Aykley Heads, Durham, County Durham, DH1 5TU	TheLight@durham.gov.uk https://www.thelightdurham.org.uk/thursdays +44 03000 266 590

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