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Welcome to BrixFest 2019

Welcome back to BrixFest - the award winning free family festival which takes place each Whitsun Bank Holiday weekend in May. The committee have been working hard all year 'round to bring you 2019's edition of our humble festival - the eighth installment.

This year, we kick off with a very special opening. Brixham Town Band will follow a guest appearance by local radio legend and avid BrixFest supporter, Matt Rogan. Cooking demonstrations will again provide you with delicious treats to enjoy side-stage, and of course our local live music will return. This year's headliners are Harbour - before the Grand Firework Display lights up the sky at 9:50pm. Viewable from anywhere around the harbourside.



Cooking Demonstrations



Local Live Music



Dragonboat Challenge Returns

In last year's Dragonboat Challenge, Buoy 'n' Belles were knocked off their perch by The Manor Inn's team - but they couldn't quite beat the course record, now almost four years old. Who will triumph in 2019? Join us at Breakwater Beach on Sunday to find out.

On Monday we're bringing back Children's Day - free family activities for all! More info in this booklet.

As David Attenborough is always reminding us - our planet is truly special. Living in or visiting a place like Brixham really hammers that home. However, if we don't take responsibility for our actions and the way they impact our earth - we will lose so much.

That's why BrixFest this year will embrace the Refuse, Reuse, Reduce, initiative - and join the fight against single use plastics at our festival. Find out more about what this means for your festival enjoyment, and how you can get involved, on the next page.

As usual, we have so many people to thank for their support - BrixFest exists primarily thanks to local individuals and businesses who volunteer their time and money to help us celebrate Brixham, past and present. If you'd like to get involved in the festival, either as a volunteer or a sponsor - please get in touch with us by emailing contact@brixfest.com.



The volunteers at BrixFest 2019 wish you an enjoyable festival
find out more online www.brixfest.com



Saturday: Music, Food and Fireworks

Saturday at BrixFest brings back festival favourites including our unique combination of local live music, delicious food stalls, talented chefs demonstrating cooking skills and of course the Grand Firework Display has visitors returning year after year. Events take place around the Inner Harbour and Old Fish Market. Entry is free. Don't miss the headline act from 8:20pm.



Official Opening with radio legend Matt Rogan: 11am

A huge supporter of BrixFest since its inception, Matt Rogan opens BrixFest 2019. Main Stage.



Live Music from Brixham Town Band: From 11am

It's their 92nd year! Local people playing fantastic tunes for all ages. The Old Fish Market. Main Stage.



Cooking Demonstrations LIVE on-stage: 12-2pm

Renowned Brixham chef Mitch Tonks & other local chefs demonstrate their talent using local ingredients.



Live Music - All day from 3pm 'til Late

Mix of genres - performances by local artists and bands. Headliners Harbour on at 8:20pm. Main Stage.



Food Stalls: Open from 10am 'til Late

Featuring a variety of local independent food vendors serving from 10am. BAYS Beer Tent also open all day.



Grand Fireworks Display: 9:50pm: Inner Harbour

The big finish. BrixFest's famous fireworks are back, bigger and better than ever before. Watch in awe!



What's On?

Sunday 26th May 2019

Dragonboat Challenge

Sunday: Let battle commence!

'Buoys 'n' Belles' currently own the course record of 54.53 at the BrixFest Dragonboat Challenge. Teams of local people have formed as challengers and will battle it out alongside the Breakwater. Will 2019's Champions, The Manor Inn, be beaten this year?

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Here's what all Dragonboat participants and audience members are in for...

Brixham Cottages	62:01	61:54
Brixham Lab	68:86	
Brixham Lifeboat	61:01	61:87
Buoys 'n' Belles	58:53	59:53
English Riviera Magazine	61:72	61:67
Mike and Me	73:71	69:16
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Race Schedule: 3 heats each.
To be published online 23/05

Each team is guaranteed at least three heats and the prize giving ceremony follows the final in the afternoon.

Delicious local food from amazing local vendors

Local food. Plus, grab a pint from BAYS Brewery, or a G&T from Deck Chair Gin - distilled in Brixham.

Loads of people cheering on their favourite team

Live Music and an appearance from a certain Brixham festival regular to entertain. Breakwater Beach. Free.

What you need to know...

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FIRST RACE
BEGINS AT 10:30AM. APPROX 5PM FINISH

find out more online www.brixfest.com/dragonboats



What's On?

Monday 27th May 2019

Children's Day

Monday: SOS...Save our Seas!

The BrixFest Children's Day this year focuses on an SOS call...Save our Seas! Activities are themed around our environment, and aimed at getting young people engaged in the effort to stop/slow down climate change - the little things we can do to make a big difference. Join us this year on Breakwater Beach from 10am. All activities are free. No parking! 11am-3pm.



