



CORK
ON A FORK
Festival

13th-17th
August 2025



EVENT GUIDE

Cork on a Fork Fest is a celebration of everything that makes Cork's gastronomy scene so unique - from our talented chefs to our world-class producers, our vibrant hospitality and nightlife scene, and our deep rooted food traditions.

GET A TASTE OF CORK'S UNIQUE FOOD CULTURE

Expect exclusive dining experiences, street feasts, food trails, free cooking demos, talks, a children's programme, and plenty of festival fun throughout Cork City over 5 days.

As a farm-to-fork destination since its origins as a trading port in the 10th century, Cork has led the way in Ireland's modern speciality food movement and has more artisan producers than anywhere else in the country. From Atlantic seafood and artisan cheeses to spiced beef and tripe and drisheen, this is a city where food tells a story.

Organised by Cork City Council in partnership with local hospitality businesses.

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Dining Experiences

Enjoy exclusive dining experiences and special tasting menus.



Trails, Tours & Tastings

Unique food trails, food tours & tasting events.



Demos, Workshops & Talks

Hone your culinary skills with demos, workshops, talks, and masterclasses led by top chefs and industry experts.



Live Stages & Markets

Free cooking demos and talks all weekend at the Live Stages on Emmet Place & a local food market.



Family Events

Food fun and learning with kids cooking classes, child-friendly demos, family dining experiences, food trails and play.



Free

Enjoy plenty of free experiences, from demos and tastings to community garden events.



Beerfest +18's Only

Organised by the Franciscan Well, the Cork on a Fork Beerfest features beer events across the city, including free brewery tours and beer-themed dinners.



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Cork City Council





CORK ON A FORK FESTIVAL PROGRAMME

TASTE YOUR WAY THROUGH CORK CITY

Dining Experiences | Trails, Tours & Tastings | Demos, Talks & Workshops | Live Stages & Markets | Family Events | Free | BEERFEST +18's Only | +18's Only



CLICK EVENT NAME TO BOOK WEDNESDAY 13TH

	10am - 12pm	Future of Food Breakfast with The Irish Examiner	A Business of Food talk and breakfast with the Irish Examiner, sponsored by McGrave. Invite only, Email register interest.	Good Day Deli, Nano Nagle Place	FREE
	10am - 12pm	Cork Food History Guided Tour	A guided walking tour through the city with tastings and historic stops.	Cork City Centre	€70/PP
	11am - 2pm	Cork Culinary Tour	A tour and tastings through the English Market followed by a sharing platter and a creamy pint in a local gastro pub.	Cork City Centre	€110/adult, €60/youth 12-18, €35/child
	12.30pm - 4pm	Taste the Goodness Community Garden Party	Join NICHÉ Health for a guided tour of the beautiful garden, tastings and music.	Knocknaheeny Hollyhill Community Garden	FREE *No booking required
	5pm - 9pm	VQ Shared Table, Sponsored by Birra Moretti	A spectacular chef collaboration from The VQ for 450 guests dining outdoors at a shared long table on MacCurtain Street. Bookings Open Friday 9 th - May	MacCurtain Street	€150/PP

	7pm - 11pm	Hysterical Histories Takes The Imperial Hotel	Hysterical Histories is taking over The Imperial Hotel for a night of immersive theatre, live music, and mouthwatering local flavours.	The Imperial Hotel	€70/PP
	All day	Feed Cork x Market Lane Collab	Market Lane is teaming up with Feed Cork to provide two nutritious meals.	Feed Cork	



CLICK EVENT NAME TO BOOK THURSDAY 14TH

	10am - 12pm	Cork Food History Guided Tour	A guided walking tour through the city with tastings and historic stops.	Cork City Centre	€70/PP
	11am	Food and Mood Talk	An engaging talk on how we can support our mood through nutrition	Ballinacolly Library	FREE *No booking required
	11am	The Hysterical Histories - Food, Fame & Frivolity walking tour	Discover the highlights of Cork's 1500-year history on this truly unique city walking tour with a historical actor guide.	Cork City Centre	€20 per adult (€15 (6-12 yrs) FREE (0-5yrs). Discount code: FORKALK25
	11am - 12pm	Children's Pizza Party Demo at The Marina Market	A hands-on kid's pizza making workshop.	The Marina Market	€15PP (includes a pizza)
	1pm - 2pm	An English Market Cooking Demo	A cookery demonstration & sampling outside the English Market with Cork Chef Orla McAndrew	Outside the English market on Grand Parade	FREE *No booking required
	2pm	Cork on a Fork Fab Food Trail	Walk and taste your way around Cork city visiting the very best places using the very best of local produce.	Cork City Centre	€80/PP

