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## Great family days out this summer with Fantastic British Food Festivals

Fantastic British Food Festivals celebrate independent food and drink producers in stunning locations across the South of England including Bodiam Castle, Wimbledon Park, Leeds Castle, Bath and Sandown Park Racecourse from July to October. With face-painting, story tellers, giant garden games and much more, each festival offers a great family day out. Even fussy eaters will be tempted into new food adventures by the range of international and local delicacies, from artisan bakes and gourmet burgers to exciting street food and traditional ices. Each venue boasts a programme of demonstrations and tastings by local and high-profile chefs, including well-known faces from family favourites Masterchef and The Great British Bake Off. Spectacular interactive shows by stars of CBBC and CBeebies, and fun foodie crafts, workshops and activities will also be on offer at various festivals – see below for details confirmed so far.



### Wakehurst Wild Food Festival, West Sussex – 2<sup>nd</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> July

- CBBC's Stefan Gates performs his explosive show *Gastronaut Live* at 2pm each day
- Visit Jethro Carr's Kitchen Academy workshop to make nettle pesto or mealworm cookies, or jump on pedal powered bikes to blend a wild smoothie
- Taste edible bugs with The Edible Bug Farm
- Find out about growing wild flowers at the Grow Wild Potting Shed
- Face painting, roaming storyteller, garden games
- Natural play areas with willow tunnels, talking totems, climbing, labyrinth, balance beams & more

### Petworth Fringe Food Festival, West Sussex – 9<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> July

- Workshops, demos and activities in Leconfield Hall
- Woodland Folk craft workshops: create wands & swords and dress up in forest folk costumes
- Face painting, roaming storyteller, garden games

### Bodiam Castle Food Festival, East Sussex – 16<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> July

- Children's rides
- Face painting, roaming storyteller, garden games
- Towers and ramparts to climb and explore
- Children's trails and National Trust '50 things to do before you're 11 ¾' activities

### Wimbledon Park Food Festival, London – 27<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> August

- CBeebies presenter Katy Ashworth will perform her fun-packed live show with songs and stories
- Cupcake decorating
- Face painting, roaming storyteller, garden games
- Paddling pool with jets and fountain and crazy golf available in the park
- Free entry for children on Bank Holiday Monday with a Live at Wimbledon Park ticket

### Leeds Castle Food Festival, Kent – 9<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> September

- Children’s rides
- Face painting, roaming storyteller, garden games
- Squire’s Court for under 6s and Knight’s Realm playground for 7+
- Maze and grotto

### Sandown Park, Surrey – 17<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> September

- Great British Bake Off Winner 2015 Nadiya Hussain will be baking in the Demonstration Theatre
- CBeebies presenter Katy Ashworth will perform her fun-packed live show
- Woodland Folk craft workshops: create wands & swords and dress up in forest folk costumes
- Face painting, roaming storyteller, garden games

### Bath Food Festival, Somerset – 24<sup>th</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> September

- Face painting, roaming storyteller, garden games

### Polesden Lacey Food Festival, Surrey – 30<sup>th</sup> September-2<sup>nd</sup> October

- Children’s rides
- Squirrel’s Corner woodland play area
- Face painting, roaming storyteller, garden games
- Free binocular hire for species spotting in the grounds, garden trails, NT ‘50 things to do before 11 ¾’ activities

### RHS Hyde Hall Food Festival, Essex – 7<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> October

- Face painting, roaming storyteller, garden games

Full festival information at: [www.fantasticbritishfoodfestivals.com](http://www.fantasticbritishfoodfestivals.com). For programme updates, offers and foodie news follow Fantastic British Food Festivals on Twitter @FantasticFdFest or connect on Facebook: [Fantasticbritishfoodfestivals](https://www.facebook.com/fantasticbritishfoodfestivals).



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