

# ROCK OYSTER

HOSTED BY PAUL AINSWORTH AND FRIENDS

## ROCK OYSTER FESTIVAL 2021 IS ON!

Rock Oyster Festival will go-ahead as planned at Dinham House this July (30th to August 1st) with an incredible line-up of music and food featuring Sophie Ellis-Bextor, Nick Mulvey, Gilles Peterson, Dub Pistols, Soul II Soul, Jaguar Skills and Olivia Dean alongside pop-up restaurants and chefs demos hosted by Paul Ainsworth.

Measures are in place to ensure the festival can run within the safety guidelines in place at the time. There will be more space to allow for social distancing alongside all the necessary precautions to keep everyone safe.

To mark its 10th anniversary, Rock Oyster has announced that it will be hosted by a different chef every year and this year Paul Ainsworth is at the helm, curating Rock Oyster's food line-up with chefs like Valentine Warner, Josh Eggleton, Romy Gill, Juliet Sear, Ping Coombes, Gill Meller and Michael Caines coming to cook with him by the Camel Estuary.

A handful of Cornwall's best loved restaurants will be popping up in The Chefs Tipis with Paul Ainsworth bringing The Mariners from Rock, Andi Tuck bringing the St Kew Inn, John Hooker bringing The Cornish Arms from Tavistock and Great British Menu favourites Jude Kereama, Guy Owen and Nick Beardshaw also hosting a Tipi throughout the weekend.

And for those who are keen to hone their own cooking skills, Rock Oyster has a packed programme of chefs demos and an open fire cooking stage featuring Tom Hunt, Honey & Co., Steven Lamb, The Oyster Lady, Jack Bristow, Ben Quinn and more.

Paul Ainsworth commented: "I'm delighted to be this year's host chef for the much-loved Rock Oyster Festival which returns this July. Historically, it has been a weekend that revolves around family, great music and delicious food, and I'm so excited to be cooking alongside my fellow chefs against the beautiful backdrop of the Camel Estuary".

Outdoor adventures and wellbeing activities are a big feature of this year's festival with Standup paddleboarding, canoeing, archery, wild running, and aerial yoga.

Rock Oyster has always been a favourite with local families and there is plenty to keep kids happy this year too including forest school, a sea creature fashion show, circus skills, puppetry and storytelling at dusk.

This year's music line-up is bigger and better than ever before as Rock Oyster pulls out all the stops for its 10th birthday. Alongside this year's headliners are local favourites Bailey Tomkinson, Nathan Ball, Land of the Giants and Brother Sea.

"We are over the moon to announce that Rock Oyster will go ahead as planned. Set against the stunning backdrop of the Camel Estuary, Rock Oyster is the ultimate summer staycation to shake off those lockdown blues. With the festival taking place next month, tickets are now very limited, so if you haven't booked yours already, don't wait!" said festival director Lee Bater.

Tickets now available from [rockoysterfestival.co.uk](http://rockoysterfestival.co.uk)

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*Adult day tickets - £40 to £45. Adult weekend tickets - £139. Children's day tickets are free for under 5s and £10 for children under 12. Children's weekend tickets are free for under 5s and £25 for children under 12. Teen tickets are from £59 for the weekend or £30 for a day ticket.*

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**Notes to editor:**

- Rock Oyster Festival will take place at Dinham House, St Minver from July 30th to August 1st 2021
- 26 chefs and 100+ music artists will appear at this year's festival
- Cornwall Air Ambulance is the official charity partner of Rock Oyster Festival 2021