

Summer Events

IWM DUXFORD
2026

OUR VENUE

Nestled within the picturesque Cambridgeshire countryside IWM Duxford offers a truly unique setting for your event - combining history with modern versatility. As Europe's largest aviation museum, our venue provides an inspiring backdrop of iconic aircraft, rich heritage, and breathtaking spaces, perfect for creating unforgettable experiences.

Our dedicated events team is on hand to bring your vision to life, providing expert support from planning to execution. With fantastic facilities, bespoke catering options, and an unwavering commitment to excellence, we ensure every detail of your event is as extraordinary as the venue itself.

Every one of our event bookings comes with dedicated and personalised event management from our experienced on-site team.



Summer BBQ

Minimum numbers of 60 up to 180 guests

- Dedicated and personalised event management throughout your event
- Exclusive hire of our 19 Squadron Restaurant between 18:30 – 22:30
– *Extended hours are possible subject to availability*
- Arrival glass of Pimms or bottled beer (non-alcoholic option available)
- Self-served BBQ buffet inclusive of burgers, hot dogs, vegan burgers, chicken skewers, vegetable skewers and chefs choice of three deli salads
- Card and account options available at the bar
– *Minimum bar spend of £300 + VAT will apply*
- Event security
- Complementary on-site car parking

Please get in touch with our Sales Team for a bespoke Summer Events quote

£65
+ VAT PER
PERSON



Summer Airside Buffet

Minimum numbers of 30

- Dedicated and personalised event management throughout your event
- Exclusive hire of the Airside Suite between 18:00 – 23:00
 - *Extended hours are possible subject to availability*
- Arrival glass of seasonal spritz served in the Airside Suite
- Self-served radiant summer buffet menu curated by our fantastic Chefs
- Card and account options available at the bar
 - *Minimum bar spend of £300 + VAT will apply*
- Event security
- Complementary on-site car parking
- WiFi, AV and PA facilities

£80
+ VAT PER
PERSON



Garden Party Food Trucks

Minimum numbers of 250

Experience a fresh twist on summer entertaining with our food truck package. Whilst sitting on the flightline, guests can soak up the lively airfield atmosphere while enjoying a street-food inspired dining experience. Paired with drinks & fantastic views, this is a great way to host clients or colleagues for an unforgettable event.

- Dedicated and personalised event management throughout your event
- Exclusive hire of a private marquee, with a large garden area and all amenities between 18:30 – 23:00
 - *Extended hours are possible subject to availability*
- Arrival glass of Pimms or bottled beer (non-alcoholic option available)
- One freshly prepared main course per guest, served from our featured food truck
- Card and account options available at the bar
 - *Minimum bar spend of £500 + VAT will apply*
- DJ and dancefloor
- Event security
- Complimentary on-site car parking

£115
+ VAT PER
PERSON



Garden Party Summer BBQ

Minimum numbers of 250

Celebrate Summer in spectacular surroundings with our Summer BBQ Experience. Guests can enjoy freshly grilled BBQ favourites, chilled drinks and a lively atmosphere, all just moments from the heart of the action. With panoramic views across the airfield, it is a standout way to bring people together for a memorable summer event.

- Dedicated and personalised event management throughout your event
- Exclusive hire of a private marquee, with a large garden area and all amenities between 18:30 – 23:00
 - *Extended hours are possible subject to availability*
- Arrival glass of Pimms or bottled beer (non-alcoholic option available)
- BBQ buffet, inclusive of burgers, hot dogs, vegan burgers, chicken skewers, vegetable skewers and chef's choice of 3 deli salads
- Card and account options available at the bar
 - *Minimum bar spend of £500 + VAT will apply*
- DJ and dancefloor
- Event security
- Complimentary on-site car parking

£105
+ VAT PER
PERSON



In-Flight Enhancements

Make your event even more spectacular with our range of enhancements:

