



WHAT'S ON GUIDE

JAN-MAR 2020





WELCOME TO ROYAL TUNBRIDGE WELLS!

Royal Tunbridge Wells, nestled in an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty on the Kent and East Sussex border has always been a leisure destination since the discovery of the Chalybeate Spring in 1606.

Rich in culture and heritage, Royal Tunbridge Wells is worth visiting at any time. There's always tons to do, the listings in this guide are in date order, making it really easy to see at a glance what's on.

Panto season is nearly over for another year but you might still be lucky enough to get tickets for Peter Pan at The Assembly Hall Theatre or The Snow Queen at Trinity Theatre, both shows are on till the 5th January. The Ice Rink is open until the 5th January too – a perfect chance to get your skates on!

After the hustle and bustle of Christmas, the new year is always a little quieter, the highlight of this season has to be The Lantern Parade, lighting up the dark winter evenings. This year, weather permitting, the Lantern Parade will take place on the 8th February, starting in Calverley Road, turning left into Mount Pleasant Road along Monson Road and then onto Grosvenor & Hilbert park. Visually stunning, the Lantern Parade is a fabulous community event and you can participate in the parade by picking up a Lantern Making Kit in several shops around the town centre – see the entry on Page 13 for more details.

There's plenty of superb stand up, live music, musicals, drama and culture all year round in Royal Tunbridge Wells, you can even start the new year with a new hobby – creative writing and life drawing classes at Saltmarsh on Monson Road are all listed in this guide.

Remember, local shops aren't just for Christmas, they are there all year round! Sales start days after Christmas, perfect for treating yourself.

Maps, heritage guides and more information can be picked up from the Tourist Information Centre in The Corn Exchange in The Pantiles or go to www.visittunbridgewells.com

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ROYAL TUNBRIDGE WELLS
TOGETHER

SHOP LOCAL

Royal Tunbridge Wells offers visitors a truly unique retail experience.

Whether you're looking for exquisite jewellery, fabulous homewares, bespoke art or exclusive clothing, that special item you've been searching for is just around the corner.

Our range of destination shops is huge, from specialist art materials to country sports and rare books, shopping in Royal Tunbridge Wells is interesting and there's a huge range to choose from.

From luxury boutiques of the High Street, Chapel Place and The Pantiles to specialist shops on Monson Road, quirky and special interest retailers on Camden Road and big brands in Royal Victoria Place, Royal Tunbridge Wells is a treasure trove of unique items with something for every taste and budget.

You will find farmer's markets taking place twice a month and Pantiles Markets twice a month too – they both take place on alternate weekends.

If you're looking for a street by street guide to all the shops in Royal Tunbridge Wells, you will find this at www.visittunbridgewells.com/shopping



JANUARY

■ SKATE TUNBRIDGE WELLS

Fri 15 Nov - Sun 05 Jan 2020

Venue: Calverley Grounds

Event Link: www.tunbridgewellsatchristmas.com

As well as the impressive ice rink set in the beautiful natural amphitheatre of Calverley Gardens there is now an extra ice rink especially for our Parent & Toddler sessions. New this year, have a go at Bavarian Curling; hilarious fun. Pop-up restaurants and bars, Santa's grotto, live music, and a programme of activities.

■ BAVARIAN CURLING @ THE ICE RINK

Fri 15 Nov - Sun 05 Jan 2020

Venue: Calverley Grounds

Event Link: www.assemblyhalltheatre.co.uk/whats-on/bavarian-curling-2019

Bavarian Curling or Eisstockschiessen is a very old German winter sport, similar to curling. Competitors grab an ice stock before taking to the ice to battle with teams to get as close to the marked circular target. The team who get the closest wins! A fun team game for family/friends/colleagues to get you into the festive mood.

■ PETER PAN

Sat 07 Dec 2019 - Sun 05 Jan 2020

Venue: Assembly Hall Theatre

Event Link: www.assemblyhalltheatre.co.uk/whats-on

Flying into Tunbridge Wells for Christmas 2019 is the swashbuckling adventure, Peter Pan. Meet Peter and the lost boys, Tiger Lily and Tinker Bell and get ready for a family show full of fun, fairy dust and pirates galore. Set sail for Neverland and take on Captain Hook and prepare for out-of-this-world flying effects, galleons of laughter and the hungriest of crocodiles.

■ MARIA'S ART CLUB FOR CHILDREN

Wednesdays 4:15-5:25pm

Venue: M Saltmarsh, Monson Road

Event Link: www.facebook.com/MSaltmarshArt

Art club specially designed for children aged 5-7 years, booking advised on 07428 784 484

■ PANTILES MARKET

Sat 04 Jan 2020 - Sun 05 January 2020

Venue: The Pantiles

Event Link: www.thepantiles.com/whats-on/pantiles-market-first

For a fantastic way to spend a morning and early afternoon, come to The Pantiles every other weekend to experience the hustle and bustle of the Pantiles Market.

■ SALTMARSH CHILDREN'S ART CLUB (8-14)

Sat 04 Jan 2020

Venue: M Saltmarsh, Monson Road

Event Link: www.facebook.com/MSaltmarshArt

Saturday morning art club for children aged 8 to14.

Times are 9.15 – 10.30am or 11am – 12.15pm

From 4/01- 8/02 inc. and 29/02 - 28/03 inc. Booking essential, call 01892 527512.

■ PAUL DUNTON & GUESTS

Sun 05 Jan 2020

Venue: The Grey Lady

Event Link: www.paulduntonandguests.com/events

Paul Dunton & Guests presents a superb series of candlelit showcases of the local area's finest soloists and acoustic bands. With 4 acts on the bill representing a multitude of musical styles and genres, audiences are treated to an exceptional night of local music culture, songwriting and musicianship.

■ ANDRE RIEU: 70 YEARS YOUNG

Sun 05 Jan 2020

Venue: Trinity Theatre

Event Link: www.trinitytheatre.net/event-category/music-dance

Andre Rieu invites cinema audiences around the world to join in his birthday celebrations!

■ CREATIVE WRITING

Mon 06 Jan – Mon 03 Feb 2020

Venue: M Saltmarsh, Monson Road

Event Link: www.facebook.com/MSaltmarshArt

Join a small, friendly class and learn to write short stories, poetry, a novel or a memoir. Call 01435 873802 to book, £85 for a 5 week course.

■ LIFE DRAWING WITH KRISTNA ROGERS

Tues 07, 14, 21, 28 Jan 2020

Venue: M Saltmarsh, Monson Road

Event Link: www.facebook.com/MSaltmarshArt

This facilitated rather than taught class is every Tuesday from 1-3pm, , Life Model is provided. Call 07923 448408 to book in advance, £16 for drop in and £15 when booked.

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■ WINE AND PAINT

Wed 08 Jan 2020

Venue: M Saltmarsh, Monson Road

Event Link: www.facebook.com/MSaltmarshArt

A fun, explorative evening where you will create your own masterpiece copy of a well known painting in acrylics. All materials provided, along with a glass of wine, nibbles, music and a great atmosphere. Booking essential, call 01892 527512. Arrange your own wine and paint parties, hen nights etc too.

■ SPEED DATING

Thurs 09 Jan 2020

Venue: Vittle & Swig, Camden Road

Event Link: www.vittleandswig.co.uk/private-hire-events

Speed Dating, the easiest way to meet new people. Have fun getting to know other singles while having a few drinks in the trendiest bar in town. After the event, mingle, before using a bespoke online matching system the following day to find out who you matched with.

