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New accommodation, restaurant and venue openings

Cambridge Street Collective, Sheffield

Late 2023

Cambridge Street Collective will be a brand-new trailblazing food hall and cookery class space, located right in the heart of Sheffield. Set over three floors, the culturally diverse food destination will be home to over 24 kitchens, a cookery school and a bakery, as well as a mix of traditional, Asian and rooftop bars.

Langdale Chase hotel, Windermere

Late 2023

The Langdale Chase in Windermere will reopen in autumn 2023 after extensive refurbishments. Located right on the shores of Lake Windermere, the hotel offers 30 individually designed bedrooms. Modern materials were used for the renovation to create a contemporary space within the Victorian villa. Executive chef Michael Cole will be heading up the two-AA-rosette restaurant at the hotel and deliver classic British cuisine inspired by the surroundings together with a passionate team.

Luxury Lodges at Moor Hall, Aughton

Late 2023

Moor Hall is launching seven luxury lodges to connect guests with nature and provide the ultimate luxury foodie gateway. Each lodge is located within the woodlands of their grounds and will feature an outdoor terrace. Moor Hall Restaurant holds two Michelin Stars and their sister restaurant, The Barn which is also located within the grounds, was awarded a Michelin Star in 2022. Within the village of Aughton, visitors can find a third Michelin Star restaurant, So-lo.

Una St Ives, St Ives

Late 2023

Situated in the picturesque Carbis Bay area on the North coast of Cornwall, the relaxed and stylish holiday resort Una St Ives will launch high-end villas from late 2023. The interior of the villas will be elegant and contemporary, each with its own private hot tub. The resort includes a spa, leisure club, a restaurant and a lido swimming pool with alfresco dining options.

The BoTree, London

Late 2023

Opening its doors later this year, the BoTree Hotel will offer guests a world-class experience. Settling quietly into the London neighbourhoods of Marylebone and Mayfair, get ready to meet a sophisticated blend of luxury and elegance.

Shipyard, Manchester

Late 2023/ Early 2024

Adding to Manchester's vibrant food and drink landscape, Shipyard will open in the dynamic <u>St John's</u> neighbourhood. Drawing inspiration from acclaimed European food halls like Lisbon's TimeOut Market and Kyiv Food Market, the development will showcase artisan vendors and rolling smaller stalls, creating a full on foodie destination.

Mollie's, Manchester

Early 2024

Following Mollie's Oxfordshire and Bristol, Mollie's Manchester will be the latest offering opening its doors in early 2024. From the team behind Soho House, the motel-diner will be at the historic site of the former Granada Studios in the St John's neighbourhood, once home to the iconic



television show Coronation Street. The hotel will feature 140 rooms, a 164-cover diner restaurant, a lounge bar with live music, and a heated outdoor terrace with a pool.

The Other House Covent Garden, London

Winter 2024

The Other House Covent Garden will offer 200 'Club Flats' with beautifully designed living and sleeping areas and kitchens. Expect plush interiors including bold botanical print walls, warm velvets and British tweed throughout. Stunning private spaces, a restaurant, bars and a wellness centre will be available to residents and private members, while a destination bar and a bistrostyle kitchen with seasonal menus will be open to the public. Views from the rooftop bar promise to be sensational. The property is made up of seven historic buildings and a glazed inner atrium.

The Bailiffgate, Alnwick

February 2024

Located in the heart of the town right next to Alnwick castle, the new Bailiffgate Hotel will offer 48 bedrooms and apartments. Situated in a magnificent Georgian house linked to a new five storey building, guests can overlook the Barbican entrance to the castle from the property. The hotel will boast modern yet classic interiors, bright open spaces and a wealth of natural light.

Black Sheep, London

Spring 2024

After a successful pop up in London in July 2023, Black Sheep Restaurant from Hong Kong will open their first international restaurant in the capital in spring next year. The concept is yet to be released, though the chain is known for telling stories through food and creating unique restaurants with heart. The vision of the founder, Syed Asim Hussain, is "to rewrite the rules and elevate the definition of what hospitality is".

