Visit Dartmoor
The Official Destination Guide 2016

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Neolithic and Bronze Age villages
War Horse “We bought a Zoo”
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Wild Ponies

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There was a time that Dartmoor was promoted as a vast wilderness, prone to thick mists rolling across without warning, dotted with deep mires and craggy granite tors, alive with legends and strange happenings.

No longer, although of course all that does still exist!

Now we see it as a magical, enchanting playground for adults and children alike, full of glorious wide open spaces where the word freedom really does have some meaning.

Whether you enjoy walking with the family, exploring the rivers and woodlands, watching the wild ponies, cycling the many miles of superb trails or simply sitting quietly listening to skylarks and buzzards, there is, quite simply, something for everyone.

Enhance your life. Get out on Dartmoor. We have a wealth of superb accommodation, wonderful food to eat, and exciting things to do, even on the rainy days!
DID YOU KNOW
Recent research has confirmed Dartmoor as being the single, largest unbroken area of relative tranquillity in southern England!

WAR HORSE - THE MOVIE
I have never before, in my long and eclectic career, been gifted with such an abundance of natural beauty as I experienced filming War Horse on Dartmoor .. And, with two-and-a-half-weeks of extensive coverage of landscapes and skies, I hardly scratched the surface of the visual opportunities that were offered to me.

Film Director, Steven Spielberg
Family Fun

Taking the children on holiday, finding activities that are suitable, attractions they will enjoy, a safe and fun place to stay... these are all issues every parent faces.

But here on Dartmoor there are farms where the little ones can help collect eggs, pet baby animals and enjoy being hands on with animals they’d not normally come across. There is unlimited space for the children to run around, woods to explore, rocks for a mini-climb, streams to splash in and wild ponies with their foals to watch, entranced.

Maybe you want to experience life in Victorian times in a working museum, visit the miniature ponies, take a trip on a steam train, or explore a castle; whatever your requirements, we have something for all the family on Dartmoor.

Child friendly hotels and even child friendly camping where baby sitting is on offer; experienced play leaders can amuse the kids in specialised areas, with organised games and lots of fun to help them run off their excess energy and make new friends.

We have Activity Providers who specialise in children’s activities, everything from archery, climbing, riding to gorge scrambling!

Above all we hope that your trip to Dartmoor is fun, enjoyable, fascinating and restful. Bring the family, it’s fun!

www.visitdartmoor.co.uk/things-to-do/attractions/family-attractio
Where else can you walk wherever you want and find a piece of history at almost every step? And it’s beautiful too!

Inga Page,
*Dartmoor Walks and Rides*

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Dartmoor is accessible for everyone to enjoy, regardless of whether you are a top athlete, a family with small children, have impaired mobility or less physical ability than you would like.

There are trails that can be enjoyed in a wheelchair or on a Tramper, which are available to rent at locations like South West Mobility, Devon Cycle Hire and National Trust at Parke in Bovey Tracey.

Organisations such as Disabled Ramblers run a series of guided rambles for the less mobile in Dartmoor National Park.

www.visitdartmoor.co.uk/visitor-info/dartmoor-access-for-all

Child friendly Dartmoor

Children will love the visitor centre at Princetown, with its interactive displays and dress up activities!

A huge number of accommodation providers go out of their way to make children welcome, with special play areas and equipment.

There are hundreds of places on the moor, in the woodlands and beside streams and rivers where children can play safely, enjoy a picnic and be enchanted by the wild ponies.

www.visitdartmoor.co.uk/accommodation/friendly-accommodation/child-friendly-accommodation

www.visitdartmoor.co.uk/food-and-drink/child-friendly-places-to-eat

Dog friendly Dartmoor

Whether you choose to follow old railway tracks, well-worn paths that lead to Dartmoor’s most iconic tors, or grab a map to go exploring, a day on the moors with your dog is fun.

Lots of dog friendly places to eat on Dartmoor, cafes, pubs and hotels that don’t mind muddy paws (often with a treat for your dog), and a range of dog friendly accommodation who will make your canine friend welcome.

Responsible owners are asked to enjoy Dartmoor whilst keeping their dogs under close control at all times, and being mindful of the moor code of conduct, which can be found on our website, as there are sheep, wild ponies and cattle grazing all over Dartmoor!

www.visitdartmoor.co.uk/visitor-info/dog-friendly
Delicious Dartmoor

Landscape creates communities, and the diverse terrain of Dartmoor National Park is home to some of the best local produce in the UK. Almost everything about this last wilderness has been decreed by its terrain; from the hardy cattle grazing all year on the high moors, to the mineral-rich Dartmoor spring water from the soft verdant valleys.

We love our food on Dartmoor - and so we should. We pride ourselves on supplying some of the finest produce in the world. Our rolling wild landscape reflects freshness, quality and variety. Fresh and local are two words you’ll often hear to describe the food available here today. There’s meat, fresh from the moors around Princetown, fish, fresh from the trout farm at Tavistock, and fruit and vegetables picked early morning in the verdant fields around the villages.

We’re also pretty good at cooking. Having great ingredients helps, but on Dartmoor you’ll discover innovative cookery by award-winning chefs using quality local produce and you can even learn to cook at one of the UK’s top cookery schools here in Ashburton. Our producers sell at farmers markets, as well as in local shops and farm-gate sales. Wherever you visit on Dartmoor you will see evidence of our ancient traditions on our unique landscape still being used today in our humane farming methods.

