

APRIL TO JUNE 2026 / ENGLISH

DERBY GUIDE

WHAT'S ON



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SPRING INTO DERBY

Shake off the winter blues and dive into Derby's vibrant spring scene! From lively festivals and live music to family adventures, foodie treats, and cultural experiences, the city is bursting with unforgettable moments.

Plan your perfect spring and early summer escape, discover hidden gems, and make every day an adventure.

Explore our interactive guide – click any event for full details and start mapping your 2026 Derby highlights today!

The Tourism Team at VisitDerby

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DON'T MISS A BEAT

Top things to do and authentic experiences you can't miss in Derby

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The Sadler Gate Spring Market

9 May 2026

📍 Sadler Gate, Derby DE1 3NQ

Don't miss the Spring Market on Sadler Gate - discover unique artisan stalls, local eats, and live entertainment!

2

Derby Book Festival 2026

22 May 2026 - 31 May 2026, 13 Nov 2026 - 15 Nov 2026

📍 Various Derby venues,

Derby Book Festival will return in 2026 with Summer and Autumn editions.

3

Ram Comedy Festival 2026

28 May 2026 - 7 Jun 2026

📍 Various Derby venues,

Derby's Ram Comedy Festival is back! Enjoy a weekend of non-stop laughs from top comedians and rising stars.

4

The Darley Park Weekender 2026

21 Aug 2026 - 23 Aug 2026

📍 Darley Park, DE22 1EN

Derby's summer highlight returns for 2026, bringing a star-studded line-up to the Darley Park Weekender stage.

5

Derby Festé

26 Sep 2026

📍 Derby City Centre,

Derby Feste brings the streets alive with dance, theatre, circus, parkour, and stunning aerial shows!



SPRING INTO DERBY MARKET HALL

Shake off the winter chill and celebrate a historic season at Derby Market Hall!

Shop the new season in our market with changing product lines from our independent traders. Discover beautiful plants and fresh seasonal produce or transform your wardrobe with floral patterns and brighter colours this spring.

Whether you're prepping your garden with supplies from our new stall or refreshing your look at our beauty salon and tailor, there's plenty to explore. Meet friends at our on-site distillery or grab a bite from our street food traders. If you're after lighter spring fare, enjoy freshly prepared salads, grilled meats, vegan options and delicious desserts.

There's plenty happening at Derby Market Hall over the next few months. Enjoy regular favourites, like our weekly live music and monthly Farmers' Market, plus themed markets, family workshops, a Craft Beer, Wines & Spirits Festival and our very first Dog Show. In May, we turn 160 years old! Don't miss a special line-up of celebration events to mark our 160th Anniversary.

Make Derby Market Hall your go-to spot this season. We can't wait to see you!



SEASONAL HIGHLIGHTS

Derby is a lively city of events. From April to June, you can enjoy a great mix of festivals, celebrations, exhibitions and cultural events. Find below a small selection of great events, there's lots more, see visitderby.co.uk/whats-on



Joseph Wright of Derby: Life on Paper

26 Mar 2026 - 17 May 2026

📍 Derby Museum & Art Gallery, The Strand, Derby DE1 1BS

An exhibition exploring the life and work of one of Britain's best loved artists.



The Derby Dracula Audio Tour Launch

15 May 2026

📍 Derby Museum & Art Gallery, The Strand, Derby DE1 1BS

Discover Dracula's Derby roots on this free audio tour - by Derby Dracula CIC with local partners.



50:50 Derby: A Celebration of Culture, Creativity & Community

Join Derby on 6 June: celebrating 50 years of Osnabrück twinning & city status anniversary!



Wright of Derby: From the Shadows

13 Jun 2026 - 1 Nov 2026

📍 Derby Museum & Art Gallery, The Strand, Derby DE1 1BS

Discover Wright of Derby's 'Candlelight' masterpieces – drama, intrigue, and sublime art in From the Shadows!