Used Fish and Chip Box Sculpture Building

Join us as we recycle used fish and chip boxes from around the town to create a special sculpture.



Performances, arts and crafts, story telling & much more

The trademark Kids' Day marquee is back, full of free activities and bigger than ever before.



LIVE music on the beach from local musicians

Festival favourites return - enjoy acoustic live music from local musicians, waterside.



BrixFest Wellbeing Garden for all ages

Join us for yoga, dance, massage and other wellness activities on the green above Breakwater Beach. Free!



Delicious food from local vendors

As well as the Breakwater Bistro, there'll be a wide selection of food stalls, open all day.



Melody the Mermaid returns to BrixFest

Join the BrixFest Trail to find her, meeting endangered sea creatures along the way. Free.



What's On?

Monday 27th May 2019

Harbourside Charity Day

Monday: A free charity market

Four years ago, BrixFest trialled a 'charity market' along Fore Street as a part of the last ever BrixFest Street Party. Last year we bought it back - and it returns again for 2019. Visit The Old Fish Market and discover what local charities and voluntary organisations have to offer. The market and activities are free to visit and take part in. 11-4pm. The Old Fish Market,



Celebrate Brixham's Precious Theatre

Learn about Brixham's beautiful theatre at BrixFest. The theatre is at Bolton Cross, at the top of town.



South Devon Players

Learn more about the national award winning theatre group as seen on BBC1, ITV and BBC Spotlight.



Brixham's selfless charitable organisations

Learn more about Brixham charities and organisations like Brixham Museum and Brixham Theatre.

Stuck for something to do over Bank Holiday week?

"Defending our past for future generations"

Find the Battery Museum near Battery Gardens



Brixham Heritage Museum

"The award-winning family friendly museum"

Bolton Cross

Follow BrixFest on Facebook
www.facebook.com/brixfest

Tweet about the festival
 Tag us @BrixFest #BrixFest2018

BrixFest vs Single Use Plastics

This year, BrixFest is joining the fight against single use plastics. You can help us make a difference to our environment!

Here's what we've changed in 2019 to help eliminate single use plastics at our festival:

- We've issued a BAN on single use plastics from our food, arts, and craft stalls.
- That includes BAYS Brewery, who will be serving your pints in re-usable cups. Yes, that means you'll need to pay a small holding deposit - but you'll get this back upon the safe return of your cup.
- Eliminated use of single-use cable ties in our signage in favour of re-usable clips
- Signed up a number of shops, cafes and restaurants who will allow visitors to fill up their water bottle for free (info in this brochure).
- No plastic bottles used by BrixFest volunteers or partners. Canned water available where necessary.
- Recyclable bin bags used to collect waste
- Increased awareness to all visitors about plastic waste
- Our firework display now uses angled, larger, high-impact shells, meaning debris lands further away from the sea inland and can be cleaned up more easily
- 'BrixBags' initiative launched! Local people have made shopping bags from recyclable materials. The bags have been distributed for free in advance of the festival (and will continue to be afterwards)
- The new Kid's Day project recycles used fish and chip boxes to create a provocative sculpture - encouraging visitors and locals to recycle more

Not convinced? Here's 9 reasons to avoid single use plastics...



1 Made from fossil fuels



2 Huge carbon footprint



3 Will still be here in hundreds of years



4 Only a tiny percentage is recycled



5 Leaches toxins into food & drink



6 Causes hormone disruption & cancers



7 Pollutes our oceans



8 Kills marine animals and birds



9 Enters our food chain

RECYCLE YOUR USED FISH AND CHIP BOXES!

You'll notice some big, open nets around the BrixFest event sites. Please discard your used fish and chip box here, and we'll use it to build a sculpture out of at the BrixFest Children's Day on Monday! Nets will be situated at the Old Fish Market, King's Quay, Ferry Quay (by the toilets), and by the Prince William Statue.

The Heritage Sailing Regatta

Saturday 25th & Sunday 26th May

Brixham Heritage Sailing Regatta has its roots in the Sailing Trawler races held since the early 1800s when Brixham was the hub of boat building and sailing expertise.

Nowadays the Regatta is a showcase for classic boats of all sizes including the beautiful Brixham Trawlers, Looe Luggers, working boats, leisure craft and dinghies and this year will include a sizeable fleet of Junk Rigged boats as part of their Annual Rally. It is a get together of boats from all over the West Country and Brittany.

Join us for the
105th Torbay Royal Regatta



TRADITION

Trophies include the King George V Challenge Cup, presented by the King, in perpetuity, in recognition of the outstanding sailing skills of the Brixham trawlermen, a tradition which proudly continues to the present day in our fishing fleet.

