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ere at locally based Coast & Country Cottages we know how lucky we all are to live and work in this Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty – the stunning South Hams, in the southernmost tip of Devon. During Summer 2015 we chose some of our favourite locations and activities to film. from which our fantastic new short video #7daysinSouthDevon has now been produced.

View the full video by visiting coastandcountry.co.uk/7daysinsouthdevon/



Features



Karen and Andrew Jones, Directors, with the winning British Travel Award trophies (see page 4)

Welcome to view 2016

Welcome to view 2016, bringing you a taste of around 400 holiday properties exclusively in South Devon, plus inspiration and suggestions for making the very best of your visit to this beautiful area.

Whether you are one of our many regular customers or are planning a holiday here for the first time, we hope that you enjoy reading the features and reviews. Don't forget to enter our fabulous competitions too - with prizes including a holiday package worth £1600, an exclusive Day Yacht Charter and a hamper packed with delicious local produce - see inside for full details of all six competitions for 2016!

We've tried to include something for everyone, with articles written by locally based and nationally renowned writers who share our love of the area, features about sailing, local art, styling a holiday home and wonderful walks, to mention just a few.

Whilst we have included as many properties as we can, please do visit coastandcountry.co.uk to see full details of all our properties and visit salcombe.co.uk for more inspiration for your holiday or short break.

We look forward to welcoming you to the South Hams sometime soon.

Karen & Andrew Jones Directors

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Win an amazing package worth £1600, including a £750 accommodation voucher







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Andrew and Karen Jones receive their 2015 British Travel Award from sponsor Andy Atkinson of Trinity Mirror Solutions

British Travel Award winners for the 2nd year in a row!

Following their success in 2014, Coast & Country Cottages has been announced as the winner of Best UK Self Catering Holiday Booking Company (Small) at the 2015 British Travel Awards.

The prestigious British Travel Awards is the largest awards programme in the UK, with over 1.2 million votes cast and created to reward the best companies in travel. Says British Travel Awards' Chief Executive, Lorraine Barnes Burton, "More than a quarter of a million consumers voted this year and to win is a clear statement that companies are providing excellence in travel to the discerning consumer. The travelling public regard the British Travel Awards winner logo as the benchmark for excellence when it comes to finding out who are the best travel companies and Coast & Country Cottages is to be congratulated on their achievement."

The announcement was made on 25 November 2015 at a glamorous gala awards ceremony held at Battersea Evolution, attended by around a thousand travel industry people. Coast & Country Cottages' Directors, Karen and Andrew Jones accepted the award on behalf of their

team. Karen says "Our success is due to the hard work, dedication and commitment of our team, which has grown in the past 14 years and we would like to say a huge thank you to all of them, to our loyal property owners and also to the many customers who return to stay with us in this beautiful area, year after year."

The glitzy New York themed event, featuring a Frank Sinatra tribute act, yellow New York taxis and after-party hot dog stalls, commenced with a champagne reception, followed by a delicious three course gala dinner. Comedian Hal Cruttenden hosted the ceremony, during which over 150 awards were presented to well-known travel companies and brands, including Saga, Titan, Kuoni, Viking Cruises, Thomson, Virgin Holidays and Mark Warner. Continues Andrew, "Coast & Country Cottages is a small, family owned and run agency based in South Devon, so we are thrilled to have received this award alongside some



Karen & Andrew on stage with comedian Hal Cruttenden, sponsor Andy Atkinson and other award winners

of the biggest names in the British Travel industry. It was very exciting to go onto the stage to collect the award from Hal Cruttenden and the sponsor, Andy Atkinson of Trinity Mirror Solutions."

The British Travel Awards is the most recognisable of all travel industry accolades, amongst consumer and

industry professionals alike, with categories covering holiday experiences including accommodation, transport, destination, cruise and customer service. The BTAs are the only travel industry awards voted for exclusively by the travelling public and are audited by leading global accountancy practitioners, Deloitte.

Earlier in 2015, Coast & Country
Cottages was delighted to be awarded a
Gold Trusted Merchant Accreditation by
the Global Feedback Engine Feefo. This
prestigious national accreditation
highlights those businesses that have
consistently delivered great customer service.

Feefo is one of the world's most trusted suppliers of ratings and reviews, generating genuine feedback about registered businesses, based on reviews directly from customers. To gain a Gold Trusted Merchant Accreditation, businesses have to achieve an average service rating of



Andrew, Karen and some of the team celebrating their British Travel Award win in 2014.



above: Some of the team celebrate their 2015 win inset: Coast& Country Cottages' two winning trophies

between 95%-100%. Since initially joining the Feefo scheme in 2014, customers with Coast & Country Cottages have consistently rated the agency highly – currently, the agency have an average service rating of 98%!

Jon Doyle, Operations Director, continues "We are delighted to have won this national award, based on the

feedback received directly from our customers. We started using Feefo to give customers a genuine means of providing feedback on the agency and our holiday accommodation. We are very happy that the standard of our customer service has been recognised, and that so many of our customers are satisfied". In addition to receiving the trophy for the Best UK Holiday Self Catering Booking Company at the 2015 British Travel Awards, Coast & Country Cottages was also delighted to be a finalist in the British Travel Awards Excellence in

Customer Service award, sponsored by Feefo. Clare Levy, Marketing & Sales Manager adds, "We were thrilled to receive such great recognition for our customer service – shortlisted companies were all within 0.2 of the winning score, demonstrating the closeness of the result. We are understandably proud of this additional achievement from our small, locally based team, and believe that the accolade will further reassure anyone thinking of booking their holiday or short break with Coast & Country Cottages in 2016."

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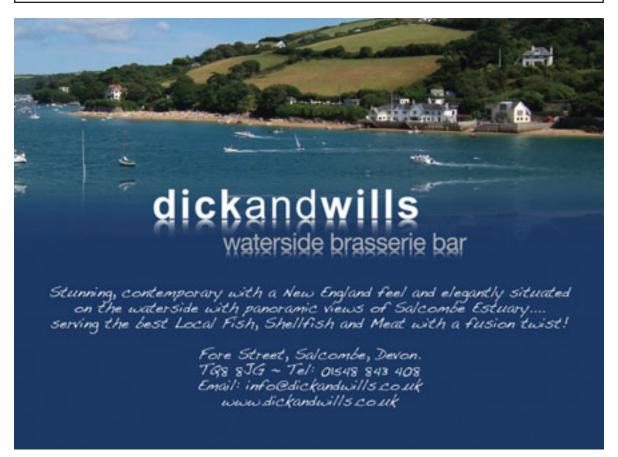




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To enter online simply visit coastandcountry.co.uk/viewcompetition16 or alternatively send a postcard to 'view Competition 2016', Marketing Team, Coast & Country Cottages, Hannaford's Landing, Island Street, Salcombe, TQ8 8FE.

The first person to be drawn will win this fabulous prize. Closing date for entries is 30th November 2016. Call 01548 843773 or visit coastandcountry.co.uk/viewcompetition16 for more information.

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The art of styling a holiday home in South Devon

Take inspiration from the surrounding coast and countryside to make a practical, comfy and elegant retreat.

Increasingly holiday home owners are choosing interior designers to help them to renovate, restyle and update their properties, to create all the more desirable accommodation for discerning customers. We have spoken to a selection of interior designers to learn more about the art of successfully styling holiday properties in this Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, and to gather some tips for those considering making some improvements to their own homes...

Henrietta Thorn is a well-established interior designer based in South Devon. With a number of highly acclaimed projects in her portfolio, including successful renovations at South Sands Hotel and Gara Rock, her latest endeavour has been at Hillfield Village, the luxury development of 31 properties near Dartmouth, marketed by Coast & Country Cottages. Following acquisition by new owners, Hillfield

Village has been going through extensive re-development over recent months. This includes the restyling of many of the existing properties, in addition to the construction of a number of new properties in the grounds, and the much anticipated renovation of Hillfield Farmhouse.

Henrietta says "Hillfield Farmhouse is one of four projects I am involved with at Hillfield Village. It is a grade II listed Farmhouse which we gutted. I really enjoyed working with the history of the building to maintain its character, using traditional materials where possible, but also bringing a contemporary edge to it. It is a property that I would love to live in - it has a homely feel to it and just works!"

Hillfield Farmhouse is finished with a number of interesting fixtures and furnishings, including an old racing pigeon carrier basket as a coffee table, and fabulous reclaimed kitchen cupboards as headboards.





The very well-equipped kitchen at Hillfield Farmhouse

Henrietta continues "I just love the mixture of old and new – it is quirky. I think the combination of furniture (including a distressed oak dresser in the living room that I was tempted to keep!) works perfectly. What I love most about my job is creating something unique which is both striking and inspiring. For instance, the tiles I selected for the bathroom are very unusual, and they evoke very different reactions from everyone... it is just so interesting to watch!"

She finishes "I think the art of styling a holiday home in South Devon is to take inspiration from the surrounding coast and countryside to make a practical, comfy and elegant retreat – a fabulous base, from which to enjoy this picturesque area."

"The bathroom tiles evoke very different reactions from everyone... it is just so interesting to watch!"

The stunning property **Seagull Cottage** in Buckley Street, Salcombe is another holiday cottage available with Coast & Country Cottages that has recently been renovated. Styled by the property owner, Lizzy Klintworth, a former city lawyer turned interior designer, this 18th Century fisherman's cottage was refurbished to create a haven for those in search of a chic, luxury holiday home with breathtaking sea views, just yards from the sea.

Boasting a smart 'New England coastal theme' throughout, we asked Lizzy what her favourite items in the house were. "The driftwood inspired flooring is just fabulous. We acquired it from a small, Westcountry based shop via Ebay! Another Ebay purchase was the stunning limed-oak bench in the kitchen, which I had modified by carpenters to fit into the house perfectly."

Lizzy says "We really wanted the interior of the house to complement the cottage's surroundings – with stunning,



Sumptuous en suite master bedroom at Hillfield Farmhouse

awe-inspiring views over the Salcombe Estuary from the main living area, it was very important to bring a little of the Salcombe coastline into the design. Hence the nautical theme throughout, with iconic Quba & Co sail cloth cushions, feature portholes and even a life buoy!"

"The interior of the house had to complement the cottage's surroundings... we just had to bring a little of the Salcombe coastline into the design."



Seagull Cottage with views towards Salcombe Estuary

Lizzy has some fabulous suggestions for those commencing their own projects.

"Crucially, it is important to ensure you think about how your property is going to be used – is it going to be primarily a holiday home, or first and foremost your own bolt hole? Being certain of your property's main purpose will help you select fixtures and fittings that are appropriate. If you are anticipating a high level of lettings at your property, hard wearing flooring, washable soft furnishings and durable surfaces are important. For those using the property themselves primarily, you can afford to be a little more expressive in your selections, without concern over excessive wear and tear. Most importantly, be sure that the character of the property shines through – don't try to make the cottage something it isn't!"

Simon Bantock, of local company Ashton House Designs, adds some further pointers:

"Do not let concerns over practicality result in a bland interior. Select finishes for furniture and flooring (in particular) that are, to some extent, already weathered/worn, as these will 'forgive' the odd knock. Similarly, accept that furnishing fabrics – especially in bright Westcountry light – will fade. Resist using strong colours where larger quantities are called for (on sofas and curtains) and introduce colour/pattern through the addition of less costly scatter cushions and throws, which can be replaced from time to time. Voiles at the windows filter out light effectively, whilst banishing black glass at night."

Bunk bedded room at Seagull Cottage



"Inspiration strikes us in the middle of the night, on holiday, or whilst walking the dog!"

Finally, for aspiring interior designers, considering their first project, Simon suggests "never switch off your design radar, and be receptive to all influences. After all, you never know when you might have your best ideas. Inspiration strikes us in the middle of the night, on holiday, or even whilst walking the dog!"

Rebecca Dupère of Modbury based company Dupère Interior Design styled **St Leonards** in Salcombe. She also has some suggestions on gathering inspiration for styling a holiday property.

"St Leonards is close to the sea which obviously influenced the choice of colours and furnishings used. However, we wanted to avoid the interior being too clichéd or an 'identikit holiday home' and were careful to ensure St Leonards had its own personality. Everything in the home from the curtains and beds, down to the bedlinen and teaspoons was sourced by us to create a welcoming, very comfortable and practical home."

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Family bathroom at Seagull Cottage





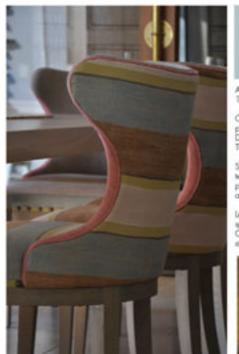
Cosy and comfortable sitting room at St Leonards

She continues "If a cottage is going to be let out for holidays, things will get heavy use and will need to be practical as well as comfortable and attractive. Alas, as there are no guarantees with the weather, and many properties are used year round, it's essential the home is cosy with cushions, throws and enough lamps as well as good books, cards and other games."

Rebecca finishes, "As with any project you always end up with favourite items in the house. At **St Leonards** I love the vintage lantern in the sitting room fireplace, the model yacht, the cushions on the beds in the twin bedroom (which are beautifully embroidered) and the gorgeous handmade lampshades in the double bedroom."



Kitchen and dining area at St Leonards





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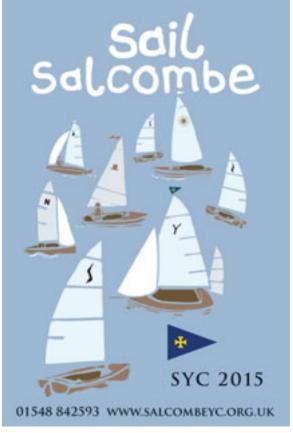


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Set sail in south devon

Coast & Country Cottages enjoy a day on the water and discover there is no better way to experience the beauty of the South Hams.

Whether you are an experienced sailor or a complete beginner, a sailing trip along the spectacular South Hams coastline is sure to inspire you. From the historic maritime town of Dartmouth to the picturesque sailing town of Salcombe, there is no better way to experience the beauty of the South Hams than by sailing along the southernmost tip of the South Devon coastline.

Nick Rich has a deep passion for sailing which ultimately motivated him to set up his exciting new business, Devon Sailing Experiences. Says Nick, "The South Hams, with its strong sailing pedigree, is a natural fit for this business – the area is fantastic for cruising with so many great locations all within a day's sail, offering vast choice and flexibility to our clients".

Five of the Coast & Country Cottages team recently joined Devon Sailing Experiences on board Nick's boat,

Bewitched, a 40ft Sun Odyssey 409 yacht, to sample a day sail with Nick and crew.

After a tour of the boat and a safety briefing, the sailing day got underway as the team set off from Salcombe, with blue skies, sunshine and moderate wind making for ideal conditions. Lucy Jelf, Digital Marketing & PR Executive commented, "As we set sail we were treated to fantastic views of the town behind us and the beaches at East Portlemouth. Looking back up to Salcombe from the water gave us a great view of some of our fantastic holiday properties including Spinnaker Cottage, Ferryside, Ferrycot and Woodwell".

Once under sail the team were involved in helming and setting course up the Salcombe Estuary to the secluded Starehole Bay, a perfect place to drop anchor for lunch. Sailing away from the Salcombe coastline after a picnic lunch,



top: the team set sailabove: Andrew Jones, Director,aboard Bewitched



NICK RICH'S TOP FIRST TIME SAILING TIPS

Don't be too ambitious.

- Be flexible about weather conditions.
- Dress in comfortable casual clothes and wear non-slip, non-marking, closed toe shoes.
- Take a rain jacket to protect you from the wind and spray.
 - Respect the boom to avoid a bump to the head!
- Sailing is all about the experience and not how far you go!

the boat was put into full action, reaching 9 knots. Each crew member was then able to get behind the helm and experience tacking and sailing for a few exhilarating hours before heading back towards Salcombe.

SO THE VERDICT FROM THE COAST & COUNTRY COTTAGES TEAM...?

Lucy and Assistant Operations Manager, Donna Collins, enjoyed the experience of helming a boat for the first time whilst more experienced sailors, Director, Andrew Jones and Property Services Manager, Nick Seedhouse, were able to refresh their skills with encouragement and support. The relaxed approach from Nick Rich and his crew allowed the team to enjoy sailing at a pace that suited everyone.

WHAT CAN YOU EXPECT FROM DEVON SAILING EXPERIENCES?

Whether you are looking for a day sail or to charter a boat for a weekend, Nick and his team offer a bespoke service, including a qualified skipper plus additional crew if required, with a great choice of day sail destinations from Salcombe and Plymouth.

To arrange your sailing adventure call Nick on 01752 424514, email info@devonsailingexperiences.co.uk or visit devonsailingexperiences.co.uk

Inspired to take to the water in Salcombe?

Here are some suggestions of properties that include the use of a mooring

The Beach House, The Penthouse and The Garden House, Woodside:

A running mooring is available for a small boat/dinghy up to 8' in length (approx). A swinging mooring may also be available for boats up to 17' at a cost of £150.00 per week - please call 01548 843773 for details.

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Ferryside

A running mooring (suitable for a small boat) is available during summer months and a permanent swing mooring may be available upon request.



Moorings available at the Woodside properties, Salcombe

Inspired to set sail?

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The winner (plus up to 5 guests) will enjoy a full day's charter onboard the 40ft sailing yacht, Bewitched, exploring secluded coves and beaches, viewing the beautiful South Hams coastline, experiencing marine wildlife and relaxing over a glass of wine and lunch provided by your skipper.

To enter, simply visit coastandcountry.co.uk/devonsailing. Alternatively send a postcard to Devon Sailing Experiences Competition 2016, Marketing Team, Coast & Country Cottages, Hannaford's Landing, Island Street, Salcombe, TQ8 8FE. The first person to be drawn will win this fabulous prize. Closing date for entries is 30th November 2016.

Terms & Conditions apply. Prize is a day's charter (starts onboard 9.30am, back on shore by 5pm) in 2017 for up to 6 people with Devon Sailing Experiences, including lunch, subject to availability and weather conditions. The prize is non-transferable and there is no cash alternative. The prize does not include accommodation which must be booked through Coast & Country Cottages separately. For full competition details, plus terms and conditions, visit coastandcountry.co.uk/devonsailing.





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Salcombe has been a popular holiday destination for generations, with visitors returning year after year to enjoy the town's beautiful beaches, exciting atmosphere and mild climate! With spectacular scenery, a host of sandy coves to choose from, and numerous eateries offering something for everyone, it is easy to understand the attraction of this stunning seaside town.

Sailing and watersports enthusiasts certainly won't be disappointed – whether you are bringing your own boat, or thinking of hiring equipment, the options are endless. Try a rib ride along the coastline spotting seals with Sean-Shore, or hire equipment from Triocean Surf and head out kayaking or Stand-Up Paddleboarding in the Salcombe sunshine. Looking to hire a yacht for a day trip along the Salcombe coastline? Charter a boat from Devon Sailing Experiences, or opt for something smaller, with Salcombe Dinghy Sailing. Whatever you choose to do, the waters around Salcombe remain exceptionally popular, and are a 'must' for those with sea legs!

