Ford & Etal Christmas Market

One ticket gives access to everything: admission to all venues, vintage bus rides, Heatherslaw Festive Fun, parking and tree-trail sheets: Adults £12, children free.

This year the Ford & Etal Christmas Market will be run across Etal, Heatherslaw, Ford and in Ford Castle. There is masses to see and do in each location, so you can have a happy day meeting the makers on a range of stalls, relaxing over tempting refreshments, enjoying all kinds of seasonal entertainment, travelling to each location in vintage style and enjoying the beautiful countryside as you follow our Christmas Tree Trail. Dogs are welcome everywhere too.

FESTIVE FUN

Enjoy the Festive Fun at Heatherslaw where you will find activities for all ages: Circus Skills Workshops, Storytelling sessions, Baking Workshops and children can write and post a letter to Santa and make up their own Reindeer food mix that they can leave out for Santa's reindeer on Christmas Eve. There is also a sleigh where adults and children can sit and pose for photographs. On top of all this there is entertainment throughout the day and all kinds of delicious food and drink to tempt you – boozy hot chocolate anyone?

THE CHRISTMAS TREE TRAIL

Follow the trail of Christmas Trees, the 2026 theme is: ***What Christmas Means to You,*** so try guess what the decorator of each tree loves most about Christmas. Drop off your answer sheet to enter the prize draw to win either an adult hamper, or a child hamper (both hampers on display in Heatherslaw Corn Mill Gift Shop). Leave your completed Trail Maps at any Information Point to be entered into the prize draw. The winners will be announced on Ford-and-Etal's social media within a few days of the event.

GETTING AROUND

Vintage Double Decker Buses

These run in a loop between Etal, Heatherslaw and Ford. The cost of your tickets is included in your admission price, but you cannot travel on the bus without your wristband. Children travel free but must be accompanied by an adult with a wristband.

NB: you cannot pay on the bus.

Footpaths between the villages

These are waymarked walks between Etal and Heatherslaw (approx. 15 minutes) and Heatherslaw and Ford (approx. 45 minutes, good footwear is advised for this section which can get muddy in places). Maps are available from Information points.

Car Parking

Parking for this event is located at Etal Showground. Please respect the community and **ONLY** park here.

Do not attempt to park in the villages or on grass verges. Thank you for your cooperation and for helping to make this a safe and enjoyable event for everyone.

Disabled Parking (Blue Badge Holders)

Parking spaces are limited and it is a case of first come, first served.

ETAL: Etal Village Hall car park is reserved exclusively for disabled visitors.

FORD: please use the reserved bays opposite Ford Village Shop and the few reserved disabled spaces at Ford Castle car park.

HEATHERSLAW: there is disabled parking in the small car park next to Heatherslaw Light Railway.

THANK YOU!

Ford & Etal Estates would like to thank Till Valley Cricket Club, the Forestry Department, the Gardeners, Etal Village Hall Committee, The Kelso Shed and all our volunteers because without their help and support this event would not be possible. Please note that this event is organised by Ford & Etal Estates on a not-for-profit basis.

ETAL

ETAL WALLED GARDEN MARQUEE

Abi Bakes
Amanda Jayne Bird Art
Aroma Roots
Berwick Style
Beth's Baking Hut
Bibbies
Blue Tag Creations
Bramble Cottage Preserves
Buddy Blooming
Clean Layers
Costco
Cowrie Craft
DMetalbyDiane
Doddington Dairy
Elements Photography
Ember & Olive Homeware
Ewe-nique
Glass & Canvas
Grant's Family Butchers
Half a Hedgerow
Happy Spots Crafts
HolliMolli Crafts
It's All About The Cheese
Joanne Wishart Gallery
Laura Johnson Jewellery
Mama & Mini
MeAmora
MJ. Porter
M&M Leisure
Natural Northumberland
Northumbrian Images
Pure Pet Food
RNLI
Rosie's Art
Sarah Made Ceramics
Sharon's Pottery
Speckl.
Stephen Allen Art
Stotties
The Old School Studio Prints
The Traybake Fairy
Tiao Jewellery
Upcycled Vintage
Wax Works
Whey Aye Whisky
Zsuzsa Remai Arts

