



# CHRISTMAS

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Royal Borough of Windsor & Maidenhead

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# CHRISTMAS Magic

Charles Dickens

Celebrate Christmas in the Royal Borough this year with an abundance of baubles and lights, good food and merriment in some of our most picturesque settings!

Christmas music being played everywhere and decorations appearing on the streets signal a time to head to your local high street where your favourite shops are all stocked up with festive food and gifts.

Even if you don't celebrate Christmas yourself it's always a special time to come together with loved ones and simply enjoy the magic of the season.

This year we have a fabulous line-up of events and so many good reasons to get out and about in the Royal Borough this festive season. We've put together a selection to help you get the most out of this special time.

We hope you find a few ideas to help you make the most of your festivities. We'd like to take this opportunity to wish you a Happy Christmas and here's to 2023!

Visit **Windsor.gov.uk** for regular updates and latest special offers plus more inspiration on our local gifts and experiences page.

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# Shopping

Discover unique gifts, handcrafted homeware, gorgeous decorations, fashion, jewellery, toys, food, live entertainment and a twinkly yuletide atmosphere to get you in the festive mood.

Support your local independent retailer and you'll be sure to surprise and delight your loved ones with something special they won't find anywhere else.

# Christmas shopping at The Savill Garden

Gifts for all ages are available from The Visitor Centre, including unique products made from local artisans. With delicious food, children's toys, homeware and jewellery, there is something tempting for everyone. While you shop, immerse yourself in the holiday spirit with carols and live music from local choirs and groups. Only available on select days. **More details** »

## 17 - 18 NOVEMBER | THURSDAY 11AM-5PM AND FRIDAY MIDDAY-8PM

# Artisan Christmas Fair at The Windsor Guildhall

Looking for a unique and special gift? The Windsor Guildhall will be hosting an Artisan Christmas Fair where local suppliers will be selling a range of beautiful gifts. More than 20 independent local sellers will be inside the prestigious and historic Council Chamber and Ascot Room, selling a range of art, photography, ceramics, candles, seasonal gifts and stocking fillers, accessories, homewares, cards, and much more. You will also be able to enjoy a glass of mulled wine and a mince pie while listening to live music in the Corn Exchange (Friday only).

# 19 – 20 NOVEMBER | 10AM-3.30PM | ROYAL WINDSOR RACECOURSE Windsor Christmas Shopping Fair

Celebrate good things for Christmas from food and drink to arts, crafts and gifts set in floored heated marquees connected to the Grandstand with the racecourse as the backdrop to this event. Enjoy browsing, sampling, and buying from around 100 exhibitor stallholders. Open 10am–3.30pm. Adult  $\pounds$ 5 (online  $\pounds$ 4); Concession  $\pounds$ 4 (online  $\pounds$ 3.50).

# More details »

## 20 NOVEMBER | 10AM-3PM | STUBBINGS, MAIDENHEAD Winter Market – Local Producers

Browse our Christmas stalls this November at our Local Producers Winter Market. Buy locally produced products ranging from cheese, crafts, gin, cookies, honey, tea and much, much more.

# 24 NOVEMBER - 18 DECEMBER\* | MONDAY - FRIDAY 11AM-7PM, SATURDAY & SUNDAY 9AM-5PM

# **Christmas Tree Shop at Windsor Great Park**

Stop by the Windsor Great Park Christmas Tree Shop and get your festive season started and choose between a traditional Norway Spruce, a Nordmann Fir, or new for 2022, a Blue Spruce Tree. Wreaths, fresh boughs of holly and mistletoe, logs, kindling and a variety of decorations and gifts are also available to purchase. Available in a variety of sizes, all trees are freshly cut and grown sustainably in Britain, with the majority coming from the Windsor Estate. **More details** »

## \*open until stocks last

# OLE & STEEN, WINDSOR

# Holiday Hygge Christmas Treats

This year Ole & Steen invites Brits to celebrate Christmas Dane-ishly with a range of irresistible festive treats. Bringing a little taste of Hygge happiness to all this season from 1 November, the Danish bakery's Christmas collection sees their iconic social infused with delicious festival flavours and Danish-inspired twists on British Christmas classics.

# More details »

# CASTLE HOTEL, WINDSOR

Personalised Gift Experience Give the gift of choice this Christmas. Spoil a colleague or loved one this festive season with a gift voucher they can choose to spend however they wish at The Castle. From afternoon tea, to cocktails, to an overnight break – there are so many ways to treat themselves!

# More details »

26 NOVEMBER – 24 DECEMBER | 10AM-6PM | VANSITTART ESTATE, WINDSOR

# Windsor & Eton Brewery Christmas Shop

The arrival of their wonderful Mandarin beer marks the start of the Christmas festivities at the Windsor & Eton Brewery. This year their Christmas shop will open on Saturday 26 November with free tasting samples of Mandarin. Inside you will find a wide arrange of beers, spirits and other gifts for your friends and family and maybe a little something for yourself too!

The Christmas shop will be open everyday from 10am to 6pm excluding Sundays. After all that effort shopping, you will have earned a drink at the taproom bar next door.

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# Markets

## 2 DECEMBER | 6PM-9PM | NORDEN FARM CENTRE FOR THE ARTS, MAIDENHEAD Winter Night Market

Our popular Artisan Fairs return this festive season. The perfect opportunity to browse for unique presents as local artisan stallholders showcase their handmade wares. Enjoy all your favourite festive snacks and beverages together with a well-stocked bar featuring craft ales, mulled wine and a full food menu. More details »

# 26 NOVEMBER | 10.30AM-4PM | PINDER HALL Cookham Christmas Market

A fantastic selection of local small craft businesses coming together to create the Christmas shopping event of the year in Cookham. This year supporting local charity, The Baby Bank, the Cookham Christmas Market is back. A hugely successful event last year that brought the magic to Cookham. Kids are FREE, and adults' tickets include a free mince pie and a donation to our chosen charity. Come and enjoy a glass of mulled wine while you browse our beautiful stalls.

# 18 DECEMBER | 11AM-3PM | MAIDENHEAD HIGH STREET Maidenhead Christmas Vegan Fiesta

Enjoy a wide array of plant-based and eco-friendly artisan stalls including yummy cakes, dairy-free fudge, nut-based cheeses, mulled drinks, ethical clothing, handmade jewellery, sustainable gifts and much more. There will also be delicious street food with vegan bratwurst and festive burgers, so come hungry! More details »

# 26 NOVEMBER | 10AM-5PM | PEASCOD STREET Windsor Christmas Vegan Fiesta

Enjoy a wide array of plant-based and eco-friendly artisan stalls including yummy cakes, dairy-free fudge, nut-based cheeses, mulled drinks, ethical clothing, handmade jewellery, sustainable gifts and much more. There will also be delicious street food with a vegan hogless roast and festive meat-free kebabs, so come hungry! **More details** <u>»</u>



# 3 DECEMBER – BACHELORS ACRE, WINDSOR | 9AM–1PM 18 DECEMBER – HIGH STREET, ASCOT (CAR PARK 3) | 9AM–1PM Christmas Farmers' Markets

Windsor and Ascot Farmers' markets are run by Thames Valley Farmers' Market Cooperative - bringing fresh, seasonal fayre to the area for the past 20 years. In the lead up to Christmas you will find an array of gorgeous artisan goodies alongside free range meat, turkeys, award-winning cheese and wine - in fact everything you need for a special treat or for lovely festive meals with friends and family. More details »

# 11 DECEMBER | 9.30AM-1PM | GROVE ROAD CAR PARK Maidenhead Farmers' Market

Berkshire's longest running, independent farmers' market - bringing you fresh, local produce since 1999. A genuine farmers' market so you can be assured of buying quality products direct from our farmers, growers, and producers which has been grown, reared or processed by themselves.

