



TIC@MALMESBURY

Week Commencing Friday 1st May 2026

+Malmesbury+ What's On Guide

FROM YOUR LOCAL TOURIST INFORMATION CENTRE

Town Hall, Cross Hayes, Malmesbury, SN16 9BZ_Tel:01666 822143

Email: tic@malmesbury.gov.uk

Open Mon – Thurs 9am -4.50pm, Fri 9am -4.20pm, Weekends & Bank Holidays 10am -3.50pm

The John Bowen Gallery

Friday 17th April to Thursday 7th May

GRAIN AND GRACE

An exhibition of work by the artist Andrew Metcalf

Friday 8th May to Thursday 28th May

An exhibition of work by Hankerton Art Group

Friday 29th May to Thursday 18th June

THE OUTSIDERS

A group of artists who enjoy the challenge of painting outside en plein air)

Each artist has a different style and uses different materials. This is reflected in the variety of works.



Movies at Malmesbury

EPIC: Elvis Presley in Concert –Tuesday 12th May (12A)

MET Opera: Eugene Onegin – Tuesday 5th May 6pm & Wednesday 6th May 2pm

The Bride! – Friday 8th May 2pm & Monday 11th May 8pm (15)

Reminders of Him –Friday 8th May 8pm (12A)

The Super Mario Galaxy Movie – Friday 8th May 5.30pm & Friday 22nd May 5.30pm (PG)

Crime 101 – Monday 11th May 2pm & Monday 18th May 8pm (15)

Peaky Blinders: The Immortal Man – Monday 18th May 2pm & Friday 22nd May 8pm (15)

Exhibition on Screen: Frida Kahlo – Tuesday 19th May 7.30pm & Tuesday 26th May

National Theatre Live: The Playboy of the Western World – Friday 29th May 7pm & Monday 1st June 2pm

Tickets are available online, at the Tourist Information Centre, or on the door before each screening (subject to availability)

EXPLORE MALMESBURY

Your companion to your visit to Malmesbury



Welcome to Explore Malmesbury: www.exploremalmesbury.com. Explore Malmesbury tells the stories of Malmesbury at the places they happened. Follow a themed trail, enjoy an Explore tour, follow a quiz or make up your own guided journey. There are new discoveries around every corner.
www.exploremalmesbury.com or visit the Tourist Information Centre in the Town Hall.

PLEASE CHECK EACH EVENT FOR UP-TO-DATE INFORMATION

Malmesbury Community Wardrobe Winter Opening 2025

Opening every Tuesday 9am to 11.30am and the first Saturday of each month 9am to 10.30am

Riverside Community Centre, Gloucester Road, Malmesbury

Have you visited the Community Wardrobe? Good quality, preloved clothes **FREE TO EVERYONE**

Donations of clothing for men & women please:

Drop off points: Gloucester Road Coop, Tourist Information Centre- Malmesbury Town Hall

All items must be in good condition, clean and bagged

info@healsmalmesbury.org.uk

Athelstan Players – The Big Time by Wayne Miller

1st, 2nd, 8th & 9th May 7.30pm – St Mary's Hall, Malmesbury

Tickets £12 (£10 concessions) from TicketSource and

the Tourist Information Centre, Malmesbury Town Hall, Cross Hayes, SN16 9BZ

On the Edge – Malmesbury Textile Group

1st – 23rd May – Caerbladon, 24 High Street, Malmesbury

Open evening Friday 1st May at 5pm

Saturday Friends at Riverside

Next Sessions: 2nd May 2 to 4pm & Monday Friends drop in for a cuppa 10am to 12 Noon- Riverside Community Centre, Gloucester Road, Malmesbury, SN16 9JS

'Saturday Friends' is for older people, where you can have a chat, meet other people over a cup of tea or coffee, also enjoy activities, talks or entertainment.

Celebration of Village Life in Little Somerford Bringing the Community Together

Saturday 2nd to Monday 4th May 10am to 4pm – St John the Baptist Church, Little Somerford

Over 100 years of baptisms and marriages in photos, gowns and artefacts.

Featuring flower displays, arts & crafts of the village past & present. Refreshments available

For further information please contact: arlene.littlesomerfordhistory@gmail.com

Whatley Manor - Summer Vase Floristry Masterclass

Saturday 2nd May 2pm - Whatley Manor, Easton Grey, Malmesbury, SN16 0RB

Join Master Florist Emily on this afternoon course to create a stunning

Seasonal Summer Vase design at the picturesque Whatley Manor.

