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# discover Dartmouth

## Discover Dartmouth this summer

Delve into delicious Dartmouth with food and drink experiences not to be missed, including Mitch Tonk's Seahorse Restaurant 'Guest Chef Takeover' events

Award-winning places to stay: Time for some rest and relaxation for the whole family at Dart Marina Hotel and Spa



*Visit Dartmouth for a host of food and drink experiences, including the annual Dartmouth Food Festival.*

Picturesque Dartmouth in South Devon is a vibrant and stylish town just waiting to be explored and if you are a food lover, then Dartmouth is definitely the place for you this summer. This historic, naval town, located on the River Dart, is simply brimming with award-winning venues offering a winning combination of first rate food and accommodation.

Dartmouth is set to host a mouthwatering lineup of food and drink events that will showcase the variety of local produce in Dartmouth and the surrounding area. From Mitch Tonks' Seahorse restaurant 'Guest Chef takeovers', to literary dinners, yoga boat suppers and the annual Dartmouth Food Festival, this town in Devon really is a foodie heaven!

Why not contact us about a press trip to Dartmouth or for further information of the fabulous places to stay and eat?

Dartmouth's fabulous foodie events 2019:



*Mitch Tonks' Seahorse Restaurant is to host Guest Chef Takeover Events this summer*

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Mitch Tonks' Seahorse Restaurant – Guest Chef 'Take-Over' Events

June 23<sup>rd</sup> – with guest Chef's from 'Prawn on the Lawn' (Further dates to be announced soon)

Mitch Tonk's award winning Seahorse Restaurant, located on the banks of the River Dart, has been listed in the top 100 restaurants in the UK for a consecutive 10 years. This summer the Seahorse is inviting specially selected guests chefs to the restaurant as part of their series of pop-up 'take-over' events. The first guest chefs to host will be the team from 'Prawn on the Lawn' who will be showcasing their foodie expertise to patrons on June 23<sup>rd</sup>. The Evening Standard says of them 'the quality of food served at Prawn on the Lawn is little short of miraculous'. Other Chefs slated to participate in the Seahorse take-overs are Angela Hartnett, Neil Borthwick, Mark Hix and Henry Harris. For more details (coming soon) visit: <https://www.seahorserestaurant.co.uk/news/>

Yoga Supper Evening, Dartmouth

25<sup>th</sup> June, 9<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> July and 6<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> August 1700-2130

Sign up for an evening of yoga, meditation, healthy freshly prepared food and good conversations alongside the quay in Dartmouth. You will be able to enjoy: A 1.5 hour yoga and meditation class. A meal of healthy local produce, prepared on board. People of all experiences are welcome. Price £31.45. For more detail visit:

<https://www.discoverdartmouth.com/whats-on/yoga-supper-evening-p2671833>

Agatha Christie literary dinner at Greenway House

12<sup>th</sup> September 1900-2130

At this book club with a twist, champagne and canapés will be followed by a tour of the house, then dinner and a chaired discussion of Christie's literary works, by Dr John Curran, author of 'Agatha Christie's Secret Notebooks.' Booking essential 01803 842382 £100 (including three-course dinner and drinks)

Dartmouth Food Festival

18th October 2019 – 20th October 2019

The Dartmouth Food Festival is back from Friday 18th to Sunday 20th October with a tempting mix of delicious regional food and drink, chef demonstrations, workshops, lively food debates and fun for all the family. The festival sees around 20,000 + people flock to the town and is paradise for food fans with more than 100 South West producers showcasing their delicious produce, a packed programme of events and a line-up of celebrated chefs demonstrating their skills and inspiring festival goers. Entry to the festival is free with a charge for some events. For more detail visit: [www.discoverdartmouth.com/whats-on/food-and-drink-events](http://www.discoverdartmouth.com/whats-on/food-and-drink-events)

## Dartmouth's foodie favourites:

### Café Alf Resco

Known affectionately as 'Alf's', this is the 'must visit' dining destination for Dartmouth visitors. Café Alf Resco is a renowned foodie spot, located in a characterful townhouse by the waterside. Serving its famous breakfast through to evening, it's the perfect spot for people watching and chatting with friends. The Café is an exciting fusion of delicious fresh food & drink, vibrant atmosphere, live music & ensuite accommodation and was voted one of the Top 50 Cafes in the Country by The Guardian 2017. Open 7am-2pm, 7 days a week, all year round Café Alf Resco's focus is on serving up local, freshly prepared food & drink. The Café is fully licensed and serves local ales and juices, as well as a tempting selection of wines and cheeses. Children of all ages are welcome morning and evening & menu items can be tailored to their taste buds. Alf's also love welcoming dogs & they can enjoy their very own 'doggy sausage' if they like.

