

### National Nature Reserve

### Ongoing

Everyone Needs a Shed! SH A variety of sessions at the Durlston Shed. Visit durlston.co.uk/ everyone-needs-a-shed for details.

#### **Weekly Work Parties** Visit durlston.co.uk/volunteer

Every Monday, 2 - 4pm Cuppa and a Chat FREE SH Make friends and enjoy the lovely setting of the Durlston Shed.

Every Saturday, 9am parkrun FREE Get fit in a great location. Register through parkrun.org.uk

### October

Tuesday 1 October, 7:30pm Arne Moors and Bevond Flood Defence: Evening Talk **QLC** Join Havley Hills, from the Arne Moors partnership, to discover how the project will provide essential space for nature. £3.50. FREE for Friends of Durlston.

#### Thursday 3 October, 11am - 12:30pm Victorian Durlston Guided Walk **CR**

Take a walk to discover Durlston's curious Victorian past. £3.50

Sunday 13 October, 11am - 12:30pm Duriston Rocks! Geology Walk **PCR** Join a Ranger to discover Durlston's rocks, fossils and prehistoric past. £3.50

Saturday 19 October, 11am - 12:30pm Glass Engraving Workshop Learn this fascinating craft. Adults and children (8+) welcome. Please book. £15

Sunday 20 October, 10:30am - 12:30pm Park to Pier **Q**CR Walk from Durlston Castle to Swanage Pier - wildlife, geology and history. Adult £5, child £3

Tuesday 22 October, doors open 7pm for 7:30pm start **Purbeck Film Festival Film:** Afire (12A) 🍎 💡 FFG For details and to book, visit www.purbeckfilm.com

Wednesday 23 October - Wednesday 6 November, 10am - 3pm Halloween Children's Trail 🦠 **©CR** Let's get spooky! A trail around the park to get into the Spooky season! You might just win a prize! £3.50 per trail pack.

Wednesday 23 October, doors open 7pm for 7:30pm start Purbeck Film Festival Film: Six Inches of Soil (PG) with Q&A FFG

For details and to book, visit www.purbeckfilm.com

Thursday 24 October, doors open 7pm for 7:30pm start **Purbeck Film Festival Film:** The Nettle Dress 🏈 🖓 FFG For details and to book, visit www.purbeckfilm.com

Saturday 26 October, 2pm - 3:30pm Photography Walk FREE **QCR** Brush up your photography skills on a photography walk led by wildlife photographer Julian Sawyer. as part of the Dorset National Landscape exhibition. Adults and children (11+) welcome. Under 16s to be accompanied. Please book.

Tuesday 29 October, 11am - 1pm Drawing in Pencil and Pen Workshop with Madelaine Devenay for beginners and improvers. Please book, £20

Tuesday 29 October, doors open 7pm for 7:30pm start **Purbeck Film Festival Film:** Frances Hodgkins, Anything But a Still Life 🍑 💡 FFG For details and to book, visit www.purbeckfilm.com

Wednesday 30 October, 11am - 3pm Wild Wednesdays FREE N. PLC Drop in for painting, crafts and activities! Donations welcome.

Wednesday 30 October, doors open 7pm for 7:30pm start **Purbeck Film Festival Film:** All That breathes 🌔 💡 FFG For details and to book, visit www.purbeckfilm.com

Thursday 31 October, 2:30pm - 4pm Wild Durlston: Kids Activity S C

Join a Ranger to learn more about Durlston through games and activities. Please book. £3.50

Thursday 31 October, doors open 7pm for 7:30pm start **Purbeck Film Festival Film:** Like Father Like Son 🄶 💡 FFG For details and to book, visit www.purbeckfilm.com

#### November

Saturday 2 November, 11am - 12:30pm Glass Engraving Workshop 💙 LC See 19 October

#### Tuesday 5 November, 7:30pm The Mortar Wreck: Evening Talk

Britain's oldest wreck sank off Studland Bay in 1250 carrying a collection of grinding Purbeck Marble mortars and intricately carved grave slabs! Tom Cousins (from Bournemouth University), will reveal more. £3.50. FREE for Friends of Durlston.

Thursday 7 November, 11am - 12pm Castle Tour FREE 😿 🖓 CR Discover the history behind Durlston Castle. Donations welcome.