Families heading to Salcombe are also well catered for... the quayside in the town lends itself to the popular pastime of crabbing. See who can catch the most crabs,

before walking along the water's edge to pick up a mouthwatering, locally-made ice cream, or perhaps some treats from Cranch's Sweet Shop. For a fun couple of hours on the beach, jump aboard the foot passenger ferry to South Sands, or across to East Portlemouth. Cool off with a paddle in the shallow waters, build sandcastles, or arm yourselves with buckets and nets and try rockpooling.

For foodies, Salcombe is a haven! Fresh fish and crab is caught off the coastline daily and served at many of the restaurants across the town, meaning seafood fans will be in their element. Thinking of packing a picnic for your day at the beach? A stroll along Salcombe Fore Street – with its traditional bakery, butcher, fishmonger and delicatessens – should provide you with all you need.



opposite left: Batson Creek opposite middle: East Portlemouth Beach and the South Sands Ferry opposite right: The picturesque Salcombe Estuary above: View to Salcombe from Snapes Point

Visit coastandcountry.co.uk for details of over 140 holiday homes in and around picturesque Salcombe. Here are just a few suggestions...



Leylands

Salcombe is particularly popular with families holidaying with small children. Leylands is a fabulous, recently renovated property in the heart of this popular town, boasting magnificent estuary views and fully equipped for children. A former sea captain's home, this is the perfect base for exploring the delights of Salcombe with a young family. With both a sitting room and lounge area, there is plenty of room for the whole family to unwind and relax in their own space!

Sleeps 8 - VisitEngland 5★ From £709 per week

2 Hamstone Court

This newly refurbished first floor apartment is situated in a private complex in a convenient location, just a short walk from the town's shops and restaurants. Offering stunning views over the estuary towards East Portlemouth, best enjoyed from the spacious balcony, guests won't be disappointed! Enjoy perusing Salcombe's individual boutiques and art galleries, before returning to the apartment for a glass of something chilled on the balcony, whilst watching life on the water.

Sleeps 6 - VisitEngland 5★ Gold From £843 per week







View over the beautiful Salcombe Estuary



Cola's Tonne

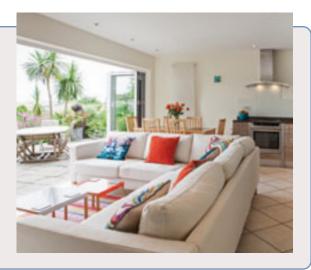
Situated just a short five minute drive from popular Salcombe, Cola's Tonne is a detached cottage, fully renovated in recent years to an exceptional standard. Nestled in the countryside, yet within easy reach of Salcombe's sailing waters, you can enjoy all that the town has to offer, before returning to Cola's Tonne for a little rest and relaxation in quiet surroundings... the best of both worlds! The property has a lovely terrace area with country views over neighbouring farmland, as well as a woodburning stove for winter evenings.

Sleeps 4 - VisitEngland 5★
From £559 per week

3 Albany House

This delightful open plan garden apartment, set within a beautiful Victorian property, is just a short walk from Salcombe's shops and restaurants. Light and airy, the folding doors in the living area open back for easy access to the sun terrace, and to the shared garden below. Enjoy a leisurely al fresco breakfast before walking to the Salcombe Harbour Hotel, where guests can enjoy complimentary use of the luxury facilities including indoor pool, steam room, Jacuzzi and gym.

Sleeps 4 - VisitEngland 4★ Gold From £656 per week



3 Eddystone Row

3 Eddystone Row is a stylish recently built property, within a short walk of Salcombe's eateries and waterfront. Offering spacious holiday accommodation, the property has a beautiful open plan kitchen/dining area and a wonderful outside decking area and garden – perfect for a family looking for a retreat within easy reach of the beaches and sailing waters of this picturesque town.

Sleeps 8 - VisitEngland 4★ Gold From £593 per week



Sunnylodge

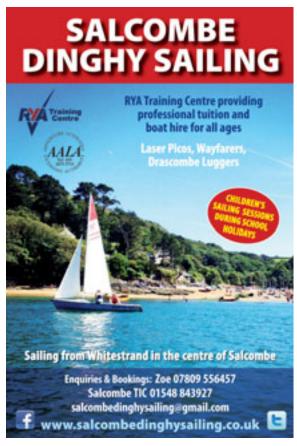
Perfectly positioned between Salcombe's shops and restaurants, and North Sands beach, this extensively upgraded property boasts lovely views across the estuary through an area of protected woodland. Walk to North Sands and spend the day on the beach, before dining at the popular beachside restaurant The Winking Prawn (where the 'Fruits de Mer' platter is a must!). Then head back to this stylish property, and enjoy drinks on the south facing terrace, making the most of the balmy summer evenings.

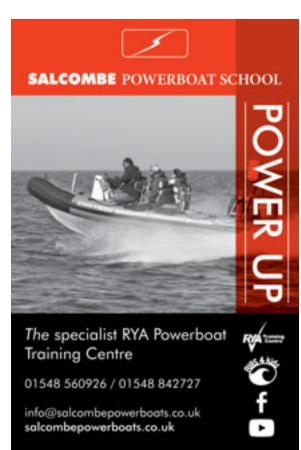
Sleeps 6 - VisitEngland 5★ From £576 per week

Looking for a new property in the heart of picturesque Salcombe?

Whatever style of property you are looking for, Coast & Country Cottages has a fabulous range of accommodation to suit all needs, with properties in various Salcombe locations, including Batson, East Portlemouth, North and South Sands to name just a few. Perhaps the most centrally located property is newly available **Normandy**Watch. Sleeps 6. VisitEngland 4★ Gold. From £600 per week. Situated in a fabulous position, overlooking Whitestrand, the property has been renovated to a high standard and boasts wonderful estuary views. Just a few steps from the foot passenger ferry to East Portlemouth, not to mention the many pubs, restaurants and shops, the property is ideally positioned for those planning to explore Salcombe!

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Local Food Heroes

by Susy Atkins, BBC1 'Saturday Kitchen' wine expert (and Devon dweller!)



ne of the great attractions of the South Hams, and something which lures thousands of visitors here every year, is of course the fabulous food and drink in the area. And I'm not just talking about the terrific restaurants, bars and café culture (though that is certainly a vibrant scene), but the food produced on our doorstep.

I'm always bowled over by the sheer variety - the amazing seafood, the premium meat, the glorious cream and cheese, and of course the scrumptious cider, juices

and, more recently, high quality wines. The South Hams really does provide it all, a full-on, multi-course feast to satisfy any gastronome.

There are, of course, extremely hard working people behind these great flavours. I want to celebrate their efforts in bringing these delicious natural resources to our table. Whether harvesting seafood, pressing apples, growing the finest vegetables, maturing cheeses or teaching us how to cook, here are some of the food heroes of the South Hams. Let's raise a glass to them!

SOUTH DEVON CHILLI FARM

If you want to turn up the heat in South Devon look no further than this farm in Loddiswell, where hundreds of varieties of chilli are grown and many tempting chilliflavoured food products are on sale in the farm's welcoming visitor centre and café.

Started in 2001 by a group of friends, including Steve and Heather Waters, who had discovered how easy it was to grow chillis in their back-garden greenhouses, Steve and Heather now own the farm with Martin Phillips and Kaz Lobendhan, and employ 16 people.

Visit the farm and you can wander through an astonishing 'show' polytunnel containing 200 varieties of chilli plants of splendidly different heights and colours, and then buy anything from fresh or dried chillies, plants and seedlings, chilli chocolate, oils and dips, to take home. Children are welcomed here. And grown-ups - don't forget to stop for a hot chilli chocolate in the café on a cold day.

southdevonchillifarm.co.uk





MANNA FROM DEVON COOKERY SCHOOL

David and Holly Jones arrived in 2002 to run the catering at the Royal Dart Yacht Club in Kingswear and stayed on after founding their now renowned cookery school there. The school is small enough for each would-be master chef to get plenty of attention, with relaxed but expert tuition from the couple. They teach a full range of skills from baking to pasta-making to Indian and Thai cookery, and run terrific family cookery courses (my ten-year-old son loved 'Family Baking'). David is a specialist in teaching wood-fired oven cooking too.

Their rave reviews in the national press keep enticing new students down to Devon. David says: 'We love cooking and teaching here because we are surrounded by inspiration. Great raw ingredients, great innovators, great cooks, and a real interest in good food at every level.'

mannafromdevon.com

HERON VALLEY DRINKS

'Down the grassy lane, over the river, through the orchards and you're there...' - if the directions to the organic Heron Valley farm on their lovely website don't seduce you, then a sip of their wonderful apple juice certainly will. The hugely enthusiastic Tasha and Barney Green run the business. Tasha's parents bought the farm in the 1970s and she took over in 2005.

Heron Valley doesn't just produce delectable apple juice, today it makes fine cider, cordials, and cocktail mixers, mainly from the fruit of old Devon heritage apple varieties, grown within 10 miles of the farm, mostly certified organic, and with 'wild yeast, no sulphites or weird E numbers,' Tasha says.

The company's latest release is a 7-year-aged raw cider vinegar, unfiltered and unpasteurised (hence 'raw'). Clever stuff, all from a beautiful spot in the middle of nowhere, which you can visit (calling in advance is advisable). Next Summer the Greens plan to open an outdoors event venue at the farm - watch their website for more.

heronvalley.co.uk

FAVIS OF SALCOMBE

Imagine South Devon's finest food and for many a feast of succulent, sweet-tinged crabmeat springs to mind. The Favis family has been providing crab and lobster since 1972 and today Favis supplies fine hotels, restaurants and caterers around the UK. A proper family business, Favis has been supplying its Salcombe seafood to China since 2009.

Their 60ft crabber, the Emma Jane, heads out to sea for six days at a time, coming back loaded with best quality Salcombe brown crab and Salcombe blue lobster - chances are if you have enjoyed these delicacies out and about in Devon, they came from this boat. Mail order is also possible, so you can enjoy the Favis' seafood harvest anytime during your Devon holiday and even back home too.

salcombecrabandlobster.co.uk

SHARPHAM WINE AND CHEESE:

The vineyards of Sharpham, rolling down gentle hills to a wide stretch of the River Dart near Totnes, are one of the iconic sights of the South Hams, and the estate, centring on a stunning 18th Century manor house, is well worth a visit for its dairy and winery. The wines and cheeses made here are top notch, and there's plenty of parking, a tasting room where you can sample them, and the Sharpham branch of the Anchorstone Café is open through much of the year (call 01803 732178 to check out of high season).

Mark Sharman, MD of Sharpham, and Duncan Schwab, head winemaker, deliver multi-award-winning wines with crisp acidity, tingling with fresh fruity appeal. Cool-climate grape varieties here create dry whites, fine rosés and particularly impressive sparkling wines, even some juicy

reds. I recommend you try the Sharpham Estate Selection, a dry, lemony white made from the delicate Madeleine Angevine grape, with Devon crab, or crack open the vivacious sparkling wines for a celebration, or with the very best local fish and chips! And do sample the reds with a bite of Sharpham's creamy, soft brie-style or the almost grassy Ticklemoor goat's cheese.

sharpham.com

Planning to visit these local food heroes during your South Devon stay? Visit coastandcountry.co.uk for details of around 400 holiday properties all located within driving distances of these producers. Here are just a couple of suggestions.



Perfect for attending Manna from Devon Cookery School, **Aft Cottage** is a well-appointed terrace house, in a gated development, just a short drive from Kingswear. With pleasant countryside views, this is the ideal base for couples or families looking to explore historic Dartmouth and the beaches of Torbay.

Sleeps 6 - VisitEngland 4★ From £391 per week



Just a short drive from Sharpham Vineyard, **Riverwash Cottage** is a former paper mill cottage, providing comfortable holiday accommodation for families or couples. Located in pretty Tuckenhay and within walking distance of the River Dart, the cottage is in a great location for exploring the South Devon coast and countryside.

Sleeps 6 - VisitEngland 3* From £401 per week



THE ULTIMATE IN LUXURY HOLIDAY ACCOMMODATION

A fantastic holiday base... plus a stunning location.

Situated on the edge of the River Dart, in one of the Westcountry's most sought-after locations, Dart Marina is the ideal location for a holiday or short break, throughout the year. Picturesque Dartmouth's pretty streets full of art galleries, tea rooms, boutiques and restaurants offering locally caught fish and seafood are a five minute walk along the stunning waterfront, whilst the Blue Flag awardwinning beach at Blackpool Sands is just a ten minute drive. Take a boat trip down river or out to sea, ride on the steam train, explore miles of beautiful coastline or simply relax and enjoy the breathtaking views from your luxury accommodation.

INDULGE YOURSELF IN 5 STAR LUXURY...

The ultimate in luxury, each of our individually styled Dart Marina properties are equipped and furnished to the highest standards. Contemporary kitchens with Poggenpohl units and Smeg appliances make self catering a pleasure, whilst bedrooms and living areas are luxuriously appointed with sumptuous soft furnishings and bathrooms are beautifully presented with fluffy towels and REN toiletries.

Sleeping between two and six people, our Dart Marina properties have all achieved VisitEngland Five Star or Five Star Gold awards. Many enjoy additional facilities such as



wireless broadband internet, satellite television and membership of the luxurious Dart Marina Health Spa, including indoor pool, steam room, Jacuzzi, gym and relaxation areas, plus 10% off beauty treatments – perfect

A SPECTACULAR WATERFRONT DESTINATION

for a pampering break.

With most boasting incredible views over the River Dart, across to picturesque Kingswear and even out to sea, our Dart Marina properties offer a choice of waterside terrace, balcony, window seat, full length picture windows or stunning 'internal' balconies, all designed to make the most of the wonderful location and beautiful scenery.

Relax over a leisurely breakfast watching the river come to life, enjoy lunch with friends and family in the luxury of your holiday accommodation or overlooking the waterfront at the nearby River Restaurant, or watch the sun go down over a glass of something chilled.



Visit coastandcountry.co.uk/dart-marina to find out more about our portfolio of Dart Marina apartments. Here are just a selection...



18 Dart Marina (above)

A stunning luxury ground floor apartment with a superb 30' terrace offering wonderful river views – perfect for al fresco dining.

Sleeps 4 - VisitEngland 5★ Gold Price from £1,041 per week



20 Dart Marina (above)

A fabulous first floor apartment, offering beautiful unspoilt views across the River Dart, best enjoyed from the bi-folding bay windows in the open plan living area.

Sleeps 4 - VisitEngland 5★
Price from £811 per week





21 Dart Marina (above left)

A luxury waterfront first floor apartment with a fabulous semi-circular window, which can be fully opened on a sunny day, to create a Juliet style balcony – wonderful for enjoying the stunning views.

Sleeps 4 - VisitEngland 5★ Gold Price from £811 per week

32 Dart Marina (above right)

A superbly furnished and presented first floor apartment with beautiful river views, best enjoyed from the retracting bi-fold bay windows.

Sleeps 4 - VisitEngland 5★ Gold Price from £777 per week

Diddly Squat, 43 Dart Marina (middle right)

A delightful two-storey duplex apartment with a fantastic Juliet balcony, boasting lovely views across the development towards the River Dart.

Sleeps 4 - VisitEngland 5★ Price from £640 per week

35 Dart Marina (bottom right)

A beautifully finished second floor apartment with fabulous sliding panoramic windows, which can be folded back to provide an internal balcony with picturesque views. sleeps 6 - VisitEngland 5★ Gold Price from £1,089 per week





Relax... you deserve it

Whether you are looking for a luxury retreat for two or the perfect location for a break with friends, our Dart Marina properties are available all year round. For a relaxing short break or a family holiday to remember, choose the ultimate in luxury self-catering accommodation plus a stunning location too.

Visit coastandcountry.co.uk/dart-marina or call 01548 843773 today.



EVERYTHING STOPS FOR TEA...

DART MARINA

visit www.dartmarina.com

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Book your front row seat and we will have your table ready.



What makes a South Devon holiday so special...?

With so many customers returning year after year, Chrissy Harris finds out what brings them back to the South Hams.

With its breathtaking scenery and historic, bustling towns, there is something magical about South Devon. Over the years, many visitors have fallen under its spell and just can't help coming back again and again. Lots of them choose to stay at a Coast & Country Cottages property and we love seeing the same faces returning. But what is it that makes a South Devon holiday so special? We asked a handful of our loyal customers to explain...



David and Christine Marsh from Manchester have been holidaying in South Devon for 12 years and have stayed in more than 17 properties, sometimes with their son and daughter, their partners and granddaughter. David, 68, is a member of the Salcombe Estuary

Rowing Club and can often be seen practising on the water.

Q. What attracts you to South Devon?

The beautiful scenery and (selfishly on my part) rowing with the gig club.

Q. Where is your favourite spot?

Cliff House gardens late at night. It's so peaceful with the moonlight shining on the water.

Q. What attractions/walks/views do you enjoy?

We love the view up to the mouth of the estuary as you approach Cliff House, along Fore Street. That always lifts the spirits. And of course, lunch at the Winking Prawn. We also like relaxing strolls around Batson Creek and (as a complete alternative) strenuous rows around the estuary.

Q. Where do you like to dine out?

Saturday night in the Victoria Inn, Salcombe and, as a treat, lunch at Dick And Wills brasserie.

O. Any memorable South Devon moments?

Being invited to join the gig club and then rowing for them in the annual gig regatta stands out for me. Also, meeting Dartmouth poet Kevin Pyne was a great moment. He officiates as an umpire at the club regatta and writes wonderful poems about his life and loves in Devon.



David enjoys rowing with Salcombe Estuary Rowing Club

Q. Why do you choose to book with Coast & Country Cottages?

They are a very professional company but also manage to offer a very personal service. They are always a pleasure to deal with and I'm always warmly greeted whenever I visit the office.

Q. Which property do you enjoy staying in?

8b Fore Street has always been a favourite. It is very central, comfortable and there's an ever-changing view from the lounge window.

8b Fore Street, Salcombe In the very centre of Salcombe and offering excellent views of the harbour and estuary, the flat provides comfortable accommodation for up to four people. coastandcountry.co.uk/cottage-details/8bfore/

From £405 per week





Dick Slaughter, 68, lives in Maidstone, Kent, but has been visiting Salcombe since 1968, when he used to drive down on a Friday night with his friends and camp in a field near North Sands. These days, he and his family prefer

a little more luxury and regularly stay in Ferrycot, a stunning waterfront house in East Portlemouth.

Q. What attracts you to South Devon?

My first visit was in 1968. A bunch of us used to drive down from London on Friday nights during the summer. I remember sleeping in a field next to North Sands beach – it must have been before the Winking Prawn was built. My wife Barbara and I returned in 1974 and we haven't missed a year since. We specifically like Salcombe and the surrounding area. The rest of the county has little attraction to us.

