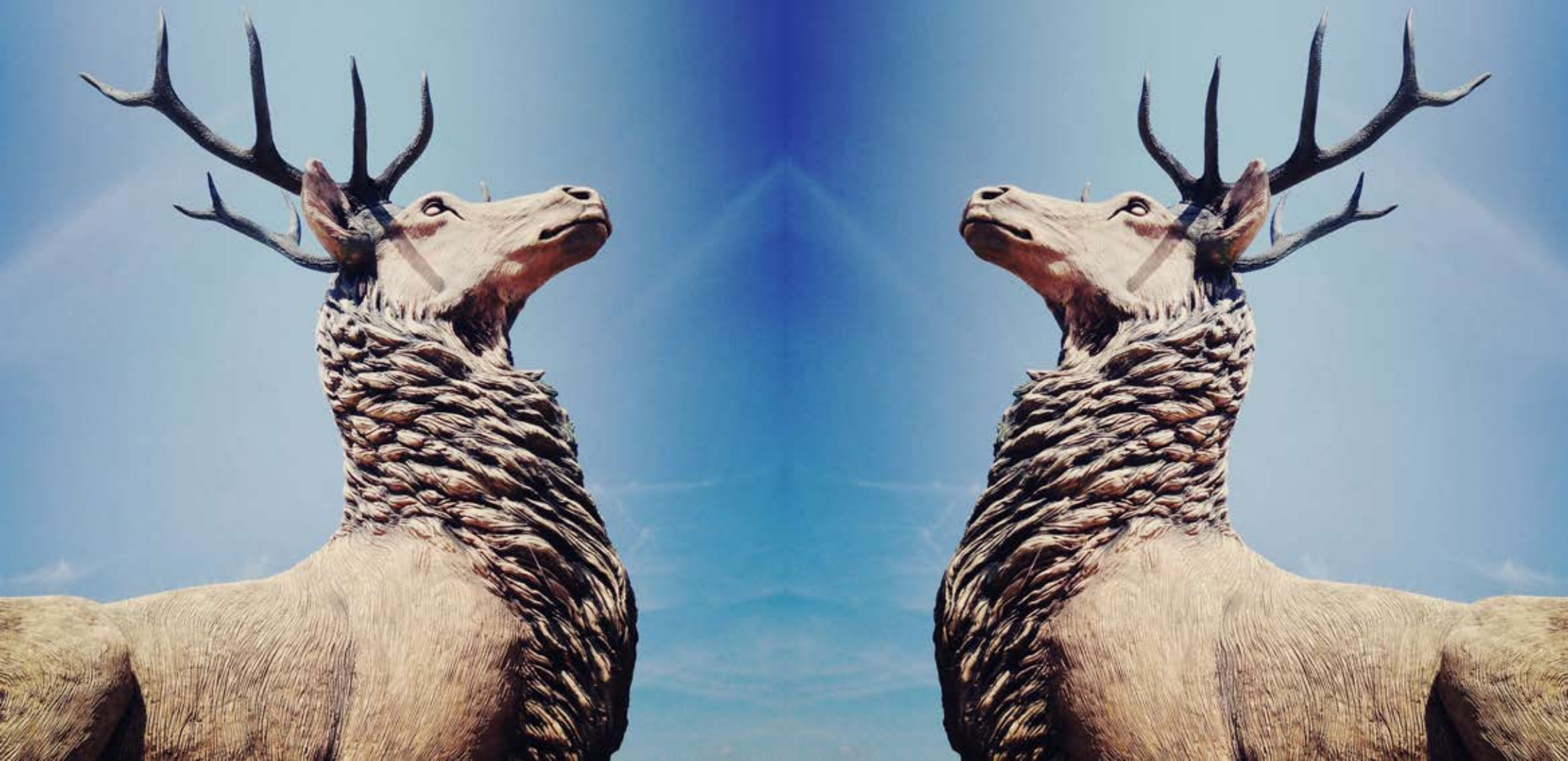


# A N R Á N

LITTLE HANDBOOK







We are delighted that you have selected  
our Bed & Breakfast for your stay

Edwin and I extend you a very warm welcome and trust  
your stay with us will be both enjoyable and comfortable.

