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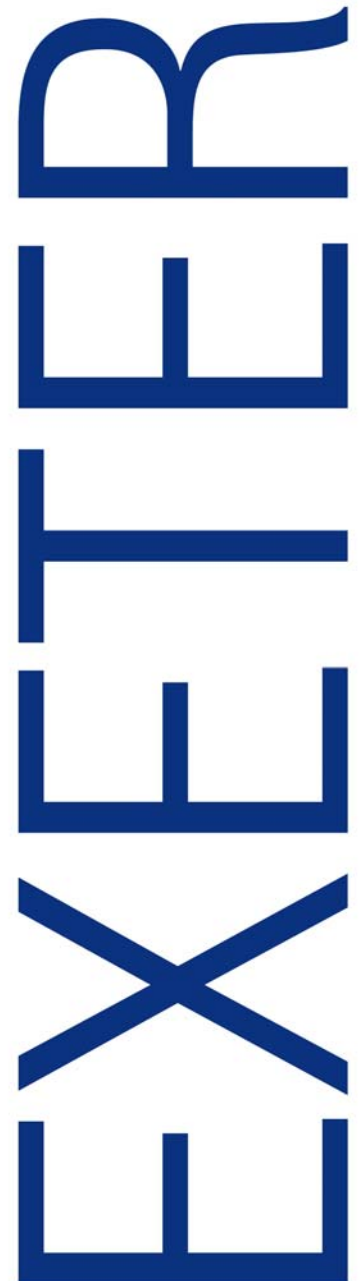
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ETO HANDEL *fest*

Commemorate the 250th anniversary of the death of Georg Frederic Handel with English Touring Opera this autumn. Five fully staged productions take to the road and with them they bring the highest achievement in opera in this country.

Totally immerse yourself in Handel and come along to a wide range of related events during the festival.

“if you find yourself somewhere within reach of English Touring Opera's orbit... don't think about it - just book and go.” Guardian Online



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In order to make your visit to Cambridge as effortless as possible, we have taken the care to compile a selection of accommodation, eateries, and places of interest which have been suggested to us by our local networkers and tourist information offices.

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Stocker Road
Exeter
Devon EX4 4QB
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Performance Schedule

3 November ***FLAVIO***
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All performances start at 7.30pm

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Schedule of Events...

Date	Time	Event	Venue	Price
Tue 3rd Nov	17:30	Historical society meeting, hosted by Professor Jeremy Black 'The World of George Frederic Handel'	Lecture Theatre, Institute of Arab Islamic Studies Building, Stocker Rd, University of Exeter	FREE
	Followed by	Festival launch	Theatre foyer	FREE
	19:30	FLAVIO		
Wed 4th Nov	14:00	Vocal Masterclass with Jonathan Peter Kenny (Counter Tenor) and Joseph McHardy (Harpsichord)	Great Hall Exeter University	£5/£2* *students
	18:30	Pre-show Talk - Love and succession – Setting <i>Teseo</i> among the Hanoverians	Peter Chalk Centre Exeter University	FREE
	19:30	TESEO		
Thurs 5th Nov	18:30	Pre show talk - <i>Tolomeo</i> – What is pastoral now?	Peter Chalk Centre Exeter University	FREE
	19:30	TOLOMEO		
	22:10	Digital Fireworks & post show drinks	Theatre foyer	FREE
Fri 6th Nov	13:00-14:00	Florid Style , an Illustrated Recital A recital and a demonstration of the art of vocal improvisation in baroque song. Singer and conductor Jonathan Peter Kenny works with singers Katherine Manley and Nathan Vale .	Exeter Library	£4 Including refreshments
	18:30	Pre-show Talk - <i>Ariodante</i> – Goodness and its shortcomings	Peter Chalk Centre Exeter University	FREE
	19:30	ARIODANTE		
Sat 7th Nov	10:30-12:30	Continuo Masterclass with Rob Howarth (Harpsichord) and Kinga Gaborjani ('cello)	Knightly Exeter University	£5/£2* *students
	13:30-16:30	Messiah open rehearsal with Exeter University Orchestra and ETO Players	Harrison Exeter University	Free
	16:30	Festival Feedback , Join members of the company and fellow festival goers for an informal discussion about Festival performances and events	Theatre Foyer	FREE
	18:30	Pre-show Talk - <i>Alcina</i> – Enchantment and History	Peter Chalk Centre Exeter University	FREE
	19:30	ALCINA		

Buy your Handelfest Pass for £10 and get access to all activities, or get a **FREE Handel Passport** when purchasing tickets to all 5 operas.