	2pm	Planning Nutritious Meals Talk	Get practical tips on how to create balanced and nutritious meals.	Blarney Library is at Blarney GAA Hall	FREE *No booking required
	2pm - 4pm	Food Phone Photography Workshop with Joleen Cronin	Upskill your phone photography with tips on props, backgrounds and settings to capture your food images.	L'Attitude 51	€25/PP
	2pm - 5pm	A Wild Walk and Garden Tasting	Ferment and Forage with Chloe Demsey followed by a water kefir demo, talk and tasting.	Fitzgerald Park & Proby's Kitchen	€50/PP
	5pm - 7pm	L'Attitude 51 Presents 'QuayBabs'	Enjoy delicious Lamb Shawarma Kababs & Herby Cous Cous served outdoors on Union Quay with Georgian Wine and live music	L'Attitude 51	€25/PP
	6pm	Brewery Tour, Pizza & Pint	A pizza, pint & tour of Cork's award-winning Rising Sons Brewery.	Rising Sons Brewery	€28/PP
	7pm	Hysterical Histories Cork - Dinner Theatre Experience	A night of theatre, live music & mouthwatering local flavours with Hysterical Histories.	Amicus Restaurant, Paul Street	€50 adult €27 child 3-12yrs 0-2yrs FREE Discount code: FORKALK25
	7pm	Wine, Cheese & Charcuterie Evening	An evening of great wine, artisan charcuterie, and cheese, all expertly paired for you to enjoy	The Kingsley	€70/PP
	7pm - 10pm	Young Chef Collaboration Dinner	An intimate evening celebrating the flavours of the English Market and the next generation of Cork culinary talent, featuring Pamela Kelly, Joe Quane & Stephen Cronin	Farmgate Cafe	€80/PP
	7pm - 8pm	Cork on a Fork Cocktail Class	Learn to craft two classic cocktails using Cork's finest ingredients in this fun, hands-on class for beginners (21+).	Bar Moxy, Moxy Cork	€30/PP



CLICK EVENT NAME TO BOOK FRIDAY 15TH

	10.30am - 1pm	Cork on a Fork Fab Food Trail	Walk and taste your way around Cork city visiting the very best places using the very best of local produce.	Cork City Centre	€80/PP
	11am	La Dolce Vita Cork style: The Italiano playlist and Tuscan table snacks	A morning of Italian music presented by Denis McSwenney and the best tastes of Italy food tastings.	The City Library - Rory Gallagher Music Library	FREE *No booking required
	11am-12pm	Battle of the Smoothies	A fun interactive healthy cooking class for kids with The Cool Food School. (3-12 years)	St Peters	€13.50/PP
	11am	The Hysterical Histories - Food, Fame & Frivolity walking tour	Discover the highlights of Cork's 1500-year history on this truly unique city walking tour with a historical actor guide.	Cork City Centre	€20 per adult (€15 (6-12 yrs) FREE (0-5yrs). Discount code: FORKALK25
	11am	Marina Market Teddy Bears Picnic	A teddy bears picnic with cupcakes from Messy Buns, Glenilen Yoghurt, Hannas Bees Honey, free facepainting and giant games.	The Marina Market	€10/PP
	11.30am	Food and Mood Talk	An engaging talk on how we can support our mood through nutrition	Mayfield Library	FREE *No booking required
	12pm - 12.45pm	Tutored Beer Tasting & Micro-Brewery Visit	Step inside the smallest brewery in Ireland Elbow Lane Brew & Smokehouse for a fun sampling of their award-winning beers & visit the micro-brewery. (18+)	Elbow Lane	€60/PP
	12.30pm - 1.30pm	Carrot Cake Power Balls - Kids Sensory Cooking Class	A fun, interactive pop-up healthy cooking class for children.	St Peters	€13.50/PP
	12.30pm	Afternoon Tea on the Train - A FoodCloud Kitchen Experience	FoodCloud Chefs craft surplus ingredients into a stunning afternoon tea menu on board a train	Kent Station	€35/PP
	1pm - 2.30pm	Nice To Mead You! Mead-making class and talk.	Learn how to make your own mead at home.	The City Library - Thomas Davis Room	FREE *No booking required
	2pm	Bone Health	Learn all you need to know about nutrition for bone health.	Glanmire Library	FREE *No booking required
	2pm - 4.30pm	Cork on a Fork Fab Food Trail	Walk and taste your way around Cork city visiting the very best places using the very best of local produce.	Cork City Centre	€80/PP
	2pm - 5pm	Cork Culinary Tour	Wander through the 18th century English Market meeting producers and sample their award-winning produce before enjoying a sharing platter and a creamy pint in a local gastro pub.	Cork City Centre	€110/adult, €80/youth 12-18, €35/child
	2pm - 6pm	Exclusive Meet the Producers Bus Tour	An exclusive Producers Bus Tour celebrating some of Cork's best food producers with behind-the-scenes tastings and insights into their craft.	Cork City & County	€95/PP
	2.30pm - 4.30pm	Bread, Beef and Butter at The Butter Museum	A demonstration on the making of traditional soda bread and butter, and a talk from local butcher James Nolan on corned beef.	The Butter Museum at Shandon	Free
	2.30pm - 4.30pm	English Market Food History Tour and Tasting at Farmgate	A special tour and tasting of the English Market guided by Regina Sexton, UCC's food and culinary historian.	The English Market	€55/PP

