



TV CHEFS HAIL THE RETURN OF MALTON'S FOOD LOVERS FESTIVAL



This weekend saw the return of Malton's much-loved Food Lovers Festival, where, for the first time the festivities spanned three days from the 28th to the 30th August. One of the country's biggest free-to-enter food festivals, saw almost 50,000 visitors flock to the town to experience the iconic event which was the catalyst for the late Antonio Carluccio to call Malton "The Food Capital of Yorkshire".

The Food Lover's Festival featured over 120 stalls from Yorkshire's finest food producers, live music from local bands and buskers and the Main Stage played host to local culinary talent as well as some of TV's famous faces, including MasterChef 2021 Champion Tom Rhodes and Benoit Blin, Master Pâtissier and judge from Channel 4's Bake Off: The Professionals.

On one side of the Main Stage the demonstration space was provided by York based bespoke kitchen manufacturer Kutchenhaus along with appliances from AEG, on the other side there was a packed schedule of talks hosted by YorkMix Radio's Ben Fry on a comfy set provided by Malton based interiors supplier Ashley Cooke's. These talks included representatives from The Yorkshire Pasta Company, The Whitby Lobster Hatchery and Wath Hall Boer Goats.

The newly refurbished cookery school - The Cook's Place - also held free workshops and demonstrations throughout the weekend from knife skills, making your own takeaway and the Yorkshire Pudding Bake Off.

The event was a welcome return to the foodie calendar, and MasterChef 2021 Champion Tom Rhodes was a huge fan: "I absolutely loved being in Malton this weekend! It's a very different venue for a food festival; it's great to be in a town centre with so many visitors around, it's absolutely buzzing here. I think I'll be visiting Malton again once the festival has wound down and hopefully I'll be here at Malton Food Lovers Festival next year as well!"

Master Pâtissier, Benoit Blin, who took to the Main Stage on Sunday and Monday, commented: "It's a lovely place to be on a Sunday at the end of August. It's nice to see people being able to come out and enjoy some street food and be in a party atmosphere once again.

I've been to Malton before, as my good friend Florian Poirot has a macaron shop here and I'm sure I'll come back again; it's a fantastic place!"

Tom Naylor-Leyland, Festival Director also added: "What a way to bring back our cherished Food Lovers Festival – three full days of Yorkshire's very best food, drink and entertainment. We are very grateful to everyone who visited to indulge in the festival's delights!"

"Like everyone, we're thrilled to be able to host our events again and championing local, artisanal produce. The Food Lovers Festival will return to its more traditional Spring Bank Holiday slot next June, to coincide with the Queen's Platinum Jubilee and we are absolutely delighted to announce that, due to the amazing success of the last three days, our Harvest Food Festival will continue where this festival has left off by making a comeback next August Bank Holiday weekend"

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About Visit Malton

Visit Malton is run by the Fitzwilliam Malton Estate. For over a decade, Visit Malton has organised and hosted a calendar of foodie events that has seen tourists and businesses flock to the town, championing local produce and artisanal delicacies which has firmly cemented its status as Yorkshire's Food Capital.

Now in its twelfth year, the **Malton Food Lovers Festival** is the jewel in the Malton crown, serving as its focal point in the events calendar. The festival sees chefs and talent from Yorkshire and beyond join locals and visitors alike to celebrate the very best of the region's food and drink.

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