ETAL WALLED GARDEN REFRESHMENTS

Northumberland Coffee
Gyros

ETAL VILLAGE HALL STALLHOLDERS

Barbara Sewell
Basket and Co
Darren's Photos
Drift Glass & Ceramics
Essence of Health
Flight Weaving
Gingerlillies
Neil's Driftwood Designs
The Northumbrian Cake
Ord Originals
Ruby Jones
Save Our Squirrels
Shopafrolics
Tuppence

ETAL SHOPS

The Lavender Tearooms
Northumbrian Cider and Wine Company
Pheasant Feather Art

ETAL VILLAGE REFRESHMENTS

The Lavender Tearooms
The Black Bull

ETAL VILLAGE ENTERTAINMENT

Electrician Magician (10:00-11:45)

ETAL TOILETS

Etal Village Hall
Etal Castle Car Park
Etal Walled Garden Portaloos

HEATHERSLAW

FESTIVE FUN SHOPS

Bryneich Studio
Heatherslaw Corn Mill Gift Shop
John Speight Papercut Art
Spirit of Colour Jewellery

HEATHERSLAW REFRESHMENTS

Corn Mill Coffee House
The Doghoose
Cheviot Tap

HEATHERSLAW FREE ENTERTAINMENT

Circus Skills Workshops all day
Star & Shadow will perform at 11:00-11:15, 12:00-12:15, 13:00-13:15 and 14:00-14:15
Heatherslaw Mill: Baking Workshops will run all day
Heatherslaw Mill: Write and post a letter to Santa – all day
Heatherslaw Mill: Make food for Santa's reindeer – all day
Heatherslaw Corn Mill: Free Entry
Bryneich Studio, Northumbrian Folklore and Storytelling sessions run for 30 minutes at 11:30, 12:30, 13:30 and 14:30

HEATHERSLAW TOILETS

On the mill side of the River Till

FORD

LADY WATERFORD HALL

Art by Sam
BARK (outside)
Charred Wood
Cheviot Candle Company
Grain and Groove
Handmade by Tink
Isle Witch Designs
Kate Walsh Creative
Lady Waterford Hall Retail
Laura Brittain
Penny Stratford Ceramics
Print, Dye, Stitch
Sweet Success
The Old Courthouse Printshop
Todburn Soaps

FORD VILLAGE SHOPS

Ford Village Shop
Once Upon a Memory
Petal n' Paint
Ravn Clay Pottery
The Old Dairy
The Old Forge

FORD VILLAGE REFRESHMENTS

Ford Village Shop
Habibi Shawarma

FORD VILLAGE ENTERTAINMENT

Electrician Magician (13:00-15:00)

FORD TOILETS

Lady Waterford Hall & along lane behind Ravn Clay Pottery

FORD CASTLE STALLHOLDERS

793 Spirits
Alison Tutcher Milliner
Alnwick Soap Co
AMD Art Studio
Blinkin' Imp
Cait Rhiona Scotland
Candles by Jax
Coastal Custodian
Coostie Illustration & Design
Curiosities Killed the Cat
Forever Wild
Julia Linstead Glass
Knightingale Crafts
Leather and Light
Linden Craven Jewellery
Lindislight
Little Boe
Lumiancy Glass
Moonlight Bay Candles
NGS Photography
Northumberland Seaglass
Olive and Myrtle
Rachel Meehan Art
Roslyn Whiting Leathercraft
SeaNic Creations
Scribblings
Small Berry Co
Snoods 4 Dudes
Stacy Graham Design
The Cheviot Craft Co.
The Chocolate Box
The Handy Craft Shed
Umbellifer
Willow & Birch

FORD CASTLE REFRESHMENTS

U've Pulled
Bake My Cake
The Stumble Inn

FORD CASTLE ENTERTAINMENT

Stevie Bagpipes (12:00-14:00)

FORD CASTLE TOILETS

Portaloos

FORD CHURCH

The church is open all day to visitors.

SLAINSFIELD

SLAINSFIELD REFRESHMENTS

Cheviot Tap, 12:00-22:00
Local ales and spirits, pizza (from 16:00-20:00).