A Gentle Man (Part II) (1975-2029) – A Touring Exhibition by Becky Beasley

26 Mar 2026 - 2 Aug 2026

📍 Derby QUAD & Cinema, Market Pla...

Becky Beasley's touring show transforms the gallery into a vivid interior landscape of green floors and lake-like forms.



Choccy Woccy Easter

28 Mar 2026 - 12 Apr 2026

📍 Bluebells, Brunswood Farm, Locko ...

Hop into Easter fun at Bluebells – bottle-feed lambs, meet the animals & enjoy chocolate treats!



Dinos Fossil Finders Dig

30 Mar 2026 - 10 Apr 2026

📍 Derbion, London Road, Derby DE1 ...

Dig up dinosaur bones, rebuild a skeleton, and learn cool fossil facts in a hands-on adventure!



Macbeth

1 Apr 2026 - 18 Apr 2026

📍 Derby Theatre, 15 Theatre Walk, St ...

Don't miss this chilling Macbeth: ambition turns to murder and madness, exposing the true cost of absolute power.



Man in The Mirror

12 Apr 2026

📍 Derby Arena, Royal Way, Pride Park...

Experience a thrilling tribute to Michael Jackson with iconic hits, dazzling dance, and electrifying stage spectacle.



The Bootleg Beatles

19 Apr 2026

📍 Vaillant Live, 2 Colyear Street, Derb...

Celebrate the Beatles' top five albums live with The Bootleg Beatles, in a dazzling, must-see stage spectacular.



Blue

23 Apr 2026

📍 Vaillant Live, 2 Colyear Street, Derb...

Get ready for Blue – 25 years of hits, BRIT Awards, and pop anthems, celebrating their greatest hits and new releases.



Radio GaGa

1 May 2026

📍 Derby Arena, Royal Way, Pride Park...

Celebrate Queen's legendary hits with Radio Gaga - two hours of magic, showmanship, and all your favourite anthems.



The Music Of Ed Sheeran By Candlelight

2 May 2026

📍 Derby Cathedral, 18-19 Iron Gate, ...

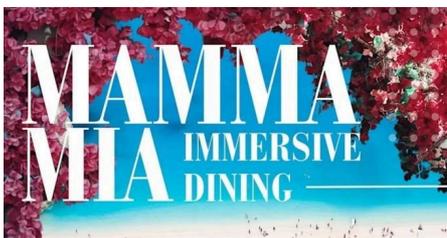
Sing along to Ed Sheeran's biggest hits by candlelight at Derby Cathedral – a magical night awaits!



RNB MANIA | Derby's R&B Festival
3 May 2026

📍 Ultra Warehouse, 9 Downing Road,...

Get ready for RNB MANIA at Ultra Warehouse, Derby – 7 hours of 90s & 00s R&B, huge hits, and non-stop nostalgia!



Mamma Mia: Immersive Dining
5 Jun 2026

📍 The Derby Conference Centre, Lon...

Gimme! Gimme! Gimme! Mamma Mia comes to Derby Conference Centre – sing, dance, sip prosecco, and party!



David Gray
19 Jun 2026

📍 Vaillant Live, 2 Colyear Street, Derb...

Enjoy multi-platinum artist David Gray live – iconic hits, soulful lyrics, and timeless music.



England Women vs New Zealand IT20
20 May 2026

📍 Derbyshire County Cricket Club, C...

England Women face New Zealand in the Vitality IT20 at Derby's Central Co-op County Ground – World Cup warm-up action!



The Urban Wine Festival at Electric Daisy
7 Jun 2026

📍 Electric Daisy, 1 - 4 Bold Lane, Der...

The Urban Wine Festival at Electric Daisy returns - 60+ wines, great food, live music. Sip, discover, enjoy.



Craig Revel Horwood – Revelations
21 Jun 2026

📍 Derby Theatre, 15 Theatre Walk, St ...

