



Dancing With The Stars Weekends 2026

Welcome



Welcome

It is our great pleasure to welcome you to our 15th Dancing With The Stars Weekend here at the fabulous Alton Towers Hotel. We're absolutely delighted you've chosen to join us — thank you.

We've put together a truly special programme for you, filled with spectacular shows, inspiring workshops, and fabulous live music. Our team and incredible stars can't wait to share an unforgettable weekend of dance with you.

Be sure to catch all the latest photos and highlights as they happen on our Facebook page - simply search Donaheys and follow us there.

To our returning guests, it's wonderful as always to welcome you back. And to those joining us for the first time, we extend the warmest of welcomes - your weekend starts here.

We are at your service throughout the weekend, and warmly look forward to seeing familiar faces and meeting new friends. Have a fantastic time... and we'll see you on the dance floor!

Paul, Shirley, Amy & your Donaheys Team.

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David Cockram & Rosie Ward



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Your Programme

Friday Evening

Stateroom Ballroom

Kai Widdrington & Lauren Oakley Waltz Workshops

4.30pm

Red

5.30pm

Blue

6.30pm

Green

7.30pm

Beginner Refresher

7.40pm

Social Dancing Commences

8.45pm

Meet your Donaheys team

Join your Donaheys team and learn a fun and easy dance for all to enjoy

9.10pm

Leandro Palou & Maria Tsiatsiani

Argentine Tango Showcase

Kai Widdrington & Lauren Oakley

Ballroom & Latin Showcase

10.15pm

Red Carpet Photo Call

You will be invited by wristband colour to photograph your favourite Strictly Stars

Midnight

Ballroom Closes

Kai Widdrington & Lauren Oakley



Saturday

Stateroom Ballroom

- 9.30am** **Latin Line with Paul**
Red & Green
- David Cockram & Rosie Ward**
Quickstep Workshops
- 10am** Red
- 11am** Blue
- 12pm** Green
- Jowita Przystal**
Cha Cha Cha Workshops
- 1pm** Red
- 2pm** Blue
- 3pm** Green
- 4pm** **Ballroom Closes**
- 7.40pm** **Black Tie Ball**
Red Carpet Black Tie Photo Call
– be the stars of the show...
- 7.50pm** **Tony Greenwood 15-piece Big Band**
- 9pm** **David Cockram & Rosie Ward**
Quickstep Workshops
- 9.50pm** **Michelle Tsiakkas & Simone Arena**
Ballroom & Latin Showcase
- Spectacular Group Performances**
- 10.50pm** **Tony Greenwood 15-piece Big Band**
Red Carpet Photo Call
You are invited by wristband colour to photograph
your favourite Strictly Stars
- 12.15am** **Latino Line**
Join all your Donaheys Team and dance our fun Latin Line
- 12.30am** **Ballroom Closes**

Saturday

Emperor's Ballroom

9:30am

Latin Line with Cheryl & Freda

Blue

Argentine Tango Workshops

with Leandro Palou & Maria Tsiatsiani

10am

Blue

11am

Green

12pm

Red

Michelle Tsiakkas & Simone Arena

Jive Workshops

1pm

Blue

2pm

Green

3pm

Red

4pm

Practice Time

Enjoy general dancing to practice all those great new moves you've learnt today

5pm – 7.30pm Ballroom open for personal practice

No host/teachers or music played

Michelle Tsiakkas & Simone Arena





Your workshop films are ready to view donaheys.podia.com



Keep the magic of your Dancing With The Stars Weekend going with full access to all your workshop recap films — the perfect way to practise every dance and every step you've learned.

Our easy-to-follow practice films cover:

- ★ All the steps & routines from all 7 of your workshops
- ★ Our fun Latin Line
- ★ Clearly demonstrated routines you can enjoy at home, anytime

You can log in during your weekend and continue to enjoy the films after your break as often as you like.

Instant Access Includes:

- ★ Watch in full speed or half speed
- ★ Works on all smart devices – Mobile, Tablet, Laptop & Smart TV
- ★ Simple, clear, follow-along

Just £24 for Ongoing Access

Enrol anytime during your weekend, or up to 14 days after.

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You'll have no excuse
but to... Keekeep dancing!