Available to purchase from ETO 020 7833 2555
 handel@englishtouringopera.org.uk

Passport holders: Seats for some events are limited, please register your interest with ETO to avoid disappointment.

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How to get there...

By Car

From London it is only 200 miles to Exeter and the journey takes approximately 2 hours and 40 minutes. There is ample parking at the campus, which costs a flat rate of only £3 between 8am and 6pm: you must buy and display a ticket. With this you can park anywhere designated staff or student – without it you'll get clamped!

By Train

From London, trains depart from Waterloo and Paddington and arrive at either St. David's Station or Central Station, Exeter. St David's is marginally closer to the Theatre, but Central is more, well, central. Journey time is between 2 & 3 ½ hours (the trains from Waterloo are generally slower). Buses to the University go from the High Street and from both stations, and take about 5 minutes.

Venue

There is a cafe bar FOH open from 12.00 to 2.00 and from 6:00pm to curtain up. Also open from 10 - 12a.m. for coffee. There is also a campus shop and pub food in the student union quite near the theatre but it's best to think ahead about food, as it is quite a walk into the city centre for M&S etc.

Exeter Library

Castle Street
Exeter
Devon EX4 3PQ
01392 384200
www.devon.gov.uk

Great Hall, Exeter University

Stocker Road
Exeter
EX4 4PZ
www.ex.ac.uk

The Great Hall is situated on the University of Exeter Campus. It is next door to the Northcott Theatre.

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Places to Stay...



Queens Court Hotel

Bystock Terrace
Exeter
Devon EX4 4HY

Telephone: 01392 272709
<http://www.queenscourt-hotel.co.uk/>

Less than 1 mile from the theatre (3 minute drive, 10 minute walk)...

Queens Court Hotel, Exeter, has a rich history dating back to 1840. Located in a unique and gracious period terrace and set on a quiet leafy square the hotel, which is a Grade II listed building, has undergone extensive refurbishment.

Single £87
Double £97 – £102



St Olaves Hotel

Mary Arches Street
Exeter
EX4 3AZ

Telephone: 01392 217736
<http://www.olaves.co.uk/>

Just over 1 mile from the theatre (4 minutes drive, 10 minute walk)...

St Olaves is a former Georgian town house originally built over 200 years ago for one of the prominent local merchants. The hotel whilst situated in the very heart of Exeter has its own parking and a secluded walled garden for relaxation or informal dining. We are only 400 yards from the Cathedral and within five minutes walk of the shopping facilities.

Double (en-suite) £115
Superior Double (en-suite) £125

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The Garden House B&B

No. 4 Hoopern Avenue,
Exeter,
Devon EX4 6DN

Telephone: 01392 256255

<http://www.exeterbedandbreakfast.co.uk/>

Less than 1 mile from the theatre (3 minute drive, 10 minute walk)...

This is an elegant 'Silver Award' bed & breakfast accommodation (ETC 4 diamonds) in the heart of Exeter, adjoining the beautiful grounds of the University of Exeter.

Single = £40

Luxury Twin = £75



Lower Allercombe Farm

Rockbeare
Exeter
Devon EX5 2HD

Telephone: 01404 822519

<http://www.lowerallercombefarm.co.uk/>

Situated 11 miles from the theatre (25 minutes by car)...

Lower Allercombe Farm is a listed 17th Century farmhouse nestling in a rural hamlet east of Exeter. A friendly welcome awaits you in this comfortable home; superb breakfasts cooked in an Aga using mainly local or home produce.

Lower Allercombe Farm is conveniently situated near Exeter for Exeter's shopping centre, Exeter University, Exeter Business Park, Exeter International Airport, Westpoint, Escot and major routes to the South West. We also offer a free shuttle service for guests requiring transport to the Airport.

Single £55 – £70

Double £35 – 45

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Coombe House Hotel

Gittisham
Honiton
Nr Exeter
Devon EX14 3AD

Telephone: 01404 540400

<http://www.thishotel.com/>

Situated 16 miles from the theatre (30 minutes by car)...

"Imagine a wildly romantic Grade 1 Elizabethan Manor set in 3,500 acres of one of Devon's finest country estates, close to the sea for long coastal walks, yet just a short drive from the historic city of Exeter. Listed as one of the most romantic hotels in Great Britain and voted "Best Restaurant in Devon 2006" by Devon Life Readers, Combe is a place you will love.