More details »

## 4 DECEMBER | 10AM-5PM

# Christmas Craft Market, Windsor Yards

Please visit Windsor Yards to support local craftspeople and small businesses selling a wide range of present ideas perfect for Christmas, whilst raising funds for charity. Organised by Craft Coop and Rotary, all proceeds will go to Guide Dogs for the Blind. **More details »** or contact **windsorcraftmarkets@gmail.com** for stallholder information.









THE RUNNYMEDE ON THAMES

# FESTIVITIES AT THE RUNNYMEDE ON THAMES

From a relaxing Festive Break to get you into the spirit to a two night Christmas Getaway for the whole family, escape to our riverside bolthole and revel in all things yuletide! This year, we also have an adults-only New Year's Getaway, so prepare to 'get glam' to see in the New Year in style.

Those visiting for the day can expect foodie feasts aplenty. At Leftbank, our iconic buffet will feature tasty seasonal dishes and on Sundays, we will be hosting a **Bottomless Fizz Feast**. Over at The Lock, our classic afternoon tea will also be given a festive makeover to mark the occasion.

Looking for a party venue? Our Christmas Party Package is designed for groups of 50 - 250 and includes welcome drinks, a three course meal with wine followed by dancing to the sound of our resident DJ.



FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO BOOK, PLEASE VISIT WWW.RUNNYMEDEHOTEL.COM/CHRISTMAS-2022





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# **Maidenhead Christmas Light Switch-on**

Throughout the day there will be a Festive Market on the High Street with a fabulous selection of stalls and street food as well as children's funfair rides, so there will be something for all the family to enjoy. The countdown begins just before 6pm followed by a fireworks display\*. \*Weather dependent

# A CRACKER OF A **Christmas line-up**

It just wouldn't be Christmas without some slapstick comedy, a dame doing damage with a frying pan, a custard pie or two and a cow called Daisy, now would it?

Oh no it wouldn't...we have a cracking line-up of panto for you this year as well as comedy and music performances that all the family can enjoy together. From ice-skating rinks to Christmas trails, lantern parades to dates with Santa, dazzling lights and magical moments are everywhere this special season.

15 NOVEMBER | 8PM | NORDEN FARM CENTRE FOR THE ARTS, MAIDENHEAD

# **Matthew Bourne's Nutcracker!**

Event cinema screening. The sweetest of all Matthew Bourne's treats comes to cinemas for the first time. Follow Clara's bittersweet journey from a darkly comic Christmas Eve at Dr. Dross' Orphanage, through a shimmering, ice-skating winter wonderland to the scrumptious candy kingdom of Sweetieland. With family-sized helpings of Bourne's trademark wit, pathos and magical fantasy, Nutcracker! is influenced by the lavish Hollywood musicals of the 1930s. More details »

# 15 – 19 NOVEMBER | THEATRE ROYAL WINDSOR

# **Charles Dickens A Christmas Carol**

Ebenezer Scrooge finds the true spirit of Christmas after he is visited by Jacob Marley (his dead business partner) and shown his past, present and future by three ghostly beings. Probably the most haunting tale ever told...and as Tiny Tim said, 'God bless us, every-one!' This Radio Play will be brought to life with period costumes and a foley artist recreating sound effects and atmospherics live on stage. More details »

# 18 NOVEMBER - 8 JANUARY 2023 | ALEXANDRA GARDENS, WINDSOR Windsor on Ice

Situated in Alexandra Gardens, under the shadow of Windsor Castle, the covered main rink has an outside ice-skating track. Whether a whizz on the ice skates, or a bit more Bambi, there are penguin supports and 'Tiny Tuesday' sessions for younger children. Ice-guides to teach basic skating techniques are available with advance booking. When legs tire, there is live music, fair rides, food stalls and a viewing area where non-skaters can watch and stay warm. Tickets: Adults from £14.50; Children from £12.50; Family (1+3 or 2+2) £46; + £1 online booking fee. Sessions last 45 minutes

More details »

# 19 NOVEMBER – 24 DECEMBER | DANIEL DEPARTMENT STORE, WINDSOR **Santa's Grotto Experience**

Come and join the excitement as the first floor of Daniel Department Store is transformed into a Christmas Kingdom and Santa returns to his Grotto this year! Bring all the family along to experience the magic of Christmas and be sure to tell Santa what you would like for Christmas this year... as long as you've been good of course! £9 per child / per ticket. More details »

25 NOVEMBER – 8 JANUARY | THEATRE ROYAL WINDSOR

# **Sleeping Beauty**

A long time ago in a Pantoland far away, a beautiful princess lived in a beautiful palace filled with laughter and joy. That is until an evil witch cursed her to sleep for a hundred long years! Join us as the palace comes back to life this Christmas, spinning a tale which is sure to enchant you with our classic combination of dazzling dancers, stunning singing and comedy capers!

More details »

26 NOVEMBER & 3, 10, 17 DECEMBER | 11AM-3PM | MAIDENHEAD

# Visit Santa in The Nicholsons Centre

This event is brought to you by Maidenhead Thames Rotary Club with support from other local Rotary Clubs, the Maidenhead Lions, the Louis Baylis Trust and The Nicholsons Centre management. Donations welcome in aid of various Rotary fundraising causes.

## NORDEN FARM CENTRE FOR THE ARTS, MAIDENHEAD

# **Lantern-Making Workshops**

Led by Same Sky. Across two hours, weave an intricate animal-inspired willow frame before covering and decorating your creation.

19 NOVEMBER 10.30AM-12.30PM AND 2PM-4PM Suitable for 6+ years £7 per person

26 NOVEMBER 10.30AM-12.30PM AND 2PM-4PM Suitable for 6+ years £7 per person

3 DECEMBER 10.30AM-12.30PM AND 2PM- 4PM Adult sessions 17+ years £17.50 per person

There will be lantern-making sessions at Maidenhead Library on 10 December, timings tbc. More details »



# 29 NOVEMBER 7PM | 1 DECEMBER 7PM | 6 DECEMBER 7PM PINK AND PERFECT FLORISTS, MAIDENHEAD Wreath-Making Workshops

More details »







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# CHRISTMAS GIFTS:

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Join us at one of our ever-popular Christmas wreath workshops and learn how to make your very own traditional Christmas moss and pine wreath to hang proudly on your front door this festive season.