Q. Where is your favourite spot?

Mill Bay. Our middle son, Stuart, popped the question here and then he returned with his twin boys in 2014 for a holiday. Whatever the weather, we reckon it's better on Mill Bay. The stream keeps our whole family busy dam building year after year.

Q. What attractions/walks/views do you enjoy?

We have a family rule that on every holiday, we must walk from Hope Cove to Salcombe. We usually take a taxi to Hope Cove and walk back. The hardest bit is the 840-pace climb from the wooden bridge near Soar Mill Cove to the top of the cliffs. We bring our labrador in the autumn and she just loves it. The smugglers' road from Mill Bay to Gara Rock is another favourite.

Q. Where do you like to dine out?

The Winking Prawn, Dick and Wills and the South Sands. The grandchildren love the garden at the Victoria Inn.

Q. Any memorable South Devon

Apart from our son's engagement, I can remember we were at the Tides Reach for Princess Diana's funeral and the Rugby World Cup victory. But for my wife and daughter, most important of all was bumping into Rod Stewart in Fore Street

Q. Why do you choose to book with Coast & Country Cottages?

They are, we think, market leaders in the area and we have found that they are always prepared to go the extra mile.

Q. Which property do you enjoy staying in?

Ferrycot. It's simply the best location in town and it feels much more like a family home than a holiday let.



Ferrycot, East Portlemouth is a

VisitEngland Four Star Gold awarded pet friendly property sleeping nine people, with stunning views over the Salcombe Estuary, a boat mooring and private access to the beach below.

coastandcountry.co.uk/cottage-details/ferco/

From £1,286 per week



Chris and Julie Zacaroli from Solihull just love visiting Thurlestone. Chris, 59, a fitness professional and regional director of the Engineering **Education Scheme in the West** Midlands, first visited South Devon 40 years ago.

Q. What attracts you to South Devon?

The scenery and, in particular, the coastal walks between Bantham and Salcombe. They are our favourite.

Q. Where is your favourite spot? It's got to be Hope Cove. It's so beautiful there.

Q. What attractions/walks/views do you enjoy?

We like the coast walk as you approach the descent into Soar Mill Cove from Overbeck's. The view is amazing. We always stop at the bench and eat chocolate before we start the descent into Soar Mill Cove.

Q. Where do you like to dine out?

We like the Salcombe Coffee shop, the Hope and Anchor pub, The Village Inn at Thurlestone, Overbeck's, and The Cove, in Hope Cove. And we must mention the bakery in Salcombe is rather good for cakes, bread and chocolate brownies!

Enjoy wonderful views and stunning 8 Thurlestone Beach is a VisitEngland sunsets from 5 Thurlestone Beach Four Star Gold awarded pet friendly first floor apartment, sleeping up to six people, with stunning views out to sea and across Thurlestone. coastandcountry.co.uk/cottage-details/8thurb/ From £527 per week

Q. Any memorable South Devon moments?

We spent our honeymoon in Hope Cove! That was memorable!

Q. Why do you choose to book with Coast & Country Cottages?

I found Coast & Country Cottages many years ago and they have always provided a helpful and professional service to us every year. On one occasion, I called in the morning and requested a property that hadn't been opened up for the season and they did it! We arrived the same day and the property was immaculate! We've never forgotten that.

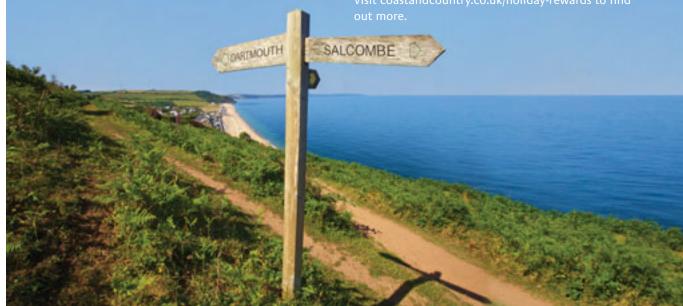
Q. Which property do you enjoy staying in?

Both number 5 and 8 Thurlestone Beach Apartments are our favourites.

5 Thurlestone Beach is a VisitEngland Four Star Gold awarded pet friendly ground floor apartment in the historic village of Thurlestone. Sleeping six people, the property has a wonderful covered patio area, with fantastic views. coastandcountry.co.uk/cottage-details/5thurb/ From £521 per week



We are delighted to announce the launch of Return & Reward – our way of saying thank you to our loyal customers for their support of Coast & Country Cottages. Our new loyalty card entitles regular customers to a range of benefits including discounts off future



Ian, 67, and Pat Martin, 71, from Yeovil in Somerset have been visiting South Devon since 2008 and have spent an impressive 27 weeks holidaying down



here to date, with more breaks on the horizon.

Q. What attracts you to South Devon?

A combination of coast and countryside, particularly in the South Hams, together with a degree of peace and tranquility, plus a slower pace of life.

Q. Where is your favourite spot?

Anywhere around Dartmouth, looking up, down or across the river.

Q. What attractions/walks/views do you enjoy?

We like the Royal Naval College tour in Dartmouth, the views from the river boat trips, the steam trains and the walk to Dartmouth Castle.

Q. Where do you like to dine out?

The Royal Castle Hotel in Dartmouth.

O. Any memorable South Devon moments?

Watching the Tour of Britain and the Olympic Flame passing through (as seen from our balcony). We also enjoy the music and food festivals (Dartmouth Music Festival and Dartmouth Food Festival) and watching the wildlife on the river.

Q. Why do you choose to book with Coast & Country Cottages?

They offer a friendly, efficient and reliable service.

Q. Which property do you enjoy staying in?

We love 10 Dartmouth House. It's the location, comfort, outlook and secure parking.

10 Dartmouth House is a VisitEngland Four Star awarded first floor apartment in the historic maritime town of Dartmouth, within easy reach of shops and restaurants, sleeping up to six people. coastandcountry.co.uk/cottage-details/10dmth/

From £451 per week

When a holiday is just a dream

How you can join us in helping turn dreams into reality.

iving in such a beautiful area, welcoming visitors throughout the year and marketing our fabulous choice of holiday properties to our customers all year round, it is hard to imagine a life without holidays. Sadly, for an increasing number of disadvantaged British children, either living in poverty or suffering abuse, who have lost parents or are acting as a young carer, a holiday is just a dream.

Helping turn these dreams into a reality is the Devonbased national children's charity, CHICKS, who provide respite breaks for over 1,200 children from disadvantaged backgrounds from all over the UK every year. These children would otherwise not receive a break and indeed many have never seen the sea or visited the countryside before their CHICKS holiday. With no government or local authority funding, CHICKS rely solely on the generosity of their supporters to raise the £1.7m a year required to make these breaks possible.

"For me CHICKS camp was an unforgettable experience and the immense joy I saw in each child who were offered the most simple and nurturing experiences was profoundly moving. Each child was respected as an individual and from that their trust of others grew."

Jennifer Saunders



Tina Doyle, Assistant Marketing Manager, Coast & Country Cottages, having her nails painted by one of the children at CHICKS Moorland Retreat



Elinor Jones, Seasonal Marketing Assistant, Coast & Country Cottages, making pitta bread pizzas with some of the children on a CHICKS 2015 summer break

CHICKS breaks run from March to December and take place at the charity's two retreats in the South West – the coastal retreat near Par in Cornwall and the moorland retreat in Brentor, Devon. Both centres are set within their own large grounds, with lots of space for activities and relaxation, and accommodate a maximum of 16 children at one time – eight boys and eight girls – in a friendly and supportive 'family atmosphere'. The children enjoy a range of exciting activities including horse riding and rock climbing, but also lots of team games, craft activities and quieter pastimes such as reading and doing puzzles.

"Growing up I took my carefree childhood for granted and my parents made everything very enjoyable. There are a lot of children that don't have these kind of privileges and CHICKS gives those children the chance to experience real childhood to remember something wonderful, some truly special times. Join me in supporting CHICKS."

Jenny Aqutter

With a high adult–child ratio of 1:2, the children receive care, attention and support from an enthusiastic and experienced team of professionals and volunteers – there are always three fully trained CHICKS Respite Break Leaders on every break plus six volunteers. Over 600 volunteers are needed each year, with many returning year after year.



Karen Jones, Director, Coast & Country Cottages, Tina Doyle and Elinor Jones with some of the team, volunteers and children at the CHICKS Moorland Retreat in July 2015

"For some children, who have been let down by adults, it is important to gain trust and have a listening ear if they need it. Every child is valued and there is always someone to kick a football or read a book."

CHICKS

Since its launch in 1992, CHICKS has helped over 12,000 children gain more confidence, have fun and try new things on a respite break. Patrons of the charity include Jennifer Saunders, Jenny Agutter, Sir Ranulph Fiennes OBE and Kate Winslet. To enable CHICKS to continue their mission to help more children experience a break and form positive childhood memories visit www.chicks.org.uk to make a donation or find out more about volunteering and other ways to help.

"We have supported CHICKS for the past two years as sponsors of The Delicious Dart Trail and through our charitable donations, but have also recently visited the Moorland Centre at Brentor and experienced first-hand the sheer joy and happiness that is a CHICKS retreat. The patience and enthusiasm of the team is incredible and the children have so much fun! It's so sad to think that for many this may be their only experience of a holiday but fantastic that CHICKS support so many children – hopefully, with your help, we can support even more."

Karen Jones, Director, Coast & Country Cottages



www.chicks.org.uk

Help turn dreams of a holiday into reality by making a donation TODAY

Simply visit www.chicks.org.uk to donate whatever you can

£5 could pay for two children to enjoy an ice cream after a day out at the beach

£15 could pay for two pairs of wellies, so children can splash about in the mud on the moors

£30 could pay for a child to go horse-riding for the first time ever, boosting their self-confidence

£55 could provide a child with healthy and delicious home-cooked meals for a week





With your support, we can give children a break to remember

Dog Friendly South Devon

With beautiful rolling countryside, numerous dog friendly sandy beaches and miles of unspoilt South West Coast Path just waiting to be explored, South Devon is a haven for those planning a holiday with their four legged companions.



Why not head to historic Dartmouth, where you can enjoy relaxing level walks along the picturesque River Dart? This pretty town offers many pet friendly attractions – book a river cruise or trip on the steam railway with Dartmouth Steam Railway and River Boat Company and for just £2, your dog can go too!

For those looking to enjoy a seaside break, the popular sailing town of Salcombe, with its many dog friendly coves and beaches is the ideal destination. Play fetch with your dog on the sand, and let them paddle in the safe shallow waters, before basking in the South Devon sunshine to dry off. For more information about pet friendly beaches in the area, see page 67 for a handy beach guide. When you

have finished exploring the beaches, why not head to the Victoria Inn in Salcombe, one of many dog friendly pubs in the area, where they even have a bespoke doggie menu!

The many surrounding villages and hamlets also offer a fabulous choice of pet friendly accommodation. Picturesque Thurlestone, with its easy access to the South West Coast Path, and fascinating Torcross, home to the unique Slapton Ley Nature Reserve and a stunning stretch of shingle beach, are both exceptionally popular dog friendly holiday destinations.

If you would prefer a rural retreat in the heart of the South Devon countryside, Coast & Country Cottages have a number of dog friendly cottages nestled in remote locations, providing wonderful holiday bases for those looking to explore the network of footpaths and country lanes in the area on foot.



Visit coastandcountry.co.uk/dog-friendly-holidays-in-devon for details of over 110 dog friendly properties. Here are just a few suggestions...



The Byre, near Dartmouth

A spacious and well presented barn conversion with many character features including a woodburning stove and original cross beams, finished to a high standard and surrounded by delightful grounds. With the South West Coast Path a 10 minute drive away, this is the perfect accommodation for those looking to explore the Start Bay coastline with their dog.

Sleeps 4 - VisitEngland 5★
From £564 per week



Cracoe Lodge, near Salcombe

This stylishly presented pet friendly lodge is in an idyllic location surrounded by National Trust land, within easy walking distance of numerous beaches including picturesque Soar Mill Cove (only accessible on foot). Spend the day on the beach before returning to Cracoe Lodge for an enjoyable evening dining al fresco on the decking in the sunshine, with a glass of something chilled.

Sleeps 5 - VisitEngland 4★ Gold From £366 per week



Situated within a short walk of the beautiful South Devon coastline, this delightful, well equipped house accepts two dogs and is surrounded by mature gardens. Explore Thurlestone's beaches or walk along the coast path to the nearby fishing village and former smuggler's haunt of Hope Cove, enjoying the breathtaking views out to sea as you go!

Sleeps 8 - VisitEngland 4★ Gold From £626 per week



Blackbird Barn, near Kingsbridge

Nestled in the heart of the South Devon countryside, this lovely stone cottage has a contemporary country style and is a delightful base for those with dogs, looking for a peaceful retreat. Situated within a short stroll of the picturesque River Avon, and an easy drive from Dartmoor National Park, the walking opportunities are endless. Nearby dog friendly Avon Mill Garden Centre and Café is well worth a visit for those in search of a delicious traditional Devonshire cream tea!

Sleeps 4 - VisitEngland 3★ Gold From £435 per week

Dart Views, Dartmouth

This well presented and comfortable dog friendly property is situated in a stunning position, boasting glorious views over Dartmouth, best enjoyed from the enclosed, private terrace. Take leisurely walks around this interesting town, or head out for a cruise along the River Dart with your dog in tow. Dog treats and bowls are provided with the property, making your visit all the more hassle free!

Sleeps 4 - VisitEngland 4★
From £436 per week

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13 Crabshell Heights, Kingsbridge

This elegant apartment with private balcony has pretty views over the Kingsbridge Estuary. Relax in the open plan living area or head out to explore this traditional market town's shops and cosmopolitan restaurants. Stroll along the quayside with an ice cream, or head out for dinner to one of the nearby dog friendly pubs, like the Sloop Inn at Bantham – work up an appetite with a walk along the coastal path on your way.

Sleeps 6 - VisitEngland 4★ Gold From £526 per week

Looking for dog friendly accommodation throughout the year...?

With over 110 dog friendly self-catering holiday properties across South Devon, you will be spoilt for choice for your break in 2016. Planning a stay in the summer? Choose a dog friendly property like **Sundowners** in Salcombe, a luxury house with a spacious enclosed garden. Sleeps 8 - VisitEngland 5*. From £776 per week. For an autumn break, why not choose **Bow Cottage** in East Portlemouth? This is a delightful base for exploring the coast path, before returning for cosy evenings beside the open fire with a warming hot chocolate and the dog snoozing at your feet! Sleeps 4 - VisitEngland 4*. From £664 per week.

This is just a small selection of dog friendly properties available with Coast & Country Cottages. For full details of over 110 dog friendly properties available in the region, visit coastandcountry.co.uk/dog-friendly-holidays-in-devon/





part of the world"

Award-winning singer-songwriter, Emily Barker explains, to Elinor Jones, why she chose to return to the South Hams for a relaxing retreat.

Originally from Bridgetown, Western Australia and now living in Stroud, Gloucestershire, Emily Barker travels all over the world with her music. The folk singer-songwriter's song 'Nostalgia', from 2008 album 'Despite The Snow', with band The Red Clay Halo, was used as the theme tune for BBC1 hit drama Wallander staring Kenneth Branagh, a series that attracted a host of awards including several BAFTAs and a Royal Television Society Award. Having split from her band in 2015, Emily Barker has since recorded a solo album live onto tape at London's legendary ToeRag Studios. Here, she takes time out from her busy schedule of shows to discuss her songwriting retreat to South Devon in April 2015.

Q. Having stayed with Coast & Country Cottages in Torcross in 2014, what did you like most about South Devon to choose to visit again in 2015?

It's so hard to say what I liked most. It's an absolutely breathtaking part of the world so apart from being able to wake up and spend the day watching waves and walking along cliffs, this time I also really enjoyed delving into the local history. There are some incredible stories there such as that of Hallsands, the village that was washed away by storms in the early 1900s, and of which you can still see some remains. Also the remarkable story of the Trout sisters, whose response to the devastation of the village is truly inspiring.

Q. What did you most like about The Reach at Hallsands?

It's a gorgeous little place. The thing I liked most about the property is the sweeping view over the bay. You feel so close to the elements, it's wonderful. Having the large, glass windows and doors at the front means you never lose sight of the sea.

Q. What did you think about the location of this property?

Whilst the views are stunning and I loved being able to see down over the bay and watch people come and go and the weather change, the location is great too. I went for



Emily enjoys walking the coast path to the Start Point Lighthouse

walks or runs along the cliffs every day and both directions along the coast were wonderful. I loved being able to get close up to the Start Point Lighthouse. And then it was also useful that Beesands was a short walk away and had a shop to buy a few groceries.

Q. How much has landscape influenced your songwriting in the past?

I grew up in the countryside in Bridgetown, Western Australia and most of my childhood was spent playing outdoors; going for rides on my horse through the bush, swimming in the river, playing sports and making cubby houses with my siblings; so I've always been guite an outdoors person and love being in nature. Therefore, landscapes feature strongly in my songs. So expect waves and seashores featured heavily in the next record!

Q. Where is your favourite location in the world for writing, apart from the South Hams?

I do love writing when I'm back at my parents' place by the Blackwood River in the south west of Australia. I go back every year for about six weeks and it's often a time of reflection. It's very beautiful and always inspiring.

Q. During your stay here were you writing all of the time or did you enjoy any of the nearby coastal walks?

When I'm writing I need to step away from it regularly in order to not force an idea too much. It's often about being patient and trusting that it will come. So it's good to really focus in, then step back and walk along the beach or cliffs. Often whilst I was out walking, away from the desk,



The Reach set up by Emily Barker for her song-writing retreat

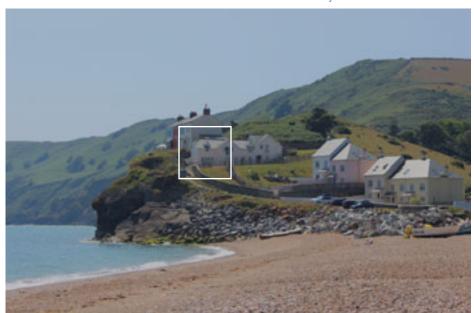
the words or an idea would suddenly come to me. Then I'd scribble it down on a bit of paper and head back to the house to put it into the song.

Q. Can we ask, did you find inspiration for a new song during your stay here and, if so, when will it be released?

I certainly did. I wrote four songs and started a few others too. I'm not yet sure when the album will be released but I'm hoping to record it this year.

To find out more about Emily Barker, including tour dates and her music, visit emilybarker.com.

