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# The English Riviera 2025: A Year of Unmissable Events!

The English Riviera is excited to announce its extraordinary calendar of events for 2025, promising a year of excitement, culture, and adventure in one of the UK's most stunning coastal destinations. From swashbuckling fun to gastronomic delights, there's something for everyone in South Devon next year.

## The Agatha Christie Festival presents: A Spring Gathering (12 April)

The Agatha Christie Festival welcomes visitors to experience **A Spring Gathering** in celebration of the new Agatha Christie statue. Enjoy author talks, book signings, and the Swinging Christies podcast. The day then ends with a glamorous ball at the Imperial Hotel. Attendees receive exclusive memorabilia, celebrating Agatha in her hometown with style and flair.



To find out more, visit: <u>https://www.englishriviera.co.uk/whats-on/the-agatha-christie-festival-presents-a-spring-gathering-p3581253</u>

# Set Sail for Adventure: The Brixham Pirate Festival (2 – 4 May)

Kick off the year's festivities with the beloved **Brixham Pirate Festival**, a weekend packed with familyfriendly entertainment, live music, and maritime history. Watch the port town transform into a bustling haven of pirates, a shanty market, complete with reenactments and seaside shenanigans for all ages.



To find out more, visit: https://www.englishriviera.co.uk/whats-on/featured-events/pirate-festival

## Sky-High Excitement: English Riviera Airshow (31 May – 1 June)

Prepare to be dazzled as the skies above the Riviera come alive with aerobatic displays, vintage aircraft, and thrilling stunts. But the fun isn't limited to the skies - experience English Riviera's funfair rides, meet visiting military experts and crews, browse local craft stalls, enjoy food and drink stands, and soak up a variety of entertainment. The **English Riviera Airshow** promises two days of heart-stopping excitement for aviation enthusiasts and families alike.



To find out more, visit: <u>https://www.englishriviera.co.uk/whats-on/featured-events/english-riviera-airshow</u>

## Discover on Foot: English Riviera Walking Festival (14 – 22 June)

Immerse yourself in the stunning landscapes of the South West Coast Path and UNESCO Geopark at the English Riviera Walking Festival. Offering guided walks for all abilities—from gentle strolls to challenging hikes—the festival features unique experiences like solstice yoga, sunset sketching, wild swimming, sea shanties, and foraging, all while exploring the breathtaking coastline, countryside, and charming towns.



To find out more, visit: <u>https://www.englishriviera.co.uk/whats-on/featured-events/english-riviera-walking-festival</u>

### Ride the Waves: Superchamps Stand-Up Paddleboard Championships (5 – 7 September)

Catch the action as top competitors take to the water for the **Superchamps Stand-Up Paddleboard** competition. Whether you're a seasoned paddleboarder or a curious onlooker, this dynamic event showcases skill, sportsmanship, and the thrill of the sport.

To find out more, visit: <u>https://www.englishriviera.co.uk/whats-on/stand-up-paddle-superchamps-</u> english-riviera-championships-p3540873

# Mystery and Intrigue: Agatha Christie Festival (13 – 21 September)

Step into the world of the Queen of Crime at the internationally acclaimed **Agatha Christie Festival**. From author talks and themed performances to exclusive tours of her birthplace and inspiration sites, this is a must for literature lovers and mystery fans alike.



To find more information, visit: <u>https://www.englishriviera.co.uk/be-inspired/agatha-christie/international-agatha-christie-festival</u>

# Taste the Coast: England's Seafood Feast (26 September – 12 October)

Savor the very best of local seafood at **England's Seafood Feast**, where restaurants and eateries across the region present their finest dishes. Fresh catches, innovative menus, and foodie experiences make this a culinary highlight of the year.



To find more information, visit: <u>https://www.englishriviera.co.uk/whats-on/featured-events/seafood-feast</u>

# A Spectacle of Light: Bay of Lights

End the year in awe with the enchanting **Bay of Lights** festival. This mesmerizing display of illuminated art and light installations transforms the Riviera into a glowing wonderland, offering a magical experience for visitors of all ages.



For more information, visit: https://www.englishriviera.co.uk/whats-on/featured-events/bay-of-lights

**Carolyn Custerson, CEO of English Riviera BID Company, said:** "The English Riviera is ready for an extraordinary year in 2025, with a calendar full of exciting events that showcase the very best of our region's culture, heritage, and natural beauty.

"From world-class festivals to unique local celebrations, there is something for everyone."

### **Plan Your Visit**

With such a diverse and vibrant lineup, 2025 is the perfect year to experience the beauty and excitement of the English Riviera. Whether you're a local, a returning visitor, or discovering the region for the first time, these incredible events promise unforgettable memories.

For more information and updates, visit www.englishrivierabid.co.uk

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### **About English Riviera**

The English Riviera Business Improvement District (BID) Company is a collaborative effort between over 1000 local businesses, authorities, and stakeholders dedicated to enhancing the tourism experience and promoting sustainable economic growth for Torbay.

With 22 miles of stunning coastline the English Riviera covers Torquay, Paignton and Brixham. Torquay is the birthplace of Agatha Christie, the world's greatest crime writer, and the resort offers a vast array of culture, history, water activities, spas, festivals, entertainment and food and drink experiences.

As a designated UNESCO Global Geopark, the English Riviera has gained international recognition for its 400 million years of geological heritage and is promoted as one 'Earth's Extraordinary Places.' The resort is also an international cruise port.

For more information for consumers visit\_www.englishriviera.co.uk and for businesses visit www.englishriviera.co.uk/bid.