Join us in 2027 for the ultimate Dance Week

See your favourite Strictly Come Dancing Stars
close & personal for a truly intimate experience
lessons with the Stars plus hear all about their

5th – 7th March 2027

**4* Alton Towers Resort Hotel
Staffordshire ST10 4DB**

Returning Guest Loyalty Price £629

19th – 21st March 2027

**4* De Vere Beaumont Palace
Old Windsor, Berkshire**

Returning Guest Loyalty Price £629



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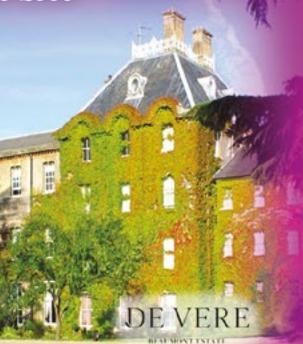
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The Weekend...

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3rd – 5th March 2028
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Resort Hotel

24th – 26th March 2028
4★ De Vere
Beaumont Estate

21st – 23rd April 2028
5★ Celtic Manor
Resort Hotel

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Returning Guest Benefits

- * Returning Guest Loyalty Rate
- * **EXCLUSIVE** Donaheys Flask
- * Preferred Ballroom Seating
- * Low £100pp deposit
- * Weekend Transfer Flexibility
- * Access to Donaheys Online Ballroom & Latin Academy – 100+ lessons with the Stars, Champions & Donaheys Team



16th – 18th April 2027

5* Celtic Manor Resort Hotel
Newport NP18 1HQ

Returning Guest Loyalty Price £715




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To take advantage of these great offers your £100pp deposit must be received by us whilst you are in attendance this weekend. You are more than welcome to transfer your booking onto any of our 2027 dance weekends with no admin fee. Subject to availability, upto 10-weeks prior, rate differences may apply.

Sunday

Stateroom Ballroom

**Aljaz Skorjanec & Janette Manrara
Slow Foxtrot Workshops**

9.45am Red
10.45am Blue
11.45am Green

12.35pm **Farewell Practice Dance**

1.15pm **Aljaz Skorjanec & Janette Manrara**
Ballroom & Latin Showcase

Red Carpet Photocall in Ballroom

Ballroom Closes

Emperor's Ballroom

Rumba workshops with Tony Bennett

9.45am Blue
10.45am Green
11.45am Red

**Have you
booked for 2027?**

Aljaz Skorjanec & Janette Manrara



Guest Guide

Alton Towers Resort

Alton Towers Theme Park will be closed for the duration of our break, however Alton Towers, Waterpark & 2 Adventure Golf courses will be open. Separate charges/rates apply, tickets/bookings are available at Hotel reception.

Dress Code

The dress code for the weekend is: Friday evening smart evening wear - Strictly No Denim. Saturday evening Black Tie - for men evening suit/bow tie recommended, lounge suit/tie acceptable, jacket essential. Ladies - evening dress/evening trouser or skirt outfit. Strictly No Denim whatsoever. We recommend wearing something comfortable & light for your daytime workshops. Trousers, skirts & dresses should be of the correct length at ALL times to avoid tripping up on the dance floor.

Footwear

Suitable footwear with a non-slip sole MUST be worn at all times whilst on the dance floor. Regular sports trainers are not advised for dancing as they tend to stick to the floor. Strictly no steel, overly high or thin stiletto heels, steel toecaps, flip-flops, wedges or sandals to be worn on the dance floor and no bare-feet, socks or tights. Please be advised anyone with incorrect footwear or unsuitable dress WILL be kindly & politely asked to leave the dance floor to change into something suitable.

Health & Safety

Whilst you enjoy your weekend your health & safety and that of all our guests is of paramount importance to us here at Donaheys. A control of arm & leg movements whilst on the dance floor is vital so as not to be a danger to fellow persons. No drinking whilst on the dance floor, please do not carry drinks across the dance floor, spilt drinks in any area of the ballrooms should be mopped up immediately. No excessive consumption of alcohol causing a lack of control / danger to oneself or other guests. It is your responsibility to stay hydrated and avoid over exertion by taking regular breaks. Iced water is available throughout the hotel. Dancers should not eat or chew whilst dancing. If you have any concerns whatsoever or see something you are unhappy with please bring it to our immediate attention, thank you.