Includes: Tea, Coffee & Biscuits on arrival, workshop, followed by a Light Afternoon Tea with a Glass of Bubbles. £95 per person. Book online : <https://www.whatleymanor.com/offers/events/floristry-summer-flowers-class-afternoon-tea/>

Cirencester Choral Society Concert

Saturday 2nd May 7.30pm (doors open 6.45pm) – Cirencester Parish Church

Petite Messe Solennelle by Rossini & Praise the Lord by Jenny Rees

Tickets £17 (student £6, child £3) unreserved seats

Available online at www.cirencester-choral-soc.org.uk , from choir members or from Cirencester Town Council Local Information Centre, Bingham house, Dyer Street, Cirencester

4th Annual Malmesbury Duck Race & Family Fun Day

Monday 4th May – Cuckingstool Mead, Malmesbury, SN16 9AT

Quack! We're back! Join us again for a day packed full of fun for all the family!
£5 per duck – take yours away to decorate before returning for the big race, or buy on the day. Ducks are available from 'The Little Loft' (Toy Expert) at the top of the High Street.
Fun fair, market stalls, tug of war, dog show & much more.
Raising money for Alzheimer's Society

Come & Meet Wessex Water – Community Drop In

Tuesday 5th May - 10 am to 12 Noon & 1 to 2 pm – Chippenham Library
Chat to us in person if you have queries about: your water Bill, water & sewerage services, how to save water and prevent sewer blockages.

Trio Paradis – Monthly Café Concerts at Malmesbury Abbey

Concerts 2pm to 3pm – Malmesbury Abbey SN16 0AA

Tuesday 5th May - **Folk Connections** – Traditional song & dance,

Tuesday 2nd June – **Iberia** – Music of Spain & Portugal

Abbey café open before & after concert. Entrance by donation, with a retiring collection

www.trioparadis.com

Athelstan Museum- Special Event

A Career in Ruins by Julian Richards

Friday 8th May 2026 7.30pm, at The Rausing Building – Old Moravian Church,
Oxford Street, Malmesbury SN16 9AX

£20 to include a drink

See website for more details or visit Museum

www.athelstanmuseum.org.uk

Dorothy House Plant & Cake Sale

Saturday 9th May 9am to 12.30pm – Malmesbury Market Cross

In aid of Dorothy House Hospice Care

FUNdraising Charity Event

In aid of Dorothy House Care and Multiple System Atrophy Trust
Pewsham Community Centre, Lodge Road, Chippenham SN15 3SV

Saturday 9th May 2026 2pm-6pm

Cash only Event!

Contact Sue on 07510 378995 for more information

The Dream of Gerontius – Malmesbury Singers & Athenaeum Singers with Bath Philharmonia

Saturday 9th May 7pm – Bath Abbey

Conductor Thomas Mottershead

Tickets on sale via Bath Box Office www.bathboxoffice.org.uk or telephone: 01225 463362

A Cappella Folk Recital with Feast of Fools Folk Harmony Quartet

Saturday 9th May at 2pm – Malmesbury Abbey

Open access, look around, listen and enjoy. Café open for refreshments. There will be a collection to cover costs and raise money for the Abbey.

Love and Laughter – Malmesbury Good Afternoon Choir Concert with Special Guest Andy Duncan

Saturday May 9th 3pm (Doors open 2.45pm) – United Reformed Church, St Mary's Street, Malmesbury, SN16 0BJ

Conductor: Corrie Darker, accompanist: Fran White

FREE Admission with retiring collection for MND Association, North Wiltshire

Email: gac@grenvillemusic.co.uk Tel: 01761 472468

www.goodafternoonchoir.org +

Malmesbury Live Arts

Note that tickets for all MLA season 4 events in 2026 are now live on the website - see here for details and booking: <https://malmesbury-live-arts.org.uk/>

They include:

Saturday 9th May - **Around About Dusk** – The Kings Arms Hotel

Around About Dusk offer a unique journey through the vibrant fusion of New Orleans jazz, European folk and old-time influences.

Saturday 6th June - **The Mighty Soul Destroyers (Ft. The Rev Phil Harmonic) + Arkansaw Jukebox** -
Malmesbury Town Hall

Praise be! For one night and one night only, you, the audience, will become the congregation of the 1st James Brown Church of Sweet Soul Music.

Saturday 25th July - **Spooky Men's Chorale** - Malmesbury Abbey

Deep voices, dry humour, and something completely different. This will be an unforgettable night in one of Wiltshire's most beautiful spaces.

