



**WEALD &
DOWNLAND**
LIVING MUSEUM

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MADE BY HAND

HERITAGE CRAFTS AND SKILLS

26-27 SEPTEMBER

Made by Hand: Heritage Crafts & Skills

Did you know that many made by hand heritage crafts and traditional skills are at risk of being lost forever?

Join us for a fascinating weekend exploring heritage crafts from past to present, and discover how these vital skills can be preserved for future generations.

Throughout the weekend, visitors can enjoy live demonstrations of rural crafts and skills traditionally practised at the Museum, alongside special guest makers from the Heritage Craft Association. These expert craftspeople will showcase techniques from the Red List

of Historic Endangered Crafts, highlighting why they matter and how they can be safeguarded. ^

This immersive event offers a rare opportunity to see endangered crafts brought to life, meet skilled practitioners, and learn how heritage skills connect our past, present, and future.

More information will follow in the Summer – Save the date and come back to our website for more information.

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Included in
Museum Annual
Membership

Information for Visitors

Discover 40 acres of history, nature, and countryside charm at the Weald & Downland Living Museum near Chichester, West Sussex. Explore our collection of historic buildings, working farm animals, and heritage gardens, and experience what rural life was like in centuries past.

Come Rain or Shine You Can Explore and Enjoy

Stroll through our beautiful open-air museum, where you can see authentic period homes, workshops, and barns set within the stunning South Downs landscape. Enjoy peaceful woodland walks, spot wildlife, or visit the woodland play area — perfect for children to explore and learn through play.

Meet Our Working Animals

Look out for our Heavy Horses, Sheep, and Ducks, who help bring the Museum to life. Visitors can even feed the ducks on the mill pond — grain can be purchased in the Museum shop.

Relax and Refuel

Take a break at our waterside café, serving delicious breakfast, brunch, and lunch options. You're also welcome to bring a picnic, with plenty of scenic spots around the

site to enjoy. During the warmer months, Shepherd's Hut kiosks offer takeaway drink and snacks around the Museum. ^

Useful Visitor Information

- Dogs on short leads are very welcome across the site.
- Free parking is available for all visitors.
- Please note: the Museum is a no-smoking site.
- Visitors with accessibility needs can find detailed information on our [Accessibility page](#).

Please note that **all activities and demonstrations are subject to change** and may vary depending on the weather or season.



DATE

Sat–Sun 26–27 September 2026



TIME

10:00am–5:00pm



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