

Comments from Stall holders – Blenheim CBD Summer Market & Savour in Marlborough

Hi Katrina

Thank You so much for having us. We loved our day and sales were awesome. I agree a little bit more music on Market Street would have been great but certainly did not affect the atmosphere. We would love to come back next year and look forward to it.

Regards
Annette (Miss Finns)

Hi Katrina,

Brilliant effort on your part and your team,
Please keep me post any further events coming up.

Thanks Cherie

Hi Katrina

I had a lovely day out thank you. We had really good sales. Yes, I agree with a 4pm finish time would be great. And I spoke with you regarding my view on the music. That busker lady was nice to listen to.

All and all it was a great day out for us.

Have a great day
Paula Cathcart

Hi Katrina

Thank you for organizing the market. Sales were ok for us considering there were not so many tourists.

All in all a great market and love the variety of stalls Thanks Sabine

Robert and Sabine Harper Partnership t/a
Sherrington Honey

Hi Katrina

I was impressed with the quality of products . It is a great way to introduce myself to the market place. I met a lot of lovely people and not too windy where I was which was good 😊. I'm glad you have had good feedback well done 👍

Cheers
Sue - Travelbags NZ

Hi! Thanks for the invite looking forward to next year.

Pedro.

Pedros Empanadas

Thank you I had a great day. 10 to 4 would be good timing, although I must say I sold quite a bit to people finishing work between 4 and 5. Could it be 11 to 5, and then start the evening one a bit later. People packed up really quickly and the street was well on the way to being cleared by the time I left at 5.45pm.

Look forward to next year.'

Regards

Marlene Trounson

MT Studio

Hi Katrina,

We have had a stall at that market since 2004. Looking back at my figures it's been a fairly consistent amount of sales although we used to all pack up about 3. This year was interesting in that I sold as much as 2008, 2015 and 18, my other largest years even without the wine and food. Buskers were great in the afternoon, definitely adds to the ambience.

As others said it was a very long market, especially for those sole operated stalls but on the other hand without that our sales would have been more of an average range. Great idea to make it clear how each stallholder should enter/exit set up, that worked well.

Advertising at the Farmers' Market was a good idea, other than that old people like us would only see/hear of it in the newspapers.

Thanks for your efforts,

Jennie Crum

Windsong Orchard

Hi Kat,

Im pretty happy how it all went. I was busy all day and night. Maybe next year ill just do the night . The day was very good too it was just a very long day! I think there was enough food options. I like they were all a bit different and not just the same as feast Marlborough. I hope you had a good day?

Looking forward to the next event.

Cheers,

Fran – Boom Chef

Hi Katrina

Thank you for that. I had a great day's sales as always in Blenheim. The advantage of 5pm finish is it allows for a late flurry of shoppers as they finish work. Maybe place those who want to pack down early all at one end of the market?

One complaint was the public toilets being locked early. I'm on my own with a big set up and take 2 hours to pack down, by which time I'm busting for the loo standing in queue seemed an unnecessary misery.

Overall a well-run, great day, so thanks and congratulations to your team.

See you next year 😊

Hi Katrina

Thank you very much for organising it.

We sold enough wine to make it worthwhile doing, so that is great.

It was a shame I wasn't there to see it in person – it seems to be the way that all the events happen at the same time all of a sudden.

It sounds like it was a success and hopefully you are happy with how things went.

Harriet

Harriet Wadworth
Events Manager & Brand Ambassador
Two Rivers Wines

Thank you for your email. It was great to be part of your event – thank you for having us.

It was a good night however a few things to possibly consider next time:

- Sale of alcohol – I had a lot of complaints from patrons that they couldn't buy a drink before 5pm... Perhaps we could look at getting longer licences next time say 4pm – 9pm.? Or even midday to 8 or 9 pm so we get some of the lunch trade? I know this is up to the council at the end of the day.
- Our sales were ok
- I think there was just enough food options for the number of people that attended but had there been more(some may have) missed out on food. Boom Chef sold out (at 7.30) as did Tu Meke.
- Entertainment was awesome. Great music, juggler was classic and kids loved that.
- Shame about the cool easterly - please fix that next time hahaha...

Well done though, you put something together short notice and did a great job.

Thanks again for including Boom Town – Keen to be a part of any future events and if you ever need a hand please let me know.

Clive, Boom Town Beer

Hi Katrina,

We have heard great things about the Savour event, congratulations! Hopefully it was a great success for you too, as a part of our Summer Feast series we are keen to get as much feedback on the participating events as possible so we can look back on the successful summer we all worked hard to create.

Could you send me a couple of images from your event as well as a short brief on the highlights of the event and how many people attended throughout the day?

Hannah Lamb
Summer Feast Coordinator