

Full line up announced for The France Show 2018 Flavours of France Stage

Headliners include Michelin-star chef Daniel Galmiche, celebrated actress Celia Imrie, and Tour de France journalist Ned Boulting.

The UK's biggest celebration of all things French is returning to London Olympia from 26 – 28 January. The popular lifestyle and property show brings the very best of the country to the UK capital – from tasting fine French wines and food, to discovering holiday ideas and your dream property.



The Flavours of France stage, hosted by celebrity chef Guy Wolley, will return for 2018 with a lineup bursting with celebrated icons from French gastronomy, culture, and travel.

Visitors will enjoy a special appearance from celebrated actress **Celia Imrie**, cooking demonstrations from chefs included Michelin-starred **Daniel Galmiche** and Master Pâtissier **Eric Lanlard**, award-winning crime writer **Peter May** will introduce his newest best-seller, broadcaster and Tour de France insider **Ned Boulting** will give us an insider look at life in the cycle lane, and **Anna Ryder Richardson** will be talking about her plans on restoring a property abroad. Wine expert and columnist for The Sunday Telegraph, Susy Atkins is back again for 2018, hosting live tastings

throughout the weekend and discussing some of the best wines currently produced from France's famous wine regions.

With a programme of live entertainment each day, visitors can experience first hand all that France has to offer.

Highlights include:

PETER MAY: Award-winning crime writer, will be at the show on Friday to launch his new best seller. His acclaimed *Enzo Files*, set in France where he is also lives, are a mix of whodunit, investigation, thrills, suspense and humour. His books have sold several million copies worldwide and have won awards in the UK, the USA, and France.

Friday 26 January, 1.15pm

CELIA IMRIE: Olivier award-winning and Screen Actors Guild nominated actress best known for her film roles in *The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel*, the *Bridget Jones* film series, and *Calendar Girls*, life-long Francophile Celia Imrie will be joining The France Show on Saturday to share her love of France and talk about her latest film.

Saturday 27 January, 2.15pm

DANIEL GALMICHE: Michelin-starred chef, Daniel Galmiche will be making his France Show debut on Saturday, hosting cooking demonstrations live on The Flavours of France stage. His career has since taken him all over the world - in London he worked at the highly acclaimed *Le Gavroche* under the tutelage of Michel Roux, he was awarded Master Chef of the Year and gained a Michelin star whilst working at *Knockinaam Lodge* in Scotland. He also maintained the Michelin Star at *L'Ortolan* near Reading and again at the magnificent *Cliveden House* in Berkshire before moving to the famous 5 star *Relais et Chateaux, The Vineyard* for 7 years.

Saturday 27 January, 1.15pm

FRANCK RAYMOND: Michelin-starred chef and owner of Augustine Kitchen, Battersea will be cooking some of his favourite dishes on Friday and Saturday. Formerly head chef at London institution *Mon Plaisir* in Covent Garden, Franck

Raymond has had a passion for French food throughout his life, having worked at a number of well-known French restaurants during his career, achieving two Michelin stars and setting up his own restaurant *Le Cheval Blanc* in his home-town, Evian, before moving to *Mon Plaisir* in 2003.

Friday 26 January, 3.20pm

Saturday 27 January, 3.15pm

ANNA RYDER RICHARDSON: Interior designer and television presenter famed for BBC shows such as *Changing Rooms* and *House Invaders*, Anna will be making her debut at The France Show, sharing her plans to transform a ruined, rural farmhouse in southwest France. Anna has recently filmed a new TV series of *60-Minute Makeover* with Peter André, which will be aired in early 2018.

Saturday 27 January, 12.30pm

Sunday 28 January, 12.40pm

NED BOULTING: Journalist, television presenter and best-selling author Ned Boulting, best known for his coverage of the Tour de France will be at The France Show on Sunday only. Currently touring the UK with his one-man show *Bikeology*, Ned will be sharing some of his favourite moments from his fourteen years covering this iconic race.

Sunday 28 January, 1.05pm

ERIC LANLARD: Master Pâtissier and author, Lanlard has earned himself an international reputation for superlative baked creations for an impressive A-list clientele. He is according to *Vanity Fair* magazine – one of the best patissiers in the world. An experienced TV presenter, he has presented four baking series' for Channel 4's *Glamour Puds* and *Baking Mad with Eric Lanlard*. He is a regular contributor and guest on some of the UK's most loved TV food shows including *The Great British Bake Off* and *Masterchef the Professionals*.

Sunday 28 January, 12pm

PLUS, performances from Can-can dancers, Anglo-French vintage jazz band **Oriana and The Charmers**, Q&A with Lindsey Tramuta – writer of award-winning blog **Lost in Cheeseland**, provencale cooking demonstrations from **Made In Provence's Christine Vidal**, and rural French renovations with **The Good Life France's Janine Marsh**.

For the full schedule, please visit: <http://www.thefranceshow.com/whats-on/>

The France Show takes place at Olympia London from 26 to 28 January 2018.

Tickets are priced from £12 for adults.

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