WHAT TO SEE?

From 23rd May - The Heritage Pontoon (opposite the King William pub) is open to members of the public. Come and take beautiful pictures and chat to the crews.

26th May – 1130:

Parade of Sail off the Breakwater.

1245: The Regatta is led off by the large sailing trawlers and continues around Torbay for about 3 hours. The best view points are from the Breakwater and Battery Gardens.

Follow us on Facebook 'Brixham Heritage Sailing Regatta and Rally' and our website for more details and entry information.

www.brixhamheritageregatta.org.uk

Arts & Pamper Market: Saturday 25 May

Join an amazing collection of arts and pamper stalls in Brixham's Scala Hall on Market Street. The event will be open from 10:30.

Visit between 10:30 - 2:30pm, entry is free



ARTS & CRAFT MARKET

THE OLD FISH MARKET

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The BrixFest committee would also like to thank The Brixham Yacht Club for their support in holding our fundraising quiz in April. The quiz will return! Keep your eyes peeled to our social media accounts to learn when...

Tell us what you think about BrixFest

This year we are working with an audience evaluation team as part of the Torbay Great Places Scheme to develop a collective understanding of audiences across Torbay at cultural organisations, events and festivals, such as BrixFest.

This is to support the continuation of fantastic cultural offers and experiences for a wide range of audiences in Torbay, so please help us out by filling in a survey and letting us know what you think about this year's festival.

You can give us your thoughts by using the QR code here, or you'll find the audience evaluation team, along with our volunteer stewards, around the site on each day of the festival and they will be happy to help you complete a survey.

Alternatively, look out for a link to our survey on our social media throughout the festival – we can't wait to hear what you think of BrixFest!

The audience evaluation team are from South West Museum Development and Bristol Culture and come with many years practical experience in audience development and insights.



find out more at southwestmuseums.org.uk/about-us/what-we-do or bristolmuseums.org.uk

Dates for your diary...

Other Brixham festivals in 2019/2020

Brixham goes back to the 40's	1 st - 9 th June
Brixham Trawler Race:	15 th June
Torbay Steam Fair:	2 rd - 4 th August
RNLI Lifeboat Week:	5 th - 11 th August
Lanterns, Lights & Illuminations	23 rd November

Brixham Pirate Festival:	2 nd - 4 th May 2020
BrixFest 2019:	23 rd - 27 th May 2020

Dates correct at time of printing. All dates and events subject to change. If we've missed your event, let us know by emailing contact@brixfest.com. Sadly Fishstock Brixham has taken a break in 2019. Follow them on Facebook for info on future events.

Volunteer at BrixFest

A festival is only as good as its volunteers! Okay, it's a saying that probably won't take off - but it's true.

Each year we rely on local people to grab a bucket and raise invaluable pennies for the festival coffers. We also use our volunteers to marshal crowds, offer festival advice to visitors and man our tombola stand.

While our volunteers look after the visitors - we look after them. Volunteers receive full training and food vouchers on-shift.

Want to get involved in BrixFest 2020? All you have to do is get in touch. Email contact@brixfest.com for more info.



All about BrixFest

8 years old and still getting bigger and better

BrixFest began in 2011 when a group of local business people and volunteers gathered together in a bid to continue the old Brixham Heritage Festival.

At the first meeting a large group discussed the details and it was decided that 'BrixFest' would become a brand new, annual, free family festival held throughout the town. The traditional grand fireworks display is the one part of the Brixham Heritage Festival that truly stuck. Who doesn't love fireworks?



With a couple of hundred quid and small grants from Brixham Town Council and Brixham Chamber of Commerce, BrixFest was born. The first weekend of events in 2012 was an overwhelming success and since then BrixFest has grown from strength to strength.

BrixFest 2018 was, yet again, well attended and, despite a stormy weather forecast, was another big success.

