Discover our folk music activity holidays

If you like sharing folk music, dance, song and camping then you'll love Folk Camps. Imagine camping in beautiful countryside with a group of like-minded people and think of the fun you could have.

Folk Camps, a registered charity, has been organising week long and weekend holidays, for more than 50 years! Staff give their time for free and everyone helps organise workshops, day time events and entertainment each evening.

There is a hall or marquee in which to dance and make music. At weekend events you cater for yourself and at week long summer camps you take a turn to prepare food one day or help with another task. You don't have to join in everything, but lots of campers enjoy the beginners' band after breakfast, the advanced music sessions for the more experienced and playing with other musicians for the evening dance.

Together, we enjoy our folk heritage. That's what makes Folk Camps such unique, fun and rewarding holidays. If you're already an experienced dancer, singer or musician there will be opportunities to share your talents with others - with extra workshops arranged depending on the skills of those attending.

Singing and playing music at the pub, going to the beach, taking a boat trip and visiting nearby tourist attractions are also things that folk campers enjoy.

Campers bring their own tent, personal washing equipment, cutlery, mug and plate - and wellies (just in case). Caravans and motorhomes are welcome too. Flush toilets are provided and shower facilities are available at all camps.

For weekend events, if you prefer not to camp, you could arrange your own accommodation locally and join in with the activities.

Each holiday has a leader to coordinate events, a warden to look after logistics and on week-long catered camps a member of staff to organises the 'cooks of the day' and ensure plentiful quality food. The musicians run the daily workshops and lead the evening band for dancing.

Folk Camps offers intimate and welcoming holidays with a friendly community atmosphere. Different generations mix easily at Folk Camps, children soon find playmates, teenagers do their 'own thing', parents can relax and grandparents can share in the buzz of family life while enjoying their own time. Most families will be back again next year!

Find out more and book your place at:

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Enjoy, share and remember with

Folk Camps holidays













Summer family weeks 2016 (fully-catered)

Join one of our popular summer camps with morning folk music, song and dance workshops, evening dancing and singing, plus freshly prepared meals and so much more! A choice of two amazing locations with plenty of space for camping and so many local attractions to explore in the afternoons!

RHAYADER, Powys - Marquee camp 4 weeks

23 July to 30 July 30 July to 6 August 6 August to 13 August 13 August to 20 August

In a paradise for walkers, cyclists and nature-lovers. Red kites patrol the skies, otters the rivers. On the edge of this beautiful area of mountains, lakes, and forests, our large, level, secluded field is less than 1½ miles from the small market town of Rhayader. The Elan Trail, an 8-mile cycle track, runs near our site. A mountain road takes you to the superb waterfalls and steam railway at Devil's Bridge.

ROCH, Pembrokeshire - Village Hall camp 2 weeks

30 July to 6 August 6 August to 13 August

Relax in our spacious village hall in this unspoilt Pembrokeshire village. The fabulous coast line of Pembrokeshire is just a short distance at Newgale and the smallest city of St David's a short drive away.

Residential winter event (fully-catered) 15 to 19 February - Paddocks Hotel, Symonds Yat West Craft break

Discover new crafts with our taster workshops and enjoy daily music workshops and evening dancing. Unwind in a comfortable hotel with en-suite in all rooms and all meals included.

You'll love the enormous ballroom – a great space for music workshops, dancing and some craft activities, plus we use the lounge for extra activities. The hotel has a dining room, two bars and free wifi.

For full event details, including staffing and to book, visit

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Enjoy a weekend of folk workshops, plus evening dancing and singing in the village hall, and camping of course!

29 April - 2 May (Fri pm - Monday pm) Loxwood, Sussex

Start the folk camp season at our popular Sussex camp, close to the Surrey border. Plenty to great pubs nearby or just relax on the site and enjoy the atmosphere.

27-31 May (Friday pm to Tues am) Dalton, North Yorkshire

Beautiful scenery, local walks plus a stream running through the campsite... what more could you ask for?

27 - 30 May (Friday pm to Monday pm) Chedworth, Gloucestershire

Relax in our spacious village hall in this unspoilt Cotswold village, off the beaten track yet just 7 miles from Cirencester. Chedworth Roman Villa, owned by the National Trust, is just a few miles by road.

26 - 29 August (Friday pm to Monday pm) - Kington Langley, Wiltshire

A comfortable village hall with extra facilities including showers and modern play areas for both younger and older children! This small village is a few miles between Chippenham and the M4.

26 – 30 August (Friday pm – Tuesday am) – **Bampton, Cumbria, Lake District** There is plenty to love about the location – a quiet and unspoilt village on the east of the Lake District National Park.

Folk workshop weekends 2016

Your chance to spend more time dancing, singing and/or playing music. There will be plenty of opportunity to join in, try something new, lead a workshop or simply enjoy watching others! All weekends include camping; or you are welcome to find your own accommodation locally and still join the daytime workshops and evening dancing.

- **3 5 June** (Friday pm to Sunday pm) **Blockley, Gloucestershire Dancers' weekend** for those that love dancing, you'll have the chance to try more challenging dances to quality live music.
- **3 5 June** (Friday pm to Sunday afternoon) **Miserden, Gloucestershire Session Musicians' weekend** for those that enjoy music sessions and playing by ear. Lunchtimes usually involve a music pub session or two.
- **9 12 June** (Thursday pm to Sunday pm) **Miserden, Gloucestershire Singing Weekend** for anyone that loves to sing whether beginner or more experienced; expect a friendly welcome. Plus the picture perfect location.
- **24 26 June** (Friday pm to Sunday pm) **Beckford, Worcestershire Musicians' weekend** for anyone from beginners to more experienced musicians who enjoy playing folk tunes using music notation.
- **14 17 July** (Thursday pm to Sunday pm) **Bampton, Cumbria, Lake District Singing Weekend** from beginners to more experienced singers enjoy your voice, and listening to others and singing together plus take in the beauty of the Lake District.

