



Hallaton

Festival of Archaeology

12th July - 2nd August



Hallaton is running its fifth Festival of Archaeology this year with our usual mixture of walks, talks and events. The museum is open on Saturdays and Sundays from 12pm to 4.30pm where you can see displays about Bottle Kicking, the Hallaton Treasure with our replica Roman Helmet, the Ale Tales, and our new Hallaton Castle display. In the Church, we welcome visitors to the new St Morrell side chapel. This stunning chapel celebrates medieval pilgrimage to Hallaton and St Morrell's great miracle, with wall paintings taken directly from his cathedral in Angers, where he was bishop from 430AD to 460AD.

The Café in the Church will be open on Sunday from 12pm to 4pm serving snacks, lunches and teas.

Sundays 12th, 19th, 26th July and 2nd August at 12pm and 2pm: Hallaton Castle Guided Walk



Visit Hallaton Museum to see the new Castle display and go on a guided walk of Hallaton Castle. Learn how it was built and why it was built here. Experience Leicestershire's finest Motte and Bailey Castle first hand. The theme of this year's Festival of Archaeology is "Archaeology and Nature" and you can also learn about some of the interesting flora on the castle site. Tickets are £7.50 and available [here](#) or from the Hallaton Museum website. You can also pre-book a Ploughman's lunch or a Cream Tea from the 'Cafe in the Church'

Saturday 25th July at 7pm: A talk by Chris Close: Finding Collyweston's lost Tudor Palace

Collyweston's magnificent medieval manor house was the main residence of Lady Margaret Beaufort (left), mother of Henry VII, whose ambitions for her son made her, for a time, the most powerful woman in England. Chris Close will tell the story of its rediscovery and excavation in 2023 and how the Hallaton Field Work Group helped in this project. Tickets are £7.50 and available [here](#) or from the Hallaton Museum website. A cash bar will be available before the talk.



Wednesdays 22nd and 29th July at 6pm: Hallaton Village Trail



Enjoy a gentle walk of about 90minutes around Hallaton visiting some of the interesting and historic sites in this medieval village. Starting at 6pm from the museum and finishing at the Fox Inn. Tickets are £7.50 and available [here](#) or from the Hallaton Museum website.

Please make arrangements directly with The Fox (info@thefoxinnhallaton.co.uk) if you wish to eat there after your walk.

Visitors to the Festival may also like to undertake one or more self-guided walks, details of which are available on boards displayed outside the museum and also on the Hallaton Museum website.

The three walks are the "Ale Tales Trail" about 45minutes, the "Village History Boards" about 2 hours and 30minutes, and the "St Morrell's Round pilgrimage" about 8 hours



for further information visit: www.hallaton-museum.co.uk