Note - many events sell out so please book early to avoid disappointment

Little Pickles Market

Sunday 10th May 2-3.30pm – The Activity Zone, Bremilham Road, Malmesbury, SN16 0DG

Award winning baby and children's nearly new sales.

Entry £1.50 per adult and Little Pickles are free

Malmesbury WI Meetings

7.30 to 9 pm - The Assembly Room, Malmesbury Town Hall.

Wednesday 13th May - Annual Meeting & 9th Birthday – Vote for your committee for 2026/27 & celebrate 9 years of Malmesbury WI

Wednesday 10th June – Repair Café – A talk on the work of the Repair Café in Malmesbury

All women over 18 welcome

Visitors £5

Email: malmesburywi@gmail.com for more information

Along the Borders

Friday 15th May 2026 7pm - Malmesbury Town Hall

A Talk by Award-Winning Travel Writer Richard Collett

Tickets £10

malmesburycivictrust.eventbrite.com and Barn Owl Books

Malmesbury Repair Cafe

Saturday 16th May 10 am - No new items after 11.15 am - Malmesbury Library, Cross Hayes, Malmesbury.

If you want to bring something along please try to arrive early

We fix things for **FREE!** Come along and challenge our wonderful volunteers to repair your household items and fabrics. What can we fix? What have you got? Lamps, bread-makers, mixers, vacuum cleaners, hedge trimmers, torn clothing, toys, ceramics and so on. If you are not sure about bringing something along simply post a question or email us at malmesburyrepaircafe@gmail.com

The Repair Cafe runs on the Third Saturday of every month EXCEPT December

Cake Sale in aid of Christian Aid

Saturday 16th May 9.30-12.30 – Market Cross, Malmesbury

Plants on sale too!

The Malmesbury Concert Band Summer Programme

Saturday 16th May from 1030 to 12 noon - Malmesbury's Market Cross and Birdcage Walk, Malmesbury Concert Band will be launching its new summer programme.

This will be the start of a busy summer schedule for the band, which will include playing at the Carnival Mid Summer Festival in Abbey House Gardens on Saturday, 20th June, local fetes and bandstand performances in Swindon, Chippenham, Keynsham, Cirencester and Stroud during the summer.

The MCB web site: www.malmesburyconcertband.org.uk

More information from David Hide: Tel: 01666 846348 or 07887 932253

Malmesbury Stands With Ukraine - Eurovision Party Night in aid of Ukraine

Saturday 16th May 7.30pm until late- Kings Arms Hotel, High Street, Malmesbury

Games, raffle and snacks and see the show on the giant screen!

Tickets £10 each from: <https://eurovisionattheka.eventbrite.co.uk>

Athelstan Museum Teatime Talk – Napoleon after Waterloo & Lock of his Hair in our Museum

Wednesday 20th May 2.15pm, talk starts at 3pm-The Rausing Building, Oxfords Street, Malmesbury, SN16 9AX

Anne Goodyer will share her research into Malmesbury as a border town from Wessex/Mercia to WW2

Tickets £8 including tea & homemade cake.

See website for more details or visit the Museum www.athelstanmuseum.org.uk

Whatley Manor - Botanical Plaster Casting Workshop

Thursday 21st May, from 11am to 1pm - Whatley Manor, Easton Grey, Malmesbury, SN16 0RB

Led by Annabel and Alan Cusack of Honeybourne Pottery, this beginner-friendly workshop guides guests through creating a botanical plaster cast using flowers and foliage gathered from managed areas of the garden. Guests take home a unique handmade piece.

Includes: 2-Hour workshop with Tea, Coffee and Cakes.

£90 per person. Book online: <https://www.whatleymanor.com/botanical-plaster-casting-workshop/>

eat Malmesbury – Local Food & Drink Festival

Sunday 24th May from 10-4 – Malmesbury Town Centre

FREE – family-friendly and accessible to all

Expect a delicious day out celebrating great local and regional producers, most from within a 30 mile radius. You can expect to find over 70 food & drink makers including local bakers, farmers market and deli favourites, brewers and bakers, orchardists and roasters, treat food and Street Food.

Malmesbury U3a Meetings

Monthly meetings take place on the 4th Thursday of the month 10 am to 12noon (No monthly meetings in July or August) – Malmesbury Town Hall

Non-members welcome. 50p donation.

Check our website for an up –to-date list of groups and other information: www.malmesburyu3a.org.uk

For more information e-mail: membership@malmesburyu3a.org.uk

Thursday 28th May “Talk on the Grand Old Duke of York and Mary Anne Clarke – a right Royal Scandal” – Dr Graham Cope

Includes the lives of Prince Frederick, Duke of York and the courtesan Mary Anne Clarke. Details of their affair and the scandal that ensued.