Albert Schloss, London

Spring 2024

The first Albert Schloss location in the South of England is opening next year. The venue will be taking over the Jungle Cave site on Shaftesbury Avenue, right in the heart of the West End. From daily immersive live entertainment to alpine-inspired food and drink menus, Albert Schloss will be a go-to destination for great evenings with friends in London.

Treehouse Hotel Manchester, Manchester

Spring 2024

Treehouse Hotel Manchester, the hotel brand's second UK location, will open on Deansgate after an extensive redevelopment of a former hotel. With 224 bedrooms and a rooftop terrace offering panoramic views, the hotel will feature pet-friendly rooms and a line-up of food and drinks curated by celebrated Manchester chefs, including Luke Cowdrey, Justin Crawford, Mary-Ellen McTague, and Sam Grainger.

Park Hyatt London River Thames, London

Spring 2024

Located within walking distance of some of London's major attractions such as Big Ben and the London Tate, Park Hyatt London River Thames will be the first of it's series in Britain. The hotel will offer guest 203 distinguished rooms and suites, plus event spaces, ensuring a welcoming atmosphere for leisure and business travellers alike.



Radisson Blu, Sheffield

2024

Designed by HLM Architects and housed in the striking Victorian architecture of Pinstone Street, the four-star hotel will include 154 bedrooms. The highlight will be the rooftop bar and restaurant with a terrace providing stunning views of the Peace Gardens and Sheffield Town Hall.

No.124 Kings Road, Brighton

2024

No.124 Kings Road Brighton will be housed inside the Regency-style, part-Grade II-listed Georgian building, offering seriously comfortable bedrooms, curious details, and genuinely welcoming, happy people. Swimmers can be in the water in a hop, shoppers can hit The Lanes in minutes, and lovers of all things kitsch can be on the pier and in its arcades in next-to-no time.

House of Social, Manchester

2024

House of Social will be based on the ground floor of a new student accommodation building on First Street. The large and exciting food hall will have space to accommodate up to 400 people. To help local businesses, the food hall will feature independent food brands from the area.

Boxhall, Bristol

2024

Serving up delicious eats, gourmet drinks, and relaxing vibes, Boxhall is coming to Bristol. This dynamic and modern dining concept can be currently found amongst a few London neighbourhoods. The venue is working with Josh Eggleton as the newest Food Ambassador, a celebrated chef and a Bristol local.

The Gotham Hotelle, Bristol

2024

Located in the Old City quarter of Bristol, The Gotham Hotel will offer guest an experience like no other. The hotel features an array of quirky cast members, a reflection of history, and elegantly styled yet modern rooms.

art'otel Hoxton, London

2024

Hoxton welcomes it's newest accommodation offering, following the success of art'otel Battersea. As a celebration of art, each of the 27 floors will feature incredible pieces, including two Banksy originals.

Big events and upcoming exhibitions

Rebalance Bath - Festival of Wellbeing, Bath

25 Jan – 2 Feb 2024

Immerse in a transformative journey that celebrates holistic wellness and rejuvenation. Unwind in the serene setting of Bath, a city renowned for its healing waters and historic charm. Indulge in workshops from mindfulness and nutrition to self-care. Experience the magic of ancient healing practices and the latest trends in wellness, all tailored to enhance overall well-being.

Bristol Light Festival, Bristol

2 - 11 February 2024

An emerging light in the heart of winter, the annual Bristol Light Festival illuminates the heart of Bristol during February. Get to know the Bristol best by following light trails around the city, along with a collection of art installations from local and international artists.



Bath Bach Festival, Bath

15 - 17 February 2024

Visit the home of one of the greatest musical prodigies to ever live and celebrate the life of Bach. Indulge in the Georgian era and relive Bach's work to rediscover the sound of his contemporaries. Expect internationally acclaimed as well as emerging artists.

Baylight '24, Morecambe

15 – 17 February 2024

After a successful launch in winter 2023, light installations from all around the world will return and be presented along Lancashire's coast. The organisers have put sustainability at the heart of their decision making. All artworks are reused at other light festivals, visitors are encouraged to offset their travel, and a number of artworks are choose to enlighten visitors about environmental issues.