In this booklet we hope to give you an insight into some  
of the interesting things (that we like to do!!) in the area  
and offer some detailed information as to what's going  
on around us...maybe you might consider paying some  
of them a visit. or have some suggestions of your own...  
just remember we are only 3 miles from Dartmoor  
and only 8 miles from the coast.

Don't hesitate to give us a shout if you want to discuss  
your proposed itinerary or need us to make any further  
suggestions...personally we just love to lounge around  
here and watch the wildlife!!

Cheers  
Mike & Edwin



# HILL HOUSE NURSERY & GARDENS

Address : Landscope, Ashburton, Devon, England, TQ13 7LY

Opening times : Daily. Open 11am to 5pm

Telephone : 01803 762 273

This is a family run Nursery with a range of over 3000 plants, some of which are well known and loved and others which are very rare and unusual. All are of high quality at very fair prices. There is an online mail order service at the web site. They have 3 acres of Nursery. In the old vicarage garden there is a tea room that is open from March to September, serving home made baking and Devon Cream Teas. **THIS IS THE BEST CREAM TEA EVER !!!!** The Nursery and garden are open to the public free of charge, all year, seven days a week from 11am to 5pm, except for a two week closure from Christmas Eve.





## SOUTH DEVON RAILWAY

South Devon Railway Trust,  
The Station, Buckfastleigh, Devon, England, TQ11 0DZ  
Telephone : 0843 357 1420 or 01364 644370

You can easily spend the whole day on the South Devon Railway because we're far more than a train ride!

The line, which is operated mainly by dedicated volunteers, runs for seven miles from Buckfastleigh to Totnes in South Devon along the stunning valley of the river Dart. The journey takes you through beautiful, unspoilt countryside rich in wildlife and well away from roads.

With a backdrop of Dartmoor and beautiful Devon hills, at Buckfastleigh they have a museum, historic steam and diesel locomotives and rolling stock, a play area, gardens, riverside walks, a picnic area and lots to see as well as Refreshment Rooms and Expressway model and gift shop with its new model railway.

next to it is Dartmoor Otters & Buckfast Butterflies exhibition The train pauses at Staverton, a wayside country station that takes you back to the days when life was slower and quieter. The station at Totnes has been built entirely from buildings and artifacts rescued from GWR stations all around the west. The award-winning Totnes Rare Breeds Farm is right next to our station.

Trains can be joined at Buckfastleigh, where there is ample free car parking, or at Totnes, which has a main line railway station and car parking in the town. Trains also stop at Staverton from where there are riverside walks to the pretty village with its pub and 14th century church. (there are great walks along the river Dart from here ..also the sea trout inn is a pretty good pub).



## BUCKFASTLEIGH

(for Dartmoor Otters & Buckfast Butterflies and Buckfast Abbey)

This is a small Devon town, with plenty of car and coach parking, Not bad as a place to wander but Ashburton is better with lots of nice antique shops. Buckfast Abbey is about 2 miles away.

Buckfastleigh is where most people start their journey for the steam railway. It is the headquarters of the steam railway and where you will find our steam locomotive depot and workshops. Around our 15 acre site, you will find; Museum, including the sole surviving genuine locomotive from Brunel's broad gauge, Tiny, Steam and diesel engines, Historic rolling stock, Landscaped gardens, Children's play area, Workshop with viewing gallery, Refreshment Rooms, serving hot and cold meals and snacks, Gift Shop, Expressway model shop, Riverside walk, Riverside picnic area, Buckfastleigh Miniature Railway\*, Dartmoor Otters & Buckfast Butterflies (separate admission or joint tickets available), Lee Moor Tramway museum\*.





## STAVERTON STATION

Staverton is a delightful, unspoilt country station that has remained largely unchanged for 100 years.

Staverton is typical small wayside station that served the nearby village as well as the adjoining mill and local farms, some of which used to produce Devon cider. If you have time, stop off here and take a walk and enjoy this tranquil spot.





## AGATHA CHRISTIE MANSION

*WE THINK THIS IS A BRILLIANT DAY OUT!!!*

Discover the extensive collections, relax in the tranquil gardens, and experience what Agatha Christie called the loveliest place in the world...its her former house. Greenway house and garden: 'the loveliest place in the world!'