■ HONKY TONK ANGELS

Thu 09 Jan 2020

Venue: Assembly Hall Theatre

Event Link: www.assemblyhalltheatre.co.uk/whats-on

All the hits and favourites from The Queens of Country - Dolly Parton, Tammy Wynette, Patsy Cline and Loretta Lynn. The award winning ladies are backed by a five piece, world class band playing traditional instruments such as pedal steel and double bass. All accompanied by evocative screen projection.

■ KHWP: SCRUB A DUB DUB!

Thu 09 Jan 2020

Venue: Grosvenor & Hilbert Park

Event Link: www.fogh.org.uk/events

A Kent High Weald Partnership volunteer day in the fresh air!

■ BOWIE NIGHT: 4 YEARS ON

Sat 11 Jan 2020

Venue: The Forum

Event Link: www.twforum.co.uk/listings

Our celebration of the life and songs of David Bowie returns for its annual appearance. Featuring the incredible house band and a whole host of very special guests. All proceeds go to rhythmixmusic.org.uk

■ INDEPENDENT FARMERS MARKET

Sat 11 Jan 2020

Venue: Market Square, Camden Road

Event Link: www.facebook.com/TunbridgeWellsIFM

Farmers Market in Market Square off Camden Road. Fresh produce, plants, hot food. 2nd and 4th Saturdays of every month. Market Square is behind Royal Victoria Place, accessed through the RVP Food Hall or directly from Camden Road.

■ ROYAL BALLET: SLEEPING BEAUTY

Thurs 16 Jan 2020

Venue: Trinity Theatre

Event Link: www.trinitytheatre.net/event-category/music-dance

From another season of delightfully popular ballets from the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden.

■ SOUL KITCHEN

Fri 17 Jan 2020

Venue: The Grey Lady

Event Link: www.thegreylady.co.uk

The Soul Kitchen presents another night of rare soul music at The Grey Lady. Residents include Tracey Shaw and John Browne. Each month, Soul Kitchen will feature a special guest/guests who will all spin the very best rare soul music on original vinyl.

■ THE INCREDIBLE BERT + THE COCKROACHES + HIGGS AND THE BOSONS

Fri 17 Jan 2020

Venue: The Forum

Event Link: www.twforum.co.uk/listings

A night of various compositional styles, a mixed bag of fun, indeed a very lucky dip served forth from some of T Dubs finest exponents of musicness entertainment.

■ TRINITY COMEDY CLUB

Sat 18 Jan 2020

Venue: Trinity Theatre

Event Link: www.trinitytheatre.net/events/trinity-comedy-club-2

Delivering the best on the comedy circuit, with national acts keen to get on on stage in Tunbridge Wells after the Edinburgh Fringe. Break the boredom of the working week!

■ PANTILES MARKET

Sat 18 Jan - Sun 19 Jan 2020

Venue: The Pantiles

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■ THE WINTER'S TALE

Sun 19 Jan 2020

Venue: Trinity Theatre

Event Link: www.trinitytheatre.net/event-category/theatre

A re-run of Kenneth Branagh Theatre Company's production of The Winter's Tale starring Judi Dench as Paulina and Kenneth Branagh as Leontes.

■ SORRY WE MISSED YOU

Sun 19 Jan 2020

Venue: Trinity Theatre

Event Link: www.trinitytheatre.net/event-category/film-tunbridge-wells

■ MRS LOWRY & SON

Mon 20 Jan 2020

Venue: Trinity Theatre

Event Link: www.trinitytheatre.net/event-category/film-tunbridge-wells

Critically acclaimed film portrait of the artist LS Lowry and the relationship with his mother, who tries to dissuade him from pursuing his passion

■ THE FAREWELL

Wed 22 Jan 2020

Venue: Trinity Theatre

Event Link: www.trinitytheatre.net/event-category/film-tunbridge-wells

■ MATTHEW BOURNE'S ROMEO AND JULIET

Thu 23 Jan 2020

Venue: Trinity Theatre

Event Link: www.trinitytheatre.net/event-category/music-dance

■ EZIO

Fri 24 Jan 2020

Venue: The Forum

Event Link: www.twforum.co.uk/events/

In their 28-year career, the band have made a habit of dabbling in any style of music that takes their fancy; Daylight Moon is no different. From the crunching blues-rock guitars of 'Crushed' to the jazz rhythms of 'The

Gypsy Song', there's plenty of genre hopping on show here.

■ VERIDIAN

Fri 24 Jan 2020

Venue: The Sussex Arms, Sussex Mews

Event Link: www.facebook.com/sussexarmstw

■ TOM STADE: YOU AIN'T SEEN NOTHING YET

Friday 24 Jan 2020

Venue: Trinity Theatre

Event Link: www.trinitytheatre.net/events

Following his last smash hit UK tour and direct from this year's Edinburgh festival Tom is back on the road with a new show. As seen on Channel 4's Comedy Gala, BBC One's Michael McIntyre's Comedy Roadshow, The John Bishop Show and Live at the Apollo.

■ JO BRAND

Sat 25 Jan 2020

Venue: Trinity Theatre

Event Link: www.trinitytheatre.net

Jo Brand is coming to Trinity Theatre – no further explanation needed

■ THE GALLERYS

Sat 25 Jan 2020

Venue: The Forum

Event Link: www.twforum.co.uk/listings

■ INDEPENDENT FARMERS MARKET

Sat 25 Jan 2020

Venue: Market Square, Camden Road

Event Link: www.facebook.com/TunbridgeWellsIFM

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■ NT LIVE: PRESENT LAUGHTER

Sun 26 Jan 2020

Venue: Trinity Theatre

Event Link: www.trinitytheatre.net/event-category/theatre

Actor Garry Essendine's life is in danger of spiraling out of control. Engulfed by an escalating identity crisis as his many and various relationships compete for his attention, Garry's few remaining days at home are a chaotic whirlwind of love, sex, panic and soul-searching.

■ THE AERONAUTS

Sun 26 Jan 2020

Venue: Trinity Theatre

Event Link: www.trinitytheatre.net/event-category/film-tunbridge-wells

■ CIRCUS OF HORRORS

Mon 27 Jan 2020

Venue: Assembly Hall Theatre

Event Link: www.assemblyhalltheatre.co.uk/whats-on

An immersive celebration of 25 astounding years, including amazing acts, driven by a rock 'n' roll soundscape. The cast that stormed into the finals of Britain's Got Talent is now a world-wide hit to take you on a rollercoaster ride of bizarre and beautiful acts.

■ SENIOR CINEMA: GENTLEMEN PREFER BLONDES

Mon 27 Jan 2020

Venue: Trinity Theatre

Event Link: www.trinitytheatre.net/events

The late greats Marilyn Monroe and Jane Russell in this classic black and white movie. Senior Cinema is an initiative developed with Good Neighbours, designed to combat social isolation amongst older generations. Films are recommended by members, house lights are dimmed and there's a 15 minute interval with refreshments. Please be aware of these altered conditions. If you would like to join the club, email jocelyn@trinitytheatre.net, or speak to Jocelyn on the morning of a screening.

■ THE GOOD LIAR

Tue 28 Jan 2020

Venue: Trinity Theatre

Event Link: www.trinitytheatre.net/event-category/film-tunbridge-wells

■ ROH: LA BOHEME

Wed 29 Jan 2020

Venue: Trinity Theatre

Event Link: www.trinitytheatre.net/event-category/music-dance

From another season of world class operas from the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden.

■ LOST IN MUSIC

Thu 30 Jan 2020

Venue: Assembly Hall Theatre

Event Link: www.assemblyhalltheatre.co.uk/whats-on

Relive some of the greatest songs of all time from Artists such as Donna Summer, Gloria Gaynor, Earth, Wind & Fire, Sister Sledge and Chic.

