



# Booking a stall at WFOFAD 26

An annual community festival celebrating the best of local artisan food and drink, organised entirely by volunteers.

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#### What is WFOFAD?

The Witney Festival of Food and Drink, fondly known as WFOFAD, is our annual charitable celebration of the region's finest artisan food and drink producers.

Organised entirely by local volunteers, the festival has a unique community spirit that sets it apart from many professional food galas.

#### When is WFOFAD 26?

The Witney Festival of Food and Drink will be held on Saturday, 16th May 2026. The event runs from 10:00 am to 4:30 pm.

### Who Can Book a Stall WFOFAD 26?

We welcome small, independent producers and retailers of food and drink. In 2025, almost 4,000 visitors enjoyed over 65 artisan stalls offering everything from bread, cakes, cheeses, sauces, pies, and pizza to meats, fresh produce, beers, wines, and ciders.

We also host sports and leisure organisations, along with charities promoting healthy lifestyles and balanced diets.



## Why do so many people visit WFOFAD?

Now in its 12th year, WFOFAD attracts thousands of visitors because:

- It is a well-loved part of the Witney Festival season.
- There is much more than stalls: street food, live music, displays by local clubs in the Festival Arena, and our Festival Bar and UE pop-up café.
- A large fun fair takes place next door on The Leys, bringing extra visitors who often explore WFOFAD as part of their day out.
- Above all, it is a community festival run for the community, creating a warm and welcoming atmosphere that keeps people coming back.

## **Categories of Stall**

There are three categories of stalls:

- 1. **Produce stalls** selling 'cold' produce such as bread, cakes, spices, meats, and vegetables.
- 2. Hot or frozen food stalls selling hot or chilled items such as paella, pizza, or ice cream
- 3. **Information stalls** for organisations promoting a healthy lifestyle and balanced diet or other local charities

#### Stall Location

Stalls are located inside St Mary's Church, in the church grounds, in the Food Court, or on Church Green. Final placement is allocated by the Organiser, taking into account what you are selling, your power requirements, and the overall balance of the festival. We do our best to accommodate preferences, but the final layout is designed to ensure a safe, enjoyable, and well-mixed event for everyone.

#### Cost of a Stall

We offer two price bands:

- Produce and information stalls: £25 per metre (minimum size 2 metres)
- Hot or frozen food stalls: £30 per metre (minimum size 2 metres)

#### **Power and Sockets**

- Standard domestic sockets are available for display lighting and similar low-power needs: £25 for a single socket or £50 for a double socket. Each socket is limited to a maximum of 5 amps.
- For hot, chilled, or frozen food stalls requiring greater capacity, 16 amp and 32 amp commando sockets are available. Charges are based on estimated usage and will be confirmed individually.

## **Booking a Stand**

- Returning stallholders: you should have received a booking from wfofad@witneyparish.org.uk
  by Oct 25. Please check your email junk folder
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- Payment Due: 1 February 2026 (or within 28 days of invoice if booked after 1 February)

## **A Worthy Cause**

WFOFAD is organised by the Parish of Witney Reg Charity #1129784. Monies raised by the festival go towards the Parish of Witney, which has responsibility for the maintenance and renewal of St Mary's so that our town's ancient House of Prayer can be preserved for future generations.

#### **FAQS**

Why do so many attend WFOFAD? We welcome around 4,000 visitors each year, drawn by a wide range of artisan food and drink stalls, a vibrant street food court, live music, and displays from local clubs in the Festival Arena on Church Green. A large fun fair also runs next door on The Leys, and many fairgoers take the opportunity to visit WFOFAD too.

When is payment due? Invoices will be issued in early January 2026, with payment due by 1 February 2026 (or within 28 days of invoice if booked after 1 February).

**Is there Wi-Fi?** Yes. Inside St Mary's we provide a free, fast and secure connection (70 Mbps). A separate guest Wi-Fi is available for festival visitors. Please note there is no Wi-Fi coverage outside the church.

**Do you supply tables and chairs?** We can supply one or two chairs per stand. Stallholders should bring their own tables.

**Are gazebos and display units allowed?** Yes, providing your display fits within the space you have booked.

When is a booking confirmed? Your booking is confirmed once payment has been received in full and proof of valid public liability and product liability insurance has been supplied.

When is the last date I can cancel due to unforeseen circumstances? Cancellations must be made in writing by 18.00 on 18 March 2026. Cancellations received before this deadline will receive a 50% refund of total costs. After this date no refund can be given.

**How do you manage stalls selling similar products?** We carefully manage the mix of stalls to maintain variety and balance. Priority is given to stallholders who have booked and paid first.

#### **Contact Details**

- Address: St Mary's, Church Green, Witney OX28 4AW
- Tel: 01993 779492
- **Email:** wfofad@witneyparish.org.uk
- Website: www.wfofad.co.uk
- Social media: Instagram: @WFOFAD | Facebook: @WFOFAD | X: @WFoodandDrinkF

#### At A Glance

- **Event Date:** Saturday 16 May 2026 10:00 am 4:30 pm
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- Stall cost: £25 per metre for product stalls and £30 pm for hot food
- Payment Due: 1 February 2026
- Location: St Mary's Church, Churchyard and Church Green, Witney OX28 4AW
- **Wi-Fi:** Free fast connection (70 Mbps) inside St Mary's; guest network for visitors. No Wi-Fi coverage outside.

#### 🕴 Power

- Inside stalls: mains sockets (5 amps max).
- Selected outside stalls: access to organiser's generator.
- Church Green stalls: bring own generator.
- # Parking: On The Leys or in Mount House
- **Equipment:** one chair per stall but stallholders must bring their own tables.
- Cancellation Deadline: 18 March 2026 (by 18:00 hrs 50% refund)

## **Festival Photos**





A street Food Court in Trelawney



Live Music Tent featuring local performers



Stalls outside in church grounds



Festival Arena on Church Green



Festival Bar serving local craft ales