Single £150 - £170

Double £170 - £340



The Old Inn

Charlotte Hammick and Caspar Romer
The Old Inn
Drewsteignton
Exeter EX6 6QR

Telephone: 01647 281 276

<http://www.old-inn.co.uk/>

Situated 16 miles from the theatre (40 minutes by car)...

"The Old Inn is in the centre of Drewsteignton village, Lutyens' Castle Drogo is on the other side of the valley less than a mile away, the famous Drewe Arms pub is almost next door and the Two Moors Way passes the front door.

Single £60 - £85

Double £75 - £100

5% off if you book for 3 nights or more.

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Places to Eat...

Northcott Theatre Café Bar

Stocker Road, Exeter, Devon, EX4 4QB

Look out for a modern and stylish new menu, perfect for a light lunch or pre-show supper. We'll be using fresh and where possible locally sourced ingredients to create a mouth-watering experience.

As ever we offer an excellent range of freshly ground coffees, hot chocolates, teas and pastries available throughout the day.

Café opening times:

Always open Mon - Fri 10am - 2pm

On performance days:

Mon - Fri 10am - 7.30pm

Sat 12pm - 7.30pm

Sun 6pm - 7.30pm

Bar Opening Times:

Mon - Sat 12noon - 2pm

Performance nights 5.45pm - late

The Dinosaur Café

5 New North Rd, 01392 490 951

The Dinosaur Cafe is a Turkish cafe by Exeter clock tower which serves anything from a full English breakfast to Turkish specialty dishes. This café is welcoming and accommodating and the food is good and reasonably priced. There is also a decent range of vegetarian food on offer as well.

Herbies Vegetarian Restaurant

15 North Street, 01392 258 473

This is a fantastic place for something a bit different, there is a wide selection of delicious meals available - everything tastes out of this world! This cafe-style restaurant is always busy and there is a reason for this. The place is bright (lots of nice art on the walls) with a bright atmosphere and bright friendly staff - you leave feeling very satisfied; this is a place and menu with soul - vegetarian or not you can't go wrong.



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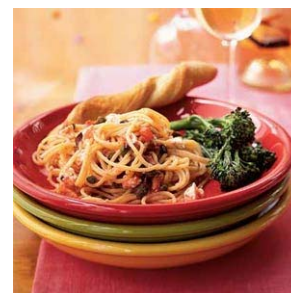
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Spaghetti House

23-24 North St, 01392 250414

This quaint Italian restaurant is very inexpensive and is perfectly located for drinks in town after your meal. The food is good and you get very healthy sized portions. The prices are very good too, around £7 for a pasta main course. The service is brilliant and the staff are friendly and pleasant.



Michael Caines (At the Royal Clarence Hotel)

Cathedral Yard, 01392 223 638



Start off with a flûte of Champagne in the Michael Caines Champagne and Cocktail Bar while perusing the à la carte menu that changes with the seasons before moving in to the stunning dining room to enjoy your meal at your leisure.

The Cat in the Hat

29 Magdalen Road, 0871 7144794

Fixed Price Menu: £9.95 for two courses, £14.95 for three courses.

Otherwise known as the 'Prix Fixe' menu, and is available at lunchtime and in the early evening until 7 pm. The 'Prix Fixe' is a two or three course meal of freshly cooked seasonal dishes of superb quality, at an incredible price! So why not pop in for dinner before the theatre?

Lunch: 12.00 - 2.30pm

Dinner: 6pm - last table 9.30pm



Pizza Express

2 Broadgate, Exeter, EX1 1HJ 01392 495 788

This is a listed building overlooking Exeter Cathedral. The restaurant has been restored, with the old city wall still visible and has a warm and cosy atmosphere.

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Local Attractions...



Exeter Cathedral

Exeter Cathedral, 1 The Cloisters, Exeter, EX1 1HS

<http://www.exeter-cathedral.org.uk/>

Telephone: 01392 255573

Location: The Cathedral lies to the south of High Street (the main shopping street) between the Guildhall Shopping Centre and Queen Street.

Opening Hours: 9.30 am - 5.00 pm Monday to Saturday

Entrance charges apply.

Exeter's St Peters Cathedral with its two magnificent towers has been dominating the city's skyline since 1114. The Cathedral is one of Exeter's most popular and well-known visitor attractions.



Underground Passages

Paris Street, Exeter

<http://www.exeter.gov.uk/index.aspx?articleid=2914>

Telephone: 01392 665887

Location: Entrance located in Paris Street, within the Princesshay Quarter.