■ UNDER 18'S OPEN MIC NIGHT

Thu 30 Jan 2020

Venue: The Forum

Event Link: www.twforum.co.uk/listings

Musicians, back-line provided, bring instruments and breakables, for under 18s open mic, £3 ticket. Under 18 non performers welcome, £5 ticket

■ SIMON YATES: MY MOUNTAIN LIFE

Thu 30 Jan 2020

Venue: Trinity Theatre

Event Link: www.trinitytheatre.net/event-category/theatre

One of the most accomplished mountaineers of all time, Simon Yates, best known for his role in the harrowing expedition to the Andes documented in Joe Simpson's bestseller 'Touching The Void'. Following that experience in Peru, Simon has been increasingly drawn to places where few others have trod. This illustrated lecture features spectacular images and film of the most remote and rarely explored mountain ranges of the world from the Arctic to the Antarctic and Alaska to Central Asia.

■ BYE BYE BABY

Fri 31 Jan 2020

Venue: Trinity Theatre

Event Link: www.trinitytheatre.net/event-category/music-dance

Bye Bye Baby are a jaw-dropping tribute to the musical phenomenon 'Jersey Boys' and the timeless, iconic music of 'Frankie Valli & The Four Seasons'.

FEBRUARY

■ TEDX ROYAL TUNBRIDGE WELLS

Sat 01 Feb 2020

Venue: Assembly Hall Theatre

Event Link: www.assemblyhalltheatre.co.uk/whats-on/tedx

An afternoon of inspiring TEDx talks, uplifting entertainment, and bright ideas. All thinkers, doers, collaborators, and life enthusiasts welcome!

■ SOUL AVENUE

Sat 01 Feb 2020

Venue: The Grey Lady

Event Link: www.thegreylady.co.uk

■ PANTILES MARKET

Sat 01 Feb - Sun 02 Feb

Venue: The Pantiles

Event Link: www.thepantiles.com/whats-on/pantiles-market-first

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■ THE MARIE WHITE SHOW

Sat 01 Feb 2020

Venue: Trinity Theatre

Event Link: www.trinitytheatre.net/event-category/music-dance

Trinity Theatre proudly presents an evening with Glastonbury's emerging artist Marie White. With unique, soulful vocals, and unforgettable melodies, full band, full production, and hopefully a full audience!

■ RTWSO: OPERA GALA

Sun 02 Feb 2020

Venue: Assembly Hall Theatre

Event Link: www.rtwso.org/concerts

Our programme will be entirely new and four top class opera singers will treat us to some of the most memorable moments and thrilling highlights from a selection of the best known operas by Verdi, Puccini, Mozart, Bizet, Rossini and others. Susanna Gaspar – Soprano, Jung Soo Yun – Tenor, Richard Morrison – Baritone, Cacutetia Moreso – Mezzo, Roderick Dunk – Conductor.

■ PAUL DUNTON & GUESTS

Sun 02 Feb 2020

Venue: The Grey Lady

Event Link: www.paulduntonandguests.com/events

Paul Dunton & Guests presents a superb series of candlelit showcases of the local area's finest soloists and acoustic bands. With 4 acts on the bill representing a multitude of musical styles and genres, audiences are treated to an exceptional night of local music culture, songwriting and musicianship.

■ PUSS IN BOOTS

Sun 02 Feb 2020

Venue: Trinity Theatre

Event Link: www.trinitytheatre.net/event-category/children

Would you trust a talking cat? Using smoke and mirrors and hidden trapdoors we'll show you how this sure-footed feline fools both the King and the Ogre to take his master all the way to the top. With a host of puppets, a working windmill and an avalanche of fruit and nuts come and see this classic furry tail.

■ LE MANS '66

Sun 02 Feb 2020

Venue: Trinity Theatre

Event Link: www.trinitytheatre.net/event-category/film-tunbridge-wells

■ KNIVES OUT

Tue 04 Feb 2020

Venue: Trinity Theatre

Event Link: www.trinitytheatre.net/event-category/film-tunbridge-wells

■ LIFE DRAWING WITH KRYSZYNA ROGERS

Tues 04, 11, 18, 25 Feb 2020

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Event Link: www.facebook.com/MSaltmarshArt

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■ MILTON JONES

Wed 05 Feb 2020

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■ THE REPORT

Wed 05 Feb 2020

Venue: Trinity Theatre

Event Link: www.trinitytheatre.net/event-category/film-tunbridge-wells

■ M. SALTMARSH: WINE AND PAINT

Wed 05 Feb 2020

Venue: M Saltmarsh, Monson Road

Event Link: www.facebook.com/MSaltmarshArt

A fun and explorative evening where you will create your own masterpiece copy of a well known painting in acrylics. All materials provided, along with a glass of wine, nibbles, music and a great atmosphere. Booking essential, call 01892 527512.

■ THE KING IS BACK

Thu 06 Feb 2020

Venue: Assembly Hall Theatre

Event Link: www.assemblyhalltheatre.co.uk/whats-on

He looked like Elvis, sang like Elvis and had an on stage charisma that had audiences believing at times they were watching the King himself.

■ KHWP: LIVIN' ON THE EDGE!

Thu 06 Feb 2020

Venue: Grosvenor & Hilbert Park

Event Link: www.fogh.org.uk/events

A Kent High Weald Partnership volunteer day.

■ EDUARDO NIEBLA IN CONCERT

Thu 06 Feb 2020

Venue: Trinity Theatre

Event Link: www.trinitytheatre.net/event-category/music-dance

The formidable virtuoso Eduardo Niebla presents his amazing repertoire of stunning flamenco jazz with his internationally acclaimed duo.

■ DOOLALLY TAP

Fri 07 Feb 2020

Venue: Masonic Hall

Event Link: www.twjazzclub.co.uk/future-concerts.html

Tunbridge Wells Jazz Club, the home of jazz for over 35 years.

■ TRINITY COMEDY CLUB

Fri 07 Feb 2020

Venue: Trinity Theatre

Event Link: www.trinitytheatre.net/events

Delivering the best on the comedy circuit, with national acts keen to get on on stage in Tunbridge Wells after the Edinburgh Fringe. Break the boredom of the working week!



■ THE LANTERN PARADE

Sat 08 Feb 2020

Route: starting at 5.30pm from Calverley Road, the Lantern Parade will proceed along Mount Pleasant Road, Monson Road and Camden Road, ending up in Grosvenor & Hilbert Park.

Event Link: www.camdenroad.org/winterlanterns

The CREATE event is a visual feast of stunning lanterns built by schools and community groups. This year's theme is Magic, it will light up the dark February afternoon and everyone can become involved in the parade by buying a lantern making kit from shops including: Closs & Hamblin, Jeremy's Home Store, M Saltmarsh, Stampede and Whirligig Toys. Lantern making workshops will be taking place from 4th January onwards, check the Create website for more info.

■ WE LOVE LITTLE MIX

Sat 08 Feb 2020

Venue: Assembly Hall Theatre

Event Link: www.assemblyhalltheatre.co.uk/whats-on

Featuring four fantastic singers and dancers who really capture the look, the sound, and all the dance moves of one of the UK's best loved girl bands.

■ THINK FLOYD

Sat 08 Feb 2020

Venue: Assembly Hall Theatre

Event Link: www.assemblyhalltheatre.co.uk/whats-on

■ INDEPENDENT FARMERS MARKET

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■ KINKY BOOTS

Sun 09 Feb 2020

Venue: Trinity Theatre

Event Link: www.trinitytheatre.net/event-category/theatre

Kinky Boots: The Musical, filmed live at the Adelphi Theatre in the heart of London's West End, is strutting onto the big screen!