Saturday 9 November, 7pm Stargazing **QLC** 

View Jupiter, Tsuchinshan Atlas comet, the Moon and Autumn Objects. Visit durlston.co.uk to check for cancellation. £4

Sunday 10 November, 2pm - 3pm Fantastic Fossils of the Mesozoic Talk OLC

Join Ranger Andrew for a talk about fossils, from Dorset to Morocco with specimens to see and hold. £3.50

Saturday 16 November, 10:30am - 4pm Introduction to Linocut Workshop **₽LC** 

Join printmaker Robin Mackenzie to learn reduction linocut. To book email robin@robinmackenzie.co.uk or call 07979 812083. £85 per person including materials.

Saturday 23 November, 10:30am - 12:30pm Park to Pier **CR** See 20 October

Thursday 28 November, 11am - 12:30pm **Rough Guide to Durlston Guided** Walk **CR** Join a Ranger for a guided walk

to discover a little more about all things Durlston! £3.50

Saturday 30 November, 10:30am - 4pm Make a Wood Engraving

Christmas Card **\$**LC Join printmaker Robin Mackenzie to design, engrave and handprint your own Christmas cards. To book email robin@robinmackenzie.co.uk or call 07979 812083. £95 per person including materials.

Saturday 30 November, 7pm Stargazing **QLC** View Jupiter, Saturn, Mars and Autumn Objects. Visit durlston. co.uk to check for cancellation. £4

#### December

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Thursday 5 December, 11am - 12:30pm Pleasure Grounds Walk 👷 🖓 CR Discover the curious history of the Pleasure Grounds and its recent restoration. £3.50

Saturday 7 December, 7pm Stargazing **QLC** View the Moon, Jupiter, Saturn, Mars and Winter Objects. Visit durlston.co.uk to check for

Sunday 8 December, 11am - 2pm Christmas Tree Decorations **PLC** Drop in to make and decorate your own wooden Christmas tree decorations. £2

Wednesday 11 December, 11am - 12:30pm Layers in the Landscape: Guided Walk **CR** Join a Ranger to discover how geology, history, people and nature have combined to create a unique landscape. £3.50

Saturday 14 December, 11am - 12:30pm Glass Engraving Workshop **PLC** See 19 October

Wednesday 18 December Wednesday 8 January, 10am - 3pm **Crazy Christmas Children's** CR Get into the Trail festive spirit at Durlston and follow the Crazy Christmas Trail around the park. You might just win a prize! £3.50 per trail pack.

#### Saturday 21 December, 11am - 12:30pm Have a very Merry Durlston Guided Walk SCR

Join a Ranger for an hour's guided walk and finish off with a mince nie and mulled wine. Please book, £6

# What's On October 2024 - April 2025

Saturday 22 March, 7:30pm

View Jupiter and Spring Objects.

Wednesday 26 March, 11am - 12:30pm

Wildlife Wander Guided Walk **©**CR

discover more about its wildlife. £3.50

Saturday 29 March, 10:30am - 4pm

Workshop **PLC** See 16 November

A wander through Durlston to

Introduction to Linocut

Tuesday 1 April, 7:30pm

as a discursive, humorous,

23 April, 10am - 4pm

Real Dorset: Evening Talk **QLC** 

Author Jon Woolcott talks about

his book 'Real Dorset', described

idiosyncratic and personal look at

Dorset. £3.50. FREE for Friends of

Wednesday 2 April - Wednesday

Fairy Doors Easter Trail 🎨 🖓 CR

Did you know fairies live here

at Durlston? Follow this trail to

explore the woodland and find

each of the Fairy Doors along

the way. You might just win a

Thursday 3 April, 11am - 12:30pm

Victorian Durlston Guided Walk

View Mars, the Moon, Jupiter and

Spring Objects. Visit durlston.co.uk

to check for cancellation. £4

Sunday 6 April, 11am - 12:30pm

with one of the Rangers. £3.50

The Spring has Sprung! Guided

Enjoy the spring delights of Durlston

Tuesday 8 April, 10:30am - 12pm

**Kids Easter Drawing Workshop** 

Join artist Mark Page to learn to

Materials included, Please book, £17.

draw Easter bunnies and hares!