No previous experience needed, we will teach you everything you need to know, step by step with some florist tricks and tips shared along the way. We will start by creating the moss base of the wreath then fully decorate it with pine, various types of foliage, cones, dried fruits and cinnamon sticks. Then it will be time to add all your finishing touches with a selection of decorative items and a luxurious bow.

Your wreath will then be ready for you to take home and hang on your front door to welcome your guests over the festive period.

29 NOVEMBER – 30 DECEMBER | PERFORMANCES TWICE DAILY | NORDEN FARM CENTRE FOR THE ARTS, MAIDENHEAD

# **One Snowy Night**

A Tale from Percy's Park by Nick Butterworth.

Percy the park keeper always feeds the animals in the park where he lives. But one cold winter's night Percy finds his little friends shivering on the doorstep – they need more than food and he must find a way to help them... A snuggly, fun and heart-warming story, with songs to sing along to and furry friends to meet.

Created by Slot Machine, the company that brought the hit Christmas shows Miki and Kipper's Snowy Day to Norden Farm. Age guidance 3+ years.

## RELAXED PERFORMANCES

The performances on 3 December at 11am and 28 December at 11am are Relaxed. Ideal for families with babies or toddlers and children with SEND. Everyone is welcome to join us for this friendly format.

## SIGNED PERFORMANCE

The performance on 21 December at 11am will be signed. More details  $\ensuremath{\text{ more details }}\xspace$ 

# 1 – 24 DECEMBER | VARIOUS LOCATIONS IN WINDSOR AND ETON Living Advent Calendar

Now in its 10th year, this family favourite has become a must for locals in the town centre. At 6.15pm promptly every evening there will be a minimum 15-minute Christmas-themed performance at various locations around the town centre. They could include songs, carols, music, poetry and even workshops, but like a true advent calendar you will not know until you turn up what the surprise is. There will also be the customary Christmas nibble or two to enjoy.

More details »

## THROUGHOUT DECEMBER | MAIDENHEAD The Great Reindeer Chase

Help! The Make Maidenhead reindeer have escaped and are hiding around Maidenhead. The herd of 24 adorable reindeer will be keeping cosy in shop windows in the town throughout December - can you find them all? #ShopLocal this Christmas - find a reindeer and pop in see what is on offer! Share photos of your Reindeer Rescue Mission using #MyFestiveRoyalBorough



THROUGHOUT DECEMBER | WINDSOR CARRIAGES

# **Festive Horse Drawn Carriage Rides**

Windsor Carriages will be decorated with festive cheer and their beautiful horses will be wearing their bells to provide a Christmas experience like no other!

More details »

# THROUGHOUT DECEMBER | STUBBINGS NURSERY, MAIDENHEAD Breakfast with Santa

Bring the kids for a very special breakfast treat this December. Father Christmas will be joining us for a series of memorable breakfasts at Stubbings Café. At 8am, families can enjoy a Stubbings full English beakfast (or child's mini full English breakfast) and meet with Santa. A regular hot drink will also be included for the adults, along with a juice for the children. Santa will walk between tables meeting the children and hand out a festive gift to ticket holders aged 2 to 12 years old. Santa will then read a Christmas story to all the children, after which each child will receive a certificate. Tickets only available online. Book soon as spaces are limited.

More details »

# 3 DECEMBER | 11AM-3PM | DANESFIELD HOUSE, MARLOW Danesfield House Christmas Fair

Join the twinkling lights, mulled wine, roasted chestnuts and festive cheer of this magical event. Come along to our winter wonderland of quirky and traditional stalls selling their handmade treasures and festive delights at our annual Christmas Fair. To register call **01628 891 010** or email **events@danesfieldhouse.co.uk** 

# EVERY SATURDAY, 3 – 24 DECEMBER | VANSITTART ESTATE, WINDSOR Windsor & Eton Brewery Christmas Tours

Throughout December Windsor's ever-popular brewery tours will have a festive flavour. Learn all about art of brewing beer, the important role that Windsor & Eton Brewery has played in supplying beer to Windsor and how today's brewery is adding some Christmas sparkle to that story. A fun and interesting hands-on experience with up to five beers to enjoy – it's the perfect way to get in the Christmas spirit.

Tours are  $\pounds 25.00$  per person and last about 90 mins.

# More details »

If you have a work party, then the brewery also runs corporate tours. 01753 854075 | email online@webrew.co.uk



# 4 DECEMBER 2PM-4PM 5 DECEMBER 6.30PM-8.30PM DANESFIELD HOUSE, MARLOW

# Wreath-Making Workshops

Wear your festive heart on your sleeve with a beautiful Christmas wreath that you've made yourself in one of our wreath-making workshops. Hosted by Foxglove Studio Marlow, our favourite local florist! Lucie & Zoe will help and guide you on how to build a beautiful wreath to take home and hang with pride using a variety of locally grown seasonal colours and foliage. All materials, arrival glass of mulled wine, tea & coffee served with warm mince pies are included in the ticket price. Remember to bring your gardening gloves and secateurs if you have them. £85 per person.

Limited spaces available on both dates, bookings essential: 01628 891 010 | <u>events@danesfieldhouse.co.uk</u> | <u>More details »</u>

# 6, 10, 11, 13, 17, 18, 20 DECEMBER | BOOKINGS ONLY 1423 CHINA KITCHEN, WINDSOR

# **Seafood with Santa**

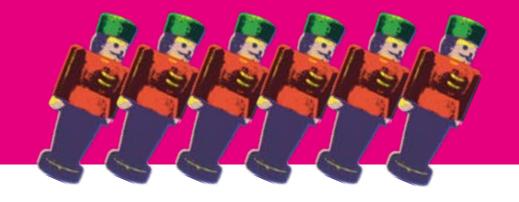
Come and treat yourself to the best authentic Chinese cuisine in town, rated by TripAdvisor. Located in one of the oldest historical buildings in Windsor town centre built in 1423, experience history and quality food. Includes: delicious authentic Chinese dinner, group photo with Santa and a surprise present from Santa to the children. Booking is required. **More details »** | 07752 258 462

IT'S COMING HO-HO-HO HOME

With great food and 28 great beers on tap, we're the only place to enjoy the 2022 World Cup.

# JOIN WEBREW THIS CHRISTMAS...

As well as great beer and football, we have our legendary music bingos, quizzes, live music, comedy nights and more throughout November and December. And our Christmas Shop opens at the end of November for beer orders and perfect Christmas gifts.







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# THE CASTLE

# **Christmas line-up** continued

# WHERE YOUR PERFECT **CHRISTMAS BEGINS**







Our sumptuous menus can be enjoyed throughout the festive period, whether you are holding a Christmas party night, having a gourmet meal in our restaurant, or enjoying a festive afternoon tea with us.

# Get in touch to book your festive celebration with us

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# 8 DECEMBER | 7.15PM | NORDEN FARM CENTRE FOR THE ARTS, MAIDENHEAD

# **Royal Opera House Live: The Nutcracker**

Event cinema screening. Join Clara at a delightful Christmas Eve party that becomes a magical adventure once everyone else is tucked up in bed. Marvel at the brilliance of Tchaikovsky's score, as Clara and her enchanted Nutcracker fight the Mouse King and visit the Sugar Plum Fairy and her Prince in the glittering Kingdom of Sweets.