■ LITTLE WOMEN

Sun 09 Feb 2020

Venue: Trinity Theatre

Event Link: www.trinitytheatre.net/events/little-women

Based on Louisa May Alcott's classic novel, Little Women follows the lives of the four March sisters, Amy, Jo, Beth and Meg, as they come of age in America in the aftermath of the Civil War. Film.

■ SENIOR CINEMA: FUNNY FACE

Mon 10 Feb 2020

Venue: Trinity Theatre

Event Link: www.trinitytheatre.net/events

Senior Cinema is an initiative developed with Good Neighbours, designed to combat social isolation amongst older generations. Films are recommended by members, house lights are dimmed and there's a 15 minute interval with refreshments. Please be aware of these altered conditions. If you would like to join the club, email jocelyn@trinitytheatre.net, or speak to Jocelyn on the morning of a screening.

■ LITTLE WOMEN

Tues 11 Feb 2020

Venue: Trinity Theatre

Event Link: www.trinitytheatre.net/events/little-women

Based on Louisa May Alcott's classic novel, Little Women follows the lives of the four March sisters, Amy, Jo, Beth and Meg, as they come of age in America in the aftermath of the Civil War. Film.

■ STEVE

Weds 12 Feb 2020

Venue: Trinity Theatre

Event Link: www.trinitytheatre.net/events

Steve is the must see film exploring mental health and suicide. This hard hitting but thought provoking documentary was created by Ben Akers through personal tragedy. Ben is currently touring the country with this film to critical acclaim.

■ CATS

Thurs 13 Feb 2020

Venue: Trinity Theatre

Event Link: www.trinitytheatre.net/event-category/film-tunbridge-wells

■ SCOWL + BRUISE + SMILE

Fri 14 Feb 2020

Venue: The Forum

Event Link: www.twforum.co.uk/listings

SCOWL plus guests Bruise & Smile. Fresh from supporting Feet & Ladybird in 2019, Scowl are coming back to headline The Forum.

■ GERMAN CORNEJO'S TANGO FIRE

Fri 14 Feb 2020

Venue: Assembly Hall Theatre

Event Link: www.assemblyhalltheatre.co.uk/whats-on

International master of Tango, German Cornejo and his passionate partner Gisela Galeassi are joined by an outstanding cast including World Tango Champions and the very best dancers from the greatest Tango houses in Buenos Aires. All of this coupled with sublime choreography, a show not to be missed.

■ COUNT ARTHUR STRONG

Fri 14 Feb 2020

Venue: Trinity Theatre

Event Link: www.trinitytheatre.net/event-category/comedy

Do not miss this not to be missed type of thing! If I wasn't in the show I'd definitely be in the audience watching myself intently. Laughing and learning in equal measure. Thoroughly happy to pay the admission fee and definitely not asking for a refund. Also not rustling sweet wrappers and fiddling with my sodding telephone with a gormless expression on my face. See you there! Arthur

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■ SLEEPING BEAUTY

Sun 16 Feb 2020

Venue: Trinity Theatre

Event Link: www.trinitytheatre.net/events

Let's All Dance returns with this much loved ballet for the whole family. Dazzling dancers, Tchaikovsky's sumptuous score and gorgeous costumes bring this glittering classical ballet to life.

■ MERRY OPERA: DON GIOVANNI

Sun 16 Feb 2020

Venue: Opera House, Mount Pleasant Road

Event Link: www.merryopera.co.uk/copy-of-pirates-2019

A supernatural comedy-thriller occurring in breakneck real time; beginning with murder, ending with a statue coming to dinner & a hellish sentence passed on the legendary seducer; the epic downfall of a man who always knows what we need, always makes us happy, but eventually realises he is out of time.

■ TUNBRIDGE WELLS HALF MARATHON

Sun 16 Feb 2020

Venue: Tunbridge Wells

Event Link: www.twharriers.org.uk/tunbridge-wells-half-marathon

The Hendy sponsored half marathon that takes in the scenic countryside around Tunbridge Wells returns for another year.

■ SHAUN THE SHEEP: FARMAGEDDON

Tue 18 Feb 2020

Venue: Trinity Theatre

Event Link: www.trinitytheatre.net/event-category/film-tunbridge-wells

■ FROZEN II

Tue 18 Feb 2020

Venue: Trinity Theatre

Event Link: www.trinitytheatre.net/event-category/film-tunbridge-wells

■ 1917

Tue 18 Feb - Wed 19 Feb 2020

Venue: Trinity Theatre

Event Link: www.trinitytheatre.net/event-category/film-tunbridge-wells

■ NT LIVE: CYRANO DE BERGERAC

Thurs 20 Feb 2020

Venue: Trinity Theatre

Event Link: www.trinitytheatre.net/events

Live Transmission. Fierce with a pen and notorious in combat, Cyrano (James McAvoy) almost has it all – if only he could win the heart of his true love Roxane. There's just one big problem: he has a nose as huge as his heart.

■ DREADZONE

Fri 21 Feb 2020

Venue: The Forum

Event Link: www.twforum.co.uk/listings

One of the most energetic, exciting and powerful live bands to emerge from the post-rave scene, Dreadzone have steadily been releasing albums and progressively bettering, refining and perfecting their own unique and inimitable take on dub since 1993

■ HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL 2 ON STAGE

Fri 21 Feb - Sat 22 Feb 2020

Venue: Trinity Theatre

Event Link: www.trinitytheatre.net/event-category/theatre

An amateur production by arrangement with Music Theatre International performed by a talented cast of young people from Trinity Youth Theatre.

■ DISCOVER LOCAL DRINKS HEROES

Sat 22 Feb 2020

Venue: Camden Centre

Event Link: www.eventbrite.com/e/discover-local-heroes-drinks-from-kent-sussex-tickets-78157343719

Taste, drink and takeaway amazing drinks that are produced locally. Gin, Vodka, Rum, Sparkling Wine, Beer, Cider and food to go with it! Organised by the Eventsmith.

■ THE POLYGONS

Sat 22 Feb 2020

Venue: The Forum

Event Link: www.twforum.co.uk/events

After a head turning performance at The Forum as part of a stable showcase, the band in just a few sort months have already bagged themselves their first headline show at The Forum.

■ INDEPENDENT FARMERS MARKET

Sat 22 Feb 2020

Venue: Tunbridge Wells, Camden Road

Event Link: www.facebook.com/TunbridgeWellsIFM

Farmers Market in Market Square of Camden Road. Fresh produce, plants, hot food. 2nd and 4th Saturdays of every month. Market Square is behind Royal Victoria Place accessed through the RVP Food Hall or from Camden Road.

■ SOUL KITCHEN SPECIAL

Sun 23 Feb 2020

Venue: The Grey Lady

Event Link: www.thegreylady.co.uk

■ CREATIVE WRITING CLASS

Mon 24 Feb – Mon 23 Mar 2020

Venue: Saltmarsh, Monson Road

Event Link: www.facebook.com/MSaltmarshArt

Join a small, friendly class and learn to write short stories, poetry, a novel or a memoir. Call 01435 873802 to book, £85 for a 5 week course.

■ DEATHTRAP

Tue 25 Feb 2020 to Sat 29 Feb 2020

Venue: Trinity Theatre

Event Link: www.trinitytheatre.net/event-category/theatre

TTC presents Ira Levin's multi-award-winning, comedy-thriller, Deathtrap which still holds the record for the longest-running comedy-thriller on Broadway. This ingeniously constructed play offers a rare and skilful blending of two priceless theatrical ingredients - gasp-inducing thrills and spontaneous laughter.