Take an extraordinary glimpse into the beloved holiday home of the famous and much-loved author Agatha Christie and her family.

The relaxed and atmospheric house is set in the 1950s, when Agatha and her family would spend summers and Christmases here with friends, relaxing by the river, playing croquet and clock golf, and reading her latest mystery to their guests. The family were great collectors, and the house is filled with many of their collections, including archaeology, Tunbridgeware, silver, botanical china and books.







## IN THE GARDEN DON'T MISS:

- The large and romantic woodland which drifts down the hillside towards the sparkling Dart estuary
- The walled gardens, home to the restored peach house and vinery, as well as an allotment cared for by local school children
- The boathouse, scene of the crime in Dead Man's Folly, and the battery complete with canons

There are many different ways to get here, including ferry, vintage bus and steam train. If you'd like to arrive by car you must pre-book your parking space online or by telephone (01803 842382). ( a good way is to take the ferry from Dittisham)

*On busy days there may be timed entry to the house; we'll let you know upon arrival if this is the case.*





## GREENWAY FERRY FROM DITTISHAM

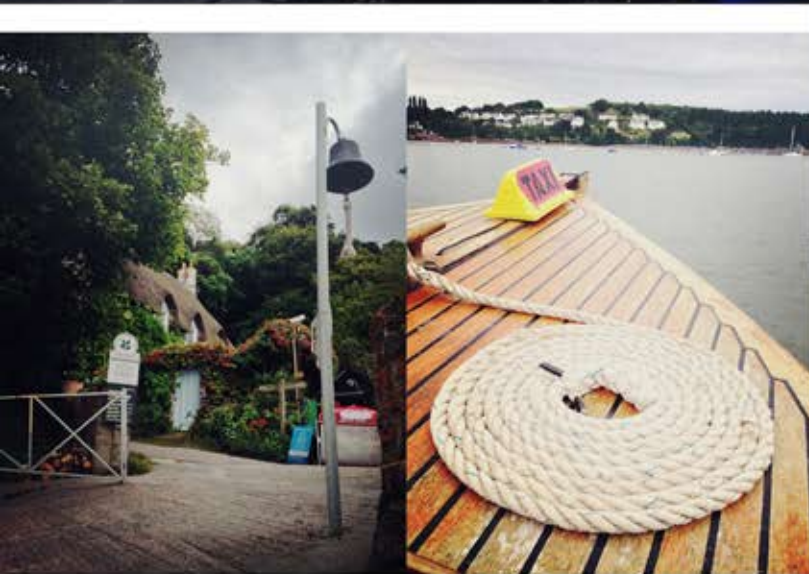
The quaint village of Dittisham has some of the river's most wonderful views. Enjoy a delicious pub lunch at the Ferry Boat Inn or visit the Anchorstone Café for some local fresh sea food. You can even hire a boat to explore the river and there is a quaint fishermans pub right on the water. There are many walks including the Dart Valley Trail, Greenway Walk and others. On the opposite side of the river at Greenway majestically stands Greenway House owned by the National Trust but previously owned by the Queen of Crime herself the late Dame Agatha Christie – a visit is a must to explore the Christie family collection or the interesting 2700 species of trees and wooded plants.

### DEPARTURE INFORMATION

Departs every day except Christmas Day :

*Ring the bell on either side of the river for service.*

(Set Satnav to Ham Lane, Dittisham)