# More details »

# 9 - 11 DECEMBER | ST LUKE'S CHURCH, MAIDENHEAD

# **St Luke's Christmas Tree Festival**

Join us in the beautiful St Luke's Church for our eleventh Christmas Tree Festival. Wander among the twinkling lights of over sixty differently themed trees and enjoy the warmth of the Advent season. Vote for your favourite tree – and support the work of the Alexander Devine Children's Hospice. Enjoy refreshments and stalls in stunning surroundings.

# 9 - 10 DECEMBER | 10AM-7PM

Church open to view decorated trees; stalls and refreshments. 11 DECEMBER | 12PM-6PM

Church open; stalls and refreshments, 6pm 'Christmas Tree' Service.

# 9 DECEMBER | 6.15PM | WINDSOR

# **Carols on the Hill**

Featuring the Band of the Household Cavalry. One of the town's oldest Christmas traditions returns to Castle Hill, assembling around the Christmas tree. A traditional community carol service is held on the doorstep of Windsor's most iconic landmark and next to Windsor's biggest and brightest Christmas tree. Organised by CTW Core Committee Group.







# 10 DECEMBER | 1PM AND 3PM | THE OLD COURT, WINDSOR The Nutcracker

The Let's All Dance Ballet Company presents their family festive favourite, the perfect Christmas treat for all! Stunning dancing, lavish costumes, much-loved music and crystal-clear storytelling will delight young and old alike.

Let's All Dance makes high-quality ballet accessible and fun for children and families, immersing them in the spectacular world of professional dance. Join Clara and her Nutcracker Prince as they travel through magical lands, meet the Mouse King, Snow Queen and the Sugar Plum Fairy in the beautiful Land of Sweets, and lose yourself in the spectacular world of professional dance.

SUITABLE FOR ALL AGES, especially children (inc. those with special needs). Tickets: Adults £14 / Children + Concessions £12.

More details »

# 10 DECEMBER | 4.30PM-6.15PM | MAIDENHEAD TOWN CENTRE

# The Carnival of the Animals - Lantern Parade

Maidenhead's Community Lantern Parade is BACK! The Carnival of the Animals Lantern Parade will be held on Saturday 10 December featuring live music and entertainment as we light up the night in Maidenhead. The Parade is a celebration of community and the arts and encourages local people to get together, creating fantastic artworks, dancing and parading their fabulous creations through Maidenhead town centre. This year the parade will take a new route to celebrate the new Riverside Quarter.

Get involved at one of our Lantern-Making Workshops, running throughout November and December. Our expert lantern makers from Same Sky will guide you through the process to create your own lantern to illuminate at the parade.

# More details »



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# Calendar

# November

## **Tuesday 1**

Holiday Hygge Christmas Treats Ole & Steen, Windsor – Throughout Nov & Dec

Winter in The Savill Garden Daily throughout winter; closed 24 & 25 Dec

# **Tuesday 15**

Matthew Bourne's Nuteracker! Screening Norden Farm, Maidenhead | 8pm

**Charles Dickens A Christmas Carol** Theatre Royal Windsor | 7.30pm until 19 Nov / 2.30pm on 16, 17 & 19 Nov

# **Thursday 17**

Artisan Christmas Fair at The Windsor Guildhall 11am – 5pm

**Eton Christmas Light Switch-on** High Street | 7pm

Windsor Great Park Illuminated Daily (except 25 Dec) until 2 Jan, from 4.30pm

# Friday 18

Windsor on Ice Alexandra Gardens, Windsor | Daily until 8 Jan

Artisan Christmas Fair at The Windsor Guildhall 12pm – 8pm

# Saturday 19

Windsor Racecourse Christmas **Shopping Fair** 10am - 3.30pm

Windsor Christmas Light Switch-on Castle Hill | 5.30pm

Santa's Grotto Experience Daniel Windsor | 19 Nov - 24 Dec

Lantern-Making Workshop Norden Farm, Maidenhead 10.30am or 2pm start, age 6+

**Garter Tower Christmas Illuminations** Daily through to Jan

# Sunday 20

Hereit Windsor Racecourse Christmas **Shopping Fair** 10am - 3.30pm

A Stubbings Garden Centre Winter Market 10am – 3pm

# **Thursday 24**

Windsor Great Park Christmas **Tree Shop** Until 18 Dec | Mon-Fri, 11am - 7pm | Sat & Sun 9am – 5pm

# Friday 25

**Sleeping Beauty** Theatre Royal Windsor | 25 Nov - 8 Jan, multiple performance times

# Saturday 26

Norden Farm Christmas Artisan Fair

**Cookham Christmas Market** Pinder Hall | 10.30am – 4pm

Windsor Christmas Vegan Fiesta Peascod Street | 10am – 5pm

Visit Santa The Nicholsons Centre, Maidenhead | 11am - 3pm

Lantern-Making Workshop Norden Farm Maidenhead | 10.30am or 2pm start, age 6+

Legoland at Christmas Selected dates to 3 Jan

**Maidenhead Christmas Light Switch-on** Town Centre | From 4.30pm

A Windsor & Eton Brewery **Christmas Shop opens** Vansittart Estate, Windsor | 10am-6pm | until 24 Dec

# **Tuesday 29**

Wreath-Making Workshop Pink and Perfect Florists, Maidenhead | 7pm

One Snowy Night Norden Farm Maidenhead | Until 30 Dec | Two performances per day, age 3+ | Relaxed performances at 11am on 2 & 28 Dec | Signed performance at 11am on 21 Dec

# December

# **Thursday 1**

Wreath-Making Workshop Pink and Perfect Florists, Maidenhead | 7pm

Living Advent Calendar in Windsor & Eton

Daily at 6.15pm in various locations, until 24 Dec

**Great Reindeer Chase, Maidenhead** Throughout December, various locations in the town

**Festive Horse Drawn Carriage Rides** Windsor Carriages | Throughout Dec

Breakfast with Santa at Stubbings Throughout Dec

**Christmas at Windsor Castle** Events throughout Dec

# Friday 2

By Norden Farm Winter Night Market

# Saturday 3

A Christmas Farmers' Market at **Bachelors Acre** Windsor | 9am - 1pm

Lantern-Making Workshop Norden Farm Maidenhead | 10.30am or 2pm start, age 17+

Visit Santa The Nicholsons Centre, Maidenhead | 11am – 3pm

Danesfield House Christmas Fair Marlow | 11am – 3pm

Windsor & Eton Brewery Christmas Tour Vansittart Estate, Windsor

# Sundav 4

Christmas Craft Market Windsor Yards | 10am – 5pm

Wreath-Making Workshop Danesfield House, Marlow | 2pm - 4pm

# Monday 5

Wreath-Making Workshop Danesfield House, Marlow | 6.30pm - 8.30pm

# 📕 Windsor & Eton Events 📕 Other locations 📕 Maidenhead & Cookham Events 🚔 Shopping Events 🤎 Food & Drink

**Tuesday 6** 

Wreath-Making Workshop Pink and Perfect Florists, Maidenhead | 7pm

Scafood with Santa 1423 China Kitchen, Windsor

# **Thursday 8**

**Royal Opera House Live: The Nutcracker** Screening Norden Farm, Maidenhead | 7.15pm

# Friday 9

**St Luke's Christmas Tree Festival** Maidenhead | 10am - 7pm

# Visit Santa

Scafood with Santa 1423 China Kitchen, Windsor

Maidenhead | 10am - 7pm

All I want for Christmas is Lunch! The Lord Grenfell, Maidenhead | 11am - 2pm

The Carnival of the Animals Lantern Parade Maidenhead Town Centre | 4.30pm - 6.15pm

