

## Christmas Market

Sat 12 – Sun 13 Nov

Find that perfect gift or treat at a traditional Christmas market, set in and around our historic buildings. Bustling stalls with arts, crafts, food, unusual gifts and much more. Avoid the parking charges in town and shop in our lovely downland setting! Admission only £2.50, including access to all Museum exhibits.



## Tree Dressing

Sun 4 Dec 12.30 – 4pm



A wonderful celebration for all the family of the life-giving properties of trees. Make a lantern (bring a jam jar!), and join the procession to dress the trees as darkness falls. Plus headdress making, music, and seasonal tasty treats.

## A Sussex Christmas

Mon 26 Dec – Sun 1 Jan 2012

Experience the traditions of Christmas past and discover how our ancestors enjoyed the Festive Season. Walk off the Christmas pud as you enjoy our traditionally decorated houses with their crackling log fires, with many decorated for Christmas in the style of the period when they were originally built. Also enjoy a variety of festive fare, music and stories. Come and enjoy a truly merry Sussex Christmas in our beautiful downland setting.



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## Directions

**By car:** Just off A286 Chichester to Midhurst road at Singleton village.

**By bus:** No 60 from Chichester or Midhurst. 20% entry discount on presentation of Stagecoach Coastline bus ticket, valid on day of purchase only.

**By rail:** Chichester 7 miles, Haslemere 15 miles.



## Museum open throughout the year

**1 Jan – 20 Feb** open Wed, Sat and Sun only. From **21 Feb** open daily until **23 Dec**, plus daily for 'A Sussex Christmas' **26 Dec – 1 Jan 2012**. Opening times: 10.30 – 6pm British Summer Time, 10.30 – 4pm rest of year.

## Admission

Adults £9.50, over 60s £8.50, children £5, family £26 (2+3), under 4s free. Group rates (pre-booking only, group size 15+) adult £8.50, over 60s £8, child/school £3.50.

**Annual Friends Membership:** unlimited free entry to the Museum for a year, including special event days. Individual and family prices from only £22, less than cost of 2½ single visits.

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Weald & Downland Open Air Museum

# Events 2011



Events and activities  
to celebrate the  
lives and skills of  
our rural past



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Our events are inspired by the lives and times reflected at the Museum and are included in the normal admission. Visit [www.wealldown.co.uk](http://www.wealldown.co.uk) for regular updates on all events, and other seasonal heritage activities.

## Cool Crafts Week Half Term activities

Mon 21 – Fri 25 February 11am – 3pm

Put on your winter woollies and wellies, come to the Museum and warm up with a week of creative activities and countryside skills: outdoor trails, arts, crafts and ideas to inspire accompanied children of all ages. Under cover if wet.



## Open House on Mothering Sunday

Sun 3 April

A special spring day to welcome visitors old and new at the start of the season. £2 entry for everyone, plus our traditional bunch of daffodils for mothers and grandmothers!



## Easter at the Museum

Wed 13 & 20 April

Wonderful Easter Wednesdays

Hands-on activities, crafts and games to occupy accompanied children of all ages.

All activities run 11am – 4pm.

Sun 24 – Mon 25 April Easter Activities

Activities and Easter celebrations, with a bonnet competition and parade on the Monday.



## Food and Farming Fair

Sun 1 – Mon 2 May

A wonderful choice of delicious fare to sample and buy from quality producers, plus tastings, cookery classes and demonstrations. The stands will feature a stunning array of produce all located in and among the historic buildings on the Museum's site. The Food Fair will also feature displays, demonstrations and activities celebrating many aspects of downland farming, and new for 2011, there will be a chance to enjoy period music as you wander around the site.



## South Downs Springtime Half Term activities

Mon 30 May – Fri 3 June 11am – 4pm



Come and enjoy springtime in the countryside. Learn about the natural world, and enjoy arts, crafts, games and much more. For accompanied children of all ages, under cover if wet.

## Heavy Horse and Working Animals Show

Sat 4 – Sun 5 June

One of the south's biggest gatherings of heavy horses: two unforgettable days of displays and demonstrations of horses at work on traditional tasks, and a wide variety of other working animals in action. There's continuous ringside commentary and a parade of horses at the end of each day, plus a chance to meet the animals and their proud owners.



## Fathers Day

Sun 19 June



Toys For The Boys! A chance for dad (and the rest of the family!) to try some unusual countryside activities. Drive a vintage tractor, try archery, air rifles, work with the Shire horses and enjoy competitions and demonstrations around our lovely downland site.

## Rare Breeds Show

Sun 17 July

Four legs, furry legs, feathered legs...come and see cattle, sheep, pigs, goats and poultry in this delightful agricultural show for rare and traditional breeds of farm animals. With prizes at stake, and classes for young handlers, it's one of the biggest shows of its kind in the south east and hugely popular with visitors and exhibitors alike. Plus craft and trade stands with a countryside theme.



## Wonderful Wednesdays Children's activities

27 July – 31 Aug 11am – 4pm



Hands-on fun and activities to occupy children of all ages! Have a go at all kinds of interesting and unusual countryside skills, traditional crafts, activities and games. The perfect antidote to holiday boredom! Under cover if wet.

## Festival of Steam

Sat 13 – Sun 14 Aug

All the bustle and excitement of a Steam Festival, with steam engines on display and demonstrating the kind of work around the Museum's site for which they were originally designed. With steam rollers, steam lorries, model boats, miniature railways and engines, and the ever-popular steam-powered carousel gallopers.



## Autumn Countryside Show

Sat 8 – Sun 9 Oct



Experience the sights, sounds and smells of the countryside at harvest time. At this beautiful time of year, enjoy heavy horses and vintage tractors ploughing, steam-powered threshing, falconry and dog displays, craft demonstrations and a chance to buy gifts with a countryside theme at the many craft and trade stands.

## Autumn Adventures Half Term activities

Mon 24 – Fri 28 Oct 11am – 4pm

Wickedly wonderful seasonal activities, fun and farming for accompanied children of all ages! Carve a really scary pumpkin, play conkers, and enjoy arts, crafts and much more. Under cover if wet.

