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## Festival of British Archaeology 2010

*Events in Somerset, Bath and North East Somerset and North Somerset:*

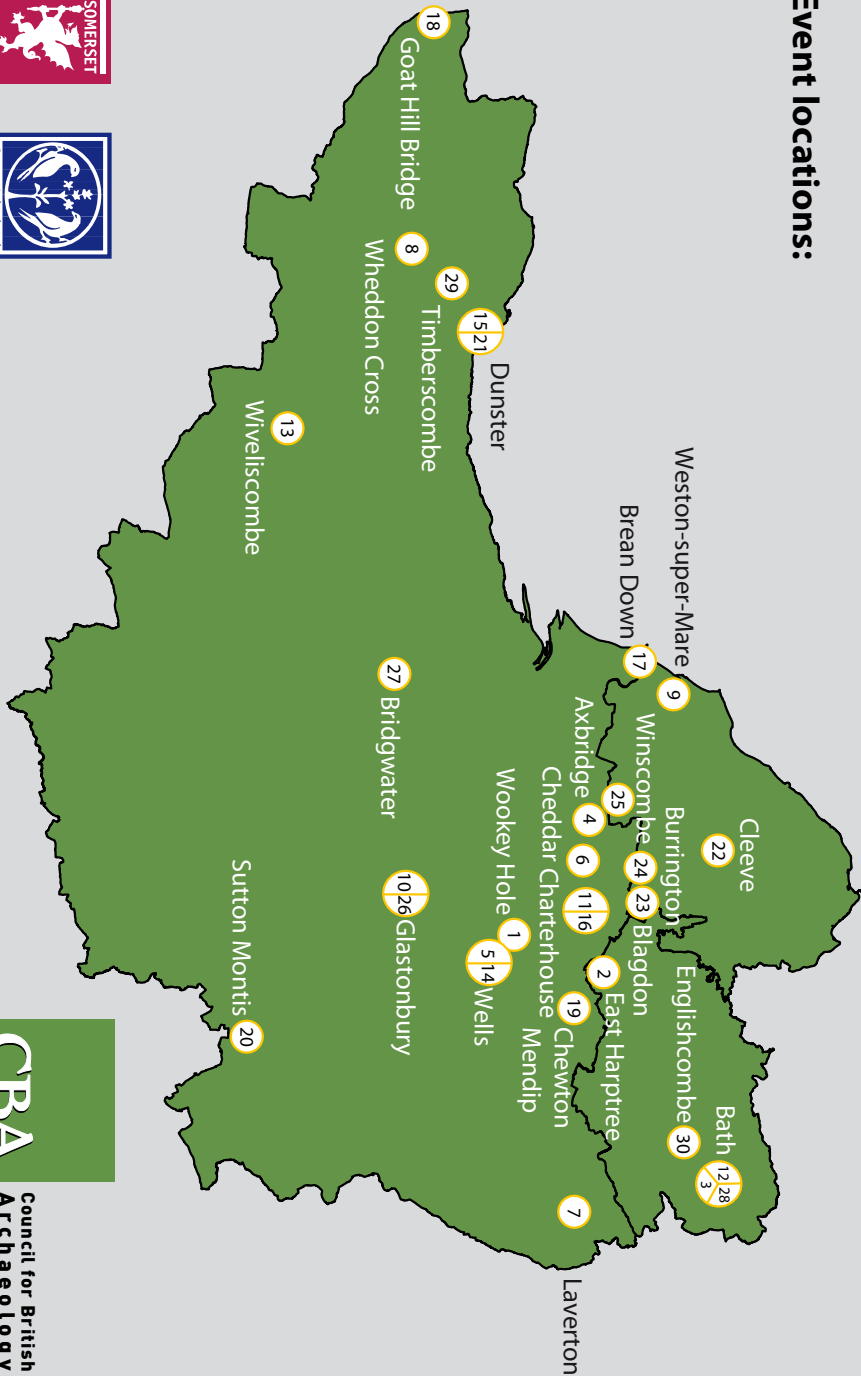
### 1990–2010: 20 Years of Archaeology for Everyone!

The Festival of British Archaeology showcases the very best of British archaeology. It gives everyone the opportunity to learn about their local heritage, to see archaeology in action, and to get involved.