Christmas Opera Extravaganza Danesfield House, Marlow | 5pm

Windsor & Eton Brewery Christmas Tour Vansittart Estate, Windsor

# Sunday 11

Scafood with Santa 1423 China Kitchen, Windsor

St Luke's Christmas Tree Festival Maidenhead | 12pm - 6pm

Christmas Opera Extravaganza Danesfield House, Marlow | 5pm

Maidenhead Farmers' Market â Grove Road car park, Maidenhead | 9.30am - 1pm

**Carols on the Hill** Castle Hill, Windsor | 6,15pm

Saturday 10 The Nicholsons Centre, Maidenhead | 11am - 3pm

St Luke's Christmas Tree Festival

The Nutcracker The Old Court, Windsor | 1pm and 3pm

# Scafood with Santa 1423 China Kitchen, Windsor

**Tuesday 13** 

Wednesday 14

for Deaf People

Friday 16

Saturday 17

Visit Santa

only on 24 Dec

**Christmas Ceilidh** 

Vansittart Estate, Windsor

Santa Cruises

# **Charity Concert in aid of Hearing Dogs**

Norden Farm, Maidenhead | 7.45pm **Beauty and The Beast** Holyport Memorial Hall | 14 - 16 Dec - 7.30pm / 17 & 18 Dec - 12pm and 4pm

# **The Albion Christmas Band** Norden Farm, Maidenhead | 8pm Howden Christmas Racing Weekend Ascot Racecourse | Gates open at 10.45am

The Nicholsons Centre, Maidenhead | 11am - 3pm

Seafood with Santa 1423 China Kitchen, Windsor

Jack and the Beanstalk Braywick Leisure Centre, Maidenhead | 1.30pm and 5.30pm performances every day to 24 Dec - 1.30pm

Norden Farm, Maidenhead | 7.30pm

Hobbs of Henley | 10.30am and 2pm

**Howden Christmas Racing Weekend** Ascot Racecourse | Gates open at 10.45am Windsor & Eton Brewery Christmas Tour

## Sunday 18



High Street | 11am – 3pm

- Scafood with Santa 1423 China Kitchen, Windsor Santa Cruises

Hobbs of Henley | 10.30am and 2pm

# Mondav 19

**The Santa Show** Bravwick Leisure Centre, Maidenhead | 11am and 2pm

# **Tuesday 20**

Scafood with Santa 1423 China Kitchen, Windsor

The Santa Show Braywick Leisure Centre, Maidenhead | 11am and 2pm

**Garden Carols with the Salvation Army Brass Band** 

St Mary's Church garden, Maidenhead | 7pm

# Friday 23

A Festival Evening of Burlesque and Vaudeville Norden Farm, Maidenhead | 8.30pm | age 18+ only

# **Thursday 24**

Windsor & Eton Brewery Christmas Tour Vansittart Estate, Windsor

# Saturdav 31

New Year's Eve Hoedown at the Farm Norden Farm, Maidenhead | From 8.30pm | age 12+

**Castle Hotel Windsor New Year's Eve Party** from 7pm

**Danesfield House New Year's Eve Gala** Dinner Marlow | age 18+ only

10 - 11 DECEMBER | 5PM-6.30PM | DANESFIELD HOUSE

# Christmas Opera Extravaganza, Presented by Opera Kensington

As Christmas fast approaches and excitement builds, join us once again for our annual enchanting evening of beautiful arias by Mozart, Puccini, Verdi, Handel, Rossini and other famous composers as well as songs from popular musicals such as Phantom of the Opera, Jekyll and Hyde and West Side Story. Performance 5pm to 6.30pm (with a 20-minute interval). Two-course festive supper to follow. Full pre-payment is required on booking.

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14 DECEMBER | 7.45PM | NORDEN FARM CENTRE FOR THE ARTS, MAIDENHEAD

# Charity Concert in Aid of Hearing Dogs for Deaf People

A performance by Maidenhead Concert Band featuring songs from the shows, big band sounds as well as Christmas music. A great evening for the whole family.

More details »

# 14 - 18 DECEMBER | HOLYPORT MEMORIAL HALL

# Maidenhead Drama Guild: Beauty and the Beast

A magical tale of enchantment, love and adventure. When an arrogant prince is cursed to live as a beast, his only hope of salvation is to find love before the last petal falls from a magic rose. When pretty village girl, Beauty, comes into his life is this the chance he has been waiting for? More details »

16 DECEMBER | 8PM | NORDEN FARM CENTRE FOR THE ARTS, MAIDENHEAD

# **The Albion Christmas Band**

Featuring the combined talents of Simon Nicol (Fairport Convention), Kellie While (Albion Band), Simon Care (Edward II) and the Guvnor himself, Ashley Hutchings MBE, this show takes you on a guided tour through the Christmas customs of Britain. The Albion Christmas Show is a seasonal mixture of carols, spoken word and humorous readings. It really is the perfect way to start your festivities.

More details »



# 17 – 24 DECEMBER | BRAYWICK LEISURE CENTRE **Jack and the Beanstalk**

A GIANT of a show suitable for the whole family! This year Maidenhead Panto is delighted to be supported by Marlow FM. Get ready to roar with laughter as we cheer on our hero Jack on his climb to defeat the Giant, save the village and his best friend – Daisy the cow!

# More details »

17 DECEMBER | 7.30PM | NORDEN FARM CENTRE FOR THE ARTS, MAIDENHEAD

# **Christmas Ceilidh**

An evening of music and dancing in the atmospheric 18th-century Long Barn. A caller will guide you through the dances while ceilidh band Nedron's Jig provide the live music. Dances include the likes of Cumberland Square 8, Virginia Reel, Gay Gordons and The Willow Tree. No experience necessary!

# More details »

# 17 - 18 DECEMBER | HENLEY

# Santa Cruises with Hobbs of Henley

Our Santa Cruises are back this Christmas and we are so excited to see you all again for our festive, family fun cruise! The brilliant Bertie Slippers will have everyone roaring with laughter and he will be adding some magic, balloons and puppets to the children's entertainment and Santa will be in his grotto bearing gifts for all the children!

Plus, there will be mulled wine for the adults, juices for the kids and homemade cakes and mince pies, something for all the family! **More details** »

# 19 – 20 DECEMBER | BRAYWICK LEISURE CENTRE The Santa Show

A new show for 2022, supported by Marlow FM! It's Christmas Eve in the North Pole and the elves are making final preparations to Santa's sleigh before a crisis strikes! Santa's needs your help to resolve the problem before it is too late and Christmas is cancelled. Will the children be able to help Santa save the day?