Opening Hours:

Monday Closed

Tuesday - Friday 11.30am - 5.30pm (last tour 4.30pm)

Saturday 9.30am - 5.30pm (last tour 4.30pm)

Sunday 11.30am - 4pm (last tour 3pm)

These unique medieval subterranean aqueducts were built in the 14th century to provide the city with a constant supply of fresh water from springs outside the walls. The water would travel through lead pipes, as these pipes would sometimes spring leaks, the passages were therefore constructed to avoid the expense and time involved with keep digging them up.

Today, guests to the visitor centre can see interactive displays, exhibits and watch a video presentation all about the underground passages before being guided down beneath the city through a sequence of tunnels.

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Paignton Zoo Environmental Park

Totnes Road, Paignton, Devon, TQ4 7EU

<http://www.paigntonzoo.org.uk/>

Telephone: 01803 697500

Location: On the A3022 Totnes Road, just outside of Paignton
 Opening Times: 10am-6pm

Paignton Zoo was founded by Herbert Whitley, a shy, eccentric, millionaire, and was opened to the public in 1923. Torbay Zoological Gardens, as it was known, included monkeys, bison, zebras, baboons and many birds. Entry was one shilling for adults and sixpence for children. From the earliest times education, conservation and botanical themes were important.

Red coat guided tour

These **free** tours meet outside the Abode Royal Clarence Hotel in Cathedral Yard, or outside the Quay House Visitor Centre on Exeter's Historic Quayside.

No need to book, just turn up.

01392 265203

www.exeter.gov.uk/guidedtours



Day	Tour	Time
Monday	Exeter Old & New	11.00am
	Medieval Treasures of Exeter	2.00pm
Tuesday	Cathedral to Quay	11.00am
	Forgotten Exeter with Tuckers Hall	2.00pm
	Ghosts and legends	7.00pm
Wednesday	Cathedral Close & Cloisters	11.00am
	Exeter Old & New	2.00pm
Thursday	Forgotten Exeter with Tuckers Hall	11.00am
	Elegant Exeter	2.00pm
Friday	Cathedral Close & Cloisters	11.00am
	Exeter Old & New	2.00pm
Saturday	Medieval Treasures of Exeter	11.00am
	Introducing Exeter	2.00pm
Sunday	Cathedral to Quay	11.00am
	Around the Close	2.00pm

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South Devon Coast

A 20 minute drive will take you to the South Devon coast with many beautiful beaches. On the way you could visit Powderham Castle or stop for a “Devon Cream Tea” at one of the many picturesque villages. Also within easy access is Dartmoor with its diverse landscapes - wild and rugged in parts yet also offering gentle, meandering streams with unexpected waterfalls. A trip to the Eden Project would make a lovely day out from Exeter.

Quayside

Exeter's Historic Quayside is one of the most attractive areas of the city, popular with locals and visitors alike for its fascinating history, interesting architecture and lively pubs and restaurants. It is also just a 10 minute walk, or short bus ride, from the city centre.



The Quayside has been enhanced to provide a fascinating mix of historic and contemporary design. It is the ideal place to browse in antique shops, walk and cycle, take a relaxing boat trip or find something good to eat. Historic Quayside is a great place for shopping too and it has an eclectic mix of antiques and textiles, as well as clothing, home wares, and water sports equipment. It is the perfect place to pick up a special gift in small independent stores. Most of the craft workshops are located in historic cellars and bonded warehouses on the River Exe. Many of the wares are made on site. It is the perfect place to find something beautiful and unusual.

Why not cross the river on Butts Ferry, one of only five floating bridges in the country, and visit the restaurants and galleries on Piazza Terracina and Haven Banks. There is a great view of the Historic Quayside and graceful Regency Colleton Crescent from this side of the river.



Shopping

Exeter offers the ultimate shopping experience in a heritage destination, ranging from well known names in the High Street and Guildhall Shopping Centre to quality shops and restaurants of the revitalized multimillion pound Princesshay Quarter. For distinctive independent shops, visit the medieval cobbled Gandy Street, Cathedral Yard, Magdalen Road and Harlequins Shopping Centre.

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Tourist Information

Exeter Visitor Information & Tickets
Dix's Field, Exeter, EX1 1GF
01392 665700
evit@exeter.gov.uk

Taxis

Capital & City Taxis www.exeter-taxis.co.uk - 01392 218440

A1 Cabs Contracts Ltd www.a1-taxi.co.uk - 01392 218888

Jay Cars www.jaycars.co.uk - 01392 217000