For more details visit: <http://www.cafealfresco.co.uk/>

### The Cellar Door Kitchen at Sharpham's Wine and Cheese

For wine and cheese lovers a visit to Dartmouth wouldn't be complete without a visit to Sharpham Vineyard on the banks of the River Dart. The vineyard offers an array of experiences, from a self-guided 'trek and taste' to a full-blown 'vine to wine' tour. If you are lunching at Sharpham then pop into the seasonal café, 'The Cellar Door Kitchen' which is a sumptuous alfresco kitchen situated in the picturesque grounds Sharpham Vineyard near Totnes. The Cellar Door Kitchen is a recent venture from head chef Daniel Teage and his partner Charlie Ramsdale, producing delicious dishes from a variety of local and seasonal ingredients, including many handpicked from the estate itself.

For more detail visit <https://sharpham.com/>

### Bayards Cove Inn

Bayards Cove Inn is steeped in history, the building dates from 1380 and was frequented by The Pilgrims, who set sail on the Mayflower ship in 1620 from Southampton ahead of their voyage of discovery to America and moored up at Bayards Cove for some vital repairs. Bayards Cove Inn offers 7 comfortable and stylishly appointed bedrooms in its atmospheric townhouse location. The Inn offers a varied menu, including plenty of fresh seafood specials and first class service.

For more detail visit: <https://www.bayardscoveinn.co.uk/>

### The Harbour & Galleon Bars at the Royal Castle Hotel Dartmouth

The Harbour and Galleon Bar, based at the Royal Castle Hotel, is a traditional English pub bursting with charm and character. A wide range of food and drink is on offer. Open fires burn during the cooler months when they serve spit roasts from the Lydstone range. Live Jazz plays at the Galleon bar every Sunday from 3.30pm until 5.30pm. Children are also welcome until 7.00pm.

For more detail visit: <https://www.royalcastle.co.uk/>

### Mitch Tonks – Rockfish Restaurant

Mitch Tonks Dartmouth restaurant is a real gem of a place. It overlooks the spectacular river Dart, which is full of activity – from fishing & sailing boats to super yachts – all year long. The restaurant has 65 covers, and on cold days they light the log burner so you can sit by the fire and enjoy your seafood! After lunch there are some wonderful shops, pubs, walks and boat trips to enjoy. There is also take-away situated at the top of the ramp of the Lower Ferry, serving the same great seafood.

For more details visit: <https://www.mitchtonks.co.uk/stories/rockfish-dartmouth/>

### Where to stay – Dart Marina Hotel and Spa, Dartmouth:



Within a few steps of the magical River Dart in an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, Dart Marina Hotel & Spa is a rare find. It's the kind of place which draws people back time and time again. Located within the Dart Marina development, the hotel, apartments and spa is about a ten minute stroll from the centre of South Devon's Dartmouth town.

The Dart Marina Hotel and Spa is based in a breathtaking location in the South Hams of Devon, it has a stylish but relaxing atmosphere throughout. The Hotel offers a variety of luxurious river facing hotel rooms and self-catering apartments, some of which are dog friendly. The restaurant is stocked with superb local produce and guests can dine outside by the river, in the restaurant or take an afternoon tea on the terrace.

Guest also have access to the onsite Dart Marina spa, with pool, Jacuzzi, steam room and more (we recommend booking any spa treatments early). Throughout the year children staying in the hotel are welcome in the spa at certain times of day, meaning the whole family can enjoy some pampering and relaxation. There is also free and easily accessible parking available at the hotel. For late availability deals please visit:

<https://www.dartmarina.com/Late-availability> For more detail visit: <https://www.dartmarina.com/Home>

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Editors notes:

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