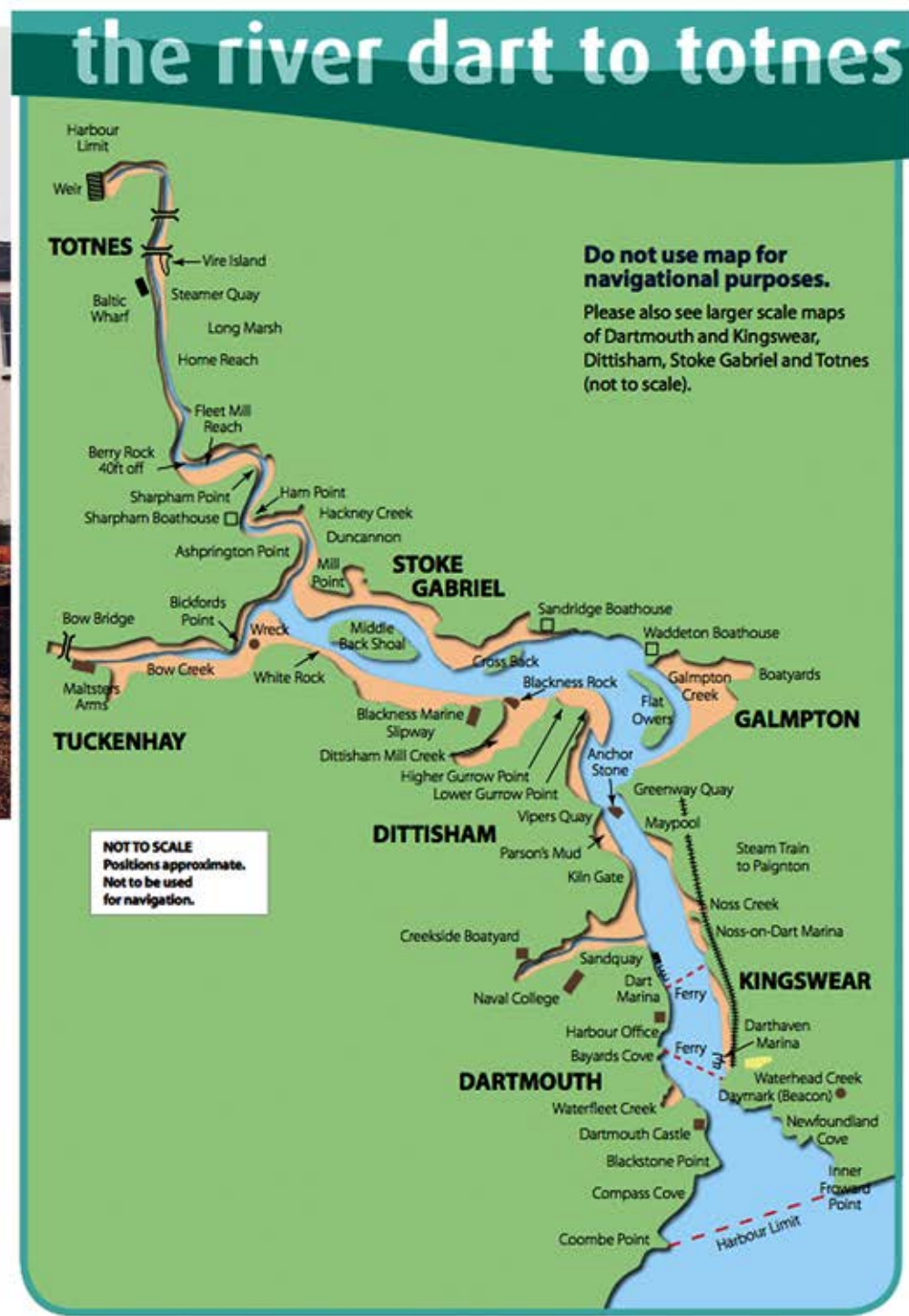




## FULL RIVER DART CRUISE FROM TOTNES & DARTMOUTH (3 HOURS)

*This full River Dart Cruise covers the navigational length from Dartmouth to Totnes or vice versa and operates two times most days.*

Dartmouth to Totnes Ferry also allows you to cruise up and down the beautiful River Dart. You can now join direct connection at Greenway and Dittisham (via connecting ferry) to board the boat for Totnes or Dartmouth or just stay on the boat and enjoy the astounding beauty of some of South Devons most spectacular countryside, including quaint little villages of Dittisham, Galmpton, Stoke Gabriel and the Sharpham Estate whilst receiving a jolly and interesting but non intrusive commentary from the skipper.





## LUSTLEIGH

LUSTLEIGH is a picturesque village with a good deal of excellent domestic buildings in granite of 16th to 18th century, with some "olde worlde" fabrications that followed the "discovery" of the village. The moorland scenery of the village is famous, especially at Lustleigh Cleave overhanging the beautiful little river Bovey.