Love Light Norwich, Norwich

15 – 17 February 2024

Every two years in February, Norwich invites visitors to experience the magic of Love Light Norwich, a free bold and bright festival. Expect captivating light artworks, interactive installations, live music, and performances for all ages. The festival celebrates love in all its forms and the communities that make Norwich.

Randox Grand National, Liverpool

11 - 13 April 2024

The Randox Grand National experience is one England's most iconic and electrifying horse racing events. Held at Aintree Racecourse, witness majestic thoroughbreds thunder down the track. Immerse in a vibrant and carnival spirit, with fashionistas showcasing their style, celebs in the stands, and a true test of bravery from the jockeys.

Comic Con, Portsmouth

11-12 May 2024

The International Festival of Comics 'Portsmouth Comic Con' returns next year to Portsmouth Guildhall showcasing the best in Comics, Film, TV and Pop Culture entertainment. Some of the best writers and illustrators in the industry will join, alongside actors and the wonderful world of Cosplay. There will be panels, displays, exhibitions, gaming, VR, Steampunk and an impressive range of merchandise and collectables for visitors.

The Late Shows, Newcastle

May 2024

Over two nights in May, Newcastle and Gateshead invites locals and visitors to a culture crawl. The Late Shows is one of the biggest cultural events of the year for the city. From open art studios, music performances and bizarre and intriguing interactive events, there is so much happening all over the city during these two nights. The line up will be announced in spring 2024.

Concours on Savile Row, London

May 2024

At the extraordinary Concours on Savile Row, tailoring and cars unite in a unique celebration of bespoke craftsmanship. This two-day event showcases the finest cars and tailoring displays, creating a fascinating blend of artistry and innovation. Savile Row, renowned for bespoke tailoring, hosts the world's greatest cars and will be closed for traffic for the event. Visitors can enjoy talks, live music and more.



Norwich Wine Week, Norwich

June 2024

Norwich Wine Week will return for its second year after a successful festival in 2023. The event kicks off with a two-day festival in the picturesque Chapelfield Gardens. The ticketed weekend offers wine sampling, workshops, live music, a bar, local food stalls, and the chance to engage with passionate wine growers, producers, and vineyard owners from Norwich's thriving wine scene.

Royal Henley Regatta, Oxfordshire

2 - 7 July 2024

One of the most elite regatta events in the world, the Royal Henley Regatta boast the most — with over 300 rowing races spanning just six days. Follow the sound of rushing water and cheering crowds to find the perfect viewing spot and enjoy the celebrated spectacle with drinks, sweet treats, and good friends.

Brit Fest, Cheshire

5 – 7 July 2024

Just like Britain, this festival has something for everyone. From traditional classic cuisine like fish and chips, to an assorted range of tasteful street foods vendors. Expect top tier entertainment, give woodcraft or whittling a try, or slip quietly into a silent disco. Brit Fest celebrates the finest of British tradition and culture by curating a melting pot of the country's best.

Blue Dot Festival, Cheshire

25 - 28 July 2024

Abandon the festival fantasy and step into a new realm of possibilities at the Blue Dot Festival. The award-winning festival is a mind-blowing celebration fusing 'music, science, arts, culture and space exploration'. Set inside an enchanting observatory, Blue Dot defies the norm and unites science and music to create an explosive and unmatched adventure.

<u>David Bowie World Fan Convention</u>, Liverpool

26 - 28 July 2024

Join together with fans from around the globe to celebrate the iconic legend, David Bowie. An annual event held in Liverpool every year revitalises the celebrated and well-known career of the notable rock-star.

Bristol Harbour Festival, Bristol

July 2024

Bristol's annual maritime gathering includes world class entertainment, fantastic street foods, and a flurry of water activities. Celebrate alongside friends during the exciting arrival of all sorts of ships in the harbour.

Manchester Pride, Manchester

23 – 26 August 2024

Manchester Pride, held annually over the August Bank Holiday Weekend, is a vibrant four-day extravaganza celebrating the LGBTQIA+ community. Attracting people from afar, it stands as one of the North's largest events. The festivities unfold in and around the Gay Village and include iconic highlights like the Parade, Youth Pride and the Superbia culture festival.