Fire Evacuation Procedure

Please do take the time to familiarise yourselves with Alton Towers Fire Evacuation Procedure, Assembly Points and your closest fire escapes. In case of emergency please observe the directions of all staff at all times, if you are required to leave the hotel or ballroom please do so using your closest exit leaving all personal belongings behind.

First Aid

If you require First Aid assistance, please seek assistance at Donaheys iPoint or hotel reception – whichever is closest.

Workshops

There is no-need to pre-book any of your workshops. To even all the workshops out everyone has been split into 3 equal groups based on dance experience. Each Strictly couple will instruct 3 workshops in their speciality dance - one workshop for each group.

We have reserved you places in workshops based on the information you told us on your booking form. Over the weekend each coloured wristband group has 7 great workshops to choose from - 4 of which will be hosted by your Stars and 3 hosted by your Donaheys team.

For the smooth running of our workshops may we kindly request you only attend the workshop appropriate to your wristband colour, anybody attempting to unfairly participate in additional workshops will be kindly asked to leave the dance-floor. To enable each workshop to begin promptly please arrive early; no late arrivals will be permitted to join the workshop 10mins after it has started.

Please don't worry too much about the workshop aspect of your break; we hope you can just enjoy your workshops and particularly your time with the stars. As always, you can take part in all 7 of your group's workshops, or just some of them - the choice is all yours.

Restaurant

Your weekend package includes Dinner & Breakfast. Your final confirmation letter should provide you with your allocated evening meal times, please wherever possible try and stick to this as in theory it should help avoid any congestion.

Breakfast is available from 7.30am – 10am, please though be aware queues may occur between peak times of 8.30am & 9.15am

Ballroom Seating

Once you have been shown to your table on Friday evening, may we kindly ask that you use the same table for the duration of your dance weekend. Seating at your table is unreserved and not considered saved or reservable; seats are simply offered on a first come first served basis at the start of every session. A table plan will be on display next to our welcome desk on the Friday. Please don't leave personal belongings behind when leaving the ballroom, as the management cannot be held responsible for the loss of these. Please kindly note; All seats at your table are required, please be considerate towards other guests seated at your table who may wish to sit together by not leaving single chairs unoccupied, many thanks.

Filming & Photographs

Filming & Photography of all shows and workshops is strictly prohibited. The use of any flash photography, or recording device during any part of the Stars performances or workshops is strictly forbidden. Persons doing so will be asked to leave the ballroom immediately and delete any offending material immediately, this is a contractual stipulation rigorously enforced. Photograph opportunities will be available during the evenings, please though, avoid photograph or autograph requests before and after the Stars workshops. Unfortunately, we are unable to offer individual photographs with the stars due to contractual time constraints.

Wristbands

Wristbands must be worn on your wrist and be visible at ALL times during the weekend. Your wristband will allow you unlimited access to your workshops, shows & dancing and will be checked at all times upon entrance to the Ballroom's. Lost or removed wristbands will not be replaced.

Refreshments

Alton Towers Resort benefits from extensive on-site bar facilities. Drinking water is available throughout the resort. During the daytime workshops, guests are encouraged to bring re-useable drinks flasks to fill up at the dedicated Hydration Station located outside our ballrooms.

No personal drink flasks, containers, or bottles are to be brought into the ballrooms Friday and Saturday evenings. Cups of water will be available from the hydration station. Alton Towers Resort has a strict no-outside-drinks policy, and anyone doing so may be asked to leave the ballroom.

Smoking Areas

Alton Towers Resort has a No Smoking Policy throughout, which includes the use of e-cigarettes & vapes. There are specific designated outdoor 'Smoking Areas', which you will find clearly signposted. Guests are asked to refrain from smoking and the use of e-cigarettes & vapes throughout the resort including the outdoor patio terrace areas. Please only use the designated outdoor 'Smoking Areas'.

Checkout

Sorry to be thinking about this already, hotel checkout is 10am, please ensure you have settled any room accounts and handed your keys in beforehand. Safe bag storage is available at reception for any of your bags.

Donaheys iPoint

For the duration of the weekend Donaheys will have an information & help-desk at the entrance to the Stateroom Ballroom, this is where you can ask any questions you may have about your weekend - our Donaheys team are always on hand to help you in any way we can.

Thank you, and see you on the dancefloor!!!!



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