■ JIMMY CARR

Thu 26 Feb 2020

Venue: Assembly Hall Theatre

Event Link: www.assemblyhalltheatre.co.uk/whats-on

No need for a bio of Jimmy Carr, familiar face and familiar laugh

■ THANK YOU FOR THE MUSIC

Thu 27 Feb 2020

Venue: Assembly Hall Theatre

Event Link: www.assemblyhalltheatre.co.uk/whats-on

This smash-hit tribute brings ABBA's number one hits to the stage in a production like no other. Unmistakable harmonies, colourful costumes, and dazzling performances by an all-star cast that'll have you thanking ABBA for the music again and again!

■ ELO AGAIN

Fri 28 Feb 2020

Venue: Assembly Hall Theatre**Event Link:** www.assemblyhalltheatre.co.uk/whats-on

Back with their stunning 'Re-Discovery Tour' celebrating the truly universal music of Jeff Lynne and the Electric Light Orchestra. Now in their 8th year ELO Again really give you a dramatic taste of what a legendary ELO concert would have been like back in their heyday, the whole experience is professionally re-enacted with a great sound reproduction, light show and visual effects.

■ BELIEVE

Sat 29 Feb 2020

Venue: Assembly Hall Theatre**Event Link:** www.assemblyhalltheatre.co.uk/whats-on

Experience the ultimate tribute to Cher with dazzling costume changes, outstanding musicianship, a spectacular production and relive the Cher songbook including I Got You Babe, Gypsys, Tramps & Thieves, Just Like Jesse James, If I Could Turn Back Time, Walking in Memphis, Strong Enough, Believe, songs from Mamma Mia and her new album Dancing Queen.

■ HEADS SOUTH

Sat 29 Feb 2020

Venue: The Grey Lady**Event Link:** www.thegreylady.co.uk

MARCH

■ RTWSO: MICHAEL JAMES BARTLETT (PIANO)

Sun 01 Mar 2020

Venue: Assembly Hall Theatre**Event Link:** www.rtws.org/concerts

The concerto this month is Maurice Ravel's Piano Concerto in G major, a thrilling and lively work written in the 1920s, full of jazz-inspired musical ideas set against a beautiful and tranquil Mozart-like slow movement. Copland: Appalachian Spring Suite, Ravel: Piano Concerto in G major, Brahms: Symphony No 4, Soloist: Martin James Bartlett Piano, Conductor: Roderick Dunk.

■ PAUL DUNTON & GUESTS

Sun 01 Mar 2020

Venue: The Grey Lady**Event Link:** www.paulduntonandguests.com/events

Paul Dunton & Guests presents a superb series of candlelit showcases of the local area's finest soloists and acoustic bands. 4 acts on the bill at each show representing a multitude of musical styles and genres, audiences are treated to an exceptional night of songwriting and musicianship.

■ ROYAL BALLET: THE CELLIST / DANCES AT A GATHERING

Sun 01 Mar 2020

Venue: Trinity Theatre**Event Link:** www.trinitytheatre.net/event-category/music-dance

The Royal Ballet presents the world premiere of Cathy Marston's first work for the Company on the main stage alongside a revival of Jerome Robbins's timeless classic of pure dance.

■ LIFE DRAWING WITH KRISTYNA ROGERS

Tues 03, 10, 17, 24, 31 March 2020

Venue: M Saltmarsh, Monson Road**Event Link:** www.facebook.com/MSaltmarshArt

This facilitated rather than taught class is every Tuesday from 1-3pm, Life Model is provided. Call 07923 448408 to book in advance, £16 for drop in and £15 when booked.

■ PAUL DUNTON & GUESTS

Wed 04 Mar 2020

Venue: The Grey Lady**Event Link:** www.paulduntonandguests.com/events

Paul Dunton & Guests presents a superb series of candlelit showcases of the local area's finest soloists and acoustic bands. 4 acts at each show representing a multitude of musical styles and genres, audiences are treated to an exceptional night of songwriting and musicianship.

■ M. SALTMARSH: WINE AND PAINT

Wed 04 Mar 2020

Venue: M Saltmarsh, Monson Road**Event Link:** www.facebook.com/MSaltmarshArt

A fun and explorative evening where you will create your own masterpiece copy of a well known painting in acrylics. All materials provided, along with a glass of wine, nibbles, music and a great atmosphere. Booking essential, call 01892 527512. Arrange your own wine and paint parties, hen nights etc too.

■ WHAT'S LOVE GOT TO DO WITH IT

Fri 06 Mar 2020

Venue: Assembly Hall Theatre**Event Link:** www.assemblyhalltheatre.co.uk/whats-on

Brand-new touring theatre show, a night of high energy, feel-good rock-and-roll featuring Tina's greatest hits performed by the amazing vocal talent of Elesha Paul Moses supported by a full 10-piece live band.

■ HAVANA NIGHTS

Sat 07 Mar 2020

Venue: Assembly Hall Theatre**Event Link:** www.assemblyhalltheatre.co.uk/whats-on

An all new show, exciting mix of Latin dances with individual performances from Graziano and Giada as well as entertaining group numbers with their supporting dancers. The show will be fast paced and promises to be fresh and innovative with amazing routines.

■ PANTILES MARKET

Sat 07 Mar - Sun 08 Mar 2020

Venue: The Pantiles**Event Link:** www.thepantiles.com/whats-on/pantiles-market-first

For a fantastic way to spend a morning and early afternoon, come to The

Pantiles every other weekend to experience the hustle and bustle of the Pantiles Market.

■ ALEX EDELMAN: JUST FOR US

Sat 07 Mar 2020

Venue: Trinity Theatre

Event Link: www.trinitytheatre.net/event-category/comedy

Nominated for the Barry award at Melbourne International Comedy Festival, earning the prestigious Herald Angel award and nominated for the Edinburgh Comedy Award Best Show, it's about gorillas that can-do sign language and tribalism. Come.

■ BOYZLIFE

Thu 12 Mar 2020

Venue: Assembly Hall Theatre

Event Link: www.assemblyhalltheatre.co.uk/whats-on

Two of the world's biggest bands BOYZONE and WESTLIFE come together. For the very first time, featuring Brian McFadden and Keith Duffy.

■ THE NAVY LARK

Thu 12 Mar 2020

Venue: Trinity Theatre

Event Link: www.trinitytheatre.net/event-category/theatre

The Navy Lark sees a cast of three bring to life three classic episodes from the much loved radio series which ran for 1959-1977. Presented in the style of a radio performance in front of a live audience, bringing to life the classic days of radio comedy.

■ HENNING WEHN

Fri 13 Mar 2020

Venue: Assembly Hall Theatre

Event Link: www.assemblyhalltheatre.co.uk/whats-on

You couldn't make it up; surely the German Comedy Ambassador, Henning Wehn, hasn't bosched out yet another new show?

■ MARK CHADWICK + KING SIZE SLIM

Fri 13 Mar 2020

Venue: The Forum

Event Link: www.twforum.co.uk/listings

One of the UK's most successful songwriters, Mark Chadwick, has co-written 20 chart singles and 6 Top 40 albums (including a Number 1) as part of the Levellers, the band he has fronted for over 25 years. Still going strong, the Levellers are festival favourites and have cemented their cherished status with headline performances at many European and UK events.

■ GARY DELANEY: GAGSTER'S PARADISE

Fri 13 Mar 2020

Venue: Trinity Theatre

Event Link: www.trinitytheatre.net/event-category/comedy

A Mock the Week regular and recent star of the new Live at the Apollo series, Gary's shows are renowned in the business for a near unrivalled volume of high class gags. You should expect no different from this highly acclaimed show. Please note Coolio will not be appearing.