Join Craig Revel Horwood for a dazzling night of music, dance, drama, and stories from Strictly Come Dancing.



Bram Stoker's Dracula: A recitation for two voices
24 May 2026

📍 Derby Museum & Art Gallery, The S...

Experience Bram Stoker's Dracula in 105 minutes with just two actors – gothic, gripping, and darkly funny in Derby.



Craft Beer, Wines and Spirit Festivals
12 Jun 2026 - 14 Jun 2026, 2 Oct 2026 - 4 Oct 2026

📍 Derby Market Hall, Market Place, D...

Experience Derby's Craft Beer, Wine & Spirits Festival - top brewers, vintners & distillers showcase their finest!



Aspire Wrestling LIVE!
27 Jun 2026

📍 Derby Market Hall, Market Place, D...

Be part of the action! Aspire Wrestling hits Derby Market Hall – Battle Royale, Jonny Storm, and family fun await!

EXPLORE FURTHER AFIELD

On Derby's doorstep is the stunning Peak District and Derbyshire. There is always a great selection of events, whatever time of year you visit.

Find out more at visitderby.co.uk/whats-on



On Screen at Calke Abbey

26 Mar 2026 - 1 Nov 2026

📍 Calke Abbey, Ticknall, Derbyshire D...

Step into Tommy Shelby's world and see how Peaky Blinders: The Immortal Man came to life at Calke Abbey.



House of Stories: Tales from the Chatsworth Library

26 Mar 2026 - 4 Oct 2026

📍 Chatsworth, Bakewell, Derbyshire ...

Explore 400 years of the Devonshire family's treasured books in Chatsworth's 2026 exhibition.



Easter Egg Hunt at Kedleston Hall

2 Apr 2026 - 6 Apr 2026

📍 Kedleston Hall, near Quarndon, De...

This spring, enjoy an Easter adventure for the whole family at Kedleston Hall.

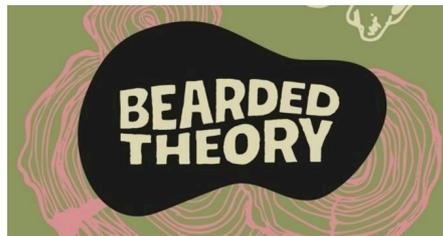


Rum & Reggae Fest 2026

23 May 2026

📍 Elvaston Castle Country Park, Borr...

The ultimate island vibes hit Elvaston Castle - bringing big reggae acts, epic production, and pure festival energy!



Bearded Theory Festival 2026

20 May 2026 - 24 May 2026

📍 Catton Park, Derbyshire DE12 8LN

Bearded Theory 2026 brings a weekend of music, arts & family fun in the heart of Derbyshire.



Seaside Fun

23 May 2026 - 29 May 2026

📍 National Tramway Museum, Cromf...

Step right up for classic seaside fun – rides, Punch & Judy, face paint, balloons and a tiny flea circus!



Road to Nashville Festival

24 May 2026

📍 Elvaston Castle Country Park, Borr...

The Road to Nashville hits Derby! Don't miss Country hits, line dancing, BBQ & Wild West fun at Elvaston Castle.



K-Pop Fest at Elvaston Castle

31 May 2026

📍 Elvaston Castle Country Park, Borr...

Experience K-Pop live! High-energy performances, epic choreography & all the culture you love.



Derby Craft Brew Festival

13 Jun 2026

📍 Elvaston Castle Country Park, Borr...

Derby goes craft crazy! Bottomless beers, cider & wine, live music & epic festival vibes at Elvaston Castle.

POPULAR PLACES AND ATTRACTIONS

Derby is a vibrant city with lots of events throughout the year. Many events take place within our award winning attractions. There are always lots of things to see and do, particularly around celebrations and holidays. Here are a few of our attractions where there is always something to see and do.