Wicked, Sunderland

24 September - 20 October 2024

The popular musical Wicked tells the backstories of Glinda The Good and the Wicked Witch of the West. It has been a huge success in the West End, attracting over eleven million viewers at the Apollo Victoria Theatre in London. The show will come to Sunderland Empire Theatre which is the biggest theatre in the North East and housed inside a Grade II listed Edwardian building.

New tours, attractions, experiences and trails

Showtown Museum, Blackpool

Early 2024

The museum of fun and entertainment will be opening in 2024. It will tell the story of all the entertainers who turned Blackpool into the home of show business by capturing the spirit of the town. The immersive museum will offer something for everyone, with hands-on dance and singing activities, interactive displays and learning spaces.

'The Edge', Whitehaven

Spring 2024

A brand-new coastal activity centre is opening in Whitehaven in spring 2024. Whitehaven, known as 'the Coastal Gateway to the Lakes,' is at the start of the epic C2C (Coast to Coast) cycle route. Besides offering water sports and recreational facilities, it will also support coastal recreational activities and provide a community centre. The building will also include some ensuite guest accommodation offerings and a café.

The new Perth Museum, Scotland

Spring 2024

The museum will open its doors in Spring 2024 after a £26.5 million re-development project. This world-class cultural and heritage attraction will highlight the fascinating objects and stories that put Perth and Kinross at the centre of Scotland's story.

Cotswolds Designer Outlet, Cotswolds

Spring 2024

The first phase of the new designer outlet is planned to open in Spring 2024. More than 90 fashion and lifestyle brands will be presented at the retail destination. The architecture of the buildings has been inspired by the picturesque Cotswold's region, and the outlet will be more than just a shopping centre. It will also be home to a village, including plenty of bars and restaurants, along with a full calendar of events including street food festivals, art exhibitions and music events.

Manchester Town Hall, Manchester

June 2024

Manchester's magnificent 19th century Town Hall is set to re-open its doors to the public in 2024, after a comprehensive restoration effort aimed at preserving it for generations to come. The Town Hall will feature a new education exhibition about the building's rich history. Visitors will have the opportunity to explore previously unseen areas, such as the Victorian police cells, courtyard, and clock tower on new guided tours.

Norwich Castle, Norwich

Summer 2024

The remarkable medieval Norwich Castle is undergoing a major re-development and will fully open in summer 2024. The renovation includes a new glass atrium for clear views of the stunning East façade and Bigod Tower, as well as a visitor facility with a cafe,



shop, and accessible toilets. Cutting-edge projection and digital technology will immerse visitors in King Henry I's lavish Castle, revealing its untold stories and Norwich's medieval importance.

Jewry Wall Museum, Leicester

Autumn 2024

Jewry Wall Museum is undergoing a major re-development, transforming it into a 21st century visitor attraction. The immersive hands-on experience will be using cutting-edge technology to tell visitors the Roman history of the city. Visitors will be able to experience what life in Leicester was like during these times.

Bristol Zoo Project, Bristol

2024

Explore the grounds formerly known as, the Wild Place Project, and discover one of Bristol's top attractions. Adventure through over 50 acres of wild life and connect with species big and small. From lions and leopards to zebras and giraffes, learn all about Bristol Zoological Society's world wide conservation and education work.

The Rising at Raby Castle, County Durham

2024

From next year, visitors to Raby castle will be able to explore re-imagined gardens, stylish shops and taste local flavours quaintly housed inside the newly refurbished heritage buildings. The attraction is currently undergoing an ambitious redevelopment. They are creating a destination for everyone by telling stories about the thrilling past and promising future of the castle and the region.

Freedom Tours, Newcastle

2024

After a huge success in Edinburgh, Freedom Tours has decided to bring their experience to Newcastle in 2024. The self-guided tours are delivered to your smartphone with subtitles available in several languages. Actors born and bred in Newcastle will present the tour in an informative and entertaining way. The tours allow a lot of flexibility. Visitors can stop and start as they please, topics and themes can be chosen, plus, you can start anytime within 12 months of purchasing their ticket.

