

English Riviera and Surrounding Area - Events - 2025

Festival/Event	Dates	Location	Details	More Information
Pirate Festival	3 - 5 May	Brixham	A swashbuckling mix of piratical fun and entertainment! The Pirate Festival is an annual gathering of the worlds most infamous pirates and lowly scallywags.	https://www.brixhampiratesfestival.com/ https://www.facebook.com/BrixhamPirateFest
Devon County Show	15 - 17 May	Westpoint, Clyst St Mary, Exeter	The county is revealed in all its glory! The best of food, farming and entertainment.	https://devoncountyshow.co.uk/
Dartmouth Music Festival	16 - 18 May	Dartmouth	The Dart Music Festival is an annual music event over three days. There are over 100 acts performing in over 20 closely sited town venues.	https://www.dartmusicfestival.co.uk/
Brixham Heritage Regatta	24 - 25 May	Brixham	A celebration of vessels from a bygone era.	http://www.brixhamheritageregatta.uk/
English Riviera UNESCO Global Geopark Festival	24 - 30 May	All around Torbay	A celebration of the international significance of the area's Geopark status, with a range of events and activities right across the Bay. The programme of events includes walking tours, sustainability events, creative and nature based activities both on and off the water.	https://www.englishriviera.co.uk/whats-on/english-riviera-unesco-global-geopark-festival-p3117323
English Riviera Airshow	30 May - 1 Jun	Paignton Green	Military and civilian airshow performers will soar through the skies over Torbay.	https://englishrivieraairshow.co.uk/
Beats in the Bay	13 - 14 Jun	Lupton House, Brixham	Get ready for an unforgettable weekend of music, sunshine, and good vibes at Beats in the Bay.	https://missivevents.co.uk/event/beats-in-the-bay-2025/
Torbay Pride	14 - 15 Jun	Torre Abbey Meadows	Live music, food, bars and market stalls. Plus the little surprises that make Torbay Pride "The Pride of the English Riviera"	https://www.facebook.com/events/852974286237977/
English Riviera Walking Festival	14 - 22 Jun	All around Torbay	The Walking Festivals offer over 20 coastal walks led by experienced local guides, who will take you on fascinating journeys.	https://rivierawalking.co.uk/
Brixham Trawler Event	21 Jun	Brixham Harbour	It's back! The Port of Brixham Trawler Event sees the fleet of fishing boats dressed up in bunting taking a lap of Tor Bay. The impressive spectacle will be raising funds for the Fishermen's Mission. Spectate from afloat on a passenger boat, or from the Breakwater.	https://www.englishriviera.co.uk/whats-on/brixham-trawler-race-p636893
Galmpton Gooseberry Pie Fair	6 Jul	Galmpton Village, Brixham	The Gooseberry Pie Fair is a village fair with a lot of history, dating back over 150 years. The tradition is it is held on the first Sunday of July hence its on or around American Independence Day & why the American naval attaché is in attendance.	https://www.facebook.com/galmptongooseberrypiefair/
Hookhills Cherry Pie Fayre	12 Jul	Hookhills Park Freshwater Drive, Paignton	Community charity family fund raising day , Live music /Bar /Great food and stalls	https://www.facebook.com/HVCherryPieFayre
Electric Bay Festival	12 - 13 Jul	Torre Abbey Meadows	Electric Bay is a game changing music weekender situated on Torquay's historic seafont. This unique open air dance music festival brings something totally new to the area, with the stunning Torre Abbey Meadows hosting the two-day event. Touching down will be some of the biggest electronic music artists.	https://electricbayfestival.com/
Brixham Art Society Summer Exhibition	26 Jul - 4 Aug	Scala Hall, Brixham	An enchanting display from local artists, featuring a diverse range of original paintings, drawings and prints. All for sale. Free entry.	https://www.brixhamartsociety.co.uk/
Riviera Classic Car Show	27 Jul	Paignton Seafont	Hundreds of vehicles through the ages with a sprinkling of the exotic and quirky. Stage entertainment, food, licensed bar all on site.	https://www.towc.club/riviera-classic-car-show