■ MAINLY MADNESS

Sat 14 Mar 2020

Venue: The Forum

Event Link: www.twforum.co.uk/listings

Mainly Madness are a group of Two Tone loving musicians. Not only are Mainly Madness a tribute to the great band itself but also a celebration of Two Tone and Ska, which include such inspirational bands as The Specials, Bad Manners and The Beat to name a few. This fantastic genre of music manages to make you smile and stomp your feet to the rock steady beat.

■ WILL WHISSON

Sat 14 March 2020

Venue: The Sussex Arms

Event Link: www.twforum.co.uk/events

Having just come off of a 3 month solo European tour, Will began work for the album by setting up a small home studio in Kent to write and experiment extensively in. The album would later take him to London and Wales before finally being recorded in Ireland.

■ NO JACKET REQUIRED

Sat 14 Mar 2020

Venue: Trinity Theatre

Event Link: www.trinitytheatre.net/event-category/music-dance

The UK's top Phil Collins tribute returns by popular demand, as part of 'The Serious UK Tour'. To celebrate the 30th anniversary of the release of '... But Seriously', the band will perform the album in its entirety during the first part of the show.

■ INDEPENDENT FARMERS MARKET

Sat 14 Mar 2020

Venue: Tunbridge Wells, Camden Road

Event Link: www.facebook.com/TunbridgeWellsIFM

A brand new Farmers Market in Market Square of Camden Road. Fresh produce, plants, hot food. 2nd and 4th Saturdays of every month. Market Square is behind Royal Victoria Place and can be accessed through RVP Food Hall or from Camden Road.

■ CODA: MARCUS ANDREWS

Sun 15 Mar 2020

Venue: Rose Hill Theatre, Tunbridge Wells

Event Link: www.codatw.co.uk

Marcus Andrews (piano), Programme to include: Beethoven Sonata Op.2 No.1, Rondo alla inghrese quasi un capriccio Op.129 ('Rage over a lost penny')

■ ROH: FIDELIO

Tue 17 Mar 2020

Venue: Trinity Theatre

Event Link: www.trinitytheatre.net/event-category/music-dance

Beethoven's only opera is a masterpiece, an uplifting story of risk and triumph. In this new production, conducted by Antonio Pappano, Jonas Kaufmann plays the political prisoner Florestan, and Lise Davidsen his wife Leonore.

■ ANDREW GRAHAM-DIXON: IN THE PICTURE

Thu 19 Mar 2020

Venue: Trinity Theatre

Event Link: www.trinitytheatre.net

This will sell out fast so make sure you book your tickets early. Andrew Graham Dixon is knowledgeable, entertaining and supremely interesting to listen to – a really enjoyable and informative evening out at Trinity!

■ THE TAKE THAT EXPERIENCE

Fri 20 Mar 2020

Venue: Assembly Hall Theatre

Event Link: www.assemblyhalltheatre.co.uk/whats-on

As Take That celebrate 30 years as the UK's number one boy band, The Take That Experience mark over a decade together as the ultimate tribute act with their best show yet.

■ BLEAK HOUSE

Fri 20 Mar 2020

Venue: Trinity Theatre

Event Link: www.trinitytheatre.net

A fog filled adventure in Victorian London. When a dead body is discovered in Mr Krook's rag and bone shop, a web of mysteries starts to untangle, with far reaching consequences. Hilarious, tragic and romantic by turns, Dickens' darkly comic masterpiece is retold by The Pantaloons in their own inimitable style.

■ SOUL KITCHEN

Sat 21 Mar 2020

Venue: The Grey Lady

Event Link: www.thegreylady.co.uk

The Soul Kitchen presents another night of rare soul music at The Grey Lady. Residents include Tracey Shaw and John Browne. Each month, Soul Kitchen will feature a special guest/guests who will all spin the very best rare soul music on original vinyl.

■ TRINITY THEATRE CLUB

Sat 21 March 2020

Venue: Trinity Theatre

Event Link: www.trinitytheatre.net/events/trinity-comedy-club-2

Delivering the best on the comedy circuit, with national acts keen to get on on stage in Tunbridge Wells after the Edinburgh Fringe. Break the boredom of the working week!

■ PANTILES MARKET

Sat 21 Mar - Sun 22 Mar 2020

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■ GEMS CONCERT AND PRIZE GIVING

Sun 22 March 2020

Venue: Trinity Theatre

Event Link: www.trinitytheatre.net

Tunbridge Wells Arts Festival is an annual adjudicative arts festival offering a supportive platform for amateurs of all ages and standards who love to perform music, speech and drama. The GEMS Concert and Prize Giving is the culmination of two extremely busy and enjoyable days, and showcases a varied selection of the festival's outstanding performances.

■ SENIOR CINEMA: THE WAY WE WERE

Mon 23 March 2020

Venue: Trinity Theatre

Event Link: www.trinitytheatre.net

Senior Cinema is an initiative developed with Good Neighbours,

designed to combat social isolation amongst older generations. Films are recommended by members, house lights are dimmed and there's a 15 minute interval with refreshments. Please be aware of these altered conditions. If you would like to join the club, email jocelyn@trinitytheatre.net, or speak to Jocelyn on the morning of a screening.

■ GUYS & DOLLS

Tue 24 Mar 2020

Venue: Trinity Theatre

Event Link: www.trinitytheatre.net

Chichester University's Triple Threat Company is back with virtuosity, unaffected energy and elan. This won't just put spring in your step, it will put Spring in your stride!

■ LEE SCRATCH PERRY

Wed 25 Mar 2020

Venue: The Forum

Event Link: www.twforum.co.uk/listings

Lee Scratch Perry holds status as one of the most enduring and original reggae producers and artists of all time. From the 1960's as a singer and engineer for Coxsone Dodd's Studio One in Kingston, through his production of the seminal Wailers' classics African Herbsman and Soul Revolution, Perry's innovative style marks him as one of reggae's original treasures.

■ BEATLEMANIA: SHAKE IT UP BABY TOUR

Thu 26 Mar 2020

Venue: Trinity Theatre

Event Link: www.trinitytheatre.net

Beatlemania are one of the longest running and most successful Beatles shows in the world. With the use of authentic instruments, amps and replica costumes, head to Trinity for what promises to be a non stop Beatles party with over forty songs from Love Me Do to Let It Be.

■ NOBLE JACKS + SPECIAL GUESTS

Sat 28 Mar 2020

Venue: Assembly Hall Theatre

Event Link: www.assemblyhalltheatre.co.uk/whats-on

Noble Jacks have just got back from Nashville where they've been giving the US a taste of British-Americana at its finest. Don't miss out as Noble Jacks take the liveliest show around to Tunbridge Wells!

■ INDEPENDENT FARMERS MARKET

Sat 28 Mar 2020

Venue: Tunbridge Wells, Camden Road

Event Link: www.facebook.com/TunbridgeWellsIFM

Farmers Market in Market Square off Camden Road. Fresh produce, plants, hot food. 2nd and 4th Saturdays of every month. Market Square is behind Royal Victoria Place accessed through the RVP Food Hall or directly from Camden Road.

■ AIDA

Mon 30 Mar 2020

Venue: Assembly Hall Theatre

Event Link: www.assemblyhalltheatre.co.uk/whats-on

Russian State Opera returns to delight you with the premiere of Aida by Giuseppe Verdi. This brand-new production guarantees to delight you with sumptuous sets and splendid new costumes.