For more information about The Reach visit coastandcountry.co.uk or call 01548 843773



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Wonderful Walks and Spectacular Scenery



Mark Rowe, who writes a regular Walk of the Month column for The Independent on Sunday and is a contributing editor for BBC Countryfile Magazine, recently stayed at **L'Horizon**, Thurlestone, to research some fantastic walks just for VIEW readers. Here he details four of the routes – visit coastandcountry/bonuswalk to discover a special fifth walk.

WALK 1

Beesands to Hallsands circular One for everybody, including the dog!

Start/finish Beesands **Distance** 4.5 miles **Time** 2-3 hours



Look out for: buzzards, dolphins, wonderful views of Start Bay and the ruined village of South Hallsands

Our team say: "This is a quiet and unspoilt location – often there are few others there, particularly out of season, although as it is popular with dog walkers, it is a good place for dogs to socialise too." Karen Jones. Director.

Tucked away in the bottom right-hand corner of the South Hams, and reachable only by a series of narrow lanes or the coast path, Beesands and Hallsands make for a wonderful walk.

And this is the proverbial walk of two halves, which begins with glorious coastal scenery before delving into a magical wooded hinterland of classic sunken Devon lanes, where you may regret not packing a stepladder to see over the high hedges.

The coast path takes you past the original, now collapsed village of South Hallsands, which was washed away in 1917. All that's left are lanes fronting thin air, brick walls mantled with ivy, and a mournful atmosphere: a row of jagged dragon's-back boulders draws the eye towards Start Point Lighthouse.

The route bucks up and down along mossy footpaths, passing a signpost for 'Bickerton 1/8 mile' – something of a collector's item and the only time I've ever seen such a measurement on a fingerpost sign. Along the way, the walk cuts between some remarkably high Devon banks – they comfortably top 4 metres and give stretches of the walk a gorgeous speckled colour, even in bright sunshine. In gloomy weather, you might even want to bring a torch!

A short climb to a brow above Beesands repays with 360-degree views across Start Bay to the lighthouse and west towards Kingsbridge, Salcombe and the spires of villages sunken in the folds of the South Hams.

Journey's end is Beesands: this small village is blessed with food options, including the Cricket Inn and the brilliant Britannia at the Beach, an informal but classy fish eatery. They do take-aways too!



Enjoy 360-degree views across Start Bay from the South West Coast Path

WALK 2

East Portlemouth to Gara Rock and back Great views and wonderful coastal flora and fauna.

Start/finish Portlemouth Ferry

Distance 5 miles **Time** 2.5 - 3 hours



Look out for: Fabulous views across the mouth of the estuary to Bolt Head, the terrace of the Gara Rock Hotel, coastal cliffs west of Gara Rock, clusters of coastal flowers, especially cliff-top bluebells and wild garlic in spring.

Our team say: "I love this walk purely and simply because of the different experiences. The little trip on the East Portlemouth ferry is only a few minutes duration, but seeing the area from the water feels like the start of a real adventure." Karen Wood, Customer Loyalty Administrator.

The ferry across the Salcombe Estuary is a timeless way to start this walk, spray flying over the bow and passengers hemmed in tight. Once on dry land you take the little lane or – tides, rocks and seaweed permitting – follow the beach to Mill Bay.

From here, we strike out uphill along a wooded lane, where the birdsong and thick tree canopy can make it hard to believe you are so close to a beach. Shade is king here, and the ferns and moss-covered walls create a Jurassic feel to this valley.

Next stop is the Gara Rock Hotel, and in fair weather few people will find it easy to stroll past the inviting terrace of the Ode Cafe! Should the weather close in, then duck inside and enjoy the elements from behind the floor to ceiling windows.

The return leg is an indulgence of coastal delights: wind-pummelled hawthorn trees and canary-yellow gorse dig their toes into jagged precipitous gullies. The views gently open up towards Sharp Tor and – beyond the vastness of Starehole Bay - to the headland of Bolt Head. As the path turns north, the estuary views return, this time across to South Sands, and the wonderfully named Splat Cove and Stink Cove. Look out for gannets and terns plunging into the water, or cormorants flying at low altitude, artfully swerving between high-masted vessels. Treat sightings of dolphins, basking sharks, and dustbin lid jellyfish (enormous but harmless) as a bonus.



An early morning walk on the coastal path provided the perfect opportunity to capture this image of Salcombe

WALK 3

Harberton countryside circular

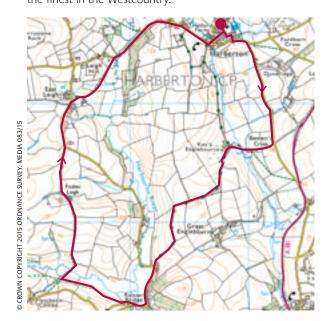
A walk through classic Devon countryside.

Start/finish Church House Inn, Harberton

Distance 6 miles/ 11km

Time 2.5 hours

Look out for: St Andrew's Church in Harberton, one of the finest in the Westcountry.



Harberton is a pretty village, tucked tightly in deeply folded countryside in the north of the South Hams.

This walk does not have the abundance of 'wow' views of many hikes around the South Hams. Instead, if you want to be wrapped in a green cocoon of Devon countryside, then this is the walk for you.

For this is a gem of a route that meanders along astonishingly lonely and rarely walked lanes of the kind you might associate with the Pennines or Scotland. This is a window on everyday Devon life, typified by the farms you pass that are quietly getting on with the business of feeding the county and beyond. In between, joining the dots of rural life, capillary-like brooks and streams.

The bridleway that climbs steadily from Keys Englebourne can feel extraordinarily remote. Let your imagination go and you can almost pick out footprints of long-extinguished footpaths, as though the ghosts of medieval drovers have only just turned off the track with their haywain. It's not unusual to startle owls, buzzards, a reluctant raven. After rain, this path - and the lanes along this walk - are stained a crayon-like red with washed away Devon soil. Once at the top, there's a gate that offers a glimpse of Dartmoor tors on the horizon and, far below, Harberton's eye-catching church tower.

A real feature of this walk is that you never seem to stay on the level for more than a few metres, and the lanes and paths seem to perpetually swing either up or down. Sure enough, the bridleway drops you down to Roster Bridge, a truly idyllic spot. This is an old packhorse bridge, covered in mosses. In season there are stunning displays of wild flowers along the river bank, and there is a captivating rhythm to the way the stream changes pace, first wriggling underneath the bridge before scuttling away with a tranquil clatter into dense, gloomy-green woodland.

Afterwards, Harberton's pub and adjacent church await inspection. The former, an atmospheric 13th Century inn, does good food and drinks; the latter, St Andrews, is a delight, its nave dating to 1370 and it has found its way into Simon Jenkins' compendium of England's 1,000 best churches. The rood screen is draped in gold, black and reds, the wood carved by master craftsmen, and the chancery floor inlaid with Spanish and Flemish marble.

Standing by the pub, take the narrow path downhill by the churchyard and bear left along the little lane and follow it as it bends right. At the junction turn left along the wider lane.

After 200m turn right uphill along the lane, signposted Harbertonford

Continue for 1km uphill, then take the right-hand turning for Wyse Engleborne and Keys Englebourne.

Follow the lane as it bears left uphill, signposted 'to unmetalled road' and becomes a rough track.

After 1.5km keep straight ahead as the track meets a road on a bend.

After 400m turn right, signposted for Diptford, crossing Roster bridge.

Ignore the road to the left, and after 100m take the public footpath through a gate to your right. With your back to the gate, you can just about see the next gate on the far side of the field, positioned at about 11 o'clock.

When you reach this gate, go through it and over a stile and bear half-right across the field to a gate and wooden fence with a yellow waymarker by a brook and a footbridge.

Follow these waymarkers uphill, joining a paved track to reach Foales Leigh.

Continue past the front door of the cottage at Foales Leigh to East Leigh. Where you reach the enclosed green with a bench, bear right along the track. As this track turns sharp right, keep ahead through the gate, following a footpath sign, down a narrow path to a gate. Emerge onto a field and follow the yellow waymarkers towards the roof of a house that emerges from the woodland canopy.

When you reach the house, turn right along the lane, which leads back to Harberton. Turn left by the bus stop to return to the church.



WALK 4

Thurlestone coastal circular

One for the hikers! Thurlestone circular to Bolt Tail and Hope Cove via South Huish, Galmpton and Bolberry Down

Start/finish Thurlestone beach car park

Distance 8 miles **Time** 3-4 hours



Look out for: magnificent coastal views, South Milton Ley nature reserve, exquisite sunken Devon lanes and paths, Bolt Tail Iron Age hillfort.

Our team say: "On a sunny day you have incredible glimpses of the turquoise blue waters - you could be anywhere in the world! You do feel you have achieved something and deserve the drink at the pub." Andrew Jones, Director.

Some of the South Ham's most monumental coastal scenery awaits along this lengthy walk, but you have to work a little to earn it! This is a proper hike with several steady climbs as you make for the coast.

Striking out along Thurlestone Bay, the walk begins on a small scale: dragonflies abound at South Milton Ley nature reserve, and you may spot an otter, more likely a heron. Then, along a meandering lane you reach the exquisitely crumpled ruins and Lilliputian doorways of St Andrew's Church at South Huish. Incredibly, this lonely church is still consecrated.

Reaching a brow, you get a clear view of Bolberry Down. At this juncture it can look dishearteningly distant: three valleys and sizeable whalebacks separate you from the south coast. Luckily, there's plenty to catch the eye en route, including orchards, impossibly narrow footpaths to squeeze through, and a delectable greenway known as Sweetheart's Lane. What romantic tales led to that moniker?

All of a sudden, the South Hams fall into the sea at Bolberry Down, a sweeping landscape that tumbles west



Incredible glimpses of turquoise blue water from the coastal path near Hope Cove

towards Bolt Tail. Here you drink in signature views of the south west: the Eddystone Lighthouse far out to sea; Dodman Point curling away to the south; the tors of Dartmoor, and Burgh Island. The path swoops downhill, all but rushing you into Hope Cove, which is a wonderful place to pause: the Hope & Anchor pub, cafés and village store ice cream all compete to refresh you!



Mark stayed with his family at **L'Horizon**,
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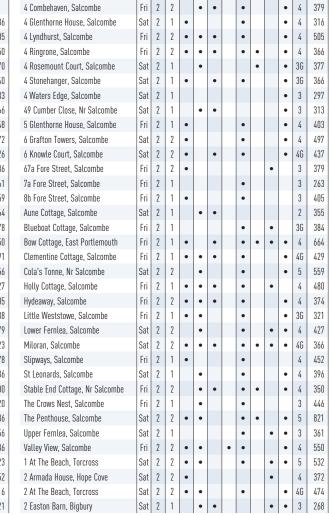
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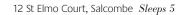
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6 Crabshell Quay, Kingsbridge	Sat	2	2	•				•			•	4G	442	Orchai	rd Barn, Salcombe	Fri	3	2		•	•		•		•	•	3	423
6 The Malt, Kingsbridge	Sat	2	2								•	4	343	The Gr	anary, Nr Salcombe	Fri	3	2		•			•	•	•	•	4	476
8 Ocean's Edge, Thurlestone Sands	Fri	2	2	•	•	•	•	•			•	4G	546	The Ho	oot, Salcombe	Fri	3	2	•	•	•	•	•	•		•	4G	537
9 Prospect House, Hallsands	Sat	2	2	•	•	•	•	•			•	4G	551	Upper	Marcam House, Salcombe	Fri	3	2	•	•			•		•		3	480
Arnold House, Beesands	Sat	3	2	•	•	•						4G	553	1 Crab	shell Quay, Kingsbridge	Sat	3	2	•	•			•			•	4	508
Bankside, Hope Cove	Sat	2	1		•	•		•	•	•	•	3	327	6 Chic	hester Court, Hope Cove	Fri	2	2	•	•	•		•			•	4	401
Blackbird Barn, Nr Kingbridge	Fri	2	1		•	•		•		•	•	3G	435	6 Crab	shell Heights, Kingsbridge	Fri	3	2	•				•			•	4G	497
Boathouse Cottage, Torcross	Sat	2	1	•								4G	430	Harmu	ır, Hope Cove	Fri	3	2	•	•	•		•		•	•	3	389
Boxtree Barn, Nr Kingsbridge	Fri	2	2		•	•	•	•	•	•	•	4G	423	Larche	es Cottage, Slapton	Sat	3	1		•	•	•	•		•	•	4	310
Grand View, Hope Cove	Fri	2	1	•	•	•			•		•	3	374	SLEEP	S 6													
Honeysuckle Cottage, Bigbury	Sat	2	1		•	•		•		•	•	3	343	1 Galio	ons Quay, Dartmouth	Sat	3	3	•	•			•	•		•	4	586
Hope Cottage, Nr Kigsbridge	Sat	2	2		•	•		•	•		•	3	348	1 The	Old Coach House, Dartmouth	Sat	3	2	•	•						•	4	553
Little Perriotts, Kellaton	Fri	2	1		•	•		•	•	•	•	4G	423	10 Dar	tmouth House, Dartmouth	Sat	2	2	•				•			•	4	451
New Cottage, Hope Cove	Thu	2	1	•	•						•	3	343	2 Coad	chman's Cottage, Hillfield	Fri	3	2		•	•	•	•	•		•	4	422
Pentangle, Hope Cove	Fri	2	2	•	•	•		•			•	3	376	2 Galio	ons Quay, Dartmouth	Sat	3	2	•	•				•		•	4G	586
Primrose Cottage, Nr Kingsbridge	Fri	2	1		•	•			•		•	4	343	35 Dar	t Marina, Dartmouth	Fri	3	2	•			•	•	•		•	5G	1089
Quay Cottage, Hope Cove	Sat	2	1	•	•	•						3	404	5 Fair	riew Road, Dartmouth	Sat	3	1	•	•				•	•		3	361
Seagrass, Hope Cove	Sat	2	1	•		•		•	•	•	•	4	381	About	Tide, Dartmouth	Fri	3	3		•		•	•	•		•	5	656
Seagulls, Hallsands	Fri	2	1	•	•	•		•		•	•	3	366	Aft Co	ttage, Kingswear	Sat	3	2	•	•	•		•		•	•	4	391
Seaspray, Thurlestone Sands	Fri	2	1	•	•		•	•	•		•	3	454	Amber	ley, Dartmouth	Sat	4	2		•	•		•			•	4	382
Shepherds Cottage, Nr Kingsbridge	Sat	2	2		•	•					•	4G	391	Barnal	oas House, Dartmouth	Fri	3	2	•	•	•			•	•		4	609
SLEEPS 5														Clover	, Nr Dartmouth	Sat	3	1		•	•		•	•		•	4	432
Daisy, Nr Dartmouth	Sat	2	2		•	•		•	•		•	4G	516	Cobbs	Cottage, Dartmouth	Sat	3	1	•	•			•			•	4G	519
Full Deck, Dartmouth	Sat	2	1		•		•	•		•		4	350	Curlev	ı, Nr Dartmouth	Sat	3	3		•	•	•	•	•		•	4	635
The Cottage, Dartmouth	Thu	3	2	•	•			•				3G	423	Goode	r House, Dartmouth	Thu	3	4	•	•			•		•	•	4G	608
The Old Library, Dartmouth	Fri	3	2					•				5	701	Kimbe	rly House, Dartmouth	Fri	3	2	•	•			•			•	4	598
12 St Elmo Court, Salcombe	Fri	2	2	•	•	•	•	•			•	4G	550	Lake H	louse, Dartmouth	Fri	3	2		•		•		•		•	3	506
2 North Crest House, Salcombe	Fri	2	2	•	•			•			•	4	452	Little	Cotton Barn, Dartmouth	Fri	3	3		•	•		•	•	•	•	4	464
2 Rockmount, Salcombe	Sat	2	1		•			•			•	3	321	Mallar	d, Nr Dartmouth	Fri	3	3		•	•	•	•	•		•	4	635
30 Fore Street, Salcombe	Sat	2	1	•	•			•				2	342	Middle	Watch, Dartmouth	Fri	3	1	•	•	•			•			4	366
4 Island Quay, Salcombe	Sat	3	2								•	3	423	Mill G	range, Dartmouth	Fri	3	3	•	•	•		•			•	5	710



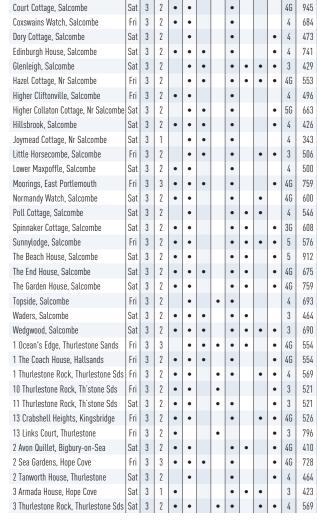
Warren Cottage, Little Dartmouth Sleeps 6



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1 Holmleigh, Salcombe Fri 3 2 • • • 3 520	N
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1 Top View Cottages, Salcombe Sat 3 2 • • • • 4 357	S
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14 Combehaven, Salcombe Fri 3 2 • • • 4 508	T
17 St Elmo Court, Salcombe Fri 3 2 • • • • 46 650	T
2 Channel View, Salcombe Sat 3 2 • • • • 4 634	T
2 Gould Road, Salcombe Sat 3 2 • • • 4 547	T
2 Hamstone Court, Salcombe Sat 3 3 • • • • • 56 843	٧
2 Terrapins, Salcombe Thu 3 2 • • 3 554	٧
29 Fore Street, Salcombe Sat 3 2 • • • • 3 394	1
3 Combehaven, Salcombe Thu 3 2 • • • 4 509	1
3 Moult Farm Cottage, Salcombe Sat 3 1 • • • • • 36 466	1
5 Combehaven, Salcombe Fri 3 2 • • • • 4 508	1
5 Grafton Towers, Salcombe Sat 3 2 • • • • 4 540	1
5 Island Street, Salcombe Fri 2 2 • • • 3 452	1
7 Glenthorne House, Salcombe Fri 3 1 • • 4 434	1
75 Island Street, Salcombe Sat 3 1 •	2
8 Church Street, Salcombe Fri 3 2 • • • 3 440	2
Blackstone Cottage, Salcombe Fri 3 2 • • • • 4G 569	2
Bumblebee Cottage, Salcombe Fri 3 2 • • • 4 438	3
Cliff Cottage, Salcombe Fri 3 3 • • • • 4 623	3