Just across the stream from Lustleigh village is Wreyland, where Cecil Torr wrote his delightful three volumes of *Small Talk at Wreyland*, stories of gossip and talk about this part of Devonshire countryside during the space of a hundred years or so.

Becka Falls, is also a very popular beauty spot, near by on the Becka Brook, although this is actually in Manaton parish.

See more at: <http://www.devon.gov.uk/historiclustleigh>  
(A nicer route is to set Satnav to Haytor then Haytor to Lustleigh)



## KINGSWEAR TO DARTMOUTH

**...TAKE THE CAR FERRY ACROSS THE WATER!!**

Kingsbridge lies across the water from Dartmouth, and to-day's Kingsbridge is actually made up of two medieval towns of Kingsbridge and Dodbrooke.

The site is at the head of a five mileria, a flooded river valley system caused by sea level rises after the melting of ice caps at the end of the Ice Age. Kingsbridge was first mentioned in an Anglo-Saxon charter dated 962, has been a market town since 1219 when the monks from Buckfast Abbey set up an open-air market selling honey, scones and cream. Ever since, Kingsbridge has been considered as the 'capital' of South Hams, and the market tradition continues every tuesday and saturday.





## DARTMOUTH

Situated on the River Dart in Devon's South Hams, Dartmouth is a thriving town, with its narrow streets, overhanging medieval houses and old quays a haven for yachtsmen and visiting tourists alike, offering fine restaurants, galleries, marinas, antique shops.

Famous for its Regattas there is a massive Naval college there...well worth a visit.





## DITTISHAM

The very essence of an English village, Dittisham lies in an area of Devon known as the South Hams. A place of rolling hills and river valleys, small villages and farmland, The South Hams is an area of outstanding natural beauty. Dittisham is a jewel in this area. Sitting on the western bank of the river Dart and at its widest part Dittisham is only three miles up river from Dartmouth. It is a place of peace and tranquillity, a place to sit and watch the boats bob quietly on the water, a place to relax.



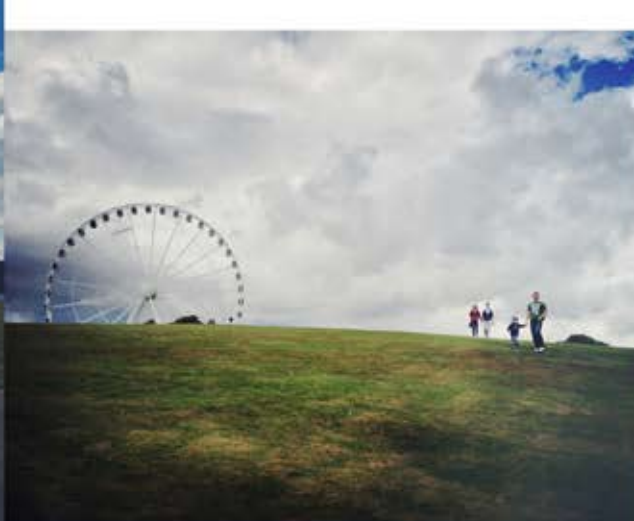
## TOTNES

The ancient borough of Totnes enjoys a Totnes was voted the 17th most "eclectic town in England" ..mainly because it has an artsy fartsy hippy kinda culture

The ancient borough of Totnes enjoys a prominent position above the River Dart. The town is one of Devon's gems; full of both colour and character, that stems from a rich cultural, historical and archaeological heritage. It is the second oldest borough in England, and is full of interesting diversions for the visitor - museums, a riverside with steamer quay, an ancient Guildhall and Church, a Norman Castle and the North and East Gates. The town is an architectural feast to those interested in historic buildings - with fine examples of properties dating back to Norman, Medieval and Tudor times. The name Totnes derives from the Saxon for a fort or lookout on a ridge. The town is known to have been a fortified Saxon settlement, built to protect the upper reaches of the river from Viking raiding parties.