Events ranging from excavation open days and behind-the-scenes tours to family fun days, hands-on activities, guided walks, talks and finds identification workshops take place all over the UK during this special fortnight.



### Event locations:



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## The following events are taking place in Somerset, Bath and North East Somerset and North Somerset:

**1. Sat 17 July - Sun 1 Aug 10.00-17.00**  
**Wookey Hole Caves and Papermill,**  
**Wookey Hole, BA5 1BA**

Discounted entry – buy one ticket and get one half price (cheapest ticket half price) on production of this leaflet.

**2. Sat 17 July 09.00–17.00**  
**Waldegrave Arms, Church Lane,**  
**East Harptree BS40 6BD**

Test pit excavation and display in the garden of the Waldegrave Arms pub. No charge.

**3. Sat 17 July–Sun 1 Aug (not Mon) 10.00 (12.00 Sun)–17.00**

**Museum of East Asian Art, Bath BA1 2QJ**  
Archaeological Explorers Trail. Become an archaeological explorer and find the artefacts hidden in the museum's collection on this family friendly self-guided learning tour. Included in usual admission price.

**4. Sat 17 July - Sun 1 Aug 13.00-16.00**  
**King John's Hunting Lodge Museum,**  
**The Square, Axbridge BS26 2AF**

Various displays including Anglo-Saxon finds from a dig at St Michael's House, Brent Knoll, mining on Mendip and bones from the Bone Cave at Banwell. No charge.

**5. Sat 17 July - Sun 1 Aug 11.30**  
**Bishop's Palace, Wells BA5 2PD**

Guided tour of the Bishop's Palace and Gardens at 11.30am. Included in usual admission price.

**6. Sat 17 July - Sun 1 Aug 10.00-17.00**  
**Cheddar Caves and Gorge, Cheddar**  
**BS27 3QF**

Archaeology at Cheddar Caves including demonstrations by hunter-gatherers in Mesolithic costume in the Cheddar Man Museum of Prehistory. Normal admission charges apply.

**7. Sat 17 July 10.00-16.00**  
**Upper Row Farm, Laverton, Near Bath**  
**BA2 7RB**

Excavation open day, tours and activities on the site of an iron age/Roman villa. No charge.

**8. Sat 17 July 10.00-16.00**  
**The Moorland Hall, Wheddon Cross**  
**TA24 7DR**

The 10th Exmoor Archaeology Forum. Presentations on iron age and Roman Exmoor. Admission charge applies and pre-booking required (01398 322289).

**9. Sat 17 July 11.00–17.00**  
**The Old Town Quarry, South Road,**  
**Weston-super-Mare**

Festival of Archaeology @ the Old Town Quarry. Archaeology, fun and information for all the family. Surveying, geophysics and excavation, displays by local groups, meet a Roman soldier and guided walks to the iron age hillfort. No charge.

**10. Sun 18 July 14.00-16.00**  
**Beckery Chapel/Bride's Mound, Old**  
**Beckery Road, Morlands Enterprise Park,**  
**Glastonbury**

Guided visit to the site of Beckery Chapel, Glastonbury and walk into Glastonbury with Bob Croft, Somerset's County Archaeologist. No charge but pre-booking required (01823 255084).

**11. Sat 17 July, Sun 25 July and Sun 2 August**  
**14:00-17:00**

**Chapel of St Hugh, Charterhouse BS40 7XR**  
Chapel open and audio-visual display of the Carthusian monastic heritage of Charterhouse. No charge.

**12. Mon 19 July 18.00–21.00**  
**Roman Baths, Abbey Church Yard, Bath**

Archaeology for Everyone. Bring along your archaeological finds for identification. Also enjoy an evening visit to the Roman baths. Normal admission charge applies (BANES residents get free entry if they bring two forms of identification - telephone 01225 477785 for details).

**13. Tues 20 July 18.00-20.00**  
**Wiveliscombe**

A guided walk around Wiveliscombe and surrounding archaeological sites with Bob Croft, Somerset's County Archaeologist. No charge but pre-booking required (01823 255084).

**14. Tues 20 July and Thurs 29 July 13:00-14:00**  
**Wells Cathedral, Wells BA5 2UE**  
Guided tour of the cathedral. £5.50 (adults), £4 (seniors), £2.50 (students/children).