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SLEEPS 6 cont'd														The Court House, Salcombe	Fri	4	1	•	•			•	•			3	642
4 Armada House, Hope Cove	Sat	3	1	•				•				3	372	Westland, Salcombe	Fri	3	2								•	3	505
4 Thurlestone Rock, Thurlestone Sds	Fri	3	2	•	•		•	•		•	•	4	569	Argosy, Torcross	Sat	3	3	•	•			•	•	•	•	4	714
5 Armada House, Hope Cove	Sat	3	2	•				•	•	•		4	446	SLEEPS 8													
5 Thurlestone Beach, Thurlestone	Fri	3	2	•	•	•		•	•	•	•	4G	521	5 Ridge Hill, Dartmouth	Sat	4	2	•	•	•		•	•	•		3	618
6 Ocean's Edge, Thurlestone Sands	Fri	3	3	•	•	•	•	•	•		•	4G	603	Bay House, Dartmouth	Fri	4	2	•	•	•		•	•		П	4	666
6 Tarifa, Bigbury-on-Sea	Sat	3	2	•	•	•		•	•		•	4G	521	Blackgate, Dartmouth	Fri	3	2	•	•	•			•		•	2	401
7 Thurlestone Rock, Thurlestone Sds	Fri	3	2	•	•		•	•			•	3	569	Blue Horizon, Dartmouth	Fri	4	2	•	•	•	•	•	•		•	5	720
8 Thurlestone Beach, Thurlestone	Sat	3	2	•	•	•		•	•	•	•	4G	527	Courtyard Cottage, Nr Dartmouth	Fri	4	4		•		•	•	•		•	5	693
Anchor Cottage, Hope Cove	Fri	3	1	•	•	•					•	4	464	Fairview House, Dartmouth	Sat	4	2	•	•	•		•	•		•	4G	546
Anchor Ley, Torcross	Thu	3	2	•	•	•		•	•	•	•	4	730	Harbour Lights, Dartmouth	Thu	4	3		•						•	4G	579
Atlantic Lodge, Hope Cove	Fri	3	2	•	•	•		•	•		•	4	719	Vantage Point, Hillfield	Fri	4	3		•	•	•	•	•		•	5G	1139
Cottage View, Hope Cove	Fri	3	2	•	•	•		•	•	•	•	4	480	1 Combehaven, Salcombe	Fri	4	2		•	•		•			•	4G	478
Cowslip Cottage, Frogmore	Sat	3	2		•	•		•	•		•	4	429	1 Kings Cottages, Salcombe	Sat	4	3		•			•	•		•	4G	692
Driftwood, Hallsands	Fri	3	1	•	•	•				•	•	3	401	16 Courtenay Street, Salcombe	Sat	4	4		•	•		•				4G	550
L'Horizon, Thurlestone	Sat	3	2	•	•	•		•	•	•	•	4	586	2 Churchill House, Salcombe	Sat	4	3	•				•			•	3	771
Little Noddon Barn, Ringmore	Sat	3	2		•	•		•		•	•	4G	532	3 Eddystone Row, Salcombe	Sat	4	3		•	•		•	•		•	4G	593
Martin Cottage, Bigbury	Sat	3	3		•	•		•	•	•	•	4G	640	Chesfield, Salcombe	Fri	4	3	•	•	•		•			•	4	815
Milton Cottage, South Milton	Sat	3	2		•	•		•		•	•	3	609	Dolphins, Salcombe	Fri	4	4	•	•	•		•			•	4	650
Oceanview Apartment, Thurlestone	Sat	3	2	•	•	•		•	•	•	•	4G	609	Driftwood, Salcombe	Sat	4	5	•	•	•		•	•		•	5G	792
Orchard Brae, Thurlestone	Fri	3	3	•	•	•		•			•	4	586	Ferryside, East Portlemouth	Fri	4	2	•	•			•		•	•	4	1021
Seascape, Hope Cove	Sat	3	1	•	•	•		•	•	•	•	4	426	Fordlea, Salcombe	Fri	4	2		•	•		•	•		•	4	598
Southcliffe, Kingsbridge	Sat	3	1	•	•	•		•		•	•	4	602	Harbourfield, Salcombe	Sat	4	2	•	•	•		•			•	4	569
Swallowdale, Thurlestone	Sat	3	3		•	•		•	•		•	5G	692	Kennford, Salcombe	Fri	4	1		•	•		•		•	•	3G	480
The Granary, Nr Kingsbridge	Fri	3	3		•	•		•	•	•	•	4	505	Leylands, Salcombe	Fri	4	3	•	•	•		•	•			5	709
The Look Out, Hope Cove	Fri	3	3	•	•	•		•			•	3	665	Richmond, Salcombe	Fri	4	2	•	•	•		•			•	3	620
Thurlestone Apartment, Hope Cove	Sat	3	2	•	•			•	•		•		425	Sandpiper, Salcombe	Fri	4	3	•	•	•		•	•	•		4G	665
Whispers Edge, Hope Cove	Fri	3	2		•	•		•	•		•	4G	739	Seagull Cottage, Salcombe	Fri	4	3	•	•	•		•				4G	690
SLEEPS 7														Seagulls, Salcombe	Fri	4	3	•	•			•				4	640
Out To Sea, Dartmouth	Fri	3	2	•	•		•	•			•	4	493	Shipwrights, Salcombe	Fri	4	2		•	•		•	•		•	4G	598
1 Woodgrange, Salcombe	Thu	3	2	•	•			•			•	4	569	Soundings, Salcombe	Sat	4	3	•	•	•		•			•	5	623
2 Combehaven, Salcombe	Fri	4	2	•	•	•		•	•	•	•	4G	620	Starboard Light, Nr Salcombe	Fri	4	3		•			•			•	4G	537
22 The Salcombe, Salcombe	Sat	4	2	•	•	•	•	•			•	4	911	Startline House, Salcombe	Sat	4	2	•	•	•		•	•		•	4	1319
4 The Salcombe, Salcombe	Sat	4	2	•		•	•	•			•	4	761	Sundowners, Salcombe	Sat	4	4	•	•	•		•	•	•	•	5	776
St Elmo Lodge, Salcombe	Sat	3	3	•	•	•		•		•	•	5	654	The Chota House, Salcombe	Sat	3	4		•			•			•	4G	839



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Windchimes, Salcombe	Fri	4	3	•	•	•		•			•	4G	92
Woodwell, Salcombe	Fri	4	4	•	•			•			•	5G	271
Yardarm, Salcombe	Sat	4	3	•	•			•		•	•	4	74
Amberwood, Hope Cove	Fri	4	3	•	•	•		•		•	•	4	74
Badgers, Thurlestone	Fri	4	3	•	•	•		•	•		•	4	76
Cindy's Retreat, Hope Cove	Fri	4	2		•	•		•	•	•	•	4	66
Fulmar, Hallsands	Fri	4	3	•	•	•		•	•	•	•	5G	79
Greystone, Hope Cove	Thu	4	4	•	•	•		•		•	•	4	79
Guillemot, Hallsands	Fri	4	3	•	•	•		•	•	•	•	5G	79
Homefield House, Thurlestone	Sat	4	3		•	•		•			•	4G	71
Ocean View, Hope Cove	Fri	4	2	•	•	•		•			•	3	69
Osborn House, Hope Cove	Fri	4	2	•	•	•		•		•	•	3	64
Primrose Cottage, Thurlestone	Fri	4	2	•	•	•		•		•	•	3G	60
Rugwell Cottage, Hope Cove	Sat	4	3		•	•		•			•	5	88
Savernake, Thurlestone	Thu	5	2	•	•	•		•	•	•	•	3G	75
Sea Peep, Thurlestone	Fri	4	4		•	•		•			•	5G	81
Spindrift, Thurlestone	Fri	4	2		•	•		•	•	•	•	4G	62
Tarqua, Hope Cove	Fri	4	2	•	•	•		•	•		•	4	66
The Bolt Hole, Hope Cove	Sat	4	3	•	•	•		•	•		•	4G	84
Westward, Hope Cove	Fri	4	2	•	•	•		•		•	•	4	86
SLEEPS 9													
Ferrycot, East Portlemouth	Fri	4	3	•	•	•		•	•	•	•	4G	101
The Station, Nr Salcombe	Sat	4	3	•	•	•					•	4	60
SLEEPS 10													
Court Lodge, Hillfield	Fri	5	5		•	•	•	•	•		•	5G	110
Hillfield Farmhouse, Hillfield	Sat	5	4		•		•	•	•		•	5G	165
Keeper's Lodge, Hillfield	Sat	5	3		•	•	•	•	•		•	4G	88
Little Cotton Farmhouse, Dartmouth	Sat	5	5		•	•		•	•	•	•	4	105
Heatherdale, Salcombe	Fri	5	4	•	•	•		•			•	4	91
The Custom House, Salcombe	Sat	5	3	•	•			•			•	3	111
Treetops, Salcombe	Fri	5	3		•	•		•	•		•	4	123
Drake House, Hope Cove	Fri	5	5	•	•	•		•			•	5G	200
Estuary House, South Pool	Fri	5	3		•	•		•	•	•	•	4	65
Higher Hill Barn, Nr Kingsbridge	Sat	5	5		•	•		•			•	5G	79

	Spring Barn, Hope Cove	Fri	4	3		•	•	•	•	•	•	•	5	1138
6	SLEEPS 11													
1	Kirkdale, Thurlestone	Fri	6	5	•	•	•		•	•		•	5G	1604
3	SLEEPS 12													
3	Batson House, Salcombe	Fri	6	4		•	•		•			•	4G	1125
6	Holset House, East Portlemouth	Sun	6	3		•	•		•	•		•	5G	1301
6	Links Cottage, Thurlestone	Thu	5	5	•	•	•		•			•	4	1195
0	Broadsands, Thurlestone	Sat	6	4	•	•	•		•	•		•	5	4275
4	SLEEPS 14													
0	Broad Downs Barn, Nr Salcombe	Fri	6	5		•	•	•	•	•		•	5G	1337
9	Overcombe, Salcombe	Thu	7	5	•	•	•		•			•	4	1261
0	SLEEPS 16													
7	Oversteps House, Salcombe	Sat	8	7	•	•	•		•	•		•	5G	2874

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The picturesque South Devon coast and countryside boasts dramatic scenery, stunning Blue Flag awarded beaches, and miles of unspoilt coastal path just waiting to be explored! Whether you are looking for a beach break, a walking getaway with your dog, or a family holiday enjoying the all-weather attractions in the area, you won't be disappointed.

South Devon is home to countless sandy coves, ideal for traditional pastimes For those fascinated by the beauty and history of this stunning area, head to the Start Bay coastline, where you can walk along Slapton Sands, a shingle beach used by troops practicing in the lead up to the D-Day landings during World War II. See the Sherman Tank that remains at the pretty village of Torcross as a lasting memorial, before feeding the ducks at Slapton Ley Nature Reserve – a unique fresh water lake home to a host of wildlife. Enjoy fish and chips in Torcross, before heading along the cliff path towards Hallsands, with spectacular views across to Start Point Lighthouse.

If you prefer to be out on the water itself, head to Hope Cove, Bigbury, Bantham or Thurlestone beaches, all of which are very popular with surfers or those looking to swim in warm, clear waters. Looking to learn a new skill? Try your hand at Stand-Up Paddleboarding (SUP) with Triocean Surf on the Kingsbridge Estuary – a fabulous place to learn the art of SUP!

For those in search of a more traditional family beach holiday, South Devon is home to countless sandy coves, ideal for traditional pastimes like sandcastle building, rockpooling and kite flying. Spend long days on the beach having picnics on the sand, or balmy summer evenings mackerel fishing and playing beach cricket until the sun sets on the horizon. If you are looking for alternatives to days at the seaside, head to one of the all-weather family attractions in the area, or visit one of the many agricultural shows or village fayres that take place throughout the summer months.

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Swallowdale, Thurlestone

This luxurious holiday property is situated in the popular village of Thurlestone, just a short walk from many beaches and the South West Coast Path. Providing a wonderful base for a family holiday, spend action packed days at the seaside, before returning to Swallowdale for a quiet evening playing board games or a pool tournament in the impressive garden room. The challenging links golf course with unsurpassed sea views, and the popular Voyage Spa are both walkable from Swallowdale, for those looking to make their holiday extra special!

Sleeps 6 - VisitEngland 5★ Gold From £692 per week

Little Noddon Barn, near Bigbury

A delightful pet friendly barn conversion, nestled in the heart of the South Devon countryside, Little Noddon Barn is ideally located for days exploring the countless coves and beaches nearby, including the Blue Flag awarded Bigbury-on-Sea, and the surfer's paradise Bantham. This quiet retreat has many original features including exposed stone walls and crossbeams, and has been renovated to a very good standard. Why not dine al fresco with breakfast on the sunny terrace, before heading to the nearby coastal path with your dog for a refreshing walk.

Sleeps 6 - VisitEngland 4★ Star Gold From £532 per week



left top: Frogmore Creek middle: Thurlestone Rock bottom: Beautiful rural walks below: View over Slapton Sands





Boxtree Barn, near Kingsbridge

Situated in an idyllic position, surrounded by South Devon countryside, Boxtree Barn is a stylish dog friendly cottage with many rustic features, including high vaulted ceilings and a large woodburning stove – perfect for cosy winter evenings after days exploring the nearby Start Bay coastline. Situated in acres of farm and woodland, explore the network of footpaths and country lanes surrounding the property on foot, before returning for a dip in the communal outdoor natural swimming pool (during the summer months).

Sleeps 4 - VisitEngland 4★ Gold From £423 per week

1 Ocean's Edge, Thurlestone Sands

This luxury ground floor apartment sits on the edge of Thurlestone Sands beach, and just a few short steps from the South West Coast Path. With a wonderful outdoor heated swimming pool, fabulous rural views and easy access to the beach below, guests can enjoy a truly restful break at this delightful apartment. Families can spend exciting days rockpooling and paddling in the sea, whilst for walkers the historic village of Thurlestone and the former smuggler's haunt of Hope Cove are both within walking distance via the cliff path.

Sleeps 6 - VisitEngland 4★ Gold From £554 per week









Shepherd's Cottage, near Kingsbridge

This 19th Century listed cottage has been beautifully renovated, whilst maintaining many character features, including the Inglenook fireplace. Situated within a small hamlet, just two miles from the traditional market town of Kingsbridge, Shepherd's Cottage offers delightful accommodation for a family or couple, looking for a rural retreat within easy reach of local attractions. Head to Woodlands Leisure Park with the children, visit one of the unspoilt nearby beaches, or pop to Kingsbridge and dine in one of the many restaurants.

Sleeps 4 - VisitEngland 4★ Gold From £391 per week



Homefield House, Thurlestone

Homefield House is an enchanting house within just a short walk of the stunning South Devon coastline. Surrounded by beautiful gardens, the property provides fantastic accommodation for one/two families, or perhaps couples looking for a very comfortable retreat in the heart of picturesque Thurlestone. Savour a delicious Devonshire cream tea on the fabulous terrace, before heading out for a walk to one of the many nearby beaches, or along the South West Coast Path.

Sleeps 8 - VisitEngland 4★ Gold From £719 per week

Looking for more properties in the South Devon countryside for your holiday or short break?

With over 400 self catering properties nestled in the South Devon countryside, ranging from cosy cottages to clifftop apartments and recently renovated farmhouses, those in search of a remote rural retreat have plenty of choice. Why not book luxury apartment **9 Prospect House** at Hallsands, where you can admire stunning views over the Start Bay coastline across to Dartmouth. Walk along the cliff path and peer down at the ruins of the forgotten village of South Sands, destroyed by storms in 1917. Sleeps 4 - VisitEngland 4★ Gold. From £551 per week. For something more spacious, choose **Greystone** in the fishing village of Hope Cove. Enjoy the unbeatable sea views from the terrace, or walk to either of Hope Cove's two beaches for an afternoon of sandcastle building with the kids! Sleeps 8 - VisitEngland 4★ Gold. From £794 per week.

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Treat yourself to a relaxing Spa Day during your South Devon break.



Our goal is to give every client that visits us the ultimate spa experience With Spa Days and beauty treatments available to pre-book ahead of your South Devon break, we talk to Amanda Day, Spa Manager at The Voyage Spa in Thurlestone about some of her favourite treatments and how to achieve the ultimate spa experience.

Q. What is included in a Spa Day and who would enjoy it?

Our Voyage Spa Ocean Experience is a day full of indulgent pampering, a real treat everyone can enjoy, and includes the 1hr 25 minutes 'signature treatment' which is pure bliss! With refreshments, lunch, full use of our indoor leisure facilities, including pool, hydrotherapy pool, fitness studio, sauna and steam rooms, the day includes an indulgent body treatment, seaweed mask, full body massage and rejuvenating facial.

Q. Can you tell us more about your Ytsara Signature Treatment?

With a combination of Asian techniques, including a steamed poultice of Thai

ginger, a warm oil massage, followed by an exotic facial and a warm coconut scalp massage, this treatment suits everyone and will leave you feeling complete, your energy levels restored and balanced.

Q. Which treatments would you recommend for ultimate relaxation and pampering on holiday?

Our goal is to give every client that visits us the ultimate spa experience and for them to leave feeling relaxed and pampered. Luxury treatment packages such as 'Tropical Wanders' leave you feeling rejuvenated and nourished. Other favourites, for pure relaxation, are the Decleor facials – you can't help but feel spoilt.

Q. Can visitors book into Voyage Spa for quick beauty fixes too?

Yes, definitely, we provide for all your beauty essentials and needs, such as Waxing, Threading, Jessica Manicures and Pedicures, including revolutionary Geleration gel polish. So if you haven't managed to fit in all your pre-holiday treatments beforehand, there's no need to worry!

Q. Which is your favourite treatment?

I really love all of our treatments so it's a tough decision between two, the Decleor Ultimate Vitamin Glow – a multi awardwinning facial full of vitamins and antioxidants – and the Ytsara Maphrao Warm Coconut Soother – a body treatment using warm coconut oil and a poultice massage.

After your treatments you may also wish to enjoy an afternoon cream tea served in the lounge or lunch served in the Terrace Bar, whilst taking in the stunning sea view!

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The winner (plus 1 guest) will enjoy full use of the spa facilities including indoor pool, hydrotherapy pool, steam room and sauna (including towels, robe and slippers) between 1pm – 6pm. In addition choose one (per person) from the following 25 minute treatments: Decleor Discovery Facial, Jessica Express Manicure, Jessica Express Pedicure, Back, Neck & Shoulder Massage and then finish off the afternoon with a delicious Cream Tea.

To enter, simply visit coastandcountry.co.uk/voyagespa. Alternatively send a postcard to Voyage Spa Afternoon Delight Competition 2016, Marketing Team, Coast & Country Cottages, Hannaford's Landing, Island Street, Salcombe, TQ8 8FE. The first person to be drawn will win this fabulous prize. Closing date for entries is 30th November 2016.

Terms & Conditions apply. Prize is an Afternoon Spa Delight for two people, from 1pm - 6pm, including use of facilities, one 25 minute treatment per person, subject to availability, and an Afternoon Cream Tea for two (tea or coffee with two scones, strawberry preserve and clotted cream, served from 3pm-5.30pm) The prize is non-transferable and there is no cash alternative. The prize does not include accommodation which must be booked through Coast & Country Cottages separately.

For full competition details, plus terms and conditions, visit coastandcountry.co.uk/voyagespa.