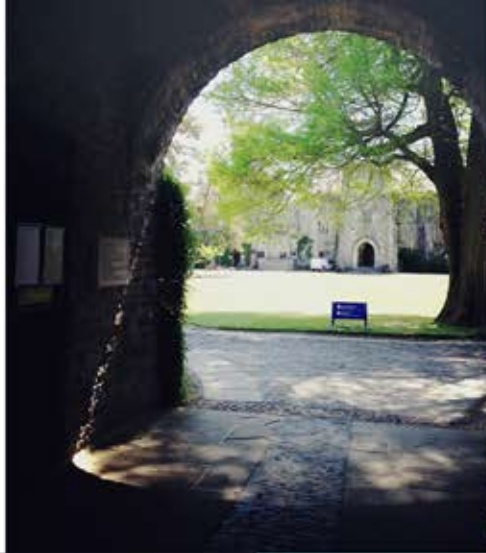




**PLYMOUTH**  
Discover Plymouth, a vibrant waterfront city, with a wealth of attractions and activities for the whole family to enjoy; a city set amidst some of England's most glorious countryside, where a rich maritime heritage meets the bustle of modern commerce, and where a popular holiday centre turns, at night, into a glittering city of entertainment and culture.

Plymouth Sound is a beautiful spot with great walks and views across the bay





## DARTINGTON HALL GARDEN

Address : Dartington, Devon, England, TQ9 6EL  
Opening times : All year, Daily, Open dawn to dusk  
Admission : By donation (£2+)

**Gardenvisit Editorial**  
A medieval house with a twentieth century garden set within a 1,000 acre estate. Beatrix Farrand, the famous American garden designer, designed the courtyard (1933-8). Percy Cane designed the glade, the azalea dell and a handsome flight of steps (1945). The tilt yard is surrounded by steep grass terraces.





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SALCOMBE  
NORTH SANDS BEACH





## SALCOMBE AND HOPE COVE

Salcombe, the beautiful holiday destination for all age groups. Salcombe is located in the most southerly part of Devon surrounded by picturesque villages, magnificent coastal scenery and stunning beaches. Walking the coastal footpath, sailing in the estuary, or enjoying a leisurely ferry trip there are always plenty of activities





## HOPE COVE

Hope Cove is a beautiful coastal sanctuary, once a favorite haunt for smugglers, now a charming holiday destination.

The picturesque fishing village of Hope Cove is two villages in one - Outer and Inner Hope. At Inner Hope there is a collection of cob or stone cottages, thatch galore, around a tiny square. The windows are bright with geraniums and you need to bow your head to enter the cottages.

The village of Hope Cove nestles in the shelter of Bolt Tail in the curve of Bigbury Bay. With its charming thatched cottages, clean sandy beaches, and peaceful, relaxed atmosphere, Hope Cove offers the ideal holiday retreat. There are miles of delightful and varied scenery along this rugged Heritage Coastline. There is a nice walk from Hope Cove to Port Light which has a nice pub that serves basic but good seafood out on the Headland. Telephone: 01548561384





# SUGGESTED ACTIVITIES

THESE ARE A FEW PLACES THAT WE HAVE VISITED OR ARE RECOMMENDED TO US...

## ADVENTURE CLYDESDALE

### DAILY RIDES

We are surrounded on Dartmoor by magnificent scenery full of the wonderful heritage of the South West of England, going back at least 4½ thousand years. Coupled with this we have fascinating natural history and landscape which cries out for interpretation. Not only will you ride out on a very special horse but you will have your own unique guided tour of the surroundings.

As we are a small business, with relatively small ride groups we can afford to be quite flexible with what we can offer. Rides are from novice to experienced riders and having spoken with you we will only book you on the type of ride which is within your capabilities and fulfils your expectations.

Please note that we have a weight limit of 16 stone for the shorter rides and 14.5 stone for the long rides, for the welfare of our horses.

[www.adventureclydesdale.com](http://www.adventureclydesdale.com)



## BENCH TOR

Leaving the car park to the South of Venford Reservoir, follow the higher track that leads along the length of Bench Tor. As you rise upwards, Dartmoor opens up before you with the appropriately named Sharp Tor directly in front and numerous other peaks appearing in all directions. The gorse flowers are now bright yellow and the bracken and trees are just beginning to turn. From the Northern end of Bench Tor follow a steep path down to the River Dart, which flows in a deep wooded valley and cascades over large rocks, with long, slower flowing stretches in between. Even at this time of year it is still not too cold to jump in for an exhilarating dip. Then work your way up the track alongside the fast flowing Venford Brook and back to the reservoir. Finish off with a cream tea or a pint in the nearby village of Holne.



