

DERBY – GREAT PLACE, GREAT BASE

Derby's Top 10 for 2017

Derby – “Great Place, Great Base” – is looking forward to a great 2017. Here's a Top 10 list of reasons why the city will be such a cool place to visit this year...

High Street of the Year 2016

Derby is home to the country's best high street. The Cathedral Quarter beat off stiff competition from Broadmead in Bristol and the Castle Arcade district of Norwich to clinch the coveted Great British High Street of the Year 2016 'City Location' award.

<http://thegreatbritishhighstreet.co.uk/high-street-of-the-year-award>

FORMAT International Festival of Photography March 24-April 23

Derby's FORMAT will take place between March 24 and April 23 in 2017. A truly world class biennale event, FORMAT is widely acknowledged as one of the world's leading international contemporary festivals of photography, as well as - in terms of visitors and scale of programme - the largest event of its kind in the UK.

<http://www.formatfestival.com>

Comedy Festival, May 5-14

Derby's Comedy Festival has plenty of 'big-name' stars, and a host of Midlands based comedians. The positive effects of laughter are well known, so whatever tickles your fancy, come to Derby for a dose of life's best medicine!

<http://www.derbycomedyfestival.co.uk>

RHS Chatsworth Flower Show, June 7-11

Tickets are now on sale for the new RHS Chatsworth Flower Show, from June 7-11. Derby “Great Place, Great Base” is promoting itself as a place to stay, and explore, during the show.

<https://www.rhs.org.uk/shows-events/rhs-chatsworth-flower-show>

Derby Book Festival, June 9-17

Derby's annual Book Festival was established in 2015, and is now held every June over nine days. The 2017 edition, which has been given a World War One theme will take place from June 9-17.

<http://www.derbybookfestival.co.uk>

Weeping Window, June 9-July 23

Derby will present *Weeping Window* by artist Paul Cummins and designer Tom Piper as part of 14-18 NOW's UK-wide tour of the iconic poppies. The installation will be at The Silk Mill from 9 June to 23 July 2017.

<https://www.visitderby.co.uk/whats-on/events/poppies-wave-and-weeping-window-by-paul-cummins-artist-tom-p>

Escape Room - new for 2017

There's possibly no escape from latest addition to the experiences on offer at Derby's Escape Rooms! Further details of this ultimate challenge can be found at the link below.

<https://unescapable.co.uk>



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ICC Women's World Cup Cricket, June 24-July 20

Derbyshire has been chosen as one of the venues for the ICC Women's World Cricket Cup in 2017. Some of the best female players from around the world will participate in fixtures held in Derby, from 24 June to 20 July 2017 - including a semi-final on Thursday 20 July.

<http://www.visitderby.co.uk/whats-on/events/icc-womens-world-cup-2017>

Summer Beer Festival, July 5-9

The Derby Summer Beer Festival will take place from 5 - 9 July 2017. Derby was described by Lonely Planet magazine as the "best place to drink real ale in the world", and the Summer Beer Festival will feature more than 200 draught real ales. Ciders, perries, meads and continentals will also be available.

<http://www.visitderby.co.uk/whats-on/derby-summer-beer-festival/>

Derby Festé, September 29-30

Firmly established as one of the biggest and best urban outdoor festivals in the UK, Derby Festé is the highlight of the city's events calendar - offering locals and visitors alike the chance to enjoy large-scale live event packed full of spectacular stage performances, street theatre, music, dance and film.

Tourist information about Derby can be found at www.visitderby.co.uk.

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