

Frequently Asked Questions

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When is Pride in Moray?

Pride in Moray takes place on the first Saturday of September every year.

Why does Pride in Moray not take place during Pride Month?

Although we would love to host our pride parade during pride month we are not able to do so. This is due to council restrictions and conflicting local events. We want to make sure that everyone has the opportunity to attend Pride in Moray and to keep it consistent. We also think it's a great way to remind everyone that pride isn't just for the month of June!

Why is Pride in Moray 2024 taking place in Forres?

When Pride in Moray first started, the aim was to host our parade in a different location within Moray each year. Organising Pride is a huge logistical challenge, requiring approval by the local authority in each location. As a small committee run entirely by volunteers, we had to choose to run Pride in Forres again or not run it at all in 2024. Not only did we really want to run Pride this year, but using the same location gives us the chance to make this year's event even better than the last!

When and where is everything happening?

Timings are listed below and you can download our Pride in Moray map from our website: pridemoray.co.uk/pride-in-moray-2024

- 1.00pm: Gather at the Forres War Memorial
- 1.15pm: Speeches take place
- 1.30pm: Parade will commence up Forres High Street and onto Grant Park for Pride Village
- 2.00pm: Entertainment starts
- 6.30pm: After Party starts (tickets available at pridemoray.co.uk/pride-in-moray-2024 or at the door on the night but there is a limited number so once they're gone, they're gone!)

Is there a dress code?

There is no dress code but you are encouraged to express yourself by dressing up or simply wearing whatever you feel comfortable in! However, no nudity please. In accordance with the law, 'swimsuit coverage' is the minimum requirement.



Are there age restrictions?

Everyone is welcome at Pride in Moray but under 12's need to be accompanied by an adult at all times. We recommend that young children have a wristband with emergency contact details on. These will be supplied free of charge at Pride in Moray. For our After Party, under 16's must be accompanied by an adult.

Is alcohol allowed?

You must adhere to the law that prohibits street drinking or you could face a fine. Alcohol will be served at our Pride Village and After Party for over 18s but please don't bring your own.

Are pets allowed?

Yes! Please keep them on a lead at all times and clean up after them.

Do I need a ticket for the parade and village?

A ticket isn't required, but we do ask people to register their attendance to give us an idea of numbers: pridemoray.co.uk/pride-in-moray-2024

How do I register a Group/Charity to take part in the parade?

Anyone can take part in the parade for free, you do not need to register as a group/charity, simply turn up in plenty of time.

Is there an order/queue when we arrive?

Other than the parade leads (Pride in Moray committee members/volunteers) there is no queue order on the day, so please respect each other and avoid queue jumping.

Can we have a banner on the parade?

Yes, banners are allowed! However any banner with offensive language or that goes against Pride in Moray beliefs may be confiscated.

What can I bring to Pride in Moay?

Please DO NOT bring knives, offensive weapons or alcohol. You CAN bring rainbows, phones, dogs and cash.

Is there disabled access?

The parade is accessible for wheelchair users and people with reduced mobility. The parade route is approximately 0.5 mile long up Forres High Street. Please note that Grant Park is mainly grass grounds so it may be uneven in places.



What is the Youth Space?

The Youth Space tent will be run by our Youth Sub-Committee with various activities throughout the day.

Is there parking?

All car parks in Forres are free, however spaces are limited. The car park beside Grant Park will be primarily reserved for emergency vehicles, disabled access and stall holders/vendors.

How is Pride in Moray funded?

We rely on sponsors and donations to bring this free event to Moray. If you would like to support us, either through sponsorship or donations please get in touch.

Who are the Pride in Moray sponsors?

For 2024, our sponsors are Walkers Shortbread, UNISON and Unite.

How do I get to Forres?

- By Road Forres is on the A96, the main road that runs between Inverness and Aberdeen, 26 miles north east of Inverness. All car parks in Forres are free however spaces are limited, please see the map for the exact locations. The car park beside Grant Park will be primarily reserved for emergency vehicles, those with a disability and stall holders/vendors (again spaces are limited).
- By Bus Forres is served by buses from Inverness and Aberdeen, and there
 are bus stops from both directions outside Grant Park. Both Inverness and
 Aberdeen have bus services from the South.
- By Rail Forres is on the train line that runs from Inverness and Aberdeen.
 The journey takes some 30 mins from Inverness. Grant Park is a 15 minute walk from the station.
- By Air Forres is 19 miles from Inverness airport, 74 miles from Aberdeen airport. Inverness airport can be reached from around the world with transit opportunities at London Heathrow, London Gatwick, Dublin (Ireland) and Schiphol (Netherlands).