# More details »

# 20 DECEMBER | 7PM | MAIDENHEAD Garden Carol Service with the Salvation Army Brass Band

In the church garden of St Mary's, the Borough Church (next to the Bear).





# 23 DECEMBER | 8.30PM | HUNDRED WATT CLUB | NORDEN FARM CENTRE FOR THE ARTS, MAIDENHEAD

A Festive Evening of Burlesque and Vaudeville!

Have you been naughty or nice this year? Whatever the answer, Hundred Watt Club's glorious gift to you is this hot toddy of a show! Jam-packed full of festive, glittering showgirls, bawdy comedy, classic vaudeville and awe- inspiring circus acts. Always seductive, always sublime and always that little bit ridiculous – enjoy an evening of vintage inspired, Christmas-themed entertainment. Perfect for a staff night out with a difference, festive party with friends or for helping get that love interest under the mistletoe! Ages 18+ years only.

## More details »



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FESTIVE Family experiences

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# 16 – 17 DECEMBER | ASCOT RACECOURSE

# Howden Christmas Racing Weekend

In the countdown to Christmas, the Howden Christmas Racing Weekend showcases top-quality, high stakes Jumps racing on Friday 16 and Saturday 17 December.

Ascot's much-loved event is made extra-special this year as a traditional Nutcracker-themed Christmas is brought to life in the grounds of the historic racecourse with roaming toy soldiers, wish fairies and parlour games taking place on the Saturday, our dedicated family day. There will be an abundance of seasonal fun for racegoers of all ages, including candle-lit carol singing with the Ascot Brass band, fairground rides, face painting and the chance to see Father Christmas himself.

The competition is set to be thrilling, with a quality Jumps card featuring a pair of Grade 2 races on the Friday, both valuable prizes that often throw up notable performers on the road to the Cheltenham Festival. Saturday's racing will be headlined by the Grade 1 Howden Long Walk Hurdle, one of Britain's most prestigious long-distance hurdle races.

The weekend, jam-packed with exciting activities, is truly not one to be missed. Gather family and friends to celebrate the festive season in style and enjoy the most valuable meeting of Ascot's Jumps season, as the Christmas holidays begin in earnest.

Tickets from £20, Under 18s Go Free. Fine Dining from £169 + VAT per person. Private Boxes available. Christmas-themed activities on Saturday only. More details »





# **Christmas at Windsor Castle**

Celebrate Christmas at Windsor Castle and experience the magnificent State Apartments adorned with Christmas trees, twinkling lights, wreaths and garlands. The Semi-State Rooms, created as opulent private apartments for George IV and now used by members of the Royal Family for official entertaining, will also be open to visitors for the winter months. Visit in December to hear local school and community choirs singing carols beneath the Christmas tree, take your pick from the festive menu in the Undercroft Café, and browse for Christmas gifts in the Castle's shops, where luxurious hampers, traditional decorations and sustainable stocking fillers all make for perfect presents.

On Saturday 3 December, visit as a family and step back in time to a Victorian Christmas. Learn about how Christmas was celebrated during Queen Victoria's reign, dress up as an elegant Victorian, devise your own royal Christmas menu, and design a tree decoration, wreath or angel just as a Victorian child would have done. Christmas at Windsor Castle and all family activities are included with admission to the Castle.

## More details »

As Windsor Castle is a working royal palace, closures or event cancellations may occur at short notice. Please check before visiting.

# **Family experiences** continued



# 17 NOVEMBER – 2 JANUARY 2023 Windsor Great Park Illuminated

Enjoy a magical evening with family and friends as Windsor Great Park Illuminated returns for a highly anticipated second year to light up the festive season bigger, better and more dazzling than ever with a brand-new trail design and spectacularly re-imagined installations. Follow a path through woodland awash with colour as sparkles of fireflies, luminous beacons and dancing fairies blaze the way, the lake alive with flood-lit fountains and glimmering reflections.

At a cosy rest spot, enjoy mouth-wateringly good food, mulled wine and hot chocolate or toast marshmallows at one of the fire pits.

Windsor Great Park Illuminated promises to be more magical than ever, the perfect evening out where long-lasting festive memories will be made. More details »

19 NOVEMBER - JANUARY 2023 | THAMES STREET, WINDSOR

# **Garter Tower Christmas** Illuminations

With kind permission from the Royal Collection Trust and St George's Chapel the stunning illuminations return to Windsor once again. Standing over 50ft tall, 17 stunning images from the stained glass windows and architecture of St George's Chapel are projected onto Windsor Castle's Garter Tower. For the best view watch the show from Thames Street, near the entrance to Windsor Royal Station.

# SELECTED DATES 26 NOVEMBER – 3 JANUARY 2023

**LEGOLAND at Christmas** Christmas...with LEGO magic! Join us as we celebrate the most special time of the year with 'LEGOLAND at Christmas'. We have over 25 Rides, LIVE shows and attractions for you to enjoy with the whole family! Our festive event transforms the Park into a winter wonderland, complete with twinkling lights, snow dusted trees, and of course...a sprinkling of LEGO® magic! Plus, we have exciting festivities to enjoy including LEGO Make and Takes, a fun DUPLO® Puppet pantomime and even an amazing live show!

Make your day extra special by booking a visit to see Father Christmas in his magical cabin\* - a wonderful experience that will leave your family in the Christmas spirit!

\*Add on subject to availability and only available with the purchase of a day ticket/Annual Pass reservation. More details »



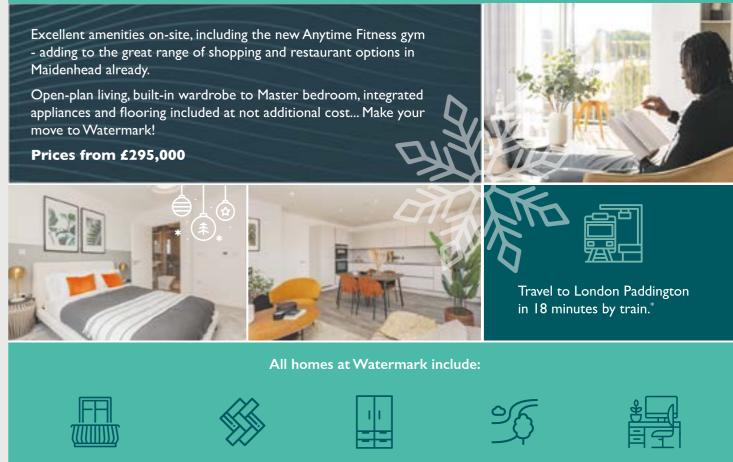




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# FESTIVE **Food and drink**



Many of our local restaurants, pubs and hotels are offering festive dining menus and glitzy parties for that special Christmas celebration with family and friends.

The Royal Borough is full of wonderful restaurants, cosy pubs and tasty eateries so why not let others attend to the details while you relax and get into the festive spirit? Check the VisitWindsor website for regular updates.

