

# Wonderful Well Dressings



During May to September in the Peak District & Derbyshire, the unique spectacle of Well Dressings takes place - a custom that celebrates water and the life it brings.

Every summer, the villages of Derbyshire burst into colour with the unique tradition of Well Dressings. Well Dressing is the art of decorating natural springs and wells with intricate pictures made entirely from natural materials such as flower petals, leaves, seeds, bark and moss. Constructed on a bed of soft clay spread over a wooden board and erected at the site of the spring or well, the custom is believed to date back hundreds of years, possibly to pagan times, giving thanks for clean water.

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Visit a Well Dressing from May through to September each year and marvel at this age-old unique tradition and superb show of artistic creativity.

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75 years of  
the UK's first  
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Climber on Stanage Edge, c. 1970s

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## April

**Chesterfield Market Place**..... 18 - 25 April

## May

**Waingroves** ..... 9 - 15 May  
**Tissington** ..... 14 - 20 May  
**Tintwistle** ..... 15 - 23 May  
**Etwall** ..... 16 - 18 May  
**Norbury** ..... 20 - 29 May  
**Bollington** ..... 22 - 30 May  
**Brackenfield** ..... 23 - 25 May  
**Endon** ..... 23 - 25 May  
**Middleton By Youlgrave** ..... 23 - 29 May  
**Monyash** ..... 23 - 30 May  
**Wirksworth** ..... 23 - 30 May  
**Derby St Alkmunds** ..... 25 - 30 May  
**Ashford in the Water** ..... 30 May - 7 June

## June

**Belper Festival** ..... 5 - 10 June  
**Chester Green** ..... 5 - 15 June  
**Cressbrook** ..... 7 - 14 June  
**Flash** ..... 13 - 16 June  
**Edlaston and Wyaston** ..... 13 - 19 June  
**Biddulph Moor** ..... 13 - 20 June  
**Elmton** ..... 13 - 20 June  
**Youlgrave** ..... 20 - 26 June  
**Litton** ..... 20 - 27 June  
**Swanwick** ..... 20 - 27 June  
**Over Haddon** ..... 20 - 28 June  
**Tideswell** ..... 20 - 28 June  
**Crosspool** ..... 26 June - 4 July  
**Mellor** ..... 27 June - 4 July  
**Rowsley** ..... 27 June - 4 July  
**Bakewell** ..... 27 June - 5 July  
**Hayfield** ..... 27 June - 5 July  
**Hope** ..... 27 June - 5 July  
**Gee Cross** ..... 28 June - 3 July  
**Derby Arboretum** ..... 28 June - 12 July

## July

**Rowsley School (on display at Peak Village)** ..... 3 - 10 July  
**Buxton** ..... 3 - 12 July  
**Aston on Trent** ..... 4 - 8 July

**Coal Aston** ..... 4 - 9 July  
**Wadshelf** ..... 4 - 10 July  
**Crich** ..... 4 - 11 July  
**Harthill** ..... 4 - 11 July  
**Dore** ..... 4 - 12 July  
**Whaley Bridge** ..... 5 - 12 July  
**Matlock** ..... 5 - 18 July  
**Dronfield Woodhouse** ..... 10 - 20 July  
**Belper (Alton Manor)** ..... 11 - 18 July  
**Brown Edge** ..... 11 - 18 July  
**Chapel-en-le-Frith** ..... 11 - 18 July  
**Bamford** ..... 11 - 19 July  
**Charlesworth Village** ..... 11 - 19 July  
**Great Longstone** ..... 11 - 19 July  
**Little Longstone** ..... 11 - 19 July  
**West Hallam** ..... 11 - 19 July  
**Tansley** ..... 12 - 18 July  
**Peak Forest** ..... 15 - 25 July  
**Pilsley (nr Chesterfield)** ..... 16 - 19 July  
**Pilsley (nr Bakewell)** ..... 16 - 23 July  
**Whitwell** ..... 18 - 23 July  
**Cutthorpe** ..... 18 - 25 July  
**Wetton** ..... 18 - 25 July  
**Rowthorne** ..... 18 - 26 July  
**Heath Village** ..... 19 - 25 July  
**Chadkirk Chapel** ..... 25 July - 1 Aug  
**Clowne** ..... 25 July - 1 Aug  
**Bonsall** ..... 25 July - 2 Aug  
**Stoney Middleton** ..... 25 July - 3 Aug

## August

**Bradwell** ..... 1 - 8 Aug  
**Barlow** ..... 12 - 16 Aug  
**Taddington** ..... 22 - 28 Aug  
**Holymoorside** ..... 27 Aug - 13 Sep  
**Chesterfield Crooked Spire** ..... 29 Aug - 6 Sep  
**Eyam** ..... 29 Aug - 6 Sep  
**Wormhill** ..... 29 Aug - 6 Sep  
**Foolow** ..... 29 Aug - 7 Sep

## September

**Longnor** ..... 6 - 13 Sep  
**Hartington** ..... 7 - 20 Sep  
**Chesterfield Spital Cemetary** ..... 12 - 20 Sep  
**Glossop** ..... 19 - 25 Sep