



We're excited to announce that this year's Sing! Weekend Away will be **May 15-17th** at Letton Hall in Norfolk! It's a really sociable and fun weekend including various indoor and outdoor activities, many led by Sing! members, and a singing workshop on the Sunday run by a professional choir leader.

If you're new to the choir or haven't yet joined us on a Weekend Away, take a look at the brilliant write-ups by Sophie, Katie and Alex from 2022, 2023 and 2024:

2022: <https://singcommunitychoir.co.uk/sing-weekend-away-2022/>

2023: <https://singcommunitychoir.co.uk/sing-weekend-away-2023-an-extra-special-weekend/>

2024: <https://singcommunitychoir.co.uk/notes-from-the-forest-our-thorpe-woodlands-adventure/>

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## Dates, Times and Cost

- Friday 15th May (afternoon/eve) to Sunday 17th May (4pm-ish)
- £110 for the whole weekend
- £30 for Saturday day-tripper
- £30 for Sunday day-tripper
- Optional: Additional costs for venue-led activities, like karting!

We would love it if you came for the whole weekend! If that's not an option you can come for Saturday and/or Sunday for the day. There's no option to stay just one night.

## The Venue

We are staying at the amazing Letton Hall (<https://lettonhall.org/>) near Dereham in Norfolk. All the activities, catering and workshops will take place on site.

It's a 1 to 1.5 hr drive from Cambridge: <https://maps.app.goo.gl/kcrxYM8K42NRhkhSA>



## Rough Itinerary

- Friday: Arrive mid-afternoon into evening as you please, bring your own food, relax, chat, play games!
- Saturday: Various indoor and outdoor activities for you to choose from during the day. Catered meal in the evening. Bonfire after!
- Sunday: Singing workshop 10am-4pm. Head home shortly after.

## Food and Drink

Food is included in the price, except for Friday evening (please bring your own). From the money you pay we go and buy a whole load of breakfast and lunch stuff and then we organise setting it up and clearing it away between us. There will be a rota!

We have caterers coming in on the Saturday evening with a choice of two mains to hopefully cover all tastes and dietary requirements. If neither of the options work for you, please let Lydia know as an alternative should be possible.

If you're a Weekender, you'll get breakfast and lunch both days, and an evening meal on Saturday. If you're a Day-Tripper, you'll get lunch and evening meal if you come on Saturday, and lunch if you come on Sunday.

Tea, coffee, soft drinks and snacks are included for the whole weekend for everyone! ☕🍪

Alcoholic drinks are not included; please bring your own 🍷🍷

## Activities

There are a bunch of activities for you to get involved in across the weekend!

### Those Led by Sing! Members

- Saturday morning/afternoon, indoor and outdoor
- To give you an idea, in the past we've had giant hungry hippos, beginner's improv, pierogi making, glass fusing, crochet, haiku writing, movement to music, discovering your core values, printing in nature, guided walks, and making bunting for the concert!
- The workshops make a huge difference to the weekend so **please consider whether you could lead a workshop or activity** and let Shona know or add it to the **Activity Offers** tab

We will also make time on the Saturday to sing through some of our current repertoire!

### Those Led by the Venue

We are in discussion with Letton Hall about what activities they can offer. They have a karting track, so that should be an option on Saturday morning!

Stay tuned for further information and costs!

### Bonfire! 🔥

- Saturday after dinner
- Weather allowing, we all gather around a proper bonfire
- This normally leads to a bit of singing!

## **Singing Workshop**

- Sunday 10am – 4pm with a break for lunch
- Led by professional choir leader Ben See (<https://www.bensee.co.uk>)
- This is a brilliant opportunity to do what we love doing, learn a new song and discover new ways to sound amazing!

## **Spontaneous and Ad-hoc!**

- Anytime! But mostly Friday night and Saturday morning/afternoon
- Bring your favourite board game, deck of cards, karaoke machine, ... whatever!

## **Costs – What's Included and What's Not**

### **Included in the Cost - Whole Weekend**

- Accommodation for 2 nights
- Workshops and activities led by Sing! members
- Singing workshop on Sunday
- Breakfast and lunch Sat/Sun
- Evening meal on Saturday
- Tea, coffee, soft drinks
- Fun and frivolity!

### **Included in the Cost - Saturday Day-tripper**

- Workshops and activities led by Sing! members
- Lunch
- Evening meal
- Tea, coffee, soft drinks
- Fun and frivolity!

### **Included in the Cost - Sunday Day-tripper**

- Singing workshop
- Lunch
- Tea, coffee, soft drinks
- Fun and frivolity!

### **NOT Included in the Cost**

- Transport (we try to car share as far as possible)
- Friday evening food (bring your own)
- Venue-organised activities (optional!)
- Alcoholic drinks (also optional!)

## Accommodation

The accommodation is a mixture of rooms with between 1 and 6 single beds and will be organised as male or female-only (apart from our few couples).

Bedding will be provided.

Towels are **NOT** provided, please bring your own.

## Next Steps

If you would like to come, then please:

### 1. Sign Up

- o Complete the spreadsheet here (pre-populated from the survey last term):
  - <https://tinyurl.com/singweekend2026>
- o Add your details to the **Signups** tab, this will calculate what you owe (excluding venue-led activities which we will collect later)

### 2. Pay

- o Make your payment to the Sing! bank account - see below for details
- o This secures your place - first come, first served
- o Please put **your name as the reference**
- o If you would love to come but the cost makes it difficult for you, please reach out to Jon or Claire privately

### 3. Offer to Help

- o The weekend only works if lots of you help out!
- o Complete the **Helping Out** and **Lift Shares** tabs in the above spreadsheet
- o If you are willing to **lead a workshop/activity** on the Saturday, please let Shona know or complete the

**Bank:** The Co-operative Bank

**Account name:** Sing! Community Choir (leave the exclamation mark out if needed)

**Sort Code:** 08-92-99

**Account Number:** 65694684

**Reference:** <Your Name>

## Contact and Questions

If you have anything to ask or offer please contact one of the team (email/WhatsApp):

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Or grab one of us at rehearsal!