	2.30pm - 3.30pm	Apple Donut Kids Sensory Cooking Class	A fun, interactive pop-up healthy cooking class for children. (3-12 years)	St Peters	€13.50/PP
	3pm - 6pm	Grown Local @ Gabriel House	A celebration of local produce, Gabriel House's organic garden, and organic wines	Gabriel House T23 X963	€35/PP
	5pm	Plates & Pairings at Jacques - A Cork Food & Drink Celebration	Plates & Pairings - A celebration of Cork Food & Drinks	Jacques Restaurant	€100 per table of 4
	5.45pm	Rebel City Distillery Cork Cocktail Masterclass	A guided distillery tour with a hands-on mixology session.	Rebel City Distillery	€50/PP
	6 - 9pm	Coffee House Lates at Nádúr Deli	A late night opening with tasting places, cakes, coffee, music and more.	Nádúr Deli, Nano Nagle	Based on consumption €27 child 3-12yrs 0-2yrs FREE Discount code: FORKALK25
	6 - 9pm	Coffee House Lates at Cafe Moly	A taste of Korea as Cafe Moly opens late	Cafe Moly	Free bites with coffee *No booking required
	6.30pm	Savour the Spirit with Hayfield Manor & Rebel City Distillery	An evening of craft spirits, canapés, and a specially curated menu.	Hayfield Manor	€95/PP
	6.30pm - late	Balance, Beats & Bites with The Yoga Tree and Spice Genie	A feel-good evening of wellness, great food & drinks, and uplifting beats.	Old Cork Savings Bank, 1 Lapp's Quay	€99/PP
	6pm - 9pm	Breaking Bread: A Cultural Connection	Taste foods created by members of Cork's vibrant migrant community curated by Cork Chef Orla McAndrew.	St Peters	€25pp. All profits go back to the communities involved
	7pm - 11pm	Murder Mystery Night at The Grand Dame	Enjoy a delicious three-course meal crafted with locally sourced ingredients while professional actors bring a thrilling murder mystery to life around you.	The Imperial Hotel	€80/PP
	7pm	Hysterical Histories Cork - Dinner Theatre Experience	A night of theatre, live music & mouthwatering local flavours with Hysterical Histories.	Amicus Restaurant, Paul Street	€50 adult €27 child 3-12yrs 0-2yrs FREE Discount code: FORKALK25
	7pm - 9.30pm	Evening Rooftop Food Culture Bus Tour with Pizza & a Pint	An Evening Rooftop Food Culture Bus Tour with renowned food historian Regina Sexton and Cork City Tours followed by a pizza & a craft beer at the Rising Sons Brewery.	Cork City	€45/PP
	7pm - 8pm	Cork on a Fork Cocktail Class	Learn to craft two classic cocktails using Cork's finest ingredients in this fun, hands-on class for beginners (21+).	Bar Moxy, Moxy Cork	€30/PP
	8pm	Smoked & Spirited: A global BBQ tasting experience	Enjoy a rich traditions of global BBQ with a celebration of fire, smoke, and flavour at Holy Smoke.	Holy Smoke Rooftop @ Mardyke Entertainment Complex	€30/PP