- Dancefloor –
£POA dependent on size
- Background music (PA system) –
£275 + VAT
- Upgrade to a premium cocktail reception –
Additional £5 + VAT per person
- Add petit fours to your tea and coffee station
£2 + VAT per person
- Add x 3 canapes per person to your reception
– **£28 + VAT per person**
- Evening cheeseboard per table
£14 + VAT per person
- Out of hours tours & talks
– **£POA**
- Table service of tea & coffee served alongside
dessert
– **£250 + VAT**



TRAVEL & ACCOMMODATION



BY CAR

- ▶ IWM Duxford is located just off the M11 55 miles north of London and 8 miles south of Cambridge
- ▶ Parking is available on-site



BY TRAIN

- ▶ Whittlesford Parkway – Greater Anglia railways – 2 miles away
- ▶ Meldreth – Great Northern railways – 8 miles away
- ▶ Royston – Great Northern railways – 9 miles away
- ▶ Cambridge – Cross Country, Great Northern & Greater Anglia railways – 9 miles away



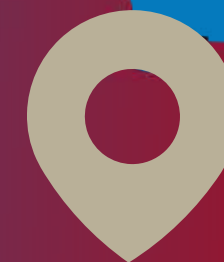
BY PLANE

- ▶ Stansted Airport – 20 miles away
- ▶ London Luton Airport – 34 miles away



STAYING OVER

- ▶ Hinxton Hall (Partner Venue) – 4 miles away
- ▶ Holiday Inn Express, Whittlesford – 3 miles away
- ▶ Red Lion Hotel, Whittlesford – 3 miles away
- ▶ The Lodge, Duxford – 2 miles away
- ▶ John Barleycorn, Duxford – 2 miles away



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OUR FOOD

At IWM Duxford, we are passionate about using fresh, seasonal, and ethically-sourced produce to create exceptional dining experiences. Believing that fresh is always best, our dishes are prepared on the same day they're enjoyed by our guests.

Our menus showcase modern British cuisine, evolving throughout the year to feature the finest seasonal ingredients. We also take pride in supporting local, partnering with a handpicked selection of trusted suppliers who bring the highest quality produce to every plate we serve.



Carbon Labelling

All the IWM museums offer carbon labelled menu's to raise awareness of how our eating habits affect the climate and to empower everyone to make informed food choices.

The IWM museums work with Foodsteps to use certified climate data to display the carbon footprint of our dishes and their easy choice calculator helps our chefs to make climate-friendly changes to the menu.



Sustainability

We are passionate about not only 'doing the right thing' but making it easier for our guests to have 'planet-friendly' events. Here are just some of Restaurant Associates' sustainability pledges, with whom we work in partnership to deliver events across our venues:

01.

We commit to a 50% reduction in food waste by 2030

02.

We have a British free-range egg-first policy

03.

We provide nutritional labelling to allow guests to make informed food choices

04.

We only use pole and line, trolling and handline (hook and line) caught tuna, to minimise risk of by catch

05.

We only serve fish that is rated 1-3 as per the Marine Conservation Society's Good Fish Guide

06.

All teams are trained in Ways to be Well, our health and wellbeing programme

07.

We partner with Foodsteps to carbon label our dishes to enable guests to make informed choices when dining with us

08.

We commit to increasing our spend by 30% with socially conscious businesses by the end of 2025

09.

Through our 'Coffee for Causes' programme for every kilo of coffee sold we donate 30p to local charities and community projects



Legacy

IWM Group is a registered charity, and any commercial activity helps us to continue telling the stories that made our history and inform our future.