Artcore

📍 8 Albert Street, Osnabruck Square, Derby DE1 2DS

Artcore is Derby's vibrant international centre for contemporary art and creativity, bringing together a gallery, artist...

Bluebells

📍 Bluebells, Brunswood Farm, Locko Road, Derby DE21 7AR

If you're looking for a fun-filled family day out near Derby, Bluebell Dairy offers hands-on animal experiences,...

Derby Cathedral

📍 Derby Cathedral, 18-19 Iron Gate, Derby DE1 3GP

A fascinating place to visit and a venue for musical and cultural excellence in the heart of the city.

Derby Market Hall

📍 Derby Market Hall, Market Place, Derby DE1 2DB

A treasure trove of unique finds and delicious treats, perfect for a day of shopping, dining and entertainment.

Derby Museum & Art Gallery

📍 Derby Museum & Art Gallery, The Strand, Derby DE1 1BS

Lots of treasures to explore and lots of activities for families to enjoy together at Derby Museums.

Electric Daisy

📍 Electric Daisy, 1 - 4 Bold Lane, Derby DE1 3NT

A vibrant space where people connect, culture blooms, and nature takes the spotlight with great events happening.

Great Northern Classics

📍 274 - 278 Osmaston Road, Derby DE24 8AE

Great Northern Classics is a centre of excellence for classic vehicle enthusiasts.

Museum of Making at Derby Silk Mill (UNESCO World Heritage Site)

📍 Silk Mill Lane, Derby DE1 3AF

Explore Derby's 300-year history of making and enjoy events and activities for families to enjoy together.

Pickford's House

📍 41 Friar Gate, Derby DE1 1DA

Come and experience our unique museum in the show home of the Enlightenment architect Joseph Pickford.

EATING AND DRINKING

Indulge in a culinary adventure in Derby's vibrant food and drink scene. From cosy cafes and traditional pubs to award-winning restaurants and international cuisines.



The Spice Lounge

📍 10 Friar Gate, Cathedral Quarter, Derby DE1 1BU

The Spice Lounge offers a stimulating range of Bangladeshi and Southern Asian dishes with a creative twist to appeal to...

Houseboat

📍 89 - 91 St Peters Street, Derby DE1 2AB

Authentic Kerala flavours, enjoy South Indian dishes in a cosy houseboat-inspired setting.

Bluebells Ice Cream Parlour

📍 Brunswood Farm, Locko Road, Derby DE21 7AR

Award-winning farm-made ice cream, shakes and sweet treats at Bluebell Dairy near Derby.

Good Thai Derby

📍 34 Victoria Street, Derby DE1 1ES

Authentic Thai cuisine in Derby with classic dishes, street food favourites and vegan options.

Hickory's Smokehouse Derby

📍 166 Swarkestone Road, Derbyshire DE73 5UE

Discover the flavours & hospitality of the Southern States in this family-friendly restaurant.

Cast Iron Bar & Grill

📍 Breadsall Priory Marriott Hotel & Country Club, Moor Ro...

If you find yourself in Derby, make sure to pay a visit to Cast Iron Bar & Grill situated in the recently refurbished...

Bistrot Pierre

📍 18 Friar Gate, Cathedral Quarter, Derby DE1 1BX

Offering the charm and warmth of a Parisian restaurant, unwind and indulge in French-inspired dishes.

BEAR Derbion

📍 Derbion, Level 2, Derby DE1 2PL

BEAR Derbion is a snug little haven that you can use to escape all that retail hustle. Come and make yourself at home.

EATING AND DRINKING



Lotus Indian Kitchen

📍 Mercia Marina, Findern Lane, Willington, Derby DE65 6DW

Experience dining at the first Indian tapas restaurant in Derby, a restaurant which helped change the face of dining in...

The Engine Room

📍 Riverlights, Morledge, Derby DE1 2BB

The Engine Room is a bold new addition to Derby city centre, serving inventive dishes in a stylish industrial-chic...