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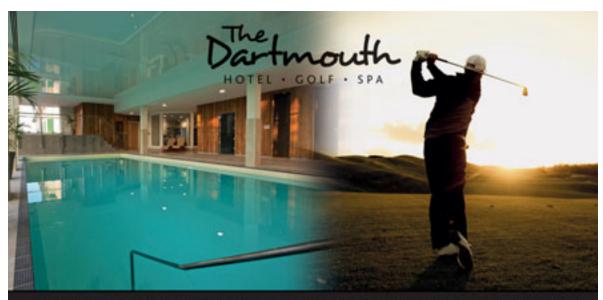
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espite the eternal debate as to the topping of a scone - is it jam first or cream? - Westcountry residents and visitors alike would overwhelmingly agree that, when staying in Devon, enjoying the delicious taste of a cream tea should be high on the priority list of memory-creating moments. Evoking the emotions of summer afternoons gone by, a Devonshire Cream Tea consists of a few freshly-baked scones, clotted cream (on the bottom!), fruity jam (on top!), and a pot of tea. A Cream Tea should not be confused with the traditional Afternoon Tea, so allowing you to enjoy one at any time of day during your visit to South Devon!

There is nothing to dispute that the cream tea is truly Devonshire, (whatever the Cornish may say!), with evidence suggesting monks at Tavistock Abbey 'created' the classic combination of cream and jam on their bread, back in the 11th Century. If you're looking to fully immerse yourself in the tradition, family-run Vintage Tea, a charming and stylish tea room in historic Totnes, offers scones and cakes alongside a wide selection of world tea. All presented in elegant English fine-bone china on beautifully laid tables, a visit makes a relaxing and indulgent afternoon's trip from anywhere in the South Hams.

For those seeking a bit of history alongside tasty treats, Dartmouth Castle Tea Rooms boasts spectacular views and friendly staff offering a warm welcome and is situated within the grounds of a fascinating fortress that has been guarding the mouth of the River Dart for over 600 years. If you want to feel as though you've earned your Cream Tea, why not plan to walk to the castle along the South West Coast Path that runs through the castle grounds. Alternatively, the tiny Castle Ferry operates frequently from the South Embankment, allowing you to access your scones in style!

Opened by the 'Queen of Cakes', Mary Berry, in 2013, the Valley View Café at Aune Valley, just outside Loddiswell, successfully combines country style with fantastic food, whilst still retaining a relaxed atmosphere and locally sourced produce. The menu allows you to have the choice of sweet or savoury cream teas, offering a unique take on the traditionally sugary treat, with the delicious option of two cheese scones with butter and chutney, as well as a pot of tea or, the more traditional, scones, cream and jam. Meanwhile you can unwind in the sunshine on the decking overlooking the rolling countryside of this Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.

Serving a variety of Cream Teas, plus full afternoon teas, let the Cream Teas at Buckland Tout-Saints transport you back in time. Enjoy the finer things in life, soaking up the tranquil atmosphere in the pretty grounds of this luxury country house hotel, set in a beautiful location near Kingsbridge.

At the National Trust house, Overbeck's near Salcombe, enjoy scrumptious Cream Teas whilst admiring the stunning views across the Salcombe Estuary. Let the location - along with the scones and cream - take you back to days of garden fetes on the village green. Wind away a perfect afternoon in the house's glorious gardens or, to extend your trip, try the walk from East Soar (3.1miles) and you'll truly deserve the Cream Tea that awaits you!

Alternatively, why not enjoy the delights of a Cream Tea from the comfort of your holiday home or even before you set off? Delimann delivers delicious cream tea hampers bursting with indulgent, award-winning local produce, providing the taste of Devon to enjoy from the very start of your stay. All you have to do is choose: jam first or cream?

by Elinor Jones



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Beautiful Beaches

South Devon is home to miles of unspoilt South West Coast Path, linking an abundance of superb beaches. From secluded sunny coves, to long, spacious stretches of sand or shingle, this Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty is the perfect holiday destination for those that love to be by the sea.

Watersports fans are exceptionally well catered for in this region. The Blue Flag awarded Bigbury Beach, and picturesque Bantham are both very popular with those looking to enjoy surfing or bodyboarding. There are numerous hire companies in the area, for those without their own equipment – ideal for anyone looking to try something new during their holiday!

Many of the beaches in the area have clear, shallow swimming water, making them ideal for families with young children, looking to dip their toes in the sea for the first time. Why not read the beach guide on page 67 for information on beaches patrolled by lifequards during the summer months, for extra safety. This handy quide also offers advice on dog restrictions, car parking and various



other facilities that might be required.

For visitors who prefer to stick to dry land, why not choose a beach where you can enjoy hours of sunshine, and traditional pastimes like

sandcastle building, rockpooling or a game of beach cricket. Aptly named Sunny Cove in East Portlemouth is a real sun trap and is great for those looking to soak up the warm rays, whilst North Sands in Salcombe is superb for rockpooling – wait until the tide recedes before climbing over the rocks, spotting wildlife stranded in the pools, and admiring the ruins of Fort Charles.



Visit coastandcountry.co.uk for details of around 400 holiday properties on the South Devon coastline or close to the beach. Here are just a few suggestions...

Fulmar and Guillemot, Hallsands

Situated directly on the secluded beach of Hallsands, nestled in the South Devon countryside, sit two stunning properties offering unsurpassed sea views. These luxury houses are finished to an exceptional standard, and are within a few steps of the water's edge, as well as the South West Coast Path. Sleeping up to eight people each, these adjacent properties are perfect for those looking to enjoy a guiet break with their dog, in stylish accommodation by the sea. For a bigger party of up to 16 people, why not book both properties together?

Sleeps 8 - VisitEngland 5★ Gold From £790 per week



1 At The Beach, Torcross

This beautifully finished apartment is positioned at one end of Slapton Sands beach, in the coastal village of Torcross. With a spacious terrace, offering outstanding views over the beach and out to sea, those looking for a base for a seaside holiday won't be disappointed. Try your hand at shoreline mackerel fishing, or head to the nearby Slapton Ley Nature Reserve, a unique fresh water lake, teeming with wildlife and separated from the sea by just a thin stretch of land.

Sleeps 4 - VisitEngland 5★ From £532 per week



25 Burgh Island Causeway, Bigbury-on-Sea

This delightful apartment is situated in a fabulous coastal location, overlooking Bigbury Bay and the famous Burgh Island. Guests can enjoy relaxing on the sunny south facing balcony, offering stunning sea views, before heading to Burgh Island Causeway Leisure Club for complimentary use of the indoor swimming pool and Jacuzzi. An excellent base for adult groups or those with older children - why not try a group surfing lesson on the beach with friends or family?

Sleeps 4 - VisitEngland 4★ Gold From £543 per week

Ferrycot, East Portlemouth

In a picturesque location, with mesmerising views over the Salcombe Estuary, this stylish, family friendly property is right on the beach at East Portlemouth, just a few steps from the foot passenger ferry across to Salcombe. A beautifully finished beachside house, Ferrycot offers direct access to the sand below via the private terrace, as well as a useful 'beach room', ideal for storing wetsuits and sandcastle building equipment!

Sleeps 9 - VisitEngland 4★ Gold From £1286 per week

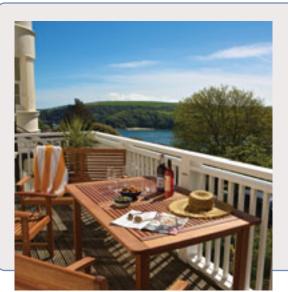


8 Ocean's Edge, Thurlestone Sands

A luxury first floor apartment boasting jaw dropping views over Thurlestone Sands and out to sea, providing wonderful accommodation for a family holiday. Spend long days rockpooling, paddling in the sea or flying kites on the beach situated just metres away, before returning to the apartment for a cooling dip in the outdoor swimming pool. The South West Coast Path is on the doorstep, whilst the nearby beaches at Hope Cove and Thurlestone are easily accessible by foot.

Sleeps 4 - VisitEngland 4★ Gold From £546 per week





5 Grafton Towers, Salcombe

A spacious apartment with lovely views over the Salcombe Estuary towards Prawle Point best enjoyed from the large balcony. Situated in a great location for enjoying Salcombe's beaches, Grafton Towers is on Moult Hill, between the coves of North Sands and South Sands. Visit North Sands, where you can enjoy a delicious lunch at the beachside café, The Winking Prawn, or head to South Sands, for watersports galore. Catch the half hourly summer passenger ferry into Salcombe, and visit the shops and restaurants, or simply relax on the balcony, admiring the unrivalled water views.

Sleeps 6 - VisitEngland 4★
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Beachside retreats for parties of all sizes...

If you are looking for a slightly larger holiday property by the seaside, the luxury holiday home **Oversteps House** at South Sands is a delightful option. Guests at Oversteps House enjoy direct access to South Sands beach, just a few metres away, as well as the use of a private beach house 'Hobbit House', with a beer fridge, toilet facilities and sun loungers. Sleeps 16 - VisitEngland 5★ Gold. From £2,874 per week.

Looking for a break by the sea with your dog? **Savernake** at South Milton has immediate access to Thurlestone Sands beach and is within easy reach of the South West Coast Path. A spacious retreat, with beautiful gardens and fabulous coastal views, the property is a wonderful bolthole for families with dogs.

Sleeps 8 - VisitEngland 3★ Gold. From £751 per week.

To view the full, extensive portfolio of self catering properties in South Devon boasting sea views and within easy reach of the beach, visit coastandcountry.co.uk or call 01548 843773 to find out more.





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LEGEND: 1 = school summer holidays only

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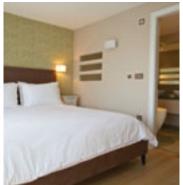
With stunning views over the beautiful Salcombe Estuary, across to the sandy beaches of East Portlemouth and Mill Bay, and out to sea, Woodwell is just a short walk from Salcombe's picturesque waterfront.

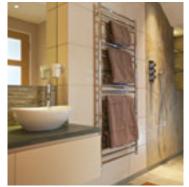
A popular sailing destination, take a boat trip from the pretty harbour, hop on the tiny passenger ferry over to unspoilt beaches or enjoy the many boutiques, art galleries, restaurants and cafés this soughtafter holiday destination has to offer.

PERFECT FOR GROUPS

With four very tastefully furnished boutique bedrooms on the ground floor, all boasting lovely estuary views and with direct access via French doors to the stone terrace at the front of the house, Woodwell makes a fabulous base for a relaxing break with friends

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IDEAL FOR FAMILIES

Spacious living accommodation, a mezzanine level snug/gaming room (perfect for teenagers) and a wet room and drying area for wetsuits, equipment and rinsing off sandy kids after a day at the beach, are just a few of the details that make Woodwell perfect for a family holiday or a celebratory family gathering.

FIND OUT MORE!

Woodwell is available all year round, whether you are looking for a spacious property to sleep a large family or the perfect base for up to four couples, for a week long holiday or a relaxing break. A daily maid service (Mon-Fri) is included whilst additional concierge services are available at extra cost.

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Guest, Summer 2015







AN ARTIST'S PERSPECTIVE

Anna Turns meets three coastal artists who interpret their favourite views of the South Hams very differently.

Whenever and however you enjoy the beauty of the South Devon coast, it's always nice to remember a particular scene somehow. Whether that is a quick snap on your camera or a full-blown work of art, there's something so meaningful about preserving a fleeting sunset or transient seascape as the tide changes. No wonder so many artists are inspired by the everchanging coastal panoramas to share their personal connection though a diverse array of media, from classic photography and fine art to driftwood collages and natural stone sculptures.

her studio at home in Torbay and from the decking at the Burgh Island cottage which is her 'home from home' itself. A jewel in the crown of the South Hams region of Devon, Burgh Island gets cut off from the mainland twice daily by the tide, when the sea tractor takes visitors across, weather permitting. In rough storms, everyone is at the beck and call of the tide: "The tide is a great leveller – if your car gets stuck in the sand while the tide comes in, it doesn't matter who you are or how much money you have, you're in the hands of nature and the elements," muses Emma.



above left: Artist Emma
Carter is inspired by the beautiful
South Devon coastline
above right: Be inspired by
the views from 25 Burgh Island
Causeway

'Island artist', Emma Carter paints highly acclaimed contemporary acrylic seascapes inspired by the beautiful South Devon coastline, many with stunning iridescent paints to give the impression of sunlight reflecting from the water's surface. She paints atmospheric scenes of Burgh Island, the magical place which first captured her imagination as a child.

Emma, 43, has visited this island since she was three years old and for the last 30 years her family has owned one of only two private cottages here. Emma works from



Her paintings illustrate the many moods of the ocean, against a backdrop of secluded coves and dramatic coastlines that hold a very special place in her heart. She's currently obsessed with a particular composition of Burgh Island, the headland and one little white sailing boat as a focal point out in the stormy elements which is reminiscent of her sailing round the island with her dad on a dinghy. Her seascapes convey the feeling of being a free spirit, with massive skies and stormy seas. "I never stop learning

as a painter. I can't possibly paint unless it comes from the heart."

In 2014, marine photographer Nick Philbedge opened Salcombe's 'Love the Sea Gallery' where the white walls are covered in azure photographs of the estuary, above and beneath the waves. Nick and his wife



Tina have lived in Salcombe for nine years now and they always have their paddleboards on the roof of their car, just in case they feel the urge to get in the sea.

"I love Salcombe Estuary," says Nick who has over 30 years experience in the business. "We often walk down to North Sands and South Sands along the cliff road, past Overbeck's and along the coast path high up to Sharpitor for amazing views back down the estuary. It's impossible not to be inspired when you look back at that view with the sand bars, the jewel turquoise colour of the water and the wonderful patchwork pattern of the fields. The waters here are so engaging."



Nick has a very distinctive style of photography and he captures his own passion for the sea while connecting other people with it: "I want people to feel salty and refreshed as if they are in the water themselves, and I love getting in the water to do my photography – it gives a different perspective. Becoming part of the water is very special and there's a real freedom to it."

Ever since Nick first visited Salcombe aged 14 for a sailing holiday – a family

treat as he'd been learning to sail in a 'gravel pit' near his home in Leicestershire—he has been drawn back to the estuary and says he gets a natural buzz from being near it and in it. "When the blue sky reflects in the water on a windy day it looks so aqua blue — it's a feel good colour. Even when people aren't sailors or swimmers, they always seem to have a positive

connection with the ocean. There must be something back in our psyche that evokes that feeling of invigoration when we look at it or interact with it."

Nick regularly paddleboards the Salcombe Estuary or along the River Avon, and every week he checks on his lobster pot at South Milton Sands. "In the water I feel the purest and my senses can re-tune," says Nick and this passion for doing the simple things in life shows in his beautiful photography.

Illustrator Paul Barclay has lived in Dartmouth since 1987 and his black and white yacht images are now a recognisable and distinctive brand. "Because I grew up in Lympstone on the Exe Estuary, I relate



top left: Nick's gallery in Salcombeabove: View towards Salcombefrom 4 Bolt Head



Paul Barclay illustrations at 21 (above) and 32 (above left) Dart Marina

well to this working port. My father used to bring his yacht down to Dartmouth at weekends and that's how I fell in love with this place. It's tidal with a lovely river, plus you can go round the coast to Blackpool Sands, or further along to Salcombe and Fowey," says Paul who worked as dockmaster on the Dart Marina for 11 years when he first moved here, and has worked

a lot on yachts here and in the Med. In 2000, he became a full-time illustrator. following in his father's footsteps who used to illustrate stylised images for Rolls Royce. "Some of my work does look quite architectural and even my style of splash writing is inherited from my

can be seen around Dartmouth

Paul Barclay's distinctive illustrations father and my little yacht logo now goes on everything I do."

> From his studio, which Paul designed to feel like his old sea scout boat shed complete with a skiff hanging from the ceiling, he illustrates people's private superyachts or properties. He also gets commissioned to do a lot of signwriting for hotels, restaurants, private homes and big brands such as Britanny Ferries and Crew Clothing.

Paul's fascination with boats goes back in time. He illustrates shipyard pictures too and tries to keep a history of the river, from the iconic Trinity life vessels built on the

Dart to the pilot gigs that race past today. "The Royal Britannia Naval College is our quardship up on the hill and an important asset to the town," explains Paul. "Eight of my originals are hanging up in the college and I have designed their wine labels too. When their cadets pass out, I can personalise any of their prints too."

As for a rare day off from the drawing board, Paul loves to go up on to the moors where the River Dart starts from, or watch the comings and goings at the mouth of the river from Bayard's Cove – "that's the best spot."

WHAT'S ON 2016

Salcombe Art Club summer exhibition: Easter until end of September.

South Hams Arts Trail: October 2016.

Various venues across the region. www.shaf.org.uk

Dartmouth Galleries Festival: October 2016. www.dartmouthgalleriesfestival.co.uk Emma Carter solo exhibition:

Harbour House, Kingsbridge.

23 August - 4 September.

Emma Carter Island Artist: Permanent exhibitions at Gallery 5 Island Street, Salcombe and Nicky Stevenson Gallery in Brixham, www.emmasisland.com

Nick Philbedge's Love the Sea Gallery:

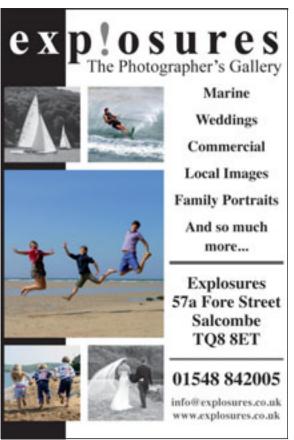
53a Fore Street, Salcombe. www.nickphilbedge.com

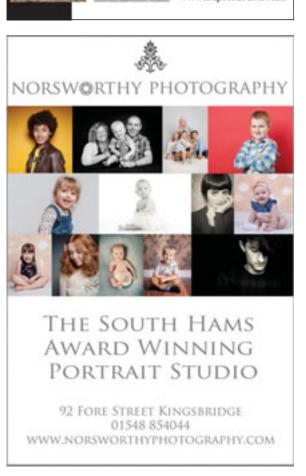
Paul Barclay's Nautical Voyages:

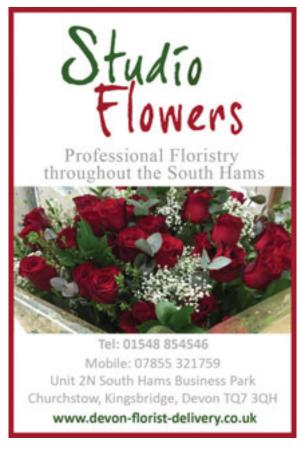
1 Oxford Street, Dartmouth. www.paulbarclaydesigns.com

Dartmouth's refurbished **Blue Horizon** is perfectly situated in an elevated position for uncompromised, breathtaking views overlooking this naval town and across to the mouth of the River Dart. The patio terrace at this beautifully furnished period property is perfect for year-round al fresco dining, with the added bonus of a hot tub too.