**15. Tues 20 July 11:00-15:00**  
**Dunster steep cark park, Dunster TA24 6SE**  
On the Edge of Dumnonia – Iron Age Dunster. Guided walk around iron age fortifications near Dunster with an Exmoor National Park archaeologist. No charge.

**16. Tues 20 July 10:00-12:30**  
**Charterhouse on Mendip Centre,**  
**Blagdon BS40 7XR**

Charterhouse Environs Research Team (CHERT) at home. Join in with survey and geophysics. No charge.

**17. Thurs 22 July 11:00-13:30**  
**Brean Down**

Guided walk around the archaeology and history of Brean Down with National Trust wardens. £5 per person. Booking required (01823 451587)

**18. Fri 23 July 11:00-15:00**  
**Goat Hill Bridge, Exmoor**

Fire Breathing Dragons and Pans of Gold – from Pinkery to Chapman Barrows. Guided walk with an Exmoor National Park archaeologist. No charge.

**19. Fri 23 July 19:30-21:30**  
**Chewton Mendip Village Hall, Litton Road,**  
**Chewton Mendip BA3 4LJ**

Community Archaeology on the Mendip Plateau. Illustrated talk by Pip Osborne on the medieval origins of Chewton Mendip. £3 per person.

**20. Sat 24 July 10:30-16:00**  
**Sutton Montis Village Hall, Sutton Montis**  
South Somerset Archaeological Research Group open day. No charge.

**21. Sat 24 July 11:00-15:00**  
**Dunster Steep, Dunster, Minehead TA24 6SE**  
Learn about Roman mosaics and make a small mosaic to keep. Booking required (01398 322289). £2 per person.

**22. Sat 24 July 11.00-13.00**  
**Cadbury Hillfort, Congresbury**  
Guided Walk around Cadbury Hillfort & Nature Reserve. No charge. Meet at Star Inn car park, Clevee, BS49 5AJ (on A370, west side).

**23. Sun 25 July and Sun 1 Aug 14:00-17:00**  
**Blagdon Lake Visitor Centre, Station Rd, Blagdon**  
Victorian Pumping Station open afternoon. Beam engine demonstration, interactive displays, free horse carriage rides in grounds, nature trails. No charge.

**24. Sun 25 July 10.30, 12.30 & 14.30**  
**Burrington Caves, Burrington**  
Caving trips to see the prehistoric markings and ritual engravings in Burrington Cave, with Christopher Binding. £12.50 per person. Book in advance (07968 275969).

**25. Mon 26 July 19.00-21.00**  
**Shute Shelve, near Winscombe**  
Guided Walk around Shute Shelve with Vince Russett, North Somerset Council Archaeologist. Meet at car park at foot of Wavering Down, Winscombe BS25 1DH. No charge.

**26. Thurs 29 July 10:30-12:00 and 13:30-15:00**  
**Somerset Rural Life Museum, Abbey Farm,**  
**Chilwell Street, Glastonbury BA6 8DB**  
Digging up the Past! Archaeological activities for 7-11 year olds. Pre-booking required (01458 831197). £3 per child.

**27. Fri 30 July 10:00-16:30**  
**Angel Place Shopping Centre, 25 Angel**  
**Place, Bridgwater TA6 3TQ**  
Discovering Archaeology! Drop in for children's activities, to find out more about Somerset's archaeology and get your finds identified. No charge.

**28. Fri 30 July 10.30–16.30**  
**Museum of East Asian Art, Bath BA1 2QJ**  
Archaeology Activity Day. Drop-in archaeology activity day. Included in usual admission price.

**29. Fri 30 July and Sat 31 July 11:00-15:00**  
**Timberscombe hillfort, Timberscombe,**  
**Exmoor**  
Timbercombe hillfort excavation open day. No charge.

**30. Sat 31 July 11.00–16.00**  
**Englishcombe Tithe Barn, Rectory**  
**Farmhouse, Englishcombe, Bath**  
Englishcombe Explorers. Explore Englishcombe village, the medieval church, medieval tithe barn and the famous Wansdyke. No charge.

Please check the Festival of British Archaeology website for full details of these events :  
[www.festival.britarch.ac.uk/whatson](http://www.festival.britarch.ac.uk/whatson)

Details of events in other areas can also be found on the website.

There are additional events in the Mendip Hills area. See [www.wellsmuseum.org.uk](http://www.wellsmuseum.org.uk)