Paignton Festival	26 Jul - 3 Aug	Paignton	9 days of entertainment for the whole family, raising money for local charities.	https://www.englishriviera.co.uk/whats-on/paignton-festival-p3552993
Torbay Steam Fair	1 - 3 Aug	Churston Ferrers, Brixham	Steam working and vintage gathering - steam demonstrations, traction engines, vintage cars, commercials, motorbikes, military tractors, stationary engines, fairground rides and more!	https://www.englishriviera.co.uk/whats-on/torbay-steam-fair-p200613
Babbacombe Fayre	10 Aug	Babbacombe Downs	An exciting packed programme of attractions including stalls, activities, live entertainment and a fun dog show, as well as food and refreshments.	https://www.englishriviera.co.uk/whats-on/babbacombe-fayre-p1590123
Torbay Royal Regatta	10 - 16 Aug	Torquay	One of the premiere sailing regattas in the South West, the event remains as popular as ever and this year promises to be another great occasion with over a 100 yachts and dinghies expected.	https://www.visitdevon.co.uk/event/torbay-royal-regatta/334873301/
Lupton House Music Festival	16 Aug	Lupton House, Brixham	An evening of top tribute bands : Queen performed by QE2, Foo Fighters performed by Foo Fighters SW, The Killers performed by The Killers Kollektive and Oasis performed by Be Here Now	https://discoverlupton.com/events/
Fun Day and Family Dog Show	24 Aug	Young's Park, Goodrington	Stalls, entertainment from local Youth Groups etc and a Family Dog Show. 1100-1600	https://www.paigntonlions.org.uk/events/lionsfunday.html
Dartmouth Royal Regatta	28 - 30 Aug	Dartmouth	The Regatta is based around a programme of rowing and sailing events, but also incorporates a busy programme of activities, fireworks, a large fair, and many other smaller events that happen in and around the town.	https://www.dartmouthregatta.co.uk/
Marldon Apple Pie Fair	6 Sep	The Village Green, Marldon, Paignton	Events throughout the afternoon include local arts, crafts and food stands, falconry displays, games and even a novelty dog show!	https://www.facebook.com/Marldonapplepiefair/
Brixham Heritage Rally	6 Sep	Brixham	An open meeting for classic boats and boats over 30 years old.	http://www.brixhamheritageregatta.uk/Rally%20Event%20Home.htm
The Agatha Christie Festival	13 - 21 Sep	Torre Abbey	9 days, packed with expert speakers and other features, the festival will celebrate Agatha Christie and her astonishingly rich and diverse legacy.	http://www.iacf-uk.org/
Brixham Classic Car Show	14-Sep	Devon Hills holiday camp, THE HIVE, Totnes Road	Classic British and American cars and bikes. A free family event with live music, stalls, food and drinks, dinosaurs, movie characters. 11am start.	https://www.facebook.com/groups/1024359611694018/
Abbfest	18 - 21 Sep	Fermoy's Garden Centre, Ipplepen, Newton Abbot	Beer, food and drink festival that aims to raise money for local charities.	https://abbfest.org/
England's Seafood Feast	26 Sep - 12 Oct	All around Torbay	Some of the best seafood in the world. You can enjoy a whole range of locally landed and caught fish and seafood at over 30 eateries across Brixham, Paignton and Torquay.	https://www.englishriviera.co.uk/whats-on/featured-events/seafood-feast
Dartmouth Food Festival	24 - 26 Oct	Dartmouth	With street entertainers, food and drink stalls and cooking contests to enter, cooking demonstrations and classes.	https://www.dartmouthfoodfestival.com/
Lanterns, Lights & 'luminations	21 - 22 Nov	Brixham (Harbour area)	Brixham will celebrate its Christmas Lights Switch on with a 'Lanterns, Lights and 'luminations' parade, fireworks and much more.	https://www.englishriviera.co.uk/whats-on/lanterns-lights-and-luminations-p1453303
Walk into the Sea	26 Dec	Paignton Beach	Hundreds of fundraisers don optional fancy dress and at the starter's command swiftly walk into the chilly waters of the English Channel where fun and frivolity begin.	https://www.paigntonlions.org.uk/events/lionswalkinthesea.html

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