Here are some of our fantastic legacy initiatives:

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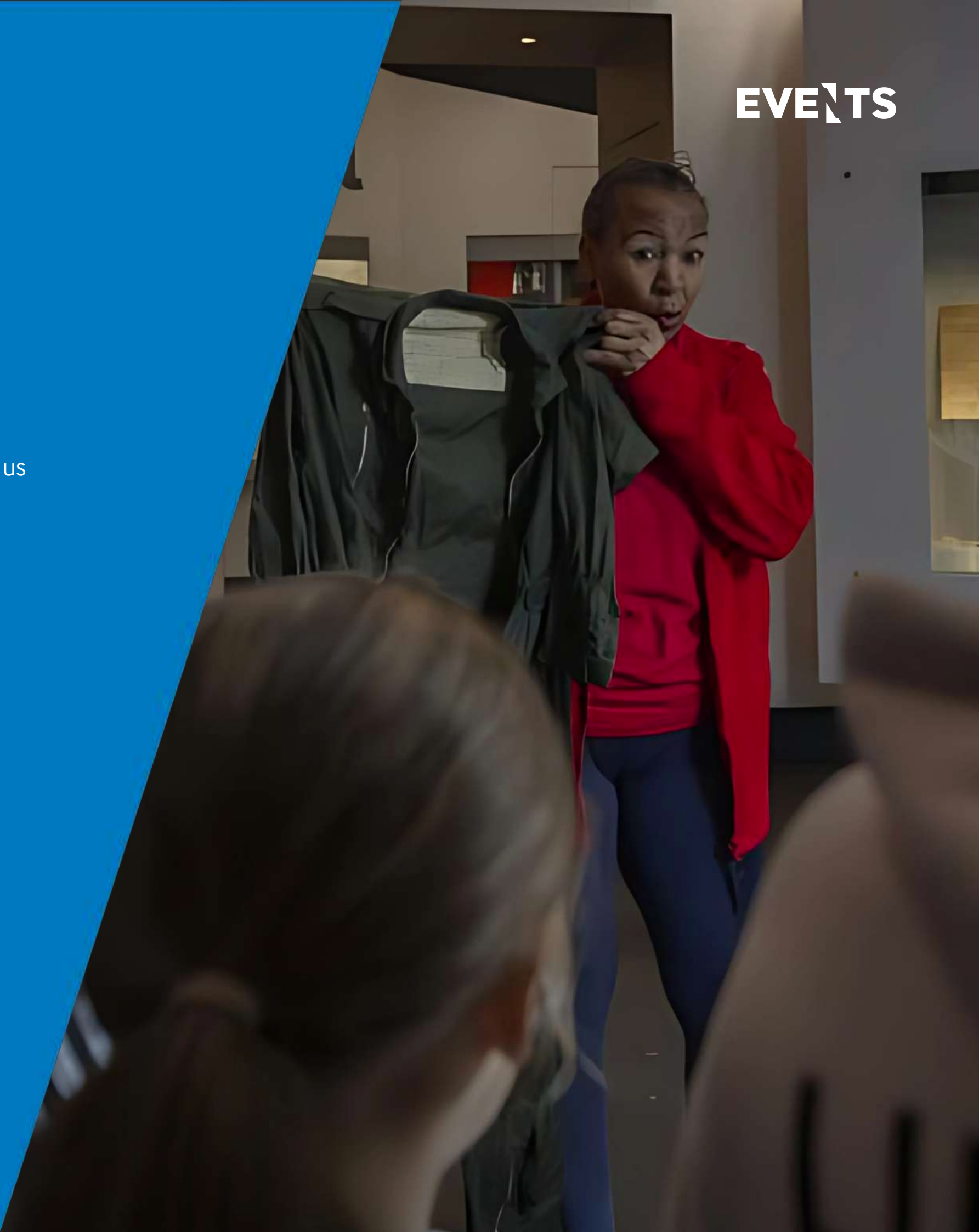
IWM is one of the venues available to visit through Hyundai's new ground-breaking programme The Great British School Trip, which offers a selection of free school trips and travel bursaries to reduce costs for schools, helping 25,000 young people access inspirational school trips.

2

The IWM Institute is an Independent Research Organisation that collaborates with leading universities, hosts public programmes of talks, performances, and podcasts, and works with a global network of experts to provide access to IWM's world-class collections and research themes.

3

IWM cares for over 155,000 three-dimensional objects as part of our collections. We want our collections to continue to engage, challenge and remain relevant to our audiences, and we need to safeguard it for future generations.





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