## BIGBURY ON SEA

Located in an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, Bigbury on Sea beach is dusted with sand and lapped by shallow waters, the beach offers safe fun for groups. In addition, Bigbury on Sea beach is dotted with rock pools, so there's plenty of creepy-crawly entertainment for budding marine biologists. While this beach is popular with families, there are a number of facilities and activities available if you're seeking a bit more excitement on your holiday.

There's a wide and varied selection of water sports available to visitors who prefer their holidays to feature a little adrenaline rush. If you want to try something different from the usual bodyboarding or surfing then windsurfing and kite-surfing are gaining popularity here, with hire facilities located right on the beach. To give you some peace of mind, there are lifeguards present at Bigbury on Sea beach during May to September and the beach also has a first-aid room.

## BURGH ISLAND

Bigbury's most famous landmark is Burgh Island, which overlooks the beach itself. The island is accessible at low tide, when the waters reveal a causeway that links it to the beach. However, when the tide is in you can still reach the island by hitching a ride on the popular and unique 'sea tractor'.

Bigbury on Sea beach has good facilities including a café that specialises in selling organic and local food. Its 'surf 'n' turf' is one of the best in the area and makes good use of locally sourced ingredients to create a delicious platter that everyone will enjoy, or close by is the **OYSTER SHACK** specializing in tantalizing fresh seafood. Booking is a must to avoid disappointment : 01548 810876 [www.oystershack.co.uk](http://www.oystershack.co.uk)



## CANOEING ON SOUTH DEVON'S BEAUTIFUL RIVERS

Winding River Canoe specialises in guided canoe trips in beautiful locations. The aim of these trips is to give you an adventure in nature; a break from your busy life, to relax and go slow, and time to experience the magic of the river world and the natural beauty it has to offer.

The trips are suited for all ages and abilities and most people who come are novices. Your guide will teach you the basics so that you will soon be paddling in a straight-ish line.

We use Canadian canoes which can each take 2-4 people depending on the size of the person. Small children always paddle with an adult. You will need to be able to swim 25metres. All equipment including life-jacket is provided.

[www.windingrivercanoe.co.uk](http://www.windingrivercanoe.co.uk)

## ANCHORSTONE PICNIC BOAT

'Elberry' named after the beautiful cove on the South Devon coast is fully insured and licensed by the MCA and Local Authority to carry up to 12 passengers. A 1960's Berry Brothers 30ft launch built from oak and iroko and fitted with a fully weather proof cover is the perfect mixture of comfort both old and new. With a fully heated dining area, toilet and alcohol license we can offer you the perfect cruising environment.

### PICK-UP LOCATIONS

Pick-Up Locations are available in Dittisham, Dartmouth, Kingswear and Blackness Marine. We can also offer collections from Totnes, Tuckenhay and Stoke Gabriel depending on tidal restrictions.





# SOME RESTAURANT RECOMMENDATIONS

THESE ARE A FEW PLACES  
THAT WE HAVE VISITED OR  
ARE RECOMMENDED TO US

## ANCHOR STONE CAFE

Telephone : 01803 722365  
Address: Manor Street,  
Dittisham, Dartmouth  
TQ6 0EX

The Anchorstone Café offers a fantastic local menu including seafood and great wines. Boasting one of the Uks most amazing panoramic views across the River Dart from our outside terrace or inside restaurant . We are open throughout the summer season and specialise in great seafood lunches including crab, lobster, mussels, and oysters

## THE CLEAVE

Telephone : 01647 277223  
Address: Lustleigh,  
Devon TQ13 9TJ

Thatched and dating back to the 15th century, The Cleave sits at the heart of the idyllic village of Lustleigh, in the hills of the Dartmoor National Park. We're easy to find – just one mile off the A382, the main Bovey Tracey to Moretonhampstead road.

## THE COTT INN

Telephone : 01803 863777  
Address: Dartington, Totnes,  
Devon, TQ9 6HE

General Enquires:  
mark@cottinn.co.uk

Set in the charming village of Dartington, this historic, thatched-roof inn dates from 1320.