More details »

# Ascot Racecourse

## CHRISTMAS LUNCH AND DINNER

The contemporary fifth floor ON5 Restaurant, with spectacular panoramic views of the racecourse and Windsor Great Park from its viewing balcony and private terrace, will be transformed into the ultimate Christmas lunch and dinner venue.

Oozing with Christmas spirit, guests will delight in the abundance of yuletide decorations alongside exceptional service. Catering for up to eight people per table, guests are invited to indulge in a sumptuous three-course à la carte festive menu expertly prepared by Ascot's in-house chef team.

## THE GREAT GATSBY SHARED CHRISTMAS PARTIES

The glitz and glamour of the roaring twenties arrives in style at Ascot this Christmas with showstopping Great Gatsby-themed shared Christmas party nights teeming with opulence and elegance.

Hosted in the grand Pavilion Suite, guests will be transported back to this decadent decade with Great Gatsby theming and entertainment synonymous with this iconic era. The package also includes a welcome drink, a festive threecourse meal and entertainment courtesy of Ascot's resident DJ.

Prices for shared parties at Ascot start from £82.80 per person. Charity and NHS workers receive a special rate on selected dates. More details »

# **Castle Hotel Windsor** FESTIVE AFTERNOON TEA

Our festive afternoon teas are a real treat with a wickedly festive twist. Enjoy a selection of seasonal bites, both savoury and sweet for £35 per person.

# AFTERNOON TEA WITH SANTA

On selected dates in December our younger guests can enjoy festive afternoon tea with a special visit from Santa with children's entertainment.

# BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

On selected days, from 9am, Santa Claus is visiting The Castle Hotel with a gift for every child (under 12).

## CHRISTMAS DAY LUNCH

Summon up the spirit of your favourite bygone celebrations as we serve up all the scents and flavours of Christmas

Enjoy four mouth-watering courses with all the trimmings followed by fine coffee and exquisite Petits Fours

£110 per adult, £60 per child aged 4-12 years, £20 per child aged 0-3 years.

# More details »

# ALL DECEMBER | EXCLUDING 24-27 **Danesfield House** FESTIVE AFTERNOON TEA

Enjoy all the delights and decadence of this guintessentially English tradition with a fabulously festive twist! Served within the tranguil splendour of the Grand Hall or the stunning Restaurant, our delicately handmade indulgent afternoon tea offers a delicious array of treats. Available every day throughout.

Festive Afternoon Tea £40 per person. Champagne Festive Afternoon Tea £55 per

person.

Children aged 6 to 12 years £20 per person. Children under 5 years old complimentary.

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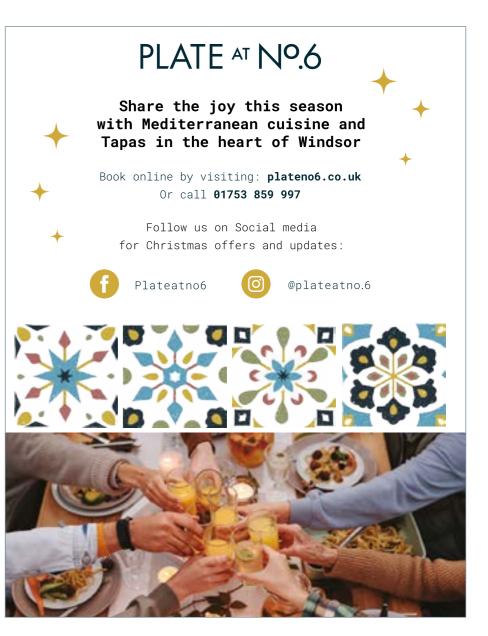


# GRENFELL, MAIDENHEAD

# All I want for Christmas is **Brunch!**

Wear your favourite Christmas jumper and get ready to Chrimbo party with us! It's just like Mariah said...all we want for Christmas is... BRUNCH! Live music, performances, guizzes and prizes. MERRY CHRISTMAS! Booking is essential, Wham! & Mariah lip sync compulsory.

More details »



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10 DECEMBER | 11AM-2PM | THE LORD

# Santa Special Lunch Cruise with French Brothers Boats

Join French Brothers at Runnymede for this fun and festive cruise that will be sure to get your group in the Christmas spirit. This is a 3-hour round trip which includes a three-course traditional Christmas lunch with all the trimmings. With seasonal music throughout the afternoon, enjoy this joyful journey through a winter wonderland before a festive visit from Santa himself, with a special gift for every passenger. More details »

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# **Hobbs of Henley**

Food and drink

continued

Celebrate the festive season in style by setting sail on The New Orleans with Hobbs of Henley on a Thames Christmas Lunch Cruise, afternoon tea cruise or a Christmas Party Night in December. Christmas lunch cruises and Christmas Party Nights available on the Thames.

# More details »

# **Macdonald Windsor Hotel**

FESTIVE AFTERNOON TEA IN WINDSOR Relax and enjoy our fabulous festive afternoon tea. Our Head Chef has created a Christmas-themed afternoon tea menu packed with the finest festive treats that you will just love! It's the perfect opportunity to enjoy a seasonal catch up with friends or family in the most comfortable surroundings and will really get you feeling all Christmassy. More details »

# CHRISTMAS DAY LUNCH IN WINDSOR

The perfect setting for your Christmas day celebrations in the heart of Royal Windsor Arrive to a glass of champagne in our lounge before dining with us in Caleys restaurant and enjoying our show stopping 5-course menu More details »

## **Runnymede on Thames**

## 28 NOVEMBER – 22ND DECEMBER FESTIVE AFTERNOON TEA

Our classic afternoon tea will be given a festive makeover to mark the season. Pull a cracker or two whilst indulging in this truly British tradition with seasonal treats and a glass of A. Robert Rose Champagne or Thomson & Scott Noughty (0.0% abv) in The Lock Bar & Kitchen. We will also have dedicated vegan, gluten-free and children's menus available.

## 4, 11 AND 18 DECEMBER BOTTOMLESS FIZZ FEAST

Get into the Christmas spirit with our bottomless fizz feast, available on Sundays in December. Expect everything from a grazing table of starters to traditional roast turkey served with all the trimmings you can imagine, plus a dessert table packed with festive showstoppers to indulge in post-roast turkey. Rest assured your drink will be topped up with fizz for the whole 90 minutes of your visit. More details »

# The Savill Garden Festive Food and Afternoon Tea

In The Savill Garden Kitchen, relax and enjoy a festive lunch and dessert set against the backdrop of The Savill Garden.

For an extra treat, book a themed afternoon tea with familiar favourites like roast turkey and cranberry, and roast beef and horseradish sandwiches. Sweet treats include a spiced gingerbread cookie, a mulled pear and cinnamon macaron, and a miniature eggnog cake. Finish off the afternoon tea with a fruit scone, all accompanied by your choice of tea or coffee.

More details »

## Village Hotel Bracknell

Shake your baubles and swing your tinsel have we got a cracking line up of Christmas events for you! From big Christmas parties with fabulous food and drink, festive dining in the Pub & Grill, family lunches and private parties to Christmas Day with all the trimmings and New Year's Eve extravaganzas you won't want to miss.