The River Kitchen

📍 Museum of Making, Silk Mill Lane, Derby DE1 3AF

The River Kitchen is all about community. Their delicious food is locally sourced, homemade, always within season and...

The Pepperpot

📍 Nightingale Quarter, London Road, Derby DE1 2UH

Exceptional dishes using the finest locally sourced produce. Awarded AA Rosette for Culinary Excellence 2024-2025.

BEAR Derby Irongate

📍 7 Iron Gate, Derby, DE1 3FJ

Offering all-day dining from a locally-sourced menu, including an abundance of fresh seasonal treats.

The Elephant and Peacock

📍 Derby Road, Milford, Belper DE56 0QW

Daily Telegraph Top 20 Best Options for a Sunday Lunch in the UK Marketing Derby Food & Drink Awards Best out of Town...

Lorentes Darley Abbey

📍 The Cotton Yard, Darley Abbey Mills, Derby DE22 1DZ

The flavours of Madrid and Barcelona, set in a riverside bistro within the World Heritage site of Darley Abbey Mills.

Café 42

📍 Derby Arena, Royal Way, Pride Park, , Derby DE24 8JB

A range of delicious and nutritious food and hot and cold drinks are available at the Arena. Whether you're calling in...



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EXPERIENCES

Unlock a world of unforgettable experiences, plan your next thrilling adventure in Derby and create memories that will last a lifetime.



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Highland Cow Afternoon Tea

18 Apr 2026 - 27 Sep 2026

📍 Bluebells, Brunwood Farm, Locko Road, Derby DE21 7AR

Experience the charm of farm life with a relaxed small group visit in the heart of the countryside.

Letterpress Workshops

📍 The Smallprint Co, 2-3 Friary Street, Derby DE1 1JF

Learn the intricacies of letterpress printing, typography, and bookbinding at our heritage print and design studio.

Spa Treatments at Breadsall Priory

📍 Delta Hotels by Marriott Breadsall Priory Country Club, ...

Relax on a spa day and enjoy access to a leisure centre with gym, classes, pool and jacuzzi.

The Escape Room Guys

📍 1-5 Iron Gate, Derby DE1 3FJ

Try a range of immersive escape rooms, perfect for team-building and family outings.

Derby After Dark - Ghost Walks & Vigils

📍 Various locations, Derby

Derby has plenty of spooky experiences waiting for you.... if you dare!

Introduction to Track Cycling at Derby Arena

Available Sundays

📍 Derby Arena, Royal Way, Pride Park, Derby DE24 8JB

This could be your first go at track cycling and can be a one-off taster session just for fun or to see if it's for you...

Sip n Paint

📍 Mosaic at the Mills, Darley Abbey Mills, Unit 2, The Saw ...

