# **Christmas Concerts, Fairs and Seasonal events**

# 16 Nov Stroud Choral Society concert

With the Bristol Ensemble. Stroud Choral Society with The Bristol Ensemble presents a wonderful collection of sea-inspired music by Mendelssohn, Stanford and Vaughan Williams. 7pm Tewkesbury Abbey www.stroudchoral.org

#### 17 Nov Christmas Craft Fair.

Get into the Christmas mood with our Fayre. Lots of goodies from local sellers in time to get some unique, great treats ready for Christmas. Bar and coffee shop will be open, serving mince pies and mulled wine at the ready2pm-5pm Churchdown Community Centre. Parton Road, Churchdown, GL3 2JH

https://churchdowncca.co.uk/event/christmas-craft-fayre/

#### 17 Nov Christmas Market.

Craft stalls, Sants Grotto, face painting and refreshments. The Beckford Collective 11am-4pm Old Post Office, Main Street, Beckford, GL20 7AD

#### 23 Nov G4 Christmas concert.

Experience the magic of Christmas with the UK's leading harmony vocal group, G4. Enjoy festive favourites and classic carols in the stunning setting of Tewkesbury Abbey. 7.30pm Tewkesbury Abbey

https://www.g4official.com/2024-christmas-tour

# 23 Nov Christmas Light Switch On Bishops Cleeve

The official launch of the Christmas season in Bishop's Cleeve, featuring the illumination of festive lights and community celebrations. Events from 2.30pm. Light Switch on 5.30pm

https://www.bishopscleeveparishcouncil.gov.uk/

# 24 Nov Tewkesbury Christmas light switch on and Christmas

**Market** The official start of the Christmas season in Tewkesbury, featuring the illumination of the town centre's festive lights, a traditional Christmas market offering unique gifts, festive food and drink, and a historical atmosphere. <a href="https://www.tewkesburychristmaslights.com/">https://www.tewkesburychristmaslights.com/</a>

# 22 Nov -30 Dec Spectacle of Light. Sudeley Castle, Winchcombe

Experience the magic of Sudeley Castle after dark with this enchanting illuminated trail. Wander through the beautifully lit grounds and enjoy festive music and entertainment

https://sudeleycastle.co.uk/events/spectacle-of-light

# 23 Nov – 23 Dec Santa Specials. Gloucestershire Warwickshire Steam Railway. Embark on a magical journey with Santa Claus on the Gloucestershire Warwickshire Steam Railway. Enjoy a festive train ride, meet Santa, and receive a special gift. <a href="https://www.gwsr.com">www.gwsr.com</a>

# 30 Nov Tewkesbury Abbey Christmas Fayre

10am-4pm Get into the festive spirit at Tewkesbury Abbey's Christmas Fayre. Browse a wonderful selection of stalls featuring handmade gifts, delicious seasonal treats, and unique crafts. Enjoy festive music and soak up the atmosphere in the historic Abbey. Free entry.

https://www.tewkesburyabbey.org.uk/

# 30 Nov Tewkesbury Methodist Church Players Christmas Concert

An Evening of Songs and Sketches. 7pm Tewkesbury Methodist Church, The Cross

#### 30 Nov-4 Jan Cinderella.

Get ready for a magical pantomime adventure with Cinderella at the Roses Theatre! This family-friendly show is packed with laughter, music, and festive cheer. Join Cinderella as she escapes her wicked stepmother and stepsisters, with a little help from her Fairy Godmother, and finds her Prince Charming. Roses Theatre, Tewkesbury

https://www.rosestheatre.org/events/cinderella

# 30 Nov Songs from the Porch

An evening of alternative pop 'n' roll of the highest order with this Stroud based group. Postlip Hall, Nr Winchcombe, GL54 5AQ <a href="https://www.postliphall.org.uk/events.html">https://www.postliphall.org.uk/events.html</a>

#### 30 Nov - 1 Dec Mini Craft Market

Supporting local artists and craftspeople, helping to highlight the array of crafts available and the creativity of the people in the local area. 10.30am-4.30pm Nature In Art. Twigworth, Nr Gloucester, GL2 9PA <a href="https://natureinart.org.uk/mini-craft-markets/">https://natureinart.org.uk/mini-craft-markets/</a>

#### 6-7 Dec Winchcombe Christmas Market

Experience the magic of Christmas in the Cotswolds at the Winchcombe Christmas Market. Browse a delightful array of stalls offering unique gifts, festive food, and handcrafted treasures. Enjoy carol singing, live music, and a festive atmosphere in the heart of this charming town.

https://www.winchcombe.co.uk/

#### 7-8 Dec A Medieval Christmas:

Living History Step back in time and experience Christmas as it was celebrated in the Middle Ages. This living history event at the Merchants House offers a fascinating glimpse into festive traditions of the past. Meet costumed interpreters, discover medieval crafts and decorations, and enjoy festive storytelling 11am-4pm Drop In. The Merchants House, Church Street, Tewkesbury, GL20 5SN <a href="https://www.johnmooremuseum.org/">https://www.johnmooremuseum.org/</a>