It has an atmospheric upscale restaurant with a seasonal menu that features wood-beamed ceilings and stone walls, and has proved very popular with our guests. It also has live music every Sunday if you fancy a night out.

## THE STEAM PACKET INN

Telephone : 01803 863880  
Address: St Peters Quay, Totnes, Devon, TQ9 5EW  
Situated right on the banks of the river Dart & just five minutes walk from the centre of the historic town of Totnes, where you will find a warm and friendly welcome, a great selection of wines, beers and spirits and mouth watering and tempting menus.

## THE COPPA DOLLA INN

Telephone : 01803 812455  
Address: Broadhempston,  
Totnes TQ9 6BD

The CoppaDolla is at the centre of the tranquil village of Broadhempston, nestled in the valley of the River Hem.

Home of the "2 in 1" Pie, our lovely old Inn provides a warm welcome and good honest home cooked English food. ( no chips /fries sold here)

Traditional country pub atmosphere, open log fires, rustic furnishing and a large beer garden located in stunning surroundings.

## LIVE & LET LIVE

Telephone : 08714 329005  
Address: Landscope,  
Newton Abbot, Devon  
TQ13 7LZ

An intimate (basic) country pub with good home cooked food. Always a warm welcome. (mention to Bob you are from Tidwell and he will take care of you) There is a decked area for those balmy summer evenings and warm summers day lunches (if we ever get them). Sunday lunches from 12 - 2.30pm.

## THE ORANGE TREE

Telephone : 01803 213936  
Address: 14-16 Parkhill  
Road, Torquay, Devon  
TQ1 2AL

Tucked away just a few steps from Torquay harbour, The Orange Tree is regarded as one of Torbay's finest restaurants, offering relaxed dining within a welcoming and friendly atmosphere. Open Tuesday - Saturday from 7pm. Closed Sundays and Mondays

## THE ELEPHANT

Telephone : 01803 213936  
Address: 3 & 4 Beacon Terrace, Torquay, Devon TQ1 2BH  
The Elephant is a two storey restaurant with the more informal brasserie on the ground floor and the Michelin starred, The Room on the first. (Please note that The Room is only open during the Summer season). The Elephant was the first restaurant in Torquay to be awarded a Michelin star which it maintains today. We aim to source all our ingredients locally, many from our dedicated farm in Brixham.

## THE MALTSTERS ARMS

Telephone : 01803 732350  
Address: Tuckenhay  
Totnes, Devon  
TQ9 7EQ

You'll find The Maltsters Arms hidden away on the banks of Bow Creek, in the picturesque hamlet of Tuckenhay, beautiful South Devon. The views from our wide quay are incredible whatever the time of day, or season. Across the water the steep wooded banks are rich with flora and fauna, a nature lover's paradise.

## RIVERFORD

Telephone : 01803 762074  
Address: Buckfastleigh,  
Devon, TQ11 0JU  
(Booking is required,  
Open every day for lunch and  
most evenings for supper.)

RIVER FORD -  
(travel time 10mins)  
...this is the famous organic producer who supplies all those little expensive veggie boxes to "londonites" ..not gourmet food but great place to walk around the farm ...probably a good lunch option in the winter

## THE SEA HORSE

Telephone : 01803 835147  
Address: 5 South  
Embankment, Dartmouth  
TQ6 9BH

The Sea Horse specializes in seafood and is situated on the banks of the River Dart in Dartmouth. Fish and shellfish in the world landed here much of which is cooked over an open charcoal fire. In addition to full menu we offer a 2 course menu for £20 which is served at lunchtimes Wednesday - Sunday lunch and until 7.00 in the evening excluding Saturday night.

## WATERSIDE BISTRO

Telephone : 01364 654011  
Address: The Plains, Totnes  
TQ9 5YS

The Waterside Bistro provides Totnes with a continental style cafe bar right in the heart of town with views across the river Dart from the outdoor patio area.

The perfect retreat for coffee lunch or dinner and brought to you by the French English partnership of Matt and DelphineBuzzo.

Passionate about fresh local ingredients, the menu reflects the abundant seasonal produce and a specials board with a great choice of fresh fish.



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