Enjoy the ever-changing marine vista of Dartmouth harbour from the Juliet balcony of 21 Dart Marina, a luxury waterfront first floor apartment finished to the highest of standards, including Paul Barclay artwork to complete the nautical theme.









Enjoy inspirational views for yourself from one of these properties:

Watch the tide ebb and flow at Bigbury-on-Sea from 25 Burgh Island Causeway. This delightful top floor apartment is the ideal spot to enjoy panoramic views of the sea, beach and Burgh Island with its iconic Art Deco hotel.

To appreciate the full beauty of Salcombe Estuary, the view from the elevated position of 4 Ringrone, situated near Overbeck's in Salcombe, is unbeatable. This apartment within a historic former country residence is the ideal peaceful holiday retreat adjacent to the South West Coast Path.



The perfect South Devon holiday read...

After pursuing a career as a scientist developing medicines for 20 years, award-winning author Craig Simpson took the brave decision to change direction and 'have a go at writing'. Simpson says he hasn't looked back, having now written 12 books suitable for younger readers and adults alike, channeling themes from war to adventure. Having taken inspiration from holidays spent in the area, his most recent venture, Daniel, follows a young boy in the 17th Century, and is set against the backdrop of South Devon.

Q. Your latest book, Daniel, is partly set in South Devon in 1688, featuring Dartmouth, Kingsbridge and Salcombe. Why did you choose this location?

I've been totally smitten with South Devon since I was a lad, and what a perfect setting for a swashbuckling adventure! As with most of my other books, I wanted to write a fictional story set against the backdrop of real historical events, and the connection between William of Orange's landing at nearby Brixham in 1688 (to begin the Glorious Revolution) gave me the ideal starting point.

Q. Will readers who know this area recognise places and locations within the book?

Yes. Wonderful locations like Blackpool Sands will be instantly recognisable, as will Dartmouth Castle and to some extent Kingsbridge. Dartmouth looked very different back then to how it does today, however. Even so, visitors or those who know the town well will get a sense of the quayside inns, steepness, and narrow cobbled streets. A few places, like Crowbeak Hill where the gallows and gibbets are located in the book, are fictional although I was tempted to borrow the aptly-named nearby Jawbone Hill.

Q. Who will your book appeal to most and why?

Readers aged 9+ who love adventure stories that are fastpaced and all-action. I'm always wary though of being too specific about age guidance as adults enjoy my books too. In fact, one of the first pieces of 'fan mail' I had about Daniel was from an octogenarian, and he loved it.

Q. We are delighted that you have chosen to stay with Coast & Country Cottages so often when visiting the area. What do you like most about your breaks in Dartmouth and the South Hams and where have you stayed most recently?

For a number of years I have stayed at the Dart Marina properties, overlooking the water – a great vista that is always changing with boats, steam trains, and the activities involving cadets from the Naval Academy. The town, together with its outlook to Kingswear, is possibly the most beautiful in England. There are great restaurants and pubs in town or within a short drive, and I love exploring the coastline. The drive to Torcross has jaw-dropping coastal views I never tire of, and lunches at South Sands in Salcombe and old haunts like Thurlestone are a must.



Visitors today enjoy the cobbled streets of Dartmouth which feature in the book



The ever-changing vista from the Dart Marina properties provides inspiration

Q.'Daniel' is your twelfth book – why did you decide to become a writer?

I'm a scientist by training and before becoming a writer I spent 20 years working on the development and licensing of new medicines, travelling widely throughout Europe and the US. Eventually, I wanted a change in pace and decided to have a go at writing. I was instantly hooked and haven't looked back.

Q. How will those purchasing your new book be helping raise funds for the Teenage Cancer Trust and where can 'Daniel' be purchased?

The Teenage Cancer Trust does terrific work supporting young patients and their families via specialist treatment centres located in various NHS hospitals. I'm using Daniel to raise funds in two ways. Firstly, I've undertaken a UK Tour during 2015, all events being free to the schools visited, and £1 from every copy sold will be donated. Although the book is also available through all good bookshops etc., only sales via the distributor's online bookstore also qualify for my donation of £1 per copy.

Details and the link to the CPIBookDelivery bookshop can be found on my website: craigsimpsonbooks.com

BOOK REVIEW by Elinor Jones (16)

Daniel is an epic adventure story, partly set in South Devon, following a fourteenyear-old boy's fight to save his mother from the gallows in a time rife with treason, treachery and threat of war. Daniel, the protagonist, descriptively leads you through the cobbled streets that so undoubtedly convey Dartmouth whilst he hatches plans with his best friend Cornelius. Despite being set amongst the Glorious Revolution of 1688, the town of Dartmouth is recognisable to readers and it and other locations including Kingsbridge are vividly described during the book. With pirates, pistolshooting and a plot full of mystery and discovery, Daniel, is bursting with swashbuckling adventure, perfect for reading whilst staying in the South Hams.

Copies of the hardback are just £7.99 plus p&p (usual RRP £12.99)

win! a signed copy of Craig Simpson's latest book 'Daniel'!

We have one copy of this epic adventure story, suitable for readers aged 9+, up for grabs.



To enter, simply visit coastandcountry.co.uk/daniel. Alternatively send a postcard to Daniel Book Competition, Marketing Team, Coast & Country Cottages, Hannaford's Landing, Island Street, Salcombe, TQ8 8FE. The first person to be drawn will win a copy of the book. Closing date 30th November 2016.

Terms & Conditions: Prize is one copy of Craig Simpson's book 'Daniel'. The prize is non transferable and there is no cash alternative. For full competition details, plus terms and conditions, please visit coastandcountry.co.uk/daniel.

Family Friendly South Devon

For families with children South Devon is a wonderful holiday destination. With a superb range of all-weather attractions, not to mention a host of award-winning beaches and numerous family orientated events throughout the year, this picturesque region offers plenty for kids of all ages to enjoy! Try sailing, surfing, sandcastle building... from

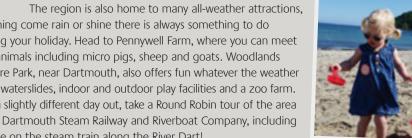
toddlers to teenagers, the options for fun days out are endless.



The picturesque South Hams is in a beautiful coastal location in the southernmost tip of Devon, boasting one of the mildest climates on mainland Britain. This makes it the perfect option for those looking to enjoy the delights of a summer holiday, without the hassle of passport checks and airport departure lounges with bored children in tow! Spend long summer days on the beach soaking up the sunshine – paddle in the safe waters at Blue Flag awarded Blackpool Sands, fly kites in the sea breeze at Slapton Sands, or build a momentous sandcastle at the secluded Soar Mill Cove. The area has beaches to suit all requirements, ideal for a family holiday beside the sea.

meaning come rain or shine there is always something to do during your holiday. Head to Pennywell Farm, where you can meet the animals including micro pigs, sheep and goats. Woodlands Leisure Park, near Dartmouth, also offers fun whatever the weather with waterslides, indoor and outdoor play facilities and a zoo farm. For a slightly different day out, take a Round Robin tour of the area with Dartmouth Steam Railway and Riverboat Company, including a ride on the steam train along the River Dart!

Coast & Country Cottages offer an extensive range of 'baby friendly' accommodation, equipped with everything you might need for a hassle free trip with small children. These properties have equipment including cots, highchairs, children's crockery and cutlery and even toys in many cases.



Visit coastandcountry.co.uk/holidays-for-young-families for details of over 145 'baby friendly' properties. Here are just a few suggestions...



The Beach House, 3 Woodside, Salcombe

The Beach House is a luxury apartment just a short walk from Salcombe's restaurants, beaches and quayside. For families with children the property is equipped with everything from a travel cot to high quality toddler toys. Take the children to the small private beach, exclusively for quests at Woodside, before returning for tea and cake on the terrace which boasts stunning sea and estuary views.

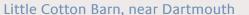
Sleeps 6 - VisitEngland 5★ From £912 per week



Jack's Cottage, near Totnes

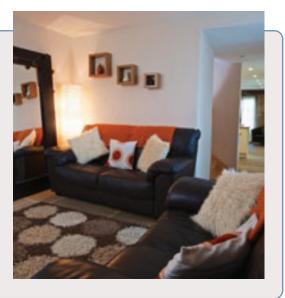
This beautifully finished detached barn conversion, set in the heart of the South Devon countryside, surrounded by a 300 acre working farm, is the perfect rural retreat for a young family looking for a luxury break in peaceful surroundings. Accompanied children are welcome to explore the farm, see the livestock up close and collect fresh eggs. The fascinating town of Totnes is within a short drive, whilst Woodlands Leisure Park and historic Dartmouth are within easy reach.

Sleeps 4 - VisitEngland 5★ Gold From £540 per week



Situated just a five minute drive from historic Dartmouth, Little Cotton Barn is a fabulous bolthole for families with children of any age. This barn conversion is finished to a very good standard, with a wide range of baby friendly facilities available. Guests can also enjoy the use of the play barn, outdoor play equipment and extensive gardens... ideal for letting the youngsters burn off excess energy in safe surroundings! Why not head to nearby Dartmouth, to the child friendly, award-winning restaurant Rockfish, where kids are provided with fun activity packs to entertain them whilst they wait for their dinner.

Sleeps 6 - VisitEngland 4★ From £464 per week





Court Lodge, Hillfield Village

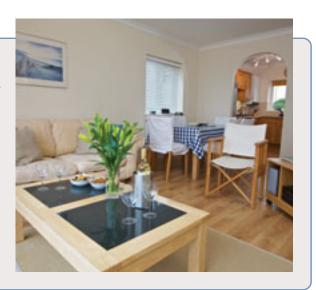
Court Lodge is a luxury property with a private hot tub, situated at Hillfield Village just 10 minutes from Dartmouth. Finished to an exceptional standard, the property is ideal for one or two families looking to holiday together. Guests at this magnificent lodge can benefit from the use of the attractive grounds, children's play area, tennis court and outdoor swimming pool, not to mention discounted rates for use of the indoor leisure facilities at the nearby Dartmouth Hotel, Golf and Spa. Blackpool Sands and the Start Bay coastline are also within easy reach.

Sleeps 10 - VisitEngland 5★ Gold From £1102 per week

6 Tarifa, Bigbury-On-Sea

For those looking for a beach break with the children, 6 Tarifa is a super base. Situated just a short walk from the Blue Flag awarded beach at Bigbury, families can spend exciting days surfing, body boarding, swimming or simply relaxing on the sand. Why not walk across to Burgh Island at low tide to explore this historic landmark on foot, before catching the sea tractor back at high tide? 6 Tarifa is very well equipped for children and even has games and toys to keep the whole family entertained.

Sleeps 6 - VisitEngland 4★ Gold From £521 per week





Sandpiper, Salcombe

A luxurious, spacious holiday home, Sandpiper offers excellent baby friendly accommodation for up to 8 people. Situated a 15 minute downhill walk from Salcombe's shops and restaurants, this is a delightful property for exploring the town. Why not arm yourselves with buckets and nets, and spend a fun afternoon crabbing on the quayside then enjoy a locally made ice cream. Sandpiper offers contemporary open plan living accommodation, with bifolding doors which open back on to a secure sun terrace – relax in the knowledge that the children can play safely around you whilst you prepare dinner!

Sleeps 8 - VisitEngland 4★ Gold From £665 per week

Properties for families of all shapes and sizes...

For those with older children or teenagers, the property **Sunnyside** in Dartmouth is a great option. This stylish house is situated a 10-15 minute walk from Dartmouth's shops and restaurants, and offers uninterrupted views across the town to the River Dart beyond, which are best observed from the sunny terrace. Guests also benefit from complimentary use of the Dart Marina Spa, including indoor pool, steam room, Jacuzzi and gym – perfect for teenagers who might appreciate a little bit of pampering.

Sleeps 6 - VisitEngland 4★. From £440 per week.

This is just a small selection of the baby and family friendly self catering holiday properties available across Salcombe, Dartmouth and the surrounding area, with Coast & Country Cottages. For more information visit coastandcountry.co.uk today or call the locally based team on 01548 843773.



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top left: Breathtaking views from Blue Horizon, Dartmouth top right: The fabulous private terrace at Sundowners, Salcombe centre: The uniquely styled kitchen at The Old Library, Dartmouth left: Drake House, Hope Cove – a luxurious seaside house for all seasons

^{*} Offer applies to new owners joining in 2016.

Coast & Country Cottages is delighted to announce the launch of some very special new properties, now available and perfect for your 2016 holiday. As the busy team is constantly adding new properties throughout the year, please visit coastandcountry.co.uk to view the full portfolio.

Here is just a selection...



Sleeps 5 - VisitEngland 5★. From £701 per week. The Old Library is a uniquely styled luxury property designed

THE OLD LIBRARY, Dartmouth

New Property Round-up

The Old Library is a uniquely styled luxury property designed and finished to the very highest standards. This newly renovated property is within a short walk of Dartmouth's boutique shops, award-winning restaurants and beautiful waterfront. Finished in a stylish nautical theme throughout, the open plan living area is a fabulous place to relax, whilst the kitchen boasts Miele appliances and granite work surfaces, making self-catering a pleasure.

DORY COTTAGE, Salcombe Sleeps 6 - VisitEngland 4*. From £473 per week. Fully refurbished in 2015, this delightful three-storey

property is beautifully presented throughout, and enjoys the benefit of secure, garage parking and two large terraces, ideal for al fresco family dining in the Salcombe sunshine!



BATSON HOUSE, Salcombe

Sleeps 12 - VisitEngland 4★ Gold. From £1125 per week.

Looking for a large house for a family getaway in 2016? Batson House is a spacious and beautifully presented holiday home within a few steps of the pretty tidal creek at Batson, and just a 15 minute flat walk from Salcombe. The three-storey Victorian house has been extensively renovated in recent years to provide a high standard of accommodation for a family or group of couples.



This spacious holiday home is just a few short steps from the tidal estuary in the pretty village of South Pool. Surrounded by a beautiful private garden and orchard, Estuary House is a wonderful retreat for those looking to relax and enjoy the benefits of holidaying in a peaceful South Devon village. A canoe is available or bring your paddle-boards, which can be launched nearby for a delightful trip along the water to Salcombe or Kingsbridge, or simply sit on the sun terrace, enjoying the views.



BERRY COTTAGE, Dittisham

Sleeps 4 - VisitEngland 5★. From £575 per week.

Berry Cottage is an immaculately presented Grade II listed waterfront retreat in an idyllic and picturesque location on the edge of the River Dart in the pretty village of Dittisham, near Dartmouth. Perfect for a family or couple (with or without a well behaved dog!), guests can enjoy stunning and uninterrupted views across the River Dart from many of the rooms. Catch the foot passenger ferry along the river to Dartmouth, where you can enjoy complimentary use of the Dart Marina spa including indoor pool and steam room, or dine in one of the award-winning restaurants.



Middle Watch is a superbly situated period cottage in Dartmouth, with panoramic views across the River Dart towards Kingswear and beyond. Ideal for families or couples looking for a comfortable retreat within a short walk of Dartmouth's shops and restaurants, this recently renovated property has a wonderful two tiered terrace, offering the perfect vantage point for enjoying the unsurpassed water views. Head to nearby Blackpool Sands beach, a 10 minute drive away, before returning to this stylish property for a relaxing evening.





3 BLUE VIEW, Salcombe

Sleeps 4 - VisitEngland 4★. From £336 per week.

This tastefully presented apartment offers excellent views across the Salcombe Estuary towards South Pool Creek, Batson and Kingsbridge from the main living areas. Ideal for a family with older children, or couples, this recently constructed luxurious apartment has private covered parking, and is within a 10 minute downhill walk of Salcombe's quayside and restaurants.

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Over the past three years, Hillfield Village has seen considerable investment, with the refurbishment of existing properties under the expert guidance of local interior designers, the transformation of the already beautiful grounds through the hard work of gardening and landscaping company, Fine Gardening Services, and the exciting renovation of the fabulous Hillfield Farmhouse to provide the ultimate in holiday accommodation for up to 10 people (see page 8-9).

In addition, a number of new luxury houses have now been built and these, along with some refurbished existing properties, are now available for purchase, giving regular and new visitors the opportunity to own a piece of this wonderful location themselves. Coast & Country Cottages has worked closely with Hillfield Village for 11 years and the team are delighted with the ongoing investment in and the continued development of the complex. Says Director, Andrew Jones, 'We are already experiencing a high level of enquiries from those interested in the purchase of the available properties and look forward to acting in the future on behalf of those property owners who wish to promote their Hillfield Village property as a holiday home'.

From two-bedroom stylish retreats to grand five-bedroomed lodges, and a range of newly constructed, fully refurbished and established properties to choose from, there are options to suit all those interested in owning a holiday home in the South Devon countryside.

For more information on available properties visit hillfieldvillage.com or to discuss the income potential of the Hillfield Village properties contact Andrew Jones on 01548 843773.

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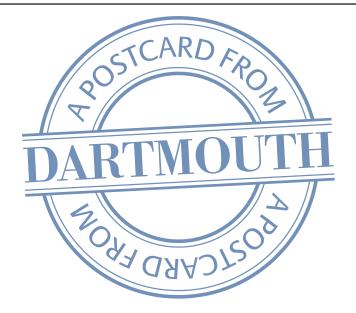
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Dartmouth is a fascinating town, nestled on the edge of the River Dart in South Devon. Home to the Britannia Royal Naval College and numerous other sites of natural, historical and cultural significance, for those planning a holiday in or around this picturesque town, there is certainly plenty to see and do - whatever your interests!

Dartmouth is a year round holiday destination, well known for its numerous events. Highlights include Dart Music Festival, Dartmouth Shakespeare Week and The Port of Dartmouth Royal Regatta during the summer months, followed by the highly acclaimed Dartmouth Food Festival in October and the Christmas themed Candlelit Dartmouth in the winter. For full details of the event calendar, see page 99.

...this town offers something for everyone and is a year round holiday destination

Looking to sample divine food whilst on holiday? Situated on the edge of the Start Bay coastline, Dartmouth has a constant supply of delicious, freshly caught seafood, not to mention an abundance of locally grown and reared produce. With such an array of ingredients at your disposal, self-catering is a pleasure. For those who prefer to dine out, Dartmouth's award-winning restaurants The Seahorse and family friendly Rockfish won't disappoint!

For families, why not pay a visit to one of the many nearby all-weather attractions, like Woodlands Leisure Park? Or head out on a Round Robin tour of the area with







Dartmouth Steam Railway and River Boat Company, to include a cruise along the River Dart towards Dittisham (spotting wildlife along the way), and a trip on the steam railway. Fancy a day at the beach? The Blue Flag awarded Blackpool Sands beach is just a short 10 minute drive along the coastline, not be missed.