Dr Graham Cope was a medical research scientist and is the author of numerous scientific papers. Since retirement he has concentrated on his schoolboy interest of late Georgian military history and has recently published his first historical novel about the exploits of the young Duke of York.

Thursday 25th June – John Craig – “Going to Blazes”

A glimpse at the lighter side of the Fire & Rescue Service, including a collection of true anecdotes, drawing on his experience of 36 years. John joined the Fire Service at 18 and commanded the Wiltshire Fire Brigade for 13 years.

The BIG Malmesbury Craft Fair

Saturday 30th May 11am-3pm – Malmesbury Town Hall, SN 16 9BZ

Tina Turner Tribute

Saturday 30th May – The Vine Tree, Foxley Road, Norton, SN16 0JP

Celebrating the Queen of Rock 'n' Roll with all her iconic hits.

Gates open at 5pm. Acts starts at 8pm, Concert finishes at 10pm. Event finishes at 11pm.

Bar and food available all night! On-site parking available.

Tickets £19.95 from <https://thevinetree.co.uk/live-events-norton-wiltshire/>

Malmesbury Choir – Sing Into Spring

Saturday 30th May 7pm – Malmesbury Abbey

Tickets: Adults £12, Under 18s £6, Under 5s FREE

Tickets from The Tourist Information Centre, Malmesbury Town Hall **CASH ONLY**

Shipton Moyne Summer Fete

Saturday 13th June 3pm to 5pm – Court Cottage, Shipton Moyne

Family Treasure Hunt to commence at 2pm from Court Cottage (times to be staggered)

Teas, cake stall, tombola, raffle, skittles, children's activities
All children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult.

Malmesbury Library – Meet the Author: Matthew Harffy Master of the Dark Age Thrillers

Saturday 27th June 11am – Malmesbury Library, Cross Hayes, Malmesbury

Meet author Matthew Harffy as he discusses his newest novel. *Bane of Bernicia*, the latest instalment in his bestselling historical fiction series, *The Bernicia Chronicles*. Matthew is renowned for his action packed and meticulously researched storytelling.

Tickets £3 from Malmesbury Library. Book early to avoid disappointment, call 01666 823611.

Julia's House – The Great Wiltshire Walk is Back!!- Register Now

Saturday 11th July

Step out for Julia's House, Wiltshire's Children's Hospice.

Challenge yourself to a half or full marathon trek across Wiltshire's beautiful countryside, ending your journey at the remarkable Avebury Stone Circle

Every step you take will make twice the difference as Malmesbury League of friends are generously matching every donation up to £10,000!

Register now at: www.juliashouse.org/WiltshireWalk

Minety Music Festival 2026

Thursday 2nd July to Sunday 5th July – Sauld's Field Mile Straight Corner, The Common, Minety SN16 9RH

Tickets available from www.minetyfestival.co.uk

Malmesbury Magical History Tour

Friday 10th, Saturday 11th & Sunday 12th July – Around Malmesbury

Imagine meeting characters from Malmesbury's past at places they made history

Live Street Theatre with performances across the town. Music inspired by Malmesbury. Eilmer's Teddy Bear zip wire. Victorian Ragged School lessons, Lace Workshop. Children's historical character dress up parades. Family picnic area. Talk 'Malmesbury – The First 3,000 Years' by Tony McAleavy. Malmesbury's Greatest Rogue The Debate – audience decides! Surprises.

Tickets for all events: The Town & Tourist Information Centre, Malmesbury Town Hall

Tetbury Goods Shed

For information on all events and to buy tickets visit:

www.tetburygoodsshed.co.uk

National Garden Scheme

Some spring flower gardens are now open.

A number of gardens are now open by arrangement.

<https://ngs.org.uk/wiltshire-by-arrangement/>

Link to gardens open in Gloucestershire this April: <https://ngs.org.uk/gloucestershire-april/>

For full garden openings please go to: www.ngs.org.uk

The Barn Theatre - Double Double

Tues 28th April to Sat 30th May – Barn Theatre, 3-5 Beeches Rd, Cirencester GL7 1BN

After her husband's death, Philippa finds his doppelganger living on the streets and hatches a plan: to pass him off as the deceased and split a big payout. What follows is a psychological duel of wits, romance and second-guessed intentions. Staring Daniel Brocklebank and Faye Brookes

Tickets online: <https://barntheatre.org.uk/> or Telephone: 01285 648255