

## NATIONAL TRUST DAY OUT



### Bovey Castle

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**North Bovey, Moretonhampstead, Devon, TQ13 8RE**  
**Tel: 01647 445000**

The five red star Bovey Castle is history, excitement, glamour and adventure. Where else can you wear your Hunter Wellies at 8am, Golf Spikes at 3pm and Manolo Blahniks for dinner. But while we offer our guests luxury and indulgence, this is not a stuffy hotel where you can't sit on the furniture or let your kids enjoy themselves. Immerse yourself in the luxuriously appointed décor, and outstanding service, challenge yourself on our championship golf course, relax in the holistic spa, experience the vast array of activities available and indulge your taste buds with the superb food and outstanding wine list. Bovey Castle is a place where you can live out your dreams, then put your feet up.



### Finch Foundry

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**Sticklepath, Okehampton, Devon, EX20 2NW**  
**Tel: 01837 840046**

#### Car Park not suitable for coaches.

Set amidst beautiful Dartmoor countryside in the village of Sticklepath, this last remaining water-powered forge in England, gives a unique insight into village life in the 19th-century. In its heyday the foundry made 400 tools a day including sickles, scythes and shovels for West Country farmers and miners. Demonstrations of the machinery every hour.

Our tearoom overlooks the River Taw and steeply wooded moorland. Enjoy a cream tea in our beautiful garden or have a look in our shop for a special keepsake to take home.



### Lydford Gorge

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**The Stables, Lydford Gorge, Lydford, Devon, EX20 4BH**  
**Tel: 01822 820320**

#### Parking and Tea Room.

The combination of geology, water and climate change has created the deepest river gorge in the south west providing a truly breathtaking experience which has been enjoyed since Victorian times.

The steep sided wooded gorge hidden on the western fringe of Dartmoor inspires many myths and legends and no wonder with features such as the 30-metre Whitelady waterfall and the turbulent pot hole called the Devil's Cauldron.

You can explore the gorge with a choice of adventurous walks from one to three miles. Throughout the seasons there is an abundance of wildlife and plants to see, from woodland birds to wild garlic in the spring and fungi in the autumn.

There are car parks and tea-rooms at either end of gorge. The shop sells a range of outdoor clothing including walking boots, as well as books, art and delicious local food.

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## HISTORY & HERITAGE

### Tavistock-Yelverton-Princetown



### Moorland Garden Hotel & Wildflower Restaurant

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**Moorland Garden Hotel, Yelverton, Devon, PL20 6DA**  
**Tel: 01822 852 245**

Located in 'War Horse' country, on the edge of Dartmoor National Park, just minutes away from Plymouth city centre, Tavistock and close to the border with Cornwall, we are the place to be for dining, leisure, business, weddings and special occasions.

Nestling in nine acres of stunning and tranquil moorland garden, our four suites are luxurious and tastefully decorated, our en-suite bedrooms are comfortable and well equipped and our hotel and event teams are friendly and helpful.



### Morning outing & Lunch Buckland Abbey

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**Yelverton, Devon, PL20 6EY**  
**Tel: 01822 853607**

#### Groups Welcome.

When you visit Buckland, you follow over 700 years of footsteps; from the Cistercians who built the Abbey and farmed the estate, to seafarers Grenville and Drake who changed the shape of the house and the fate of the country.

The Abbey is part museum, part house, and filled with treasures such as the legendary Drake's Drum. There's no mistaking the magnificence of the Great Barn, which has remained virtually unchanged since it was built all those centuries ago.

You'll discover meadows, orchards and woodlands where you can enjoy far-reaching views of the Tavy Valley. Our way-marked trails are a riot of colour through the seasons, with an unmissable carpet of bluebells in spring.



### Afternoon St Michael and All Angels' Church

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**Tavistock Road, Princetown, Devon, PL20 6RE**  
**Tel: 0117 9291766**

A historic Dartmoor church built by prisoners of war...

This simple, slender-towered moorland church was built between 1812-14 by prisoners captured in the Napoleonic Wars and the War of 1812 with the United States and held at nearby Dartmoor Prison.

In a location once described as 'unquestionably the bleakest place in Devon', the church stands 436 metres above sea level in a wild and fascinating churchyard and looks out across open moorland.

The stunning stained and painted East Window depicts the life of Christ and was donated to the church in memory of the American prisoners who helped to build it.