Looking for a private event? Don't leave it too late - dates are booking up fast, talk to our team and get the bauble rolling! Alternatively, book online now using the search functionality below. Book early and make it a big Village Christmas

More details »





# The George, Eton

For a festive meal in a real Georgian town pub then The George on Eton High Street is the perfect spot. The George serves up outstanding pub food with ingredients from local suppliers such as The Royal Farm Estate, with a real focus on fresh seasonal ingredients as well as beers from the Windsor & Eton Brewery and a wide selection of wines and spirits.

The Christmas Menu served throughout December offers 2 courses for £35 and 3 courses for £40. If you have a work or family party, then The George has a delicious Christmas Buffet menu for £18.95 per person. 01753 861 797 | More details »

# **New Year's Eve**

31 DECEMBER | 8.30PM | NORDEN FARM CENTRE FOR THE ARTS, MAIDENHEAD New Year's Eve Hoedown

# at the Farm 2022

Heck yeah, the hoedown is back! Our popular New Year's Eve event returns to ring in 2023! Dance the night way on our Courtyard Theatre dance floor to live music from ceilidh and barn dance band Cut a Shine. No experience is necessary as their caller will be on hand to guide you through all of the steps. Dust off your cowboy hats, rhinestone adorned outfits or most glamorous attire for a night of unforgettable fun at the Farm. A fun, lively and thrilling way to celebrate this New Year's Eve! Age guidance 12+ years.

More details »

# 31 DECEMBER | 7PM **Castle Hotel Windsor New Year's Eve Partv**

Enjoy a glass of fizz on your arrival at 7pm before taking your seats at 7.30pm for a magnificent fivecourse meal and dance the night away with our resident DJ and disco. Make a night of it from £199 per person with overnight accommodation and breakfast in a Classic bedroom based on two guests sharing.

More details »

31 DECEMBER

# **Danesfield House New Year's Eve Gala Dinner & Package**

Celebrate in style with a fabulous evening of fine wines, exquisite food, live music, dancing and fireworks. This event is strictly for over 18s only. Tables will be shared for bookings under 10 people. Gala Dinner £180 per person for non-residents.

One night from £329 per person\* including champagne and canapés, five-course dinner, live music, fireworks, overnight accommodation, full English breakfast and use of the spa facilities.

Two nights from £479 per person\* including champagne and canapés, five-course dinner, live music, fireworks, 2 nights' accommodation, full English breakfast and use of the spa facilities. Dinner on the second night is not included in the package price.

Additional nights' accommodation rates are available on request.

\*Subject to availability based on two people sharing a Classic Room. Supplements apply to upgraded rooms

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# THE GREAT Outdoors

Great for mind, body and spirit, no matter the weather. The Royal Borough features some beautiful countryside with more than 1,000 acres of National Trust land in the north and 4,800 acres of Crown Estate, not to mention the River Thames running through the heart of the region.

Even in winter it's good to enjoy time outdoors so here are some suggestions for walking, cycling, riding and a thoroughly good day out in the Windsor, Maidenhead and Ascot area.

# **Windsor Great Park**

Windsor Great Park is the only Royal Park managed by the Crown Estate. While the trees are bare, the iconic tree-lined avenue from the Copper Horse statue to Windsor Castle opens up with wide-ranging views. The frosted monuments of the Prince Consort Statue, Cumberland Obelisk and Jubilee Statue also make for some atmospheric sights on a fresh winter walk.

# **Virginia Water**

The woodland shores of the lake are an enticing experience as the areas of dappled sunlight through the winter trees draw you in. With features steeped in history, like the ornamental Cascade waterfall, and the abundance of wildlife that call the lake home, there is much to see and discover. Round off your walk with a hearty meal in the Virginia Water Pavilion Café\* and stop by the Virginia Water Gift Shop\* to explore the winter range of products or pick up a gift membership for someone special this Christmas. \*Closed Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.

# Maidenhead

The river at Maidenhead is one of the many attractions of the town and wider area. A walk along the riverside offers amazing views of the Thames and great walks towards the villages of Cookham, Marlow and Bray. Explore the river's towpaths and walkways on foot or take to the water on a passenger cruiser.

# **National Trust Cliveden**

At National Trust Cliveden, the formal gardens of the estate soon give way to secluded glades, tree-lined avenues and picturesque riverside with miles of woodland walks to discover.

# Windsor and Maidenhead parks and open spaces

The Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead is full of pockets of

green space - parks and open areas in a range of different sizes but all perfect for a spot of relaxation or a bit of exercise. Many have features such as picnic facilities, play equipment, statues, fountains and water features. Others have a fascinating history, for example Baths Island in Windsor was the site of the town's swimming baths back in the 19th century. You'll find areas that are a haven for flora and fauna.

# **The River Thames**

There is something particularly appealing about the River Thames on the stretch from Hurley to Runnymede as it is perhaps the most historic, offering easy strolls along the Thames Path and the chance to visit many attractions. VisitWindsor has more information and inspiration for a fabulous day out in nature.

More details »

# Winter in The Savill Garden

There is much to see and discover in The Savill Garden during winter. Colour is in abundance from the stems, fruit and evergreen leaves of the winter beds, and in particular, the colourful stems of the dogwood and willows command attention. The bark of the cherry, maple and birch trees are also features to look out for

There is subtlety and atmosphere in a winter visit to The Savill Garden. Bare stately tree trunks open up new vistas to soak in, offset by the hazy light of the low winter sun. The Savill Garden is open daily, excluding 24 and 25 December. More details »

Secure our ticket and receive discounted entry by booking online in advance

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# **ROYAL BOROUGH Christmas** parking

# Shop local and enjoy resident parking discounts in the run-up to Christmas!

Don't forget to make the most of the resident parking discount scheme, offering one hour's free parking in six popular car parks

Unlike current RingGo zones the resident parking discount zones will not operate on a start/stop basis but will be buy time. You will have to decide how long you are going to stay at the time of parking and pay the appropriate amount. Remember with buy time you can extend your stay at any time during your live parking session. There is no pre-authorisation required.

You will first need to set up an online account with the RingGo cashless parking system. There is then a simple application process for your virtual permits to get the discounts in the car parks you wish to use. As the scheme is based on a virtual permit system, it is necessary to apply for each car parking zone you wish for the discount to be applied in.

The application only needs to be submitted once and will last for up to two years.

More details »

# **Car Parks that offer the discount**

- Datchet Horton Road Zone 62402
- Eton Meadow Lane Zone 62403
- Maidenhead Grove Road and West Street (one application covers both car parks) Zone 62400
- Windsor Alexandra Gardens and Alma Road (one application covers both car parks) Zone 62401

# **Christmas Shopping Maidenhead**

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# **HOWDEN CHRISTMAS** RACING WEEKEND

# FESTIVE RACING & NUTCRACKER MAGIC **16 - 17 DECEMBER**



In the countdown to Christmas, this weekend showcases top-quality, high-stakes Jumps racing across both days. On the Saturday, our dedicated family raceday, the racecourse will come to life in a traditional Nutcracker theme, with an abundance of activities, the chance to see Father Christmas himself, and much more.

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