Wednesday 9 April, 11am - 3pm

Thursday 10 April, 10.30am - 12pm

Join a Ranger to discover more

activities. Please book. £3.50

Sunday 13 April, 11am - 12.30pm

Glass Engraving Workshop **PLC** 

Monday 14 April, 11am - 12:30pm

Early Spider Orchids and other

Spring Flowers Guided Walk **PCR** 

Join a Ranger to enjoy Durlston's

Wednesday 16 April, 11am - 3pm

Thursday 17 April, 2:30pm - 4pm

Make a Bug House: Kids Activity

Wild Wednesdays 🌯 🖓 LC

Wild Durlston: Kids Activity 🍢 🗣 LC

about Durlston through games and

Wild Wednesdays 🍢 🗣 LC

prize! £3.50 per trail pack.

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Stargazing **QLC** 

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See 30 October

See 19 October

Saturday 5 April, 8pm

Visit durlston.co.uk to check for

Stargazing **QLC** 

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April

Durlston.

Tuesday 24 December, 10:30am - 12pm workshop drawing robins, reindeer and all things Christmassy! Materials included. Please book. £17

### January 2025

Thursday 2 January, 11am - 12:30pm Victorian Durlston Guided Walk **CR** See 3 October

#### Thursday 2 January, 2:30pm - 4pm Brilliant Bird Feeder: Kids Activity 🔊 🧕 LC Join a ranger to make your own bird feeder and learn about and watch the birds in the

hide garden. Please book. £3.50 Friday 3 January, 11am - 3pm Wild Friday FREE **PBD** Drop in for painting, crafts and activities! Donations welcome.

Saturday 4 January, 6pm Stargazing **QLC** View the rare event of Saturn coming out from behind the moon at 6:28pm plus Jupiter, Venus, Mars and Winter Objects. Visit durlston.co.uk to check for cancellation. £4

Sunday 5 January, 2pm - 3pm **Duriston Through the Year Talk LC** Join a Ranger for a talk to discover Durlston through the seasons. £3.50

Monday 13 January, 10:30am - 12pm New Year Birds Guided Walk SCR Look for winter birds and other wildlife on a guided stroll around Durlston. £3.50

Saturday 18 January, 10:30am - 4pm Wood Engraving Workshop **QLC** Join printmaker Robin Mackenzie to create your own wood engraving. To book email robin@robinmackenzie. co.uk or call 07979 812083. £85 per person including materials.

Saturday 25 January, 11am - 12:30pm Glass Engraving Workshop **PLC** See 19 October

Saturday 25 January, 7pm Stargazing **QLC** View Saturn, Venus, Jupiter, Mars and Winter Objects. Visit durlston. co.uk to check for cancellation. £4

#### February

Saturday 1 February, 7pm Stargazing **Q**LC View Saturn, the Moon, Jupiter and Winter Objects. Visit durlston. co.uk to check for cancellation. £4

Sunday 2 February, 11am - 12:30pm Lavers in the Landscape: Guided Walk **CR** See 11 December

Tuesday 4 February, 7:30pm Dorset Night Skies: Evening Talk LC Join night-time photographer Kevin Ferrioli for a talk on Dorset's beautiful night skies and how to capture them. £3.50. FREE for Friends of Durlston

Thursday 6 February, 11am - 12pm Castle Tour FREE 🜸 🖓 CR See 7 Novembe

Sunday 9 February, 10:30am - 12:30pm Park to Pier **CR** See 20 October

Wednesday 12 February Wednesday 26 February, 10am - 3pm Treemendous Trees Children's Trail 🍢 **PCR** Follow this trail to find out what makes Durlston so treeemendous! You might just win a prize! £3.50 per trail pack.

Sunday 16 February, 11am - 12:30pm Glass Engraving Workshop **PLC** See 19 October

Tuesday 18 February, 11am - 1pm Drawing in Pencil and Pen PLC See 29 October

Wednesday 19 February, 11am - 3pm Wild Wednesdays FREE 🥘 🖓 LC See 30 October

Thursday 20 February, 10:30am - 12pm Dinosaur Discovery: Kids Activity 🌏 🖓 LC Find out about Durlston's prehistoric past through games and activities. Please book. £3.50

Sunday 23 February, 11am - 12:30pm Rough Guide to Durlston Guided Walk **CR** See 28 November

#### March

Saturday 1 March, 7pm Stargazing **\P**LC View Venus, the Moon, Jupiter, Mars and Spring Objects. Visit

durlston.co.uk to check for cancellation. £4 Tuesday 4 March, 7:30pm

#### The Kearton Brothers: Evening Talk **QLC**

A talk from FOD Howard Oliver, on The Kearton Brothers: Natural History photographers and authors of the late 19th and early 20th century. £3.50. FREE for Friends of Durlston.