## 7 Dec A Renaissance Christmas Concert

Experience the sounds of a Renaissance Christmas with this enchanting concert. Enjoy festive music from the 16th and 17th centuries performed in the atmospheric setting of the Old Baptist Chapel. 2.30pm Old Baptist Chapel, Church Street, Tewkesbury, GL20 5RZ

https://www.johnmooremuseum.org/

# 7 Dec Tewkesbury Town Band Christmas Concert.

Get into the festive spirit with a traditional Christmas concert performed by the Tewkesbury Town Band. Enjoy classic carols and festive favourites 7.30pm Roses Theatre, Tewkesbury <a href="https://www.rosestheatre.org/">https://www.rosestheatre.org/</a>

#### 8 Dec Carols at the Barn.

Embrace the festive spirit with an afternoon of joyful carol singing at the Tithe Barn in Bishop's Cleeve. This community event features performances by local choirs and musicians, offering a heartwarming celebration of Christmas through song. 4pm-5.30pm Tithe Barn, Bishops Cleeve <a href="https://www.cleeve-harmony.org.uk/">https://www.cleeve-harmony.org.uk/</a>

#### 12 Dec Christmas Celebration

With carols, mince pies and mulled wine. 7pm-9.15pm Nature In Art, Twigworth, Nr Gloucester <a href="https://natureinart.org.uk/">https://natureinart.org.uk/</a>

### 14 Dec Handel Messiah

https://www.tewkesburyabbey.org.uk/

An evening of beautiful music to begin your Christmas festivities. Handel's Messiah with the Tewkesbury Abbey Schola Cantorum and Bristol Ensemble, conducted by Simon Bell. Tewkesbury Abbey Scola Cantorum Bristol Ensemble. 7pm Tewkesbury Abbey

# 14 Dec X-MAS Bash 3 (Spunge) 4ft Fingers & Johnny Clash

7.30pm Watson Hall, Barton Street, Tewkesbury <a href="https://tewkesburytowncouncil.gov.uk/events/category/whats-on/">https://tewkesburytowncouncil.gov.uk/events/category/whats-on/</a>

# 15 Dec Carols by Candlelight.

Experience the beauty and serenity of traditional Christmas carols sung by candlelight in the atmospheric setting of St Michael's Church. This festive event offers a moment of reflection and celebration in the lead up to Christmas. 6.30pm St Michaels Church Bishops Cleeve <a href="https://www.stmichaelsbishopscleeve.co.uk/">https://www.stmichaelsbishopscleeve.co.uk/</a>

#### 17 Dec The Lorna and Laister Christmas Show

An afternoon of Magical Comedy & Song in their brand new Christmas Themed Variety Show for 2024. 2pm Roses Theatre, Tewkesbury <a href="https://www.rosestheatre.org/">https://www.rosestheatre.org/</a>

#### 19 Dec GreenMatthews' Gaudete!

Featuring Christmas carols, winter folk songs, toe-tapping tunes and a plethora of weird and wonderful instruments, Gaudete! brings the festive season to life in a riot of sound and colour! 7.30pm Roses Theatre, Tewkesbury <a href="https://www.rosestheatre.org/">https://www.rosestheatre.org/</a>

#### 22 Dec Cake & Carols.

Experience a fresh twist on Christmas with a contemporary carol service with an evening of festive music, mulled wine and delicious cake. 6.30pm St Michaels Church Bishops Cleeve

https://www.stmichaelsbishopscleeve.co.uk/

# 23 Dec Charity Christmas Quiz and meal.

7pm In aid of the Butterfly Garden. Gloucester Old Spot pub. <a href="mailto:eat@thegloucesteroldspot.co.uk">eat@thegloucesteroldspot.co.uk</a>

# 27 Dec -1 Jan 25 Mince pie Special.

Get ready to embark on a magical journey this holiday season with the Gloucestershire Warwickshire Steam Railway Mincepie Special. Climb aboard our beautifully restored vintage steam train and experience the charm of a bygone era, combined with the festive spirit that will warm your heart. Gloucestershire Warwickshire Steam Railway. <a href="https://www.gwsr.com">www.gwsr.com</a>

# Free parking in Tewkesbury Borough Council-owned car parks will be available in:

Tewkesbury – Sunday, 24 November, Saturday, 7 December and Saturday, 21 December.

Winchcombe – Saturday, 7 December, Saturday, 14 December and Saturday, 21 December.

Christmas in the Cotswolds song – Released 14th November

Facebook <a href="https://www.facebook.com/rwbmuk/">https://www.facebook.com/rwbmuk/</a>

Instagram: www.instagram.com/rwbmuk

X: www.x.com/rwbmuk