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	10.30am	Cork on a Fork Fab Food Trail	Walk and taste your way around Cork city visiting the very best places using the very best of local produce.	Cork City Centre	€80pp
	11am - 5pm	Cork on a Fork Food Market & Play Street	Local market and free family fun	Emmet Place (outside Crawford)	FREE *No booking required
	11am - 2pm	Cork Culinary Tour	Wander through the 18th century English Market meeting producers and sample their award-winning produce before enjoying a sharing platter and a creamy pint in a local gastro pub.	Cork City Centre	€110/adult, €80/youth 12-18, €35/child
	11am - 3pm	Fun Food and Farm	Food, kids Fun and Farm at the Cornmarket St Market (Coal Quay)	Coal Quay, Cornmarket Street	FREE *No booking required
	12pm	The Gruffalo's Tasty Tale	A magical Gruffalo-themed interactive reading followed by Gruffalo Crumble muffins decorating.	Easons, St Patrick's St	FREE
	12pm - 12.45pm	Tutored Beer Tasting & Micro-Brewery Visit	Step inside the smallest brewery in Ireland Elbow Lane Brew & Smokehouse for a fun sampling of their award-winning beers & visit the micro-brewery. (18+)	Elbow Lane	€60pp
	12pm	Brewery Tour, Pizza and Pint @ Rising Sons	A pizza, pint & tour of Cork's award-winning Rising Sons Brewery.	Rising Sons Brewery	€28pp
	12pm	Chase the Fairy Absinthe Experience	Ireland's first and only experience with a guided Distillery Tour, cocktails and Absinthe-infused chocolates.	Rebel City Distillery	€45pp
	12pm - 2pm	A Harvest of Nations, One Garden Many Kitchens	A feast of flavours from one garden with many kitchens!	Togher Community Garden	FREE *No booking required
	12pm - 3pm	The Cork Brunch at Sophies	A local produce brunch & Rebel City Distillery Cocktail & resident DJ	Sophies Bar & Restaurant	€35pp
	12.30pm	Children's Food Trail	Enjoy bite-size child-friendly local food & learn interesting facts on a guided tour through the city centre.	Cork City Centre	€18pp
	1pm - 2pm	An English Market Cooking Demo	A cookery demonstration & sampling outside the English Market with Cork Chef Orla McAndrew	Outside the English market on Grand Parade	FREE *No booking required
	1pm & 3pm	North X South Wine Tasting	A wine tasting collaboration between MacCurtain Wine Cellar & L'Attitude 51	MacCurtain Wine Cellar & L'Attitude 51	€45pp
	2pm - 4pm	International Tea Ceremony & Cooking Demos	Explore international tea, coffee and food with Cork Migrant Centre.	Tea Room and Lecture Theatre, Nano Nagle Place/ School of Architecture	FREE
	2pm - 3.30pm	Farm to Fork Cookup and Guided Tour	A cooking demo, tastings and guided tour of the gardens.	Murphy's Farm Community Garden, Curraheen	FREE *No booking required
	2.30pm	The Gruffalo's Tasty Tale	A magical Gruffalo-themed interactive reading followed by Gruffalo Crumble muffins decorating.	Easons, St Patrick's St	FREE
	3pm - 5pm	Rebel City Distillery X Fitzgerald's Bar Masterclass	Hands-on cocktail masterclass, Rebel City Distillery talk and tasting notes, light bites and 3 cocktails.	Fitzgerald's Bar at The Imperial	€55pp
	3.45pm	Distillery Tour with Founders	A guided distillery tour with a hands-on mixology session.	Rebel City Distillery	€28pp
	4.30pm - 5.30pm	From Barrel to Board: Whiskey & Cheese Tasting	The Shelbourne presents an exclusive whiskey and cheese tasting event, celebrating the best of local flavours	Shelbourne Bar Cork	€25pp
	4pm	Heritage Harvest: Soundough & Natural Wine Experience	An immersive event and workshop celebrating the art and science of soundough bread-making, natural wine, and sustainable agriculture.	Callanan's bar, Georges Quay	€30 (or €50 for two)
	4.30pm - 6.30pm	Irish Coffee, Irish Dancing, Irish Music Workshop	Master the art of making the perfect Irish Coffee, step into an Irish jig, and listen to local trad music.	JJ Walshes	€25pp
	7pm	Hysterical Histories Cork - Dinner Theatre Experience	A night of theatre, live music & mouthwatering local flavours with Hysterical Histories.	Amicus Restaurant, Paul Street	€50 adult €27 child 3-12yrs 0-2yrs FREE Discount code: FORKALK25