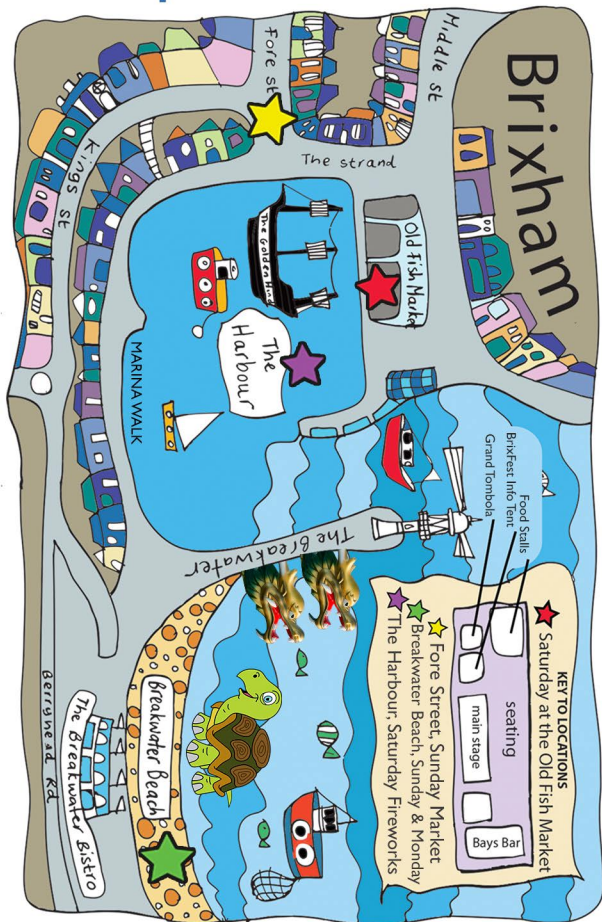
In 2019 - we're tackling the issue of single use plastics and using the festival as a platform to raise awareness and encourage visitors to treat our planet in a more sustainable way. We've started to critique ourselves and our event in new ways, challenging our own use of materials that damage our environment.

No more single-use plastic cups for beer. No more single-use cable ties. No more plastic bottled water. No more non-compostable plastic bin bags. Within the realms of what's possible - join us over the BrixFest 2019 weekend on our journey to a single-use-plastic-free festival!

Thanks from all of us at BrixFest to our generous sponsors, Torbay Harbour Authority, Torbay Council and everyone who has made the festival possible since our humble beginnings in 2011.

BrixFest turns 10 years old in 2021. Why not be a part of that journey to 10 years? We're recruiting new committee members. Get in touch to find out more: contact@brixfest.com

Map of Activities



Refill your water bottles around Brixham for free!

As a part of our push this year to reduce the festival's impact on the environment and encourage visitors to stop using single-use plastics, we've done the leg work for you and agreed a number of locations around Brixham that you can fill up your (reusable) water bottle, for free.

All of these local businesses have agreed to be a part of this initiative. We encourage you to purchase or bring along a re-usable water bottle and use these places as your pit stops. There's no obligation to buy anything from any of the businesses (although that would be lovely...), they're just happy to be joining us to reduce the town's negative impact on our beautiful world.

If you're visiting BrixFest on Saturday 25 May - be sure to pop into the Bay Coffee Company on the quay. They'll let you fill up, but also serve delicious coffee (and cake!).



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2 Union Lane,
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Brixham Edge Charity Shop

53-55 Fore St,
Brixham, TQ5 8AG



BrixFest Info Points

Old Fish Market (Sat)
Breakwater (Sun & Mon)



taste

60 Middle Street
Brixham, TQ5 8EJ



Destiny

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TQ5 9TF



Bertie & Crew

Unit 4, Prince William Quay
Brixham, TQ5 9BW



Use the free 'Refill' mobile app to fill up every day

Several places in Brixham, including The Bay Coffee Company, are already signed up on the 'Refill' app. The app allows you to find somewhere to fill up your bottle every day - for free. Hundreds of thousands of places in the UK are on the app. Download it now!



Bands on the Beach

Sunday 26 May, Breakwater Beach
From 6 - 10pm, hosted by Breakwater Bistro

Featuring music from

- Duke Johnson & The Scorchers
- Buried Hedz
- New Daze

Enjoy food from local food stalls, and delicious beer and cider from BAYS Brewery. Gin available from Deck Chair Gin.

Stick around after the Dragonboat Challenge!

Bands on the Beach is hosted by Breakwater Bistro



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Many of us grew up with super hero comics and movies. Some love the genre for its reminiscence of that innocent childhood and still secretly enjoy the blockbusters that are made today based on those familiar characters, whilst others have never grown up and have immersed our adult selves in the superhero fandom.

When it comes to choosing music to accompany our Grand Firework Display each year, we have often paid tribute to great artists we have loved and lost, you may remember our Prince or Bowie inspired years.

For 2019 The committee unanimously voted to celebrate the life of the late Stan Lee; the executive Vice President, publisher and primary creative content contributor of Marvel Comics.

Stan created characters that had super abilities but everyday problems, he created characters that everyone could relate to and could grow old with.

We hope the music which accompanied this year's Firework display will remind you of some of those incredible characters and their super stories!

Watch the Firework Display from anywhere around the inner harbour on Saturday at 9:50pm



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CAN BE FOUND ONLINE: www.brixfest.com/sponsors

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There are plenty of sponsorship packages available at
a range of prices - get in touch to find out more

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