RESTAURANTS

Royal Tunbridge Wells prides itself on the quality and diversity of our eateries. From innovative vegan and plant-based foods to locally sourced game, a warm welcome and the very highest standards await you!

■ ALEXANDRA'S www.alexandrasrestaurant.co.uk

A traditional Greek dining experience in an elegant and modern interior, a must-go for fans of Greek cuisine.

■ ASK ITALIAN www.askitalian.co.uk

Flavourful Italian food in a relaxed setting, ideal for family dining or even a candlelit dinner for two.

■ BILL'S www.bills-website.co.uk

A brilliant location for shoppers, serving contemporary European cuisine from its home opposite Royal Victoria Place.

■ CARLUCCIO'S www.carluccios.com

Next door to the beautiful Calverley Grounds with a menu of delicious Italian classics to choose from.

■ CENTRAL MARKET AT RVP www.facebook.com/centralmarketuk

Eat, drink and socialise. A diverse venue & dining experiencing for all age groups, in the heart of Kent.

■ COCO RETRO www.cocoretro.com

Modern Parisian and Northern French cuisine served in a chic yet cosy setting.

■ COTE www.cote.co.uk

Authentic French dishes and seasonal set menus offering great value for money and classic flavours.

■ CREAMS CAFÉ www.creamscafe.com

The ultimate dessert experience, irresistible for children and adults alike.

■ DELANEY'S PANCAKE & WAFFLE KITCHEN

www.delaneyskitchen.co.uk

An exciting menu of sweet and savoury treats served in a laidback, fun atmosphere.

■ DON GIOVANNI www.dongiovannitw.co.uk

An authentic Italian dining experience, showcasing both fresh local produce and Italian ingredients.

■ ESTRO PIZZA & MORE www.estropizza.co.uk

Devoted to exceptional food, Estro's stone baked pizzas are infamous.

■ GIGGLING SQUID www.giggingsquid.com

A quirky restaurant serving vibrant and exciting Thai food with some unusual flavour combinations.

■ GUSTA www.gusta.org.uk

Gusta is an Italian delicatessen and wine bar serving artisan meats, cheeses, pasta, wines and coffee. Open until 9:30pm Thu and Fri & 9pm Sat.

■ HATTUSA www.hattusa.co.uk

Serving the finest Anatolian dishes in colourful surroundings from its home on Camden Road.

■ IL VESUVIO www.ilvesuvio.co.uk

A traditional Italian experience, combining ancient Neapolitan culinary arts with modern techniques.

■ KONAK www.konakturkishcuisine.com

A unique experience to visitors through Turkish and Mediterranean cuisines offering a special dish for everyone regardless of their food preferences.

■ KAI'S KITCHEN [01892 534497](tel:01892534497)

A family-run restaurant close to Calverley Grounds, serving delicious Thai classics in a relaxed setting.

■ KIKO [07542 590395](tel:07542590395)

A newly opened Japanese restaurant, perfect for a quick lunch whilst shopping or taking a stroll.

■ KIRTHON www.kirthon.co.uk

A traditional South-Asian menu, combining locally sourced ingredients with Bangladeshi produce.

■ KITSU www.kitsu.co.uk

A sushi and noodle bar opposite Royal Victoria Place serving fresh dishes prepared to order.

■ LA CASA VECCHIA www.thepantiles.com/shops/la-casa-vecchia

Enjoy a relaxed, sophisticated and delicious meal on the historic Pantiles, the perfect spot for conversation, good food and drink.

■ LA FOLLIA www.lafolliarestaurant.co.uk

The quintessential friendly Italian trattoria serving a menu of dishes originating from Monza.

■ MARLOWE'S www.marlowes.co

A well-loved local favourite serving 100% Sussex beef patties that are packed with flavour.

THE MEXICAN KITCHENwww.themexicankitchentw.com

Mexican classics served just a stone's throw away from shopping heaven on the High Street, Chapel Place and The Pantiles.

PANE E VINO

01892 459219

A family-run restaurant with an excellent reputation for delicious and authentic Italian food.

PIZZA EXPRESSwww.pizzaexpress.com

A fantastic family dining experience in a stunning period building, close to shopping destination Chapel Place.

PREZZOwww.prezzorestaurants.co.uk

Housed in a 1900s building with a contemporary spiral staircase, the perfect place for a casual lunch or dinner.

RAJ PAVILIONwww.rajpavilion.net

An award-winning restaurant, serving traditional Indian cuisine just a few minutes' walk from the High Street.

RENDEZ-VOUSwww.rendezvoustw.co.uk

A French-inspired brasserie with an ever-changing, seasonal menu that showcases local produce.

SANKEY'S THE OLD FISHMARKETwww.sankeys.co.uk

A champagne and seafood bar serving sparkling wines and champagnes with the very best British fish and shellfish.

SEVENTEENwww.onewarwickpark.co.uk

Classic British cuisine served in a light, modern setting, perfect for intimate meals or larger celebrations too.

SOPRANOwww.sopranowinebar.co.uk

A venue famed for its vibrant Mediterranean food and drink pairings.

SUCHEERAwww.sucheera.co.uk

An authentic Thai restaurant serving curries, noodles and stir fries that sing with flavour.

THACKERAY'Swww.thackerays-restaurant.co.uk

Once the home of author William Makepeace Thackeray, Thackeray's offers a relaxed form of fine dining.

THE BENGAL BRASSERIEwww.bbtw.co.uk

A Bangladeshi and Indian restaurant renowned for mixing traditional recipes with new, modern ideas.

THE DRAGON TANwww.dragontantw.com

A local gem serving delicious Cantonese cuisine from its restaurant on Calverley Road.

THE GREY LADYwww.thegreylady.co.uk

The Grey Lady is a truly unique venue, serving a Mediterranean menu alongside its regular music events.

THE IVYwww.theivytunbridgewells.com

An iconic dining experience brought to Royal Tunbridge Wells, serving a menu of British classics.

**THE SPICE**www.thespice1.co.uk

The Spice opened over 18 years ago, delighting guests with its take on traditional Indian, Bangladeshi and Tandoori dishes ever since.

THE WARRENwww.thewarren.restaurant

From farm to table, The Warren serves fresh produce from its own estate and other trusted local suppliers, specialising in eclectic British dishes.

VITTLE & SWIGwww.vittleandswig.co.uk

Vittle & Swig specialises in contemporary British cuisine, served in a beautiful and modern interior.

WAGAMAMAwww.wagamama.com

Bringing Japanese classics to the high street, Wagamama is ideally located just a few minutes from the train station.

WOODS RESTAURANTwww.woodsrestaurant.co.uk

Freshly cooked, locally sourced, seasonal dishes feature at Woods Restaurant, the perfect place for any occasion.

ZIZZIwww.zizzi.co.uk

Set in a stunning listed building on the High Street with a classic wood fired oven, Zizzi serves tasty and authentic dishes.

ZORBAwww.zorbamezgrill.com

Taste bud-tingling Turkish cuisine in an easy-going, fun setting in the centre of the town.

ZAGATOSwww.spahotel.co.uk

Zagatos Bar & Brasserie combines delicious, locally sourced ingredients with a relaxed eating and drinking experience.

PUBS

■ BEAU NASH

www.beau-nash.co.uk

A warm and welcoming pub dating back to the 1800s, serving a menu of pub classics.

■ CASSIDY'S

www.cassidysbar.co.uk

An Irish sports bar in a picturesque setting just off the High Street with outdoor seating too.

■ CHAPEL PLACE WINE & GIN BAR

www.chapelplacetw.co.uk

With over 120 gins to choose from, this quirky bar is a fantastic local haunt.