For history or literary buffs, a visit to the National Trust property Greenway House and Gardens (the former home of celebrated writer Dame Agatha Christie), or a walk to the 12th Century fortress Dartmouth Castle is a must. Both have tea rooms, where you can enjoy a well-deserved Devonshire cream tea in the South Devon sunshine.



left top: Picturesque Dittisham *middle:* The 12th Century Fortress Dartmouth Castle *bottom:* Blue Flag awarded Blackpool Sands *above:* Dartmouth Boat Float

Visit coastandcountry.co.uk for details of over 130 holiday properties in and around Dartmouth. Here are just a few suggestions...



14 Dart Marina

This superbly presented luxury first floor apartment is situated in one of the Westcountry's most sought after locations, on the edge of the River Dart. With a delightful window seat offering picturesque views up and down the river and across to Kingswear, this is wonderful accommodation for two couples or a family. Stroll along the waterfront and explore Dartmouth's cobbled streets, before returning to enjoy the complimentary use of the Dart Marina Spa with indoor pool and Jacuzzi.

Sleeps 4 - VisitEngland 5★
From £811 per week

Blue Horizon

Blue Horizon is a beautifully refurbished period house with 180 degree panoramic views across the River Dart and out to sea. The property has been carefully furnished with period antiques throughout. Head to nearby Blackpool Sands beach, a short 10 minute drive away, before returning to Blue Horizon for a relaxing soak in the wooden hot tub on the terrace, from where you can admire the breathtaking water views.

Sleeps 8 - VisitEngland 5★ From £720 per week







Stunning fireworks over the River Dart at Dartmouth Regatta 2015



About Tide

A luxury three storey town house, About Tide is located in historic Warfleet, in 'The Pottery'. Built in 1819, this famous Grade II listed building has variously been a paper mill, a bakery, an outstanding brewery and, most recently, The Dartmouth Pottery. About Tide is furnished to a very high standard offering baby friendly equipment and complimentary membership to Dart Marina Spa. Why not take a stroll into town for a dip in Dart Marina's indoor pool, or go for brunch with the family at the famed breakfast eatery Café Alf Resco?

Sleeps 6 - VisitEngland 5★ From £656 per week

Starfish Cottage

This elegant cottage is just a 5-10 minute walk from Dartmouth's shops and restaurants, providing fabulous accommodation for one to three couples, looking to discover more of this Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. Walk into town and take a boat trip up river or out to sea before finishing your day with supper at the seafood restaurant The Seahorse – or simply head back to Starfish Cottage where you can sip a glass of something chilled on the balcony.

Sleeps 6 - VisitEngland 5★ From £556 per week



The Willows, Dartmouth Green

The Willows at Dartmouth Green is a recently constructed stone cottage, set in the grounds of The Dartmouth Hotel Golf & Spa, just four miles outside of Dartmouth. This stylish property has a sunny conservatory and an enclosed private terrace, offering superb accommodation for families. The all-weather attraction Woodlands Leisure Park, with its water flumes, indoor play areas and zoo farm, is a very short drive away. Spend the day at the park, before returning to The Willows to relax – guests have complimentary use of The Dartmouth Spa (including indoor pool) and tennis courts on site.

Sleeps 6 - VisitEngland 4★ Gold From £554 per week



Ferry View

Ferry View is a delightful apartment dating back to the 16th Century, in a quiet location just a short walk from the centre of Dartmouth. Admire the stunning views over the river across to Kingswear from the living area, or head out to explore historic Bayard's Cove with its fascinating battlements, just a few short steps away. Ideal for a couples getaway, why not relax in the morning sunshine on the balcony overlooking the water.

Sleeps 4 - VisitEngland 4★ Gold From £505 per week

Looking for a property to accommodate a larger group, with stunning views over Dartmouth and the River Dart?

Bay House is a delightful property with a spacious terrace area, ideally positioned for enjoying al fresco dining during the summer months, whilst admiring the unsurpassed views − a great base for the whole family.

Sleeps 8 - VisitEngland 4★. From £666 per week.

For a pet friendly property, **Southview** in Blackawton is a fabulous option, just a few miles from Dartmouth and a short drive from the Start Bay coastline, offering miles of dog walking opportunities.

Sleeps 4 - VisitEngland 4★. From £366 per week.

This is just a small selection of holiday properties available in and around Dartmouth. To view the full, extensive portfolio of over 130 self catering properties in Dartmouth, ranging from luxury apartments to cosy cottages, visit coastandcountry.co.uk/Dartmouth or call our Dartmouth team on 01803 839499 to find out more.



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For help choosing the perfect accommodation for your holiday, call the locally based team on 01548 843773. They know and love the area, and would be delighted to offer advice on the most suitable accommodation for your holiday. For details of over 400 properties sleeping 2-16 people, available with Coast & Country Cottages exclusively in this Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, visit coastandcountry.co.uk today. Here are just a few...

PROPERTIES FOR 2

For a romantic break for two, Coast & Country Cottages have a great selection. Choose the Grade II listed barn conversion set in the heart of the countryside **Pebbles**, Noss Mayo, where you can enjoy a bracing walk along the nearby South West Coast Path, or a game of tennis with your loved one on the shared court. Another quiet rural retreat, ideal for a holiday for two, is **Meadow View**, near Modbury. A beautifully finished property with a fabulous private terrace, this is a wonderful bolthole for those looking to explore South Devon's beaches and the nearby Dartmoor National Park.

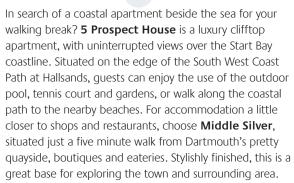
Pebbles, Noss Mayo, VisitEngland 4★ Gold. From £362 per week.

Meadow View, near Modbury (below),

VisitEngland 4★ Gold. From £297 per week.



PROPERTIES FOR 4



5 Prospect House (below), VisitEngland 4★ Gold. From £516 per week.

Middle Silver, VisitEngland 4★.

From £366 per week.



PROPERTIES FOR 6

For a cosy 'chocolate box' thatched cottage, look no further than **Higher Collaton Cottage**. This idyllic country retreat is situated in a quiet rural hamlet, yet is just a five minute drive from popular Salcombe. Surrounded by beautiful gardens, and finished to an exceptional standard, yet retaining many original features (including exposed

beams and cob walls of varying thickness!), this is a perfect retreat for a family or group of couples.

Prefer a sea view? **2 Avon Quillet** is a well presented apartment at Bigbury-On-Sea, with jaw dropping views over Bigbury Bay towards the River Avon, Burgh Island and out to sea – walk to the sandy beach at Bigbury where you can spend relaxing days enjoying traditional seaside pastimes! Looking for holiday accommodation for your family, with plenty of outside space? **Seaway House**, in Strete, near Dartmouth, is a wonderfully spacious house, with a large private garden and lovely sea views. Relax in the sunroom watching the children as they play on the beautifully manicured lawns.

Higher Collaton Cottage, near Salcombe (below), VisitEngland 5★ Gold. From £663 per week. 2 Avon Quillet, Bigbury, VisitEngland 3★ Gold. From £410 per week. Seaway House, Strete, near Dartmouth,

VisitEngland 4★. From £486 per week.



PROPERTIES FOR 8

Planning a holiday for up to four couples, or perhaps a short break with friends or family. Coast & Country Cottages have a selection of properties that lend themselves to larger group getaways. **Rugwell Cottage**, near Hope Cove, is a luxury thatched country cottage with a fabulous outside area, including a thatched summerhouse and delightful decking area with hot tub – a superb spot for an afternoon soaking up the summer sunshine!

Vantage Point at Hillfield Village, near Dartmouth, also offers outstanding accommodation for up to eight people, with a spacious open plan living area ideal for socialising, as well as a private hot tub and sauna.

Rugwell Cottage (top right),
VisitEngland 5★. From £880 per week.
Vantage Point, Hillfield Village,
VisitEngland 5★ Gold. From £1139 per week.



PROPERTIES FOR 10+

Whether it is for a family holiday or a gathering to celebrate that special birthday or a milestone anniversary, Coast & Country Cottages have a great selection of properties accommodating larger groups of 10 people or more. The stunning barn conversion **Higher Hill Barn**, near Kingsbridge, is set in a rural location surrounded by beautiful lawns. Complete with a woodburning stove for the winter, and a magnificent sun terrace for the summer, this is a great property for a large party of up to 10 people at any time of the year.

Looking to explore South Devon on foot? The elegant country house **Holset House** could be just the property for you. Located near to the South West Coast Path and the village of East Portlemouth, where you can catch the foot passenger ferry to Salcombe, this spacious house offers accommodation for up to 10 people. For a more contemporary style, choose **Kirkdale** in Thurlestone which sleeps up to 11 people. Ideal for families with children, the property has a games room with a full size pool table and dart board, and is within easy walking distance of the beach and the picturesque village of Thurlestone.

Higher Hill Barn, Sherford,
VisitEngland 5★ Gold. From £797 per week.
Holset House (below), East Portlemouth,
VisitEngland 5★ Gold. From £1301 per week.
Kirkdale, Thurlestone, VisitEngland 5★ Gold.
From £1604 per week.



Find properties for all party shapes and sizes by visiting coastandcountry.co.uk or calling 01548 843773 today.

Sea captains, poets and other local influences

Victoria Rogers takes a look at the history of two stunning holiday homes.

> Gazing up from the sandy beach at Outer Hope Cove to the clifftop above, it would be easy to dismiss the stunning iconic property **Drake House** as a beachside retreat reserved for the rich and famous. With its pretty gardens, and floor-to-ceiling glass fronted extension, this former Sea Captain's House, believed to have been built in the early 1900s, has been stylishly

We wanted Drake House to move into the 21st century with a bang, but also to blend into the village seamlessly

modernised to provide a very high standard of accommodation for families, looking for a luxurious holiday retreat just a few metres walk from the beach.

The owners Clare and Robin bought this substantial holiday home five years ago, and completed a full renovation over a period of four years. Says Clare "When we first bought **Drake House**, we found it to be a much

loved holiday retreat in a beautiful welcoming South Devon village. We stayed there during the summer and winter, spring and autumn - relishing the charm of all the seasons and their beauty, but it became clear that **Drake House** was ill equipped to deal with the delights of each stay... whether it was cold, wintery, windy days, wet and muddy autumn walks, or sandy bodies returning from surfing excursions on a summer afternoon".

"When finally the doors began to freeze up, we decided to take the big step and drag Drake House into the 21st century. Our vision was to create a home that provided relaxed sophistication, with all the conveniences needed to make a seaside holiday work seamlessly for adults and children alike."

With this in mind, the renovations included the creation of practical, functional and essential spaces. The kitchen was relocated to make the most of the magnificent sea views, whilst a front copper clad extension was created to accommodate the stunning, open plan dining and living space.

"This ensured that rain or shine, visitors never miss out on the very reason they are there - the sea and beautiful countryside





above, right and top right: Drake House – a luxurious and welcoming home for all seasons in a sought-after coastal location





surrounding the house. When winds calm, this opens up onto a huge terrace from which you can survey everything."

A back entrance was also created, leading to a huge utility room, complete with two walk-in showers - ideal for rinsing sandy children returning from the beach, just a two minute walk away. In addition to the new extensions, the old kitchen was converted into a cosy snug - a wonderful place to enjoy a quiet moment away from the hubbub of family life.

"We wanted Drake House to move into the 21st century with a bang, but also to blend into the village seamlessly... as we walk over Bolt Tail, it almost seems like nothing has changed. The side extension is tucked from view and the main extension is softening as the garden develops and the soft green emerges from the copper. We hope with loving care and attention Drake House will see another 100 years as our builder said, we need to be gentle and look after the 'old lady' from now on in!"

Sleeping up to 10 people, Drake House is a VisitEngland 5★ Gold awarded holiday home, finished to an exceptional standard throughout. From £2,000 per week.

Another inspiring holiday property, Oversteps House, is nestled above South Sands in Salcombe. Like Drake House, Oversteps House has been restored to an exceptional standard in recent years by its owners, Geoff and Simone Lloyd.



left and overpage: Oversteps House a spacious and luxurious holiday home with stunning views

The work took just under two years, with much of the interior design being completed by the owners themselves. Inspiration came from the beautiful surroundings and the stunning sea views from the property, as well as Oversteps House's unique literary history.

"Oversteps House was built in 1901 and has a long history with the arts, especially poetry and literature, which inspired us to give each of the eight bedrooms a

Shakespearean character's name. The rooms are decorated to the highest standard with a contemporary homely design."

The property was the former home of Anne Born, founding Editor of Oversteps Books - a publishing house created in order to make contemporary poetry easily accessible for all. Founded in 1992 and named after Anne's beloved Salcombe



Stylish accommodation for special holidays at Oversteps House

> home, it has been said to publish some of the best contemporary poetry today, with new and established poets submitting their poetry for publication. As well as her duties as Editor of Oversteps Books, Anne was, above all, a poet in her own right, and has gained high critical acclaim for many of her poetry collections, some of which were believed to be influenced by Salcombe and the surrounding area.

Oversteps House offers flexible accommodation for up to 16 people, with two state-of-the-art kitchens, eight beautifully furnished bedrooms and seven contemporary bathrooms - the ideal place for large family gatherings and special celebrations. Guests at the property also have private access to the Blue Flag awarded South Sands beach, as well as the exclusive use of a beach house. "Hobbit House", complete with unsurpassed views, sun loungers, a beer fridge and a very handy loo, perfect for beach days with kids!

Simone says, "My favourite feature of Oversteps is "Hobbit House" at the bottom of the garden overlooking the beach, where you can watch the world go by in total peace and quiet. The most rewarding thing about preparing Oversteps House as a holiday property has been the fantastic comments that our quests leave in the 'visitors book', telling of the wonderful family holidays they have experienced beside the sea, and their wish to return next year... it is just wonderful to hear."

This fascinating VisitEngland 5★ Gold awarded property accepts one dog by arrangement, and is the perfect base for exploring picturesque Salcombe. Sleeps up to 16. From £2,874 per week.



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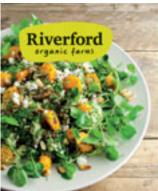
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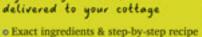






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What's on in the South Hams?

Coast & Country Cottages looks ahead to some of the highlights of the 2016 local events calendar to help you plan your holiday or short break in South Devon.



DELICIOUS DART TRAIL 5th March

Around 350 participants will run fifteen gruelling miles through some of the county's most stunning countryside, from Totnes to the finish line in Dartmouth. Along the way they will stop off at some of the South West's award-winning food and drink producers and establishments, tasting more than a dozen different beers, wines, liqueurs, savouries and puddings. The runners, many in fancy dress, will be raising money for CHICKS, a wonderful charity that provides respite breaks for disadvantaged children (see page 32). Look out for a food market and special spectator activities at the finish line in Dartmouth. Visit deliciousdarttrail.co.uk for further information.



SALCOMBE CRAB FESTIVAL 1st May

Crabfest 2016 celebrates the Salcombe crab and everything seafood related in the South Hams. Visitors can enjoy hands on demonstrations, crab picking tuition, commercial crab fishing talks, a demonstration kitchen, crab pot making, music, wine tasting and much more. Visit salcombecrabfest.co.uk for more details.



HOPE COVE WEEKEND 27th – 29th August

Hope Cove Weekend, is a family friendly holiday favourite, just ask one of the many visitors who enjoy it year after year. These three action-packed days are bursting at the seams with lively yet relaxing family fun with children's races, sandcastle competitions, rockpooling and live music. All this action is located close to the seashore, so you can still make the most of being at the beach.



KINGSBRIDGE SHOW 3rd September

In its 135th year, the Kingsbridge Show celebrates all things South Devon, successfully retaining its agricultural and horticultural roots whilst providing entertainment for everyone. The main ring is the centre point for the action with displays such as falconry and a dog show whilst horses are a major attraction, with their own show field and competition throughout the day. The food and drink marquee is not to be missed and boasts some of South Devon's finest produce – be sure to save room for a cream tea or two! Visit kingsbridgeshow.co.uk for further details.



DARTMOUTH FOOD FESTIVAL 21st - 23rd October

Rated 'one of the top 10 Food festivals in the UK' by The Guardian, Dartmouth Food Festival is now in its 14th year. With a fantastic mix of celebrity chefs, events, food markets, tasting shacks, plus activities for all the family to enjoy sponsored by Coast & Country Cottages, the festival has developed into a major event for the area, but still 'encourages anyone and everyone to come along and take part without being charged an entry fee' – visit dartmouthfoodfestival.com for more details.

CANDLELIT DARTMOUTH 25th - 26th November

Bring in the festive season with a short break during Candlelit Dartmouth. Watch Santa's arrival by boat and enjoy the lantern parade through the historic town's pretty streets. Organise your Christmas shopping in individual shops and boutiques offering late night shopping, browse around seasonal markets and experience festive workshops and carols – visit candlelitdartmouth.co.uk for more information.

Highlights for your 2016 diary

5th March

DELICIOUS DART TRAIL*

8th – 12th March

DARTMOUTH COMEDY FESTIVAL

1st May

BLACKAWTON INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL OF WORMCHARMING

1st May

SALCOMBE CRAB FESTIVAL*

1st – 8th May

13th – 15th May

DARTMOUTH MUSIC FESTIVAL*

19th – 21st May

3rd – 5th June
KINGSBRIDGE FOOD & MUSIC
FESTIVAL

5th June salcombe GIG & ROWING REGATTA*

25th June
BIGBURY FUN RUN

27th – 28th June

DARTMOUTH ARTS & CRAFT

WEEKEND

8th – 18th July
WAYS WITH WORDS LITERARY
FESTIVAL

10th – 15th July MERLIN ROCKET WEEK*

16th – 23rd July KINGSBRIDGE FAIR WEEK

27th July YEALMPTON SHOW

31st July TOTNES & DISTRICT AGRICULTURAL SHOW

31st July – 6th August SALCOMBE TOWN REGATTA*

6th August LODDISWELL SHOW

7th August ROCKFISH CRAB DAY DARTMOUTH

7th – 12th August SALCOMBE YACHT CLUB REGATTA*

9th – 13th August

DARTMOUTH SHAKESPEARE WEEK

13th – 14th August SOUTH HAMS VINTAGE MACHINERY RALLY

14th August FROGMORE REGATTA*

25th – 27th August DARTMOUTH ROYAL REGATTA*

27th – 29th August

3rd September KINGSBRIDGE SHOW*

21st – 23rd October

DARTMOUTH FOOD FESTIVAL*

29th October RIVERFORD PUMPKIN DAY

25th – 26th November CANDLELIT DARTMOUTH

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views that may be equally as important to a customer.

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Watch out for exclusive deals regularly added for social media friends and followers, not to mention beautiful photography and details about events in South Devon – learn more about the area before your holiday, and then share your wonderful memories afterwards!

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