

## Press Release

# Double servings: Hampton Court Palace and Tower of London Food Festivals

Hampton Court Palace Food Festival: 25 – 27 August

Tower of London Food Festival: 7 – 9 September

This summer, the popular Hampton Court Palace and Tower of London Food Festivals will be returning to their respective homes for another foodie extravaganza. Hosted in partnership with River Street Events, the festivals offer a scrumptious day out at two of London's most iconic landmarks.

Both food festivals are set to offer up a delectable selection of artisan producers, a stellar line up of chefs and culinary experts, fabulous entertainment, family fun and great live music. *The Kitchen* theatre is again set to be a highlight of both weekends, and this year will feature live cookery demonstrations from a whole host of top chefs and gastronomic experts. Nadiya Hussain, Melissa Hemsley, Dr Rupy Aujla, Rhiannon Lambert and Lisa Faulkner will be serving up a range of their favourite summer dishes, while Michel Roux Jr adds a double helping of Michelin stardust. For those wanting to put their newfound culinary knowledge to the test, *The Classroom* will be offering up hands-on masterclasses on everything from Sourdough Workshops and Naked Cake Decorating with the BBC Good Food Cookery Team to Gin and Cocktail masterclasses and Kids' Cookery. Once visitors have worked up an appetite they can shop from over one hundred food stalls and artisan food producers, guaranteed to get the taste buds tingling. From oysters and sausages to sweet treats and an array of ales, there is something for everyone. There'll also be a bandstand with live music, complete with relaxing deckchairs on hand for revellers to soak up the festival atmosphere. Plenty of activities will be on hand to keep the little ones entertained at both festivals, including vintage games and fairground favourite Helter Skelter at Tower of London and shire horses and a Circus School on offer at Hampton Court.

Set over the three days of the August Bank Holiday weekend, the Hampton Court Palace Food Festival is held in the spectacular gardens of the former home of one of history's most notorious foodies, King Henry VIII and is guaranteed to delight all food-lovers. With free entry to the palace and its formal gardens included in every ticket, visitors will be encouraged to explore Hampton Court's magnificent surroundings, with the world's oldest puzzle maze, the largest grapevine on the planet and the fun-filled Magic Garden all waiting to be discovered. Inside the palace, food enthusiasts can also learn what it took to feed up to 600 people twice a day in the famous Tudor Kitchens, where Hampton Court's team of historic chefs will be cooking up a storm, roasting meat on the great fire and creating a meal fit for a king!



Running from 7-9 September, the Tower of London Food Festival is the perfect way to enjoy the final days of summer, promising a scrumptious few days of entertainment. Taking place in the fortress's historic dry moat, all tickets include both entry to the festival and to the Tower of London itself, meaning there's no better time to pay a visit to this iconic site. Home of the awe-inspiring Crown Jewels, ravens and Yeoman Warders, there are over 900 years of history for visitors to explore within the walls of the capital's formidable fortress.

Tickets to both the Hampton Court Palace Food Festival and Tower of London Food Festival are on sale now at [www.hrpfoodfestivals.com](http://www.hrpfoodfestivals.com). Tickets at both events include entry to the affiliated palace.

#### Notes to editors

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Please note: not all chefs and features will appear at both festivals, see website for full details – [hrpfoodfestivals.com](http://hrpfoodfestivals.com)

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