■ FRAMPTON'S

www.framptonsbar.co.uk

A fantastic pub on The Pantiles, serving fresh local produce in its dishes with a varied drinks menu.

■ FUGGLES BEER CAFÉ

www.fugglesbeercafe.co.uk

Home to over 100 gins and whiskies, speciality ales, ciders and rare bottles, served with the finest cured meat and cheeses.

■ GEOGRAPHY

www.geographytw.com

A bar born from the love of travel and wine with a friendly and relaxed atmosphere. A hand picked and ever evolving wine list.

■ GROVE TAVERN

www.grovetavern.co.uk

The oldest traditional pub in Royal Tunbridge Wells, the Grove Tavern dates back to the 17th century and offers a friendly and welcoming haven to its visitors.

■ GRUB & LIQUOR

www.grubandliquor.co.uk

A restaurant and cocktail bar with a vibrant atmosphere, Grub & Liquor serves locally sourced, freshly grilled food and signature cocktails.

■ PITCHER & PIANO

www.pitcherandpiano.com

A sophisticated experience whether it's bubbles over brunch or a Sunday roast, situated just opposite Trinity Theatre.

■ SANKEY'S SEAFOOD KITCHEN & BAR

www.sankeys.co.uk

High quality drinks and delicious, fresh food served in an opulent Victorian manor house on Mount Ephraim.

■ SUSSEX ARMS

www.thesussextw.co.uk

Hosts regular pub quizzes with real ale, craft beers and an ever-expanding list of wine and spirits.

■ THE BARN

www.barn-pub-rest.co.uk

Housed in a reconstructed Elizabethan barn, this characterful pub and restaurant also boasts an award-winning courtyard garden.

■ THE BEDFORD

www.thebedfordtw.co.uk

A traditional alehouse with great music and a variety of ales, ciders, beers, wines and spirits at the bar.

■ THE BLACK PIG

www.theblackpig.net

A relaxed, friendly pub just around the corner from the train station, with a focus on delicious, seasonal dishes.

■ THE COMMON ROOMS

www.thecommonroomsbar.com

Specialists in the art of cocktail making, serving premium cocktails that aren't available anywhere else.

■ THE COMPASSES

www.greeneking-pubs.co.uk/pubs/kent/compasses

Nestled just off the High Street, this cosy pub is a wonderful location for dinner with friends, Friday evening drinks or even a traditional Sunday roast.

■ THE DUKE OF YORK

www.dukeofyorktunbridgewells.co.uk

A pub with an extensive food and drinks menu that combines the history of The Pantiles with contemporary style.

■ THE GEORGE

www.thegeorgepubtunbridgewells.co.uk

Built in the early 19th century as a coaching inn, this local pub serves locally brewed beers and a varied food menu.

■ THE GUINEA

www.theguineatn1.co.uk

Serving real ales, craft beers, cocktails and lots of tasty food options too, with live music and vinyl nights.

■ THE OPERA HOUSE

www.jdwetherspoon.com

Originally built in 1902 with many of its original features still intact, the Opera House now operates as a Wetherspoons pub.

■ THE PANTILES TAP

www.thepantiles.com/shops/the-pantiles-tap

An award-winning 16-tap real ale, artisan cider and craft beer paradise.

■ THE PRINCE OF WALES

www.princetw.co.uk

A comfortable and welcoming local pub serving real ale and traditional pub food, with a weekly pub quiz.

■ THE RAGGED TROUSERS

www.theragged.co.uk

An independent freehouse, the Ragged Trousers is a friendly and intimate pub serving the best of local breweries.

■ ROSE & CROWN

www.roseandcrown-tunbridgewells.craftunionpubs.com

Featuring a varied drinks menu and all the best sporting action, the Rose & Crown is a local pub with community at its heart.

■ THE ROYAL OAK

01892 542 546

A historic pub dating back to 1735 with a proud tradition of supporting local music, serving a range of local cask beers.

■ THE SECRET CELLAR BAR

www.theseccellar.co.uk

Exclusively open on Fridays and Saturdays only, this unique venue is a wine shop by day and a bar by night.

■ THE TOWNHOUSE

www.townhousetwells.com

A wine bar that combines its extensive drinks selection with tasty charcuterie boards and individual tapas dishes.

■ THE VALE VAULT

www.thebedfordtw.co.uk

A speak-easy style wine and cocktail bar in the basement of the Bedford pub, open on Friday and Saturday evenings from 7pm.

■ THE WHITE BEAR

www.www.the-white-bear.co.uk

A beautiful British pub with a retractable roof and garden grill kitchen with locally sourced menus serving brunch, lunch and dinner.

■ THE WINE ROOMS

www.thewineroomstw.com

An elegant and inviting wine and cocktail bar with a well balanced gin menu, whether local or from across the globe.

HOTELS

From opulent luxury to quirky and comfortable, or even budget friendly, there are lots of gorgeous places to stay in Royal Tunbridge Wells to suit every taste and budget.

■ HOTEL DU VIN www.hotelduvin.com/locations/tunbridge-wells

Frequently visited by Princess Victoria in the 1800s, Hotel du Vin is an outstanding hotel set in a historic, Grade II listed building surrounded by beautiful gardens.

■ MERCURE HOTEL www.mercuretunbridgewells.co.uk

The Mercure Hotel features 84 contemporary rooms and an 18th century Georgian oast house.

■ ONE WARWICK PARK www.onewarwickpark.co.uk

Chic and minimalist, this luxury boutique hotel is located in the heart of town, with Chapel Place and The Pantiles just a short walk away.

■ ROYAL WELLS HOTEL www.royalwells.co.uk

Boasts spectacular views over Royal Tunbridge Wells with modern facilities and a contemporary design.

■ SUMMIT HOTEL [01892 522 225](tel:0189252225)

Situated in an elegant townhouse on Mount Ephraim, the Summit Hotel features a mix of contemporary and traditional interiors and is perfectly located just five minutes from the heart of the town centre.

■ THE MOUNT EDGCUMBE www.themountedgcumbe.com

A grade II listed Georgian building with a 6th century sandstone cave in the bar, the Mount Edgcumbe now serves as a cosy and welcoming family-run pub with several luxury boutique rooms.

■ THE RUSSELL HOTEL www.russell-hotel.com

A 2* converted Victorian Mansion overlooking The Common with large rooms and parking.

■ THE SMITH & WESTERN www.smith-western.co.uk/tunbridge-wells

Bringing a historic landmark back to life, this western themed hotel is housed in the original Old West Station.

■ THE SPA HOTEL www.spahotel.co.uk

Originally built as a country mansion in 1766, set in 14 acres of picturesque grounds and has a reputation for style, sophistication, relaxation and fine dining.

■ THE TUNBRIDGE WELLS HOTEL www.thetunbridgewellshotel.com

A Georgian gem, understated luxury located on the historic Pantiles, surrounded by independent boutiques and great places to eat and drink.

■ THE TUNBRIDGE WELLS RETREAT www.tunbridgewellsretreat.com

On the edge of the town centre opposite The Common, simple, budget accommodation.

■ TRAVELODGE www.travelodge.co.uk/hotels/354/Tunbridge-Wells-hotel

Offering fantastic value for money in a great location, the Travelodge provides a convenient base to explore.



The logo for Royal Tunbridge Wells (RTW) is displayed in a white box. It features the letters 'RTW' in a large, bold, maroon font. Below the letters, the words 'ROYAL TUNBRIDGE WELLS' are written in a smaller, black, sans-serif font. The background of the entire image is a photograph of an outdoor cafe scene with people sitting at tables and a man standing nearby.

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