

events 2010



April

Lambing Time

WHEN: Throughout April

WHERE: Hall Hill Farm, Lanchester

Easter Egg Trail

WHEN: 3 - 5 April

WHERE: Raby Castle, Staindrop

Easter Egg Cache Hunt

WHEN: 4 April

WHERE: Bowlees Visitor Centre, Middleton in Teesdale



Outdoor & Active Week

Discover Durham's great outdoors with a series of fabulous activities to encourage you into the fresh air.

WHEN: 5 - 9 April

WHERE: Throughout the County

Power from the Past

WHEN: 15 - 18 April

WHERE: Beamish

Bishop Auckland Food Festival in the Durham Dales

North East England's largest food festival is set in the grounds of the historic Auckland Castle.

WHEN: 17 April

The Bureau of Silly Ideas

WHEN: 17 - 18 April

WHERE: DLI Museum & Art Gallery, Durham

John Buchan's 'The 39 Steps'

WHEN: 26 April - 1 May

WHERE: Gala Theatre, Durham

May

North East Giants of Steam

WHEN: 1 - 3 May

WHERE: Locomotion, The National Railway Museum, Shildon

British Sporting Art



The Bowes Museum's major Summer exhibition coincides with the opening of the new British Decorative Arts Gallery and the new Textiles and Dress Gallery.

WHEN: From 11 May

WHERE: Barnard Castle

Ghost Stories at Night

Part of the Museums at Night Programme (14 - 16 May).

WHEN: 14 May

WHERE: Old Felling Mill Museum of Archaeology, Durham

Northern Rocks: The North Pennines Festival of Geology and Landscape

Over 30 events and activities to help you unearth the geological secrets of the North Pennines.

WHEN: 22 May - 6 June



Durham Mysteries 2010

Brand new for 2010 - the revival of a traditional mystery play cycle but given a modern twist. Expect to see

urban dance and song, light displays and film as well as traditional performing arts.

WHEN: 27 - 29 May

WHERE: Throughout Durham City

June

Fairy Tale Week

WHEN: 30 May - 6 June

WHERE: Crook Hall & Gardens, Durham

Georgian Spring Fair

Watch traditional craftsmen at work and meet the trinket sellers and strolling entertainers.

WHEN: 3 - 6 June

WHERE: Beamish

Durham County Cricket Club

Twenty20 cup game against Lancashire Lightning.

WHEN: 4 June

WHERE: Riverside, Chester-le-Street

Exhibition: Paul Rooney

WHEN: 12 June - 18 July

WHERE: DLI Museum & Art Gallery, Durham

Durham Festival and Regatta

The North's premier rowing event attracting more than 600 crews to the City from all over the country.

WHEN: 12 - 13 June

Durham University Botanic Gardens

To celebrate national bike week anyone arriving by own pedal power will get free entry.

WHEN: 19 - 27 June

Big Boys' Toys

WHEN: 20 June - Father's Day

WHERE: Weardale Railway, Stanhope

Durham University Events

Durham University hosts summer events including the Musicon concert series, art exhibitions, theatre and dance at some of the City's premier attractions.

WHEN: Throughout the Spring and Summer

July

Brass: Durham International Festival



International acts bring Durham to life with the sounds of brass. Bands perform jazz, funk, classical, ska and traditional music over a packed two weeks of live entertainment.

WHEN: 3 - 18 July

WHERE: Throughout the County

Shakespeare's 'All's Well That Ends Well'

Performance by the Castle Players in the grounds of The Bowes Museum.

WHEN: 7 - 10 July

Durham Miners' Gala

WHEN: 10 July

WHERE: Durham City

Kids Archaeological Dig

WHEN: 18, 25 July & 2 August

WHERE: Killhope, North of England Lead Mining Museum

The Big Busk with Making Music

WHEN: 31 July

WHERE: Dalton Park, Murton

Celebrating our Coast

WHEN: 31 July

WHERE: Durham Heritage Coastline, Horden

August

Streets of... Summer Festival



WHEN: August Bank Holiday Weekend

WHERE: Durham City

Check website for details nearer the time.

Art in the Garden

Take a stroll round the beautiful gardens and discover work by some of the most exciting artists in the North.

