



# Discover Britain's dynamic food and drink scene in 2024

Britain's innovative food and drink scene brings a wealth of global dishes and exciting experiences to the culinary landscape.

Food and drink

England

London

Northeast England

Scotland

Wales

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*From cutting-edge venues to immersive experiences, discover how Britain indulges visitors in a world of flavours and unforgettable experiences. Celebrate the intersection of tradition and innovation in every bite and sip, making Britain a destination where food and creativity converge.*

## Immersive and innovative venues bursting with flavour

### Boxpark, Liverpool

Following the remarkable success of its three venues in London, [Boxpark](#) is expanding beyond the capital city with a new location recently opened in Liverpool in April. Nestled in the vibrant Baltic Triangle neighbourhood in the heart of Liverpool's creative and cultural scene, Boxpark promises a diverse selection of global street food from independent traders. Beyond its delicious culinary offerings, this innovative venue will serve as an entertainment hub for live music, al fresco dining, and intimate gatherings. From salsa dancing on Mondays to quiz nights on Thursdays, there's something for everyone.

## **Cambridge Street Collective, Sheffield**

Coming this May, the [Cambridge Street Collective](#) will offer a brand-new trailblazing food hall located right in the heart of Sheffield. The new social hub will be one of the largest in Europe. Spread over three floors the kitchens offer culturally diverse menus – featuring the best of Asian cuisine and a mix of exciting street food dishes. The venue will be home to over 24 kitchens, a cookery school and bakery, and a rooftop terrace providing great views of the city.

## **Guinness Microbrewery, London**

This winter will see one of London's most eagerly awaited new openings. Guinness is expected to launch a [microbrewery](#) including an open-fire kitchen and a rooftop bar at Old Brewer's Yard in the heart of Covent Garden. The site's brewing roots can be traced back to 1722, and its fresh refurbishment will make it a hub for drinking, dining, and entertainment – all within an impressive 4,600 square metre venue. Besides offering brewery tours with Guinness experts, it will host events in a central covered courtyard, sell special edition souvenirs in its shops and give visitors the chance to try exclusive new stouts. Cheers to that!

## **Silo, London**

Located in East London's eclectic Hackney Wick neighbourhood, [Silo](#) is a zero-waste restaurant designed to demonstrate sustainability within the food industry. Zero waste is achieved through a pre-industrial food system of using reusable materials through the entire process and eliminating bins completely. The restaurant boasts an extremely appetising Eurasian menu curated only with whole and fresh ingredients to create real food.

## **Bombay Sapphire Distillery, Hampshire**

Check out the [Bombay Sapphire Distillery](#) to discover the limitless innovation poured into this iconic brand. From behind-the-scenes tours to cocktail masterclasses and cinema nights. Experience an incredible engineering marvel in the distilleries award-winning greenhouse, featuring ten unique botanical plants and awarded the BREEAM Award for Industrial Design – setting the standard for best practice in sustainable design.

## **Dive into the best of British gastronomy at these festivals**

### **Spirit of Speyside Whisky Festival & Spirit of Speyside Distilled: Food & Drink, Elgin, Scotland**

1 – 6 May 2024 & 6 – 7 September 2024

Spirited, inspiring and Scottish – every year, [Speyside's distilleries](#) open their doors and invite visitors from around the world to taste the finest whiskies on offer. Held in the Speyside region of the Scottish Highlands, known specifically for their wealth of distilleries, experience the passion behind the region's famous tittle in May 2024 and return for another sampling including exclusive foodie events, live music, tours and more during September's food and drink festival.

## **Street Food Circus: The Big Banquet, Caldicot, Wales**

24 May – 2 June 2024

Soak in the nomadic energy surrounding Caldicot Castle and sink your teeth into delicious eats at [The Big Banquet](#). Expect an exciting line-up of gourmet street food vendors, wild circus acts and even a sunset fire show. This immersive festival experience comes from the minds of a group of hospitality industry veterans leading the revolution in immersive dining experiences, the dynamic Street Food Circus collective.

## **Norwich Wine Week, Norwich**

14 – 22 June 2024

[Norwich Wine Week](#) will return for its second year after a successful festival in 2023. The event kicks off with a two-day festival in the picturesque Chapelfield Gardens. The ticketed weekend offers wine sampling, workshops, live music, local food stalls, and the chance to engage with passionate wine growers, producers, and vineyard owners from Norwich's thriving wine scene.

## **Brit Fest, Cheshire**

5 – 7 July 2024

Just like Britain, [Brit Fest](#) has something for everyone. From traditional classic cuisine like fish and chips, to an assorted range of tasteful street foods vendors. There's also top tier entertainment to enjoy. Try your hand at woodcraft or whittling or slip quietly into a silent disco. Brit Fest celebrates the finest of British tradition and culture by curating a melting pot of the country's best.

## **York Food and Drink Festival, York**

20 – 29 September 2024

Discover the local behind the dish at one of the biggest foodie festivals in Britain. [York Food and Drink Festival](#) celebrates the best of the local and regional cuisine. Past years have seen an exciting line up of events, from wine and food tastings to cookery demonstrations and hands-on workshops hosted in some of the city's iconic historic buildings.

## **See what's in store on these exciting food and wine tours**

### **Great British Wine Tours, Sussex**

[Great British Wine Tours](#) offer flexible 'hop-on/hop-off' self-guided bus tours for visitors that don't like guided tours or strict schedules. Explore award-winning vineyards and breweries, tastings

and delicious food offerings. Highlights include Artelium Estate, Court Garden Vineyard, Ridgeview Wine Estate and Bedlam Brewery. Visitors book the tastings and experiences along the way and take their time to find their own way or choose one of the suggested itineraries. Buses leave from Brighton Pier, Haywards Heath and Burgess Hill.

### **Galahad Tours Winery Tour, Bath**

With a wealth of premium wineries and vineyards on its doorstep, [Galahad Tours](#) will soon commence private wine-themed tours – a new addition to its immersive Somerset experiences. Travelling in a luxurious Mercedes V Class and hosted by expert local guide Matthias, each tour will be personalised to its participants. Expect guided walks through glorious vineyards, a chance to snoop into legendary cellars, and an abundance of tasting opportunities.

### **GOOD Stories in Food, Bristol**

[GOOD Stories in Food](#) showcase independent suppliers using local and seasonal produce, introducing visitors to incredible new flavours. Join their ‘Bristol Hotspots and Hidden Treasures’ tour running on most Saturdays between mid-April and end of November. Or explore the surrounding countryside on the ‘Wine and Cheese Tasting in Cheddar Valley’ tour available on the first Friday every month from May until October. Their latest offering is the ‘Happiest Hour’ tour running once a month on Thursdays.

### **Experience Glasgow, Glasgow**

Head to Glasgow and embark on a locals-recommended coffee or beer tour of the city. [The self-guided tour experience](#) launched in autumn 2023. Visitors are introduced to the best local spots to savour a tipple or two while meeting local producers and passionate business owners.