Ashton Gate Stadium Re-development, Bristol

2024

Already in progress, the re-development plans for the Ashton Gate Stadium are set to give the Bristol Flyers basketball team a permanent home. The state of the art facilities will offer visitors hotel accommodation, shopping, and even a residential space.

Wigan Pier, Greater Manchester

2024

Wigan Pier, located an hour outside of Manchester, is currently undergoing a remarkable transformation breathing new life into the long-vacant 18th Century industrial buildings. The iconic location will be turned into a vibrant waterside destination, featuring a gin distillery, micro-brewery, food hall, events venue, and cultural hub.



New film locations

The Salt Path, Cornwall

2024

Raynor Winn's inspiring memoir will be on screens in 2024. The bestselling book spent an impressive 85 weeks on the London Sunday Times book chart. The story depicts the journey of a couple walking the South West Coast Path after losing their home and facing a terminal illness diagnosis. Filming along the Cornish coast started in summer 2023.

Peaky Blinders movie, Birmingham

Late 2024

Expected to be in cinemas in 2024, the production of the new Peaky Blinders movie is scheduled to start in Digbeth in Birmingham, on location and in the studio in autumn 2023. The film will be set during the second World War and tell the stories of the new generation of the family from series six.

Wonka, Bath

Winter 2024

Starring Timothee Chalamet, Hugh Grant, Rowan Atkinson and many more stars, Wonka was filmed in Bath. Visit a few of the locations before the film hits a theatre near you. The film features: The steps of Parade Gardens, The colonnades by Pulteney Weir, Bath Street and Kingston Parade - the alleyway by Bath Abbey.

Big anniversaries

200th anniversary of the opening of the first Cadbury shop, Birmingham

The success story of the famous British chocolate producer Cadbury started in 1824. In that year, the founder, John Cadbury, opened his first shop at 93 Bull Street in Birmingham. Besides cocoa, he also sold drinking chocolate to his customers. Visit <u>Cadbury World</u> to learn more about the history of the brand and how their delicious chocolate is made.

150th anniversary of Aston Villa Football Club, Birmingham

Four members of the Male Adult Bible class at the Aston Villa Wesleyan Chapel were looking for a suitable winter sport activity in 1874. They first considered rugby but came to the conclusion that it was too physical and choose football instead. This decision led to the creation of Aston Villa Football Club. Little did they know that the club would become one of the greatest football clubs in the world.

125th anniversary of Birmingham Hippodrome, Birmingham

Birmingham Hippodrome organises and hosts memorable theatrical performances, arts and culture in the city. Their vision is to be the centre stage of Birmingham's world-class cultural scene by telling fresh and engaging stories reflecting the youth and diversity of the city and region. The non-profit cultural charity focuses on access, diversity and inclusion. Two of the big shows for next year are <a href="https://doi.org/10.1001/jhearth-10.1

100th anniversary of the Gold Cup at Cheltenham Festival, Cheltenham

15 March 2024

The Gold Cup Centenary celebrates Cheltenham Festival's greatest race horses and heroes. To celebrate its 100th anniversary, the festival will organise events to re-tell the greatest stories and



engage with existing fans as well as attract new ones. Next year's Gold Cup Day will be an event not to miss for horse racing fans. Featuring a parade of Champions, it promises to be an unforgettable celebration.

75th anniversary of the <u>Cheltenham Literature Festival</u>, Cheltenham

October 2024

The world's first and longest-running literature festival is celebrating its 75th anniversary. Cheltenham Literature Festival champions the written and spoken word by showcasing emerging voices in fiction and poetry alongside literary legends and prominent speakers. The 10-day program offers a diverse range of ticketed events, free family activities, and fringe events within the regency town.

50th Anniversary of Caribbean Carnival, Preston

Spring 2024

The long running cultural celebration Caribbean Carnival are planning their biggest event yet. All about positivity, the event is open to everyone. Attracting thousands of visitors each year, the city comes to life during this time of the year celebrating Caribbean music, dancing, cuisine and much more.

Beyond 2024

The Arc Bristol, Bristol

Spring 2025

See the city and the iconic Clifton Suspension Bridge from 70m above the harbourside in a state-of-the-art, solar-powered glass viewing pod on an arc. Visitors will be gently lifted skyward in the elegant glass cabin during an immersive experience.

