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The Reading Festival had its beginnings in the National Jazz Festival in the 1960s. In the following years this festival moved from site to site until it finally settled down in Reading in 1971. The Reading festival has the distinction of being the worlds oldest music festival still in existence. This festival has had many musical phases in its existence, from rock to punk to indie and metal. It is usually held on the

Friday, Saturday and Sunday of the bank holiday weekend in August. Reading festival tickets have had a history of being sold out soon after their release. The Reading festival also has Reading Festival Camping tickets that allow you to camp out and attend the festival. If you have tried for the Reading Festival tickets and have been disappointed because they were sold out, you could always try for the Reading Festival Saturday Tickets, which allow you to attend the festival on Saturday.

Since the 1970s this festival has had rock, blues and heavy metal as its main features with some punk rock bands also playing. This has continued down through the decades. In the 2000s the popularity of outdoor music festivals has led to the Reading Festival tickets being sold out more quickly each year. This also included the Reading Festival camping tickets and the Reading festival Saturday tickets.

The Reading Festival in the early 2000s saw mainly a rock line up but since 2005 there have also been some Indie groups included in the line up. In 2005 Reading Fringe festival was started up in the town and it has fringe groups performing. The venues for this fringe festival keep changing from year to year and the groups playing hope to attract the crowds and industry figures from the main festival.

The Reading Festival though being around since the 1970s faced a council ban in 1984 and 1985 when the council refused to give permission to hold the festival. Though this issue was resolved in 1986 in which the Festival got permission just three months before its opening date, it was a major sellout of tickets.

This festival is not only one of the longest running open air music festivals in the world but even the weather has not been able to stop the people from attending it or the bands from playing their music. Though the ticket sales in recent years have had the tickets sold out the tickets for the 2012 festival have been on sale since December 2011 and the general tickets being available as of March 2012. So getting your tickets early for this music festival will ensure your seat in one of the best open air music festivals in the world.

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