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THE CLIFTON SPIRITS FESTIVAL

15 NOVEMBER 2026

Hotel Du Vin Avon Gorge

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WELCOME

New for 2026, the Clifton Spirits Festival brings together an exceptional collection of spirits producers, distillers, merchants and specialists for a relaxed tasting experience at the beautiful Avon Gorge Hotel by Hotel du Vin.

Across two sessions, guests can explore an exciting selection of spirits, from craft gin and whisky to rum, vodka, liqueurs and more. Meet the makers, discover new favourites and enjoy guided tastings and samples from producers and specialists from Bristol, the South West and beyond.

The festival takes place in the elegant Aquam Bibe Suite, creating a relaxed and sociable setting in which to discover something new, chat with fellow spirits enthusiasts and enjoy the very best of the region's drinks scene.

Whether you're a curious newcomer or a seasoned spirits enthusiast, Clifton Spirits Festival is the perfect way to spend an autumn afternoon or evening discovering exceptional drinks in one of Bristol's most iconic locations.

There are two sessions to choose from on Sunday 15 November- we can't wait to raise a glass with you!



Owen Franklin
Festival Director

AVON GORGE BY HOTEL DU VIN

Venue Partner



Hotel
du Vin

Avon Gorge

Hotel du Vin Bristol Avon Gorge is perched on the edge of the iconic Avon Gorge in Clifton Village, offering breathtaking views of the Clifton Suspension Bridge. Enjoy luxurious rooms, an expertly curated wine list, and elegant event spaces perfect for weddings, meetings, or celebrations, all in one of Bristol's most picturesque settings.



The post-event meal will be served in their Goram and Vincent restaurant, an elegant restaurant with earthy undertones, with a range of dishes to suit all tastes and surrounded by breath-taking views of the Gorge and Suspension Bridge.

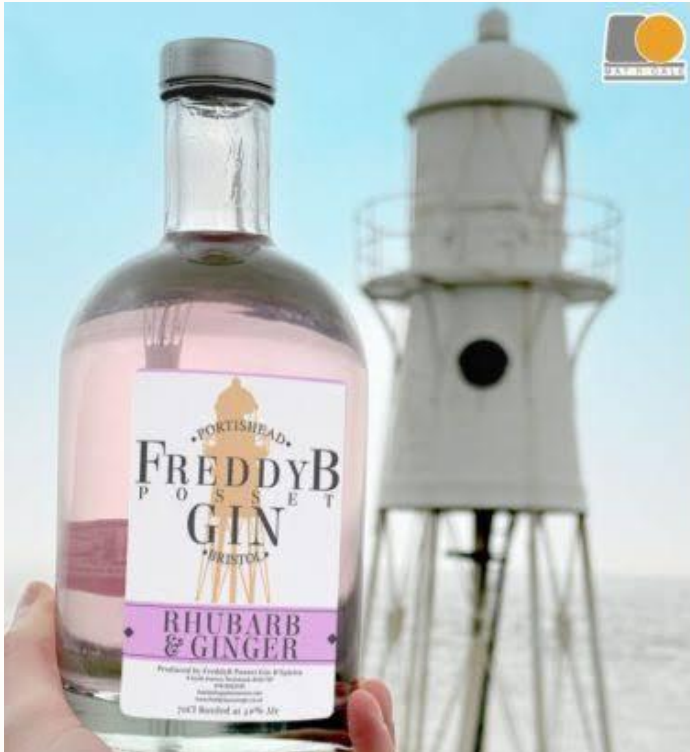


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FREDDYB POSSET



FreddyB “Posset” Gin & Spirits is a business based in Portishead, Bristol, that produces a wide range of top-quality alcohols, including gin, rum, vodka and bourbon.

What started as a hobby has blossomed into a successful business that supplies products to the public, pubs and events across the Southwest. These products can be dispatched to anywhere in the UK.

FreddyB has just been awarded Taste of The West Gold Award for its latest addition to the FreddyB Premier Gin Collection, Lemon, Root Ginger & Fresh Herbs, and also Commended for his Elderflower & Rose Gin. Two new gins added this year with a distinct emphasis on using the best fresh fruits and herbs available.



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WITCHMARK DISTILLERY



Set in the historic village of Fonthill Bishop in southwest Wiltshire, our distillery takes its name from the medieval 'witch marks' carved into Fonthill's stone buildings. A certified B Corp, we've already received global gold awards for our gin and vodka.

Witchmark Distillery sits at the heart of the 9,000-acre Fonthill Estate, housed in a Grade II listed barn dating back to the 1600s. Beside it, a magnificent grain drying barn houses our visitor centre and shop.

In making our spirits we will use the very best ingredients from the crops growing on the prime chalk downlands that surround us, mixed with Fonthill's pure water, naturally filtered through limestone rock on its journey to our bottles.



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COLLECTIVE SPIRITS



Collective Spirits is a UK-based global importer, distributor, and brand builder for a community of artisanal spirits.