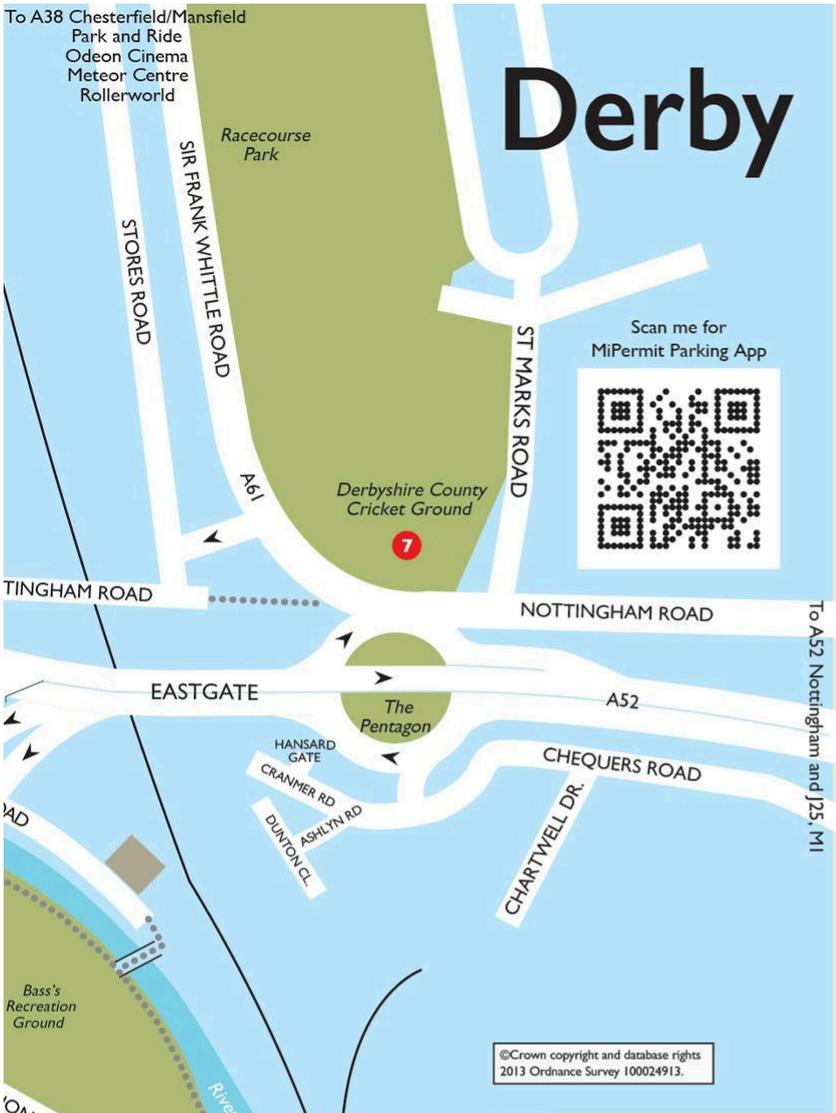
Guided painting session with drinks – art, mindfulness, and fun for all.