Orkney 2025 Island Games

12 – 18 July 2025

Every two years, thousands of athletes from around 24 island nations across the world compete in 13 sports in the NatWest Island Games. The games give islanders a chance to represent their community and compete at an international level. In 2025, it's the Orkney Island's turn to host the isle-based competitors.

Therme Manchester, Manchester

2025

Therme Manchester will be the first city-based wellness resort in Britain when it opens in 2025. The resort will be located right next to the iconic shopping destination, The Trafford Centre. Visitors can expect 25 pools, 30 water slides, a roof terrace, an indoor beach with swim-up bars and an English meadow-inspired garden. Therme will be the ultimate haven for relaxation with dedicated adults-only and family friendly zones.

Waldorf Astoria London Admiralty Arch, London

2025

The iconic Admiralty Arch is being transformed into a five-star-plus luxury hotel, private members' club and serviced residences. The views from the 100 rooms and suites are guaranteed to be some of the city's best. There will be a state-of-the-art spa and several bars, while a restaurant spanning the first bridging floor will open the building to the public for the first time.

Modern Surf, Manchester



2025

Modern Surf, a cutting-edge outdoor surfing pool, is currently under development and will complement Trafford City's growing leisure offerings. Catering to surfers of all levels, from beginners to professionals, visitors can practice and enhance their surfing skills. Additionally, the facility will feature a fitness zone, bouldering and halfpipe area, and a lively bar and restaurant space.

The Sage, Newcastle Gateshead

2025

Sitting on the banks of the Tyne, The Sage is set to be the most sought-after venue for international meetings, conferences and events. The 12,500-capacity, state-of-the-art arena will have a variety of indoor and outdoor spaces, restaurants and two adjoining hotels. This development will feature public green spaces, an outdoor performance square, and a range of bars and restaurants to suit all.

V&A East Storehouse, London

2025

Visit the V&A museum for a chance to get exclusive access to thousands of artefacts ahead of the 2025 V&A East opening. Visitors will be taken on an immersive journey through intricate displays, galleries and experience state-of-the-art storage techniques that allow for optimum exposure of each exhibit.

Museum of Shakespeare, London

2025

'The Museum of Shakespeare,' is set to open in early spring 2025. The theatre is being built on what is still left of the Curtain Playhouse, an ancient theatre in Shoreditch that was first rediscovered in 2011. The immersive museum, created by Bompas & Parr in collaboration with Cain International, Museum of London Archaeology and Historic England, will be part of The Stage, a new public space with offices, housing, leisure areas and a roof terrace.

Eden Project Morecambe, Morecambe

Late 2025

A major new attraction expected to open in 2025 is the Eden Project Morecambe, delivered by the team behind the first Eden Project in Cornwall. The site will use the seaside resort to create a connection with the natural world, with a focus on education, ecology and community. The vision is to offer visitors a day out with a mix of entertainment and education driving positive behavioural change while creating lasting memories.

Bristol YTL Arena, Bristol

Late 2025/ Early 2026

Plans to repurpose the Brabazon Hangars, the birthplace of the Brabazon aircraft and supersonic Concorde, into the UK's third largest arena have been approved. The new arena will be a year-round entertainment destination putting Bristol on a global stage for live music. Their vision is to create Europe's most sustainable arena and to be carbon neutral from day one.

SWG3 Hotel, Glasgow

Late 2026

SWG3 has revealed their plans to bring a 'hotel for music lovers' to the west end of Glasgow. The multi-purpose hotel will offer 139 bedrooms and be home to a couple of restaurants and bars, coworking spaces, leisure facilities and a rooftop terrace overlooking the



city. Their aim is to deliver a hotel like no other that provides an inviting place for creative minds to feel at home.

PEAK, Peak District

Winter 2026

A major new activities resort is to be developed on 300 acres of reclaimed land in Chesterfield, on the edge of the Peak District National Park. PEAK will feature a 2,000-bed hotel, 250 holiday lodges, indoor activities and a wellness centre. The PEAK express, a zero-carbon transport network, will connect it to the National Park and wider region.

To add:

Emory, London Co-Op Live