	7pm - 8pm	Cork on a Fork Cocktail Class	Learn to craft two classic cocktails using Cork's finest ingredients in this fun, hands-on class for beginners (21+).	Bar Moxy, Moxy Cork	€30pp
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	10am - 7pm	St Peter's North Main St			
	10.30 - 11.30am	Cork Sugarcraft Workshop	A fun hands-on workshop where kids (6+) and adults can create a sugarpaste 'Cork' bear and decorate a special cake together!	Kids €10, Adults €18	
	12pm - 1pm	Food Explorers: A Tasty Cork Adventure for Kids!	A fun, hands-on workshop where kids explore food, health, and the environment - while helping shape Cork's future!	FREE	
	2pm - 7pm	On the Pig's Back: Artisan Producers Market	A local artisan producers market curated by On the Pig's Back.	FREE *No booking required	
	2pm - 3pm	Children's Play with your Food Tastings	Children will meet some of Cork's famous artisan producers and enjoy fun tastings in St Peters, curated by On the Pigs Back as well as free face painting!	€10/child	
	4pm - 5pm	Cork Cheese & Drinks Pairing	Meet Cork's artisan cheese producers, hear their stories, enjoy cheese and drinks tastings with On the Pigs Back.	€25	
	5pm - 6pm	Raise a Glass to Cork: A Talk & Tasting with Local Drinks Producers	Hear the stories behind the bottles from Cork drinks producers and enjoy samples - hosted by Joe McNamee, Senior Cork beer and wine writer with The Irish Examiner	FREE *No booking required	
	6pm - 7pm	Preserving the Past: Traditional Food Methods in a Modern World	A conversation on the preservation of traditional food practices in modern Ireland, MC'd by Joe McNamee	FREE *No booking required	

CLICK EVENT NAME TO BOOK SUNDAY 17TH

	10am - 12pm	Elevate & Unwind	A pilates class, followed by a wellness and beauty talk & a healthy breakfast with rooftop views from the Imperial's Penthouse	Penthouse Suite, The Imperial Hotel	€40pp
	11am - 5pm	Cork on a Fork Food Market & Play Street	Local market and free family fun	Emmet Place (outside Crawford)	FREE *No booking required
	2pm	Kids' Pasta-Making Demo	FREE pasta-making demonstration for kids	Don Gregorio, Washington Street	FREE
	2pm	Lee Fields Foraging with Chef Epi Rohan	Forage for wild edible plants in the Lee Fields with chef Epi Rohan.	Car Park Lee Fields	FREE
	2pm - 4pm	Herb Garden Workshop	A herb preparation-making demonstration Douglas Community Park with botanist Jo Goodyear.	Douglas Community Park, Church Road	FREE *No booking required
	2pm	Sailing, Shucking and Shanties	Enjoy stunning views, live sea shanties by the Cobh Schooners, oyster tasting with Fish O'Connell & a guided tour of the harbour's rich history.	Pick up at Custom House Quay	€50pp
	3pm	French x Cork Tacos Battle	Creating the best French Tacos using Cork ingredients in 5 minutes!	Creme French	€10pp

	Bookings from 6pm - 8pm	Nico Reynolds x Paladar	A special Caribbean-inspired Caribbean chef collaboration with RTE TV Chef Nico Reynolds,	Paladar	€20pp
	7pm	River Lee Loves Local Dinner	A celebration of local ingredients and an opportunity to connect with the producers behind the plate.	The Mirror Room at The River Lee	€95pp

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	1pm - 4pm	The Met x Maharani Afternoon Tea	A special Maharani Gin afternoon tea, blending local flavours with Indian botanicals.	The Met, Metropole Hotel	€45pp
	1pm - 6pm	Botanics & Bites at Bloom	A botanical cocktail and sharing board featuring a selection of local produce in this stunning garden venue.	Bloom @ Hayfield Manor	€50 for 2

	Wed & Thurs Fri, Sat & Sun from 12pm	Summer Tapas on the Terrace	A signature Midleton Whiskey cocktail paired with a locally-sourced tapas plate on the terrace.	Cornstore Cork	€35pp
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