WHEN: 1 - 31 August

WHERE: Crook Hall & Gardens, Durham

Adventure Challenge

WHEN: 12 August

WHERE: Hamsterley Forest

Folkworks Durham Gathering

WHEN: 12 - 14 August

WHERE: Durham City

Teddy Bears Picnic

WHEN: 15 August

WHERE: Tanfield Railway

Ladies Day

WHEN: 24 August

WHERE: Sedgfield Racecourse

September

International Cricket

England face Pakistan in a One Day International, part of the NatWest Series at the Riverside, Chester-le-Street.

WHEN: 10 September

Durham Cathedral and Castle World Heritage Site



Visit the jewel in Durham's crown throughout the Spring and Summer.

To find out about all these and more visit:

thisisdurham.com

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Further afield

A taster of the great events happening in North East England.

Tees Valley

UK Surfing Championships, British Kitesurfing Championships

WHEN: 15, 16, 22 & 23 May

Stockton International Riverside Festival and Fringe Festival

WHEN: 28 July - 1 August

The Tall Ships' Races 2010

Hartlepool hosts this year's Races as the vessels cross the finishing line from Kristiansand, Norway.

WHEN: 7 - 10 August

NewcastleGateshead, Sunderland, North and South Tyneside

Evolution

WHEN: 28 - 31 May

WHERE: NewcastleGateshead Quayside

SummerTyne

Americana themed music festival.

WHEN: 22 - 26 July

WHERE: The Sage, Gateshead

Sunderland International Airshow

Thousands throng to the biggest free airshow in Europe. Prepare to be thrilled by daring aerial displays.

WHEN: 24 - 25 July

Northumberland

Hexham Book Festival

Celebrating all things literary, the great line up includes PD James, Philippa Gregory and Val McDermid.

WHEN: 23 April - 2 May

Extraordinary Measures

WHEN: May - September

WHERE: Belsay Hall Castle & Gardens

Brinkburn Music Festival

WHEN: 2 - 4 July & 9 - 11 July

WHERE: Brinkburn Priory, Rothbury

More event and destination details are available at:

visitteesvalley.co.uk
visitnewcastlegateshead.com
visitsnorthumberland.com

Durham's got culture covered!

Durham's packed festival and events calendar means there's bound to be something for you to enjoy this Spring and Summer. From food and street festivals to theatre and musical performances, from world-class sport to major cultural events, Durham won't disappoint.

culturedurham.com

Sit back and enjoy a packed festival programme in **Durham City**. Bring a family picnic to events as varied as the **Durham Mysteries**, the **Durham Festival and Regatta**, **BRASS** and the **Streets of...** summer festivals.

The **Vale of Durham's** award winning Beamish is 40 this year and there's lots going on to celebrate including **Power from the Past** in April and the **Georgian Spring Fair** in June.

If it's landscape you're after, head to the **Durham Dales** for **Northern Rocks**. See the North Pennines through fresh eyes with

a visit to this Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. Explore old lead mines, have a go at dry stone walling or follow a pack pony route on horseback. Take in the breathtaking views along the **Durham Coast**. Join a guided walk along the heritage coastline, just one of many activities available as part of April's **Outdoor & Active week**.

Sounds great? This guide gives just a selection of events across Durham. Find out more at thisisdurham.com/events or at one of the Tourist Information Centres.

Tourist Information Centres

Barnard Castle

'Woodleigh', Flatts Road, Barnard Castle, County Durham DL12 8AA
Tel: 01833 696356

Bishop Auckland

The Town Hall, Market Place, Bishop Auckland, County Durham DL14 7NP
Tel: 01388 602610 / 604922

Durham City

Millennium Place, Durham DH1 1WA
Tel: 0191 384 3720

Middleton in Teesdale

10 Market Place, Middleton in Teesdale, County Durham DL12 0QG
Tel: 01833 641001

Peterlee

4 Upper Yoden Way, Peterlee, County Durham SR8 1AX
Tel: 0191 586 4450

Stanhope

Durham Dales Centre, Castle Gardens, Stanhope, County Durham DL13 2FJ
Tel: 01388 527650 / 526393

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