Thursday 6 March, 11am - 12:30pm Pleasure Grounds Walk 😒 🖓 CR See 5 December

Friday 7 March, 7:30pm start Between The Devil and The Deep **Blue Sea: Wareham Whalers** Concert 🏈 💡 FFG

Wareham Whalers will explore words, phrases and sayings that have found their way into everyday English, usage having originated at sea in the days of the sailing ships. They will use short readings, songs and shanties to do this and will keep you entertained from start to finish. Doors and Bar open 7pm. Please book, £10

Saturday 8 March, 11am - 12:30pm Glass Engraving Workshop **QLC** See 19 October

Friday 14 March, 11am - 12:30pm Signs of Spring Guided Walk **CR** 

Join a Ranger to look for signs of the coming spring! £3.50

**S\_\_\_\_** Saturday 15 March, 10:30am - 4pm Join a ranger to learn how to make home for insects in your garden. Wood Engraving Workshop Please book, £3.50

spring flowers. £3.50

See 30 October

Saturday 19 April, 11am - 1pm and Pen SLC awing in Pencii See 29 October

## Fine Foundation Gallery Exhibitions

Kids Christmas Eve Drawing Workshop 🍢 7+ 🖓 LC Join artist Mark Page for a

> **Closed** Christmas Day and Boxing Day



Tuesday 17 September - Thursday 10 October, 10:30am - 5pm An Exhibition by Ilona Skladzien FREE **FFG** 

Ilona Skladzien explores parenthood through sculptural work in paper, thread and ink.



Tuesday 22 October - Wednesday 27 November, 10am - 4pm Take a Dorset View FREE **FFG** A photo exhibition showcasing the winning entries from the recent Dorset National Landscape / Dorset Magazine competition which invited people to share photos of their favourite Dorset landscapes. Enjoy 50 images which celebrate Dorset's outstanding landscapes, in all seasons, including through the eyes of young people. Closed on Saturday 26 October until 12pm.



Saturday 30 November Monday 6 January, 10am - 4pm Victorian Durlston Exhibition FREE **FFG** 

Exhibition exploring the history of Durlston, George Burt and John Mowlem



Wednesday 8 January - Tuesday 4 February, 10am - 4pm **Duriston Past Exhibition** FREE **FFG** Explore the 20th Century history of Durlston and the 'Durlston Pleasure Grounds'



Thursday 6 February - Sunday 9 March, 10am - 4pm Duriston and the Sea Exhibition FREE *PFG* Find out about the wildlife and history hidden beneath the waves.

Tuesday 11 March - Tuesday 1 April, 10am - 4pm Miracle of Migration Exhibition FREE **FFG** An exhibition to discover the incredible story of migration.



Friday 4 April - Wednesday 23 April, 10:30am - 5pm Birds and Bees FREE 🔄 🖓 FFG Artists Lydia Needle, Angela Knapp and Nina Gronw-Lewis work with paper and fibre responding to the ecology and diversity of the landscape of Durlston and surrounding area.

### olunteer Day YBD

See 18 January

Drop in and speak to some of our Durlston volunteers about ways to aet involved.

Sunday 16 March, 10:30am - 3:30pm

Saturday 22 March, 10:30am - 12:30pm Park to Pier **CR** See 20 October

#### Saturday 26 April, 11am Meet a Moth FREE **QCR**

See what we found in last night's moth traps. Donations welcome.

## Key and information

Where booking is required, visit durlston.co.uk or call 01929 424443 (unless stated otherwise).

Locations		Event info	
CR SH	Castle Reception The Shed (located on the Woodland Trail, approx. 500m walk from Durlston Castle)	<ul> <li>(%)</li> <li>(%)</li></ul>	Children's Activities Performances Artwork for sale
LC BD FFG	Learning Centre Belvedere Fine Foundation Gallery	FREE	Dementia Friendly FREE, donations welcome

Closures Fine Foundation Gallery is closed for a wedding on Saturday 12 October.

For more events and further information visit **duriston.co.uk/events**