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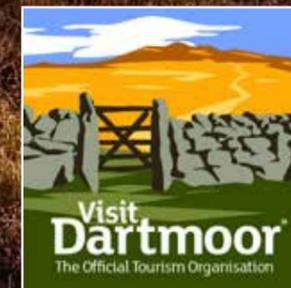
## Dartmoor for Group Travel!

Situated in the south west of England, right in the very heart of Devon, Dartmoor is an ancient landscape of stunning views, awe inspiring granite tors, deep wooded valleys with fast flowing rivers, and rugged, wide open spaces.

Steeped in history, with a huge number of archaeological places of interest such as ancient stone rows and bronze age settlements, Dartmoor also offers visitors the opportunity to enjoy absolute peace and quiet, time to sit watching our herds of beautiful wild ponies with their enchanting foals where they have roamed free for 4000 years.

We have developed a series of itineraries, something for everyone!

Our hotels are second to none, nothing is too much trouble as on Dartmoor we care deeply about our visitors. Wonderful country hotels with superb, locally produced food prepared by world class chefs.



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## ARTS & CRAFTS on DARTMOOR



### The Edgemoor Country House Hotel & Restaurant

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**Haytor Road, Bovey Tracey, Devon, TQ13 9LE  
Tel: 01626 832466**

The Edgemoor Hotel a family-owned, dog friendly country house hotel located on the boundary of the Dartmoor National Park, South Devon. Built in the 1870s, and once Bovey Tracey Grammar School.

The hotel has since undergone substantial tasteful renovation and now features a mixture of both traditional and contemporary style interiors. Each one of our 17 rooms are full of heart-warming character, with space to unwind and enjoy quiet comforts like luxurious bedding, en-suite, and a place to curl up with a book.

Enjoy the delights of a Devon cream tea the Old School Tea Rooms or dine in cozy ambiance either in the dining room or bar.



### MORNING VISIT & Lunch The Devon Guild of Craftsmen & Restaurant

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**Riverside Mill, Fore Street, Bovey Tracey, Devon, TQ13 9AF Tel: 01626 832223**

Riverside Mill houses the largest contemporary crafts venue in the South West, with galleries, craft shop and popular café with terrace views. Entry is free. The shop displays a wide variety of hand-made crafts including ceramics, jewellery, textiles, furniture, prints and woodwork by its 240 local Guild Members. The exhibition galleries hold a regularly changing programme featuring exciting work by contemporary designer-makers from all over the UK. As an educational charity, the Guild runs a wide outreach programme teaching crafts in schools, through residencies and workshops. It also offers professional development, mentoring and networking for makers.

Adjacent public parking. Flat entranceway, one dedicated parking space for disabled badge owners, with lift to first floor café and wide aisles throughout.



### AFTERNOON VISIT & TEA House of Marbles & Restaurant

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**Pottery Road, Bovey Tracey, Newton Abbot, Devon, TQ13 9DS Tel: 01626 835285**

**With a nod to the past and an eye on the future.**

At House of Marbles and Teign Valley Glass we have been manufacturing our unusual range of games, toys, marbles and glassware since 1973. Visitors to our beautiful Devon site can enjoy museums of glass, games, marbles and pottery. Watch exciting glassblowing, see marvelous marble runs and browse our beautiful shops. Have fun in the games garden and indulge in a hot drink and cake, breakfast, lunch or afternoon tea in our fully licensed restaurant. With lots of free parking and free entry, a visit to us is perfect whatever the weather and for all ages.

## CASTLE & GARDEN



### Ilsington Country House Hotel & Restaurant

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**Ilsington, Bovey Tracey, Devon, TQ13 9RR Tel: 01364 661452**

The Ilsington Country House Hotel, situated in 10 acres of its own land, perched high on the rolling hills of the Dartmoor National Park in Devon, offers spectacular views of Haytor. At the family owned Ilsington, you'll find all the warmth and charm of an English country house, combined with friendly service and attention to detail. All our rooms offer a spectacular panoramic view of the outstanding moorland scenery, which changes with every passing season. The Ilsington Hotel prides itself on its award winning Restaurant, which serves local fare and classic dishes featuring fresh market produce. There is also our on-site pub 'The Blue Tiger Inn' which serves fantastic food in a more informal atmosphere with a large sun terrace during the warmer months.