Afternoon Tea at Breadsall Priory

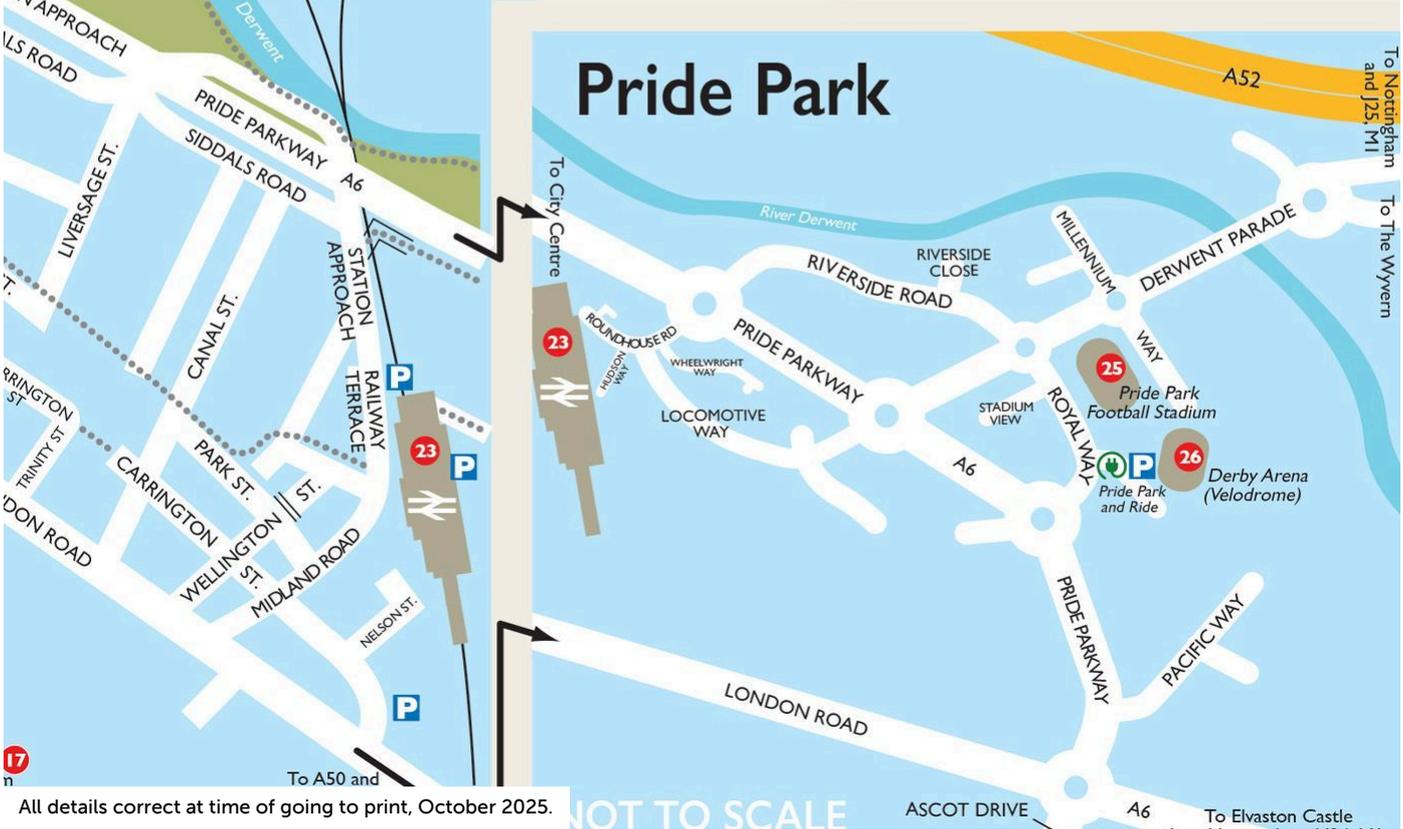
📍 Delta Hotels by Marriott Breadsall Priory Country Club, ...

Spoil someone special with a quintessentially British afternoon tea experience, surrounded by serene and rolling...





- 1 BBC Radio Derby
 - 2 Council House
 - 3 Bonnie Prince Charlie Statue
 - 4 'Made in Derby' Walk of Fame (Albion Street, Exchange Street, Market Place and Iron Gate)
 - 5 Artcore Gallery
 - 6 Bus Station (Coach bookings please call 01332 711554)
 - 7 Derbyshire County Cricket Ground
 - 8 Derby Cathedral
 - 9 Vaillant Live
 - 10 Dubrek Studios
 - 11 Derby Gaol
 - 12 Derby Museum & Art Gallery
 - 13 Derby Theatre
 - 14 The Hairy Dog
 - 15 Guildhall Theatre (currently closed)
 - 16 Joseph Wright Centre (Derby College)
 - 17 Great Northern Classics
 - 18 Derby Market Hall
 - 19 Pickford's House Museum
 - 20 The Venue
 - 21 QUAD
 - 22 The Flowerpot
 - 23 Railway Station
 - 24 Museum of Making
 - 25 Pride Park Stadium
 - 26 Derby Arena (Velodrome)
 - 27 Derby Uncovered Heritage Centre
 - 28 Derby Riverboat
 - 29 Electric Daisy
- EV Charging
 - Coach Parking
 - Car Park / Parking
 - Designated Disabled Parking (No. of spaces)
 - Derby Sales & Information Centre (Chapel Street Arts Centre)
 - Toilets
 - Footpath
 - One Way Streets
 - Restricted Vehicle Access
 - Pedestrianised Streets
 - Cul de sac
 - Library
 - Place of Worship
 - Derbion (shopping centre)
- Cathedral Quarter
- St Peters Quarter



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NOT TO SCALE

