Christmas Shopping & Eating

All cafes, restaurants, pubs and shops in the High Street, Church Street, West Street and The Steep are open and most are trading later than usual over the weekend. Snacks, cakes and refreshments by local groups are available at the village venues.

Village Trader Festival Events

Ashleigh Bishop: Art exhibition
Born Appetite: Sutton Hoo Gin tasting
Castle Coffee House: Hot chocolate themed donuts
Exmoor Through the Lens: 10% off over £20
HC Bakehouse: Free gift with £25 spend
Homecoming: £5 voucher for every £40 spend
Made in Dunster: Festival discount offers
Stags Head: Dragon's Blood Cocktails
The House of Sloan: 10% off over £50
The Olde House: Medieval specials
The Olde House Farmshop: starting point for festive village trail
Tom Deer: 10% off over £40
Yarn Market Hotel: Gala evening and carollers

See www.dunsterwinterfestival.co.uk and traders' own websites for more details

Festival Sponsors

Exmoor through the Lens Inspirations
Yarn Market Hotel
Dunster Living & Nina Dodd Photography
Tom Deer
The Olde House
Reeves Restaurant
Crooked Window Gallery

Other sponsors
(not within Dunster Village centre)

Cheeky Cherubs
Dunster Parish Council
Ellicombe Manor Cottages
Dunster Estate
G.A.Sully
Minehead Shed

Made in Dunster & Dunster Signage
The Oval Cottage

Tithe Barn

11AM - 4PM

FREE interactive medieval village throughout the day by Wessex Medieval Alliance (WMA) and Historical European Martial Arts (HEMA)

Refreshments by Tithe Barn Committee

11am-12pm: Local childrens' concert (free)

11.30am - 12pm: Kids' battle (free)

12pm - 1pm: *Talk* '**Introduction to Armour**' by WMA (£5 on the door)

1.30pm - 2pm: Kids' battle (free)

1.30pm - 2.30pm: *Talk* **'Epiphanies - the Brain's Magic Trick'** by Angela Patmore (£5 on the door)

2pm - 3pm: *Demo* HEMA longsword battle (free)

From 3pm: Meet '**Amadeus**' the beautiful black stallion star of screen and stage also known as the 'Llyods Bank' horse and his rider Jonathan Marshall

4pm - 5pm: *Talk* '**Uncovering Dunster's Medieval Buildings**' by Somerset Archaeology and Natural History Society.Tickets £8 - book on Festival website or on the door

St George's Church

Refreshments available

11am -12.30pm Join Taunton Thespians for theatrical workshop to join the chorus of their play (free)

1pm - 2pm: Taunton Thespian's performance of '**The Nun's Tale**' by Geoffrey Chaucer (free)

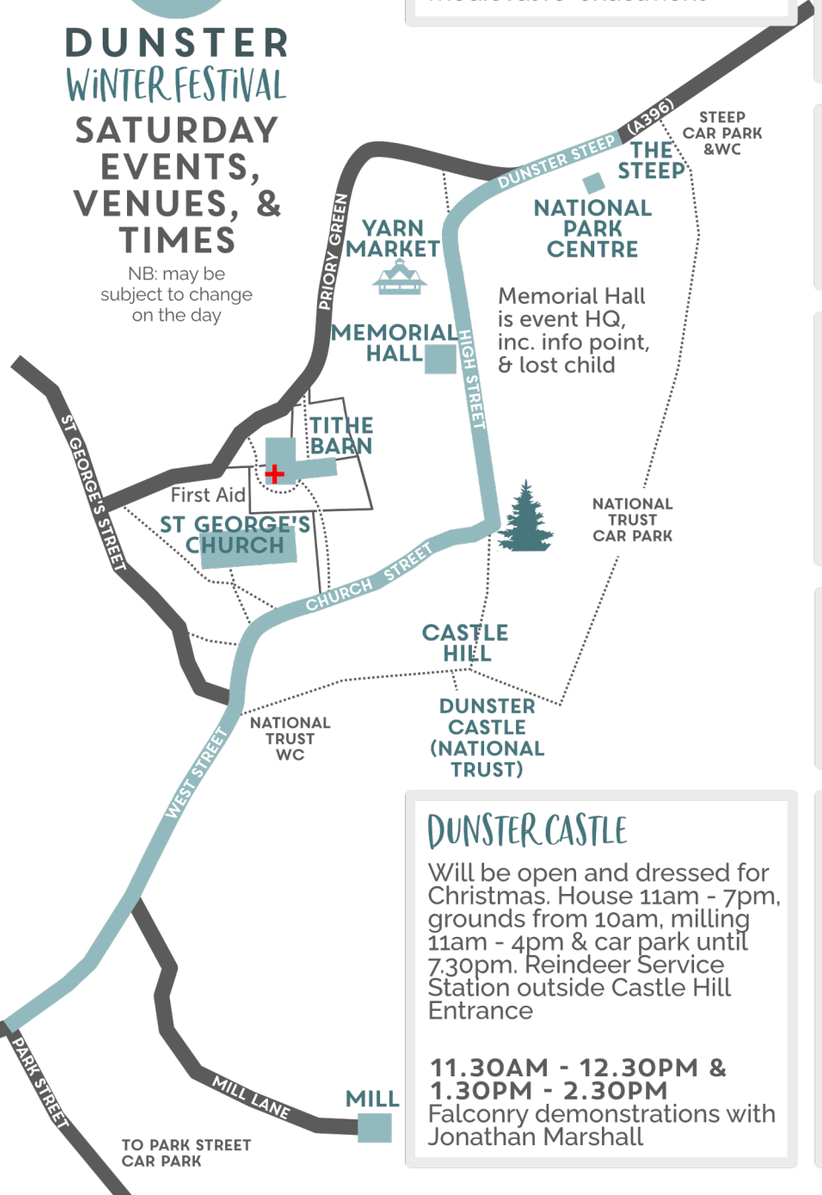
2.15pm: Dunster Carollers (free)

5.30 - 6.40pm: '**An Audience wth the King**'. Meet King Henry VIII and experience Mike Farley's unique blend of humour, historical knowledge and live musicianship. Tickets £8 - book on Festival website or on the door

Dunster Winter Festival

Saturday Events, Venues, & Times

NB: may be subject to change on the day



The Steep & Village Wide

11AM - 4PM

'Pillage the Village' Bowlore medieval re-enactment

Dunster Castle

Will be open and dressed for Christmas. House 11am - 7pm, grounds from 10am, milling 11am - 4pm & car park until 7.30pm. Reindeer Service Station outside Castle Hill Entrance

11.30AM - 12.30PM & 1.30PM - 2.30PM
Falconry demonstrations with Jonathan Marshall

National Park Centre

11AM - 5PM

Children's games & crafts by Homestart. Santa's Grotto - for timed tickets contact Homestart to see Santa or buy on the day

Yarn Market

12pm - 2pm: Skin Tight Samba

From 3pm: Dunster Carollers & Dunster First School Choir

Memorial Hall

11AM - 4PM

The Museum and Doll Collection will be open & Dunster's 'Knit & Natter' group will be spinning and weaving in constume and selling their craft

Castle Hill

12.30PM - 1PM

'George v the Dragon' performance by HEMA in costume

Village Wide

Follow the dragon's footsteps around the village:
- Festive village trail: find the numbered 'Olde House' milk bottles in participating shops - pick up the trail flyer at '**The Olde House Farm Shop**' and return it to win a prize
- Explore the village and find the Best Dressed Residential and Business windows