

Living Crafts

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Hello and a warm welcome to Living Crafts

We are a four day festival of art, craft and design that has supported outstanding contemporary designer-makers and artisans from across the UK since 1974. Immerse yourself in our creative world with live demonstrations, workshops and activities for you to enjoy with friends and family.

We are looking forward to our next event from **Thursday 7th to Sunday 10th May 2026** in the beautiful parkland of Hatfield House in Hertfordshire.

Join us for a memorable day out.



Workshops & Activities



Ticket Info



Plan Your Day



VARIETY OF DINING OPTIONS

Dining Options



GROUP ARRIVALS

Group Bookings



A MEMORABLE DAY OUT

Visitor Info

Unrivalled Shopping

Living Crafts is a one-stop creative shopping experience, showcasing contemporary arts and crafts of an exceptional standard and celebrating the talents of the UK's most highly acclaimed designer-makers.

Discover exquisite designs, original art and beautifully handcrafted work to enhance your home. Chat with and buy from the maker directly; even commission the creation of a unique piece just for you.

Whatever your passion, ceramics, wood, metal, jewellery, textiles, furniture or original art, at Living Crafts you will find stunning new work to enjoy.



Amazing Demonstrations

Discover how today's designer-makers are preserving our country's rich heritage of traditional crafts to create stunning, contemporary arts and crafts. Meet master craftsmen and women and share in their inspirational stories as they demonstrate their skills through the creative process.

Visit the Glassblowing Theatre, watch furniture making, chat to potters as they work at their wheel. From the original work for sale in all the Craft Pavilions to the demonstrations around the showground you will enrich your understanding of how beautiful works of art are made.

Experience the sights, sounds and smells of creativity in action, get to know the makers and hear the story behind their work.



Get hands-on and have-a-go!

Working alongside expert tutors, Living Crafts is a rare chance to try out new hobbies and learn new skills. The Workshop Pavilion at the heart of the showground is always a hive of creativity with a wide range of activities for all ages and abilities from mindfulness art to jewellery making.

Choose from dozens of different workshops and create your own work of art, ceramic sculpture or even shape a longbow. Living Crafts is a wonderful opportunity to share some quality time with your family and friends. Take a digital detox and de-stress! Immerse yourselves in our creative world and enjoy a memorable day out together.



Foodie Favourites

Tantalise your taste buds in the popular Food and Drink Pavilion. Serving up mouthwatering treats, our speciality artisan producers have a tempting range

of savoury and sweet treats and some tasty tipples for you to take home.

When you're ready to relax, there's a choice of delicious and authentic flavours from our street vendors and in the Eaton's pavilion catering for a range of dietary requirements. Grab a coffee, take lunch or enjoy tea and a cake whilst you kick back and listen to some live music.



Lively Entertainment

Creating a quintessentially British atmosphere, take a break and relax to the sound of live music provided by local jazz and brass bands and choirs. In keeping with the time of year, we also have local schools dancing around the Maypole!

“ *Crafts are an essential part of a rich life and Living Crafts celebrates this gloriously* ”

— Monty Don, Television Presenter

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