### Castle Drogo

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**Drewsteignton, Devon, EX6 6PB Tel: 01647 433306**

Castle Drogo is situated high above the Teign Gorge. It was designed by Sir Edwin Lutyens for self-made millionaire

Julius Drewe. It looks ancient, but this remarkable building was only constructed 100 years ago, the last castle ever built in England. From the beginning it has suffered from water penetration and is now undergoing a 6-year conservation project that will last until 2018 to make it watertight.

Inside you can explore the castle's refreshed layout, with rooms redisplayed with installations and precious treasures displayed in new ways.

Outside stroll around the formal gardens or explore the Teign Valley with its ancient gorge, teeming with wildlife.

Or recharge at the café with a traditional Devon cream tea or tuck into a slice of cake.



### Stone Lane Gardens & Mythic Garden Sculpture Exhibition

[www.visitdartmoor.co.uk/things-to-do/stone-lane-gardens-and-mythic-garden-sculpture-exhibition-p128353](http://www.visitdartmoor.co.uk/things-to-do/stone-lane-gardens-and-mythic-garden-sculpture-exhibition-p128353)

**Stone Farm, Chagford, Devon, TQ13 8JU Tel: 01647 231311**

Good Parking. Open all year. Spectacular 5-acre woodland and water garden that enchants and inspires in every season, renowned for National Collections of Birch and Alder trees and home to the annual Mythic Garden Sculpture Exhibition. The garden is threaded with pools and streams, while gleaming tree bark in a myriad of shades is enhanced and complemented by a varied tapestry of shade-loving plants. A delight for all ages to visit at any time of year. Winner of BBC Gardeners' World magazine 'Gardens to Visit' in the South West, 2010 and described as "One of the most inspiring National Collections in the country" by The Daily Telegraph.

## ACTIVE DARTMOOR MINI-BREAK



### Elfordleigh Hotel Golf & Leisure

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**Colebrook, Plymouth, Devon, PL7 5EB Tel: 01752 336428  
Golf. Swimming. Gym.**

The Elfordleigh Hotel offers the peace, calm and tranquility of an English country house with the warmth, ease and charm of a privately owned hotel. The hotel is set in 100 acres of glorious park and woodland, with an 18-hole golf course, gym and spa facilities. The hotel is perfectly positioned for exploring the timeless elegance of Devon and Dartmoor yet only minutes away from the heart of Plymouth. Whether on business or taking a short break you are welcome at Elfordleigh.

Hotel guests have free use of the indoor heated pool, sauna, steam room, Jacuzzi and fully equipped gym. Most of the leisure team are personal trainers to encourage the best workout, always willing to offer help and advice.



### Devon Cycling Holidays

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**Bittern Road, Sowton Industrial Estate, Exeter, Devon, EX2 7LW Tel: 01392 271426**

**Bespoke cycle tours arranged for Dartmoor & Devon. Pick up from Hotel.**

Discover Devon and all that the county has to offer by including cycling in your holiday. Take in the coastal views of the Exe Estuary trail, a trip on Devon's Coast to Coast ride or discover dynamic Dartmoor with us. We have a selection of fantastic multi day tours, short breaks, weekend tours and self-led rides through out Devon with one thing in common. Our breaks all include the friendly advice and support of local cycling experts that want you to love Devon as much as they do.



### Plym's Old Lines - Walk

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**Plym Valley Railway, Plymouth, Devon**

**Distance: 5 miles easy walk. Start/End point: Plym Valley Railway (Grid Ref: SX522568).**

This route is quite easy & suitable for all. Along the route there are woodland and riverside paths, and disused railway track. Short road section. One short ascent and descent. This route should take the average walker roughly 2 - 3 hours.

The lower Plym Valley, with its woodland walks and riverside paths, lies right on Plymouth's doorstep. Yet it is hidden from the city, and offers wonderful views of Dartmoor.

This walk includes the industrial remains of the Tavistock Railway and its viaducts, a tramway that used granite sleepers, and a quarry complete with engine house.

It also offers the chance to study peregrine falcons. Choose spring, when the peregrines nest and the woods burst into colour with anemones and bluebells.

**Theme:** City, Country, Heritage **Special Interest:** Birdwatching, Nature, Historical, Wildlife **Area:** Plymouth, South Devon - South Hams.

Relevant maps/guides: Explorer OL20, Landranger 201.

Facilities along route: There are many refreshment opportunities in Plympton and Plymouth, and also public toilets at the start.