Our carefully selected partner distilleries originate from the Americas, Europe and Southeast Asia covering several spirit categories such as Tequila, Mezcal, Rum, Liqueur, Pisco, Cachaça, Gin & Vodka



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CHAIRMAN'S RESERVE

PRESENTED BY MANGROVE



PROUDLY SAINT LUCIAN: Chairman's Reserve is Saint Lucia's premier rum and the global icon brand within St. Lucia Distillers. Created by the mid- 1990's and perfected under the watchful eye of Laurie Barnard, Chairman of the unique distillery of the caribbean island, Chairman's Reserve is nowadays enjoyed all over the world.

FINEST SAINT LUCIA RUM: A fine quality rum that can represent the iconic style of St. Lucian rum. As a simple line of distinction, Chairman's Reserve Original starts with selected aged rums of both Coffey Column stills and copper pot stills, married together after maturation, and then re-entered into oak for blending and final finishing. The end result has become the flagship St. Lucian rum known for its harmonious well-rounded finess and style with tremendous character. Best enjoyed Neat or in Cocktail

THE ART OF BLENDING : Laurie Barnard, the inovative Chairman behind the brand Chairman's Reserve, drove the idea of having a diversity of rums from different stills and aged in contrasting woods so that the blender would have a palate of maturates from which to create a great rum. By 1999 these elements were in place and the launch of a new rum – Chairman's Reserve, Finest St. Lucia Rum – heralded the beginning of a new adventure of bringing premium Saint Lucian rum to the world.

TASTING NOTES : Rich dark amber in color, typical pot still richness comes through the aromas carried by whiffs of cooked, banana, caramelized fruits and spicy oak derived vanilla. A well balanced mid-palate provides structure around flavors of chocolate, golden raisin, tobacco and clove, which dissipates over a long creamy finish .



Event Promotion Details

Opportunity to try Chairman's Reserve Original Rum neat.
Serving Miniature "Rum Old Fashioned" Cocktails, either with traditional Orange Bitters or with Tobacco Bitters for a smokey twist.
Corks of Cotham will be providing a discount for Orders of Chairman's Rum via QR code

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We are beekeepers and mead makers from South Wales who combined our deep love for the natural world, and our interest in brewing to transform our honey into modern, contemporary sparkling and multi-award winning, traditional wine-style meads (and now soft drinks too!).

Our mead is a little different to the more mass-market offerings that are out there. We make ours from 100% British honey (including honey from our own bees), rather than using a base of white wine, and sweetening with sugar. This means our meads are the genuine article that support UK beekeepers, are minimally processed, and all natural (and delicious!).



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THE WHISKY SHOP



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At The Whisky Shop we are proud to offer the highest level of service to our customers, online and in store. We have been fortunate to receive recognition for our service from customers and our industry. We hope this inspires confidence when choosing to shop with us.

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ANON DRINKS



Explore the benefits of an alcohol-free lifestyle with our full range of flavourful non-alcoholic drinks, perfect as mixers, mocktails, or standalone delights. A refreshing alternative to your usual tipples!

Whether you're a health-conscious individual, looking to try something new or just joining the growing ranks of people who are turning their backs on alcohol, there are plenty of options out there to explore.

From refreshing mocktails to complex non-alcoholic spirits, the world of alcohol-free drinks is diverse and exciting.



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11 - 13 DECEMBER 2026

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WHAT'S ON



VINTAGE SCREENINGS

Vintage Screenings pair classic films with thematically linked wine tastings to create unique evenings in the stunning setting of Averys Wine Merchants' historic wine cellar. Following a sparkling wine reception, the film is accompanied by a tasting of four carefully selected wines courtesy of Averys' resident experts.



PLANETARIUM SCREENINGS

The home of our space and sci-fi programming. Explore the Planetarium's Space exhibition before the screening and see if you're cut out for a life in space, then recline in this unique screening space. As the lights dim, your journey will begin with a tour of the Solar System in a Planetarium star show - the perfect way to set the scene for your film...



SCREENINGS UNDER CONCORDE

Join us for a truly memorable film night in the company of Concorde Alpha Foxtrot, in its magnificent home at Aerospace Bristol. Before the film, step onboard Concorde and enjoy fascinating archival footage of her maiden flight. When the film starts, take your seats beneath the wings of this iconic plane and settle back to enjoy the show.



HALLOWEEN SCREENINGS

October is Spooky Season, with everything from classic silent horror cinema with live organ accompaniment in St Mary Redcliffe to films screened deep underground within Redcliffe Caves. From family-friendly frights to cult chillers and comedy-horror, there's something for everyone no matter how high or low your scare tolerance may be!



CHRISTMAS IN CLIFTON

Coming soon: our December 2026 programme. With a range of festive favourites in pop-up cinemas across Clifton, as well as live jazz concerts, a Christmas gifts fair, and more to be announced. Join our mailing list to be the first to know when the programme goes live in the early autumn.



OTHER EVENTS

Meet the director of an award-winning documentary on sustainable fashion, celebrate Trevor Howard's career in the city he once called home, experience the infamous BBC mockumentary *Ghostwatch* on a cinema-sized screen - and so much more. Bristol Film Festival's rolling programme has a range of events throughout the year.



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