Stella West Harling M.B.E.

www.visitdartmoor.co.uk/food-and-drink

Nick Smith, Home Farm Cafe, Parke

Dartmoor and it’s amazing heritage helped us unlock our passion for great local produce... all we see now are smiles on faces.

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Walking for Pleasure

Walking is good for your body, mind and soul, and where better to do it than amongst some of the most stunning, magical landscapes in the world.

Authors such as Sir Arthur Conan-Doyle (of the Hounds of the Baskervilles and Sherlock Holmes fame) have brought Dartmoor to life with their stories of myth and legend, this is just one of the reasons which bring thousands of visitors every year to enjoy over 360 square miles of beautiful countryside.

Dartmoor really can provide a walking destination to suit all abilities and ages. You don’t need to be an expert navigator or Royal Marine to enjoy a glorious stroll amongst the tors and streams!

The majority of visitors who come to enjoy a short stroll can walk within sight of car parks and information centres as well as the safety of nearby villages, whilst still having the opportunity to climb up to high places and wonder at panoramic views of faraway places.

The moors are also home to some great cycle tracks and family footpaths which are pushchair-friendly and easy to follow as well as allowing less active visitors using mobility scooters the opportunity to still manage a safe experience.

Nature watchers can delight in an array of birds, mammals and flowers; whilst children can be safely allowed to explore nearby round house remains of prehistoric man and their monuments. Self-guided walks and books are available from the National Park information centres and you can also enjoy guided walks by joining in on the walks programme of Moorland Guides.
DID YOU KNOW

Walking for Pleasure

www.visitdartmoor.co.uk/things-to-do/walking/walking-tours-and-audio-walks
www.visitdartmoor.co.uk/visitor-info/dartmoor-access-for-all
www.visitdartmoor.co.uk/things-to-do/walking/circular-walks
www.visitdartmoor.co.uk/visitor-info/dartmoor-national-park

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Paws on the Moors

With miles and miles of moorland to play with, it’s no surprise that Dartmoor is a hugely popular place for our four-legged friends.

Whether you choose to follow old railway tracks, well-worn paths that lead to Dartmoor’s most iconic Tors, or grab a map or guided walk guide and go exploring with your dog, you can be assured that a dog friendly day on the moors is fun and enjoyable for all the family.

There is a wide variety of dog friendly places to eat, drink and stay on Dartmoor. From the cafes, pubs and hotels that welcome muddy paws and muddy boots (quite often with a doggy treat for your best pal available), to the range of dog friendly accommodation including bed and breakfasts, cottages, farms and hotels, whether you’re visiting for a day or staying for a week, you can be assured that Dartmoor welcomes both you and your dog.

As Doggy Devon liker, Louise, says “Stanley and I find walking on Dartmoor our very favourite thing to do with the freedom to run, jump, climb, paddle and admire the amazing scenery around us.”

Well behaved dogs are welcome on Dartmoor throughout the year, but to ensure dog friendly Dartmoor, remains just that, dog friendly, responsible owners are asked to enjoy Dartmoor whilst being mindful of the moor code of conduct.

Keep your dog under close control at all times, to ensure there is no possibility that it can chase or frighten livestock at any time of year.

Dogs must be on leads during the nesting season March - July.

Claire Doyle. Doggy Devon.

www.visitdartmoor.co.uk/visitor-info/dog-friendly
Climbing on Dartmoor

“Climbing is what I do.” Anatoli Boukreev

Dartmoor has some of the finest climbing spots. Fact. The granite tors protruding from the earth provide the perfect playground for those of a spiderman disposition. Or maybe endurance is more your thing; trekking out across the moor with only your compass, map and bivvi for company. Dartmoor can be hardcore, so make the most of it.

The tors offer excellent climbing and bouldering for all abilities from the very beginner to the truly awesome expert. And there is enough space in this wonderful wilderness to climb alone or as part of a group.

But where to climb?

Well, Dartmoor has many climbing and bouldering spots to be explored but recommended are:

Haytor area, Fur Tor, Foggintor, Bonehill Rocks, East Mill Tor and Dewerstone. It is worth checking out the British Mountaineering Council’s website for a comprehensive list. www.thebmc.co.uk

Dartmoor is a protected landscape with many rare species, plants, and habitats. It is down to us, the people that love and use Dartmoor to ensure we look after it, so please take a look at the Code of Conduct before setting out on your adventure. Just so that Dartmoor’s special qualities remain for our children and grandchildren. Click here to read about where you can climb, health & safety and your environment.

www.visitdartmoor.co.uk/things-to-do/other-activities/climbing

www.dartmoor.gov.uk/visiting/vi-enjoyingdartmoor/vi-climbing
How lucky am I? Living and working on Dartmoor means that I get one of the world’s best commutes as I cycle Dartmoor’s wonderful rural lanes and roads through wide expanses to work and at the weekends I can take on the challenging bridleways with friends or the traffic free trails and quiet forest tracks with my family.

On road cycling is popular across the UK but across Dartmoor’s 368 square miles, whilst you need to keep any eye out for cattle, sheep and ponies, you have a wonderful mix of challenging climbs and exhilarating descents always accompanied by fantastic scenery – no wonder that the Tour of Britain chose Haytor as its first ever King of the Mountains stage finish in 2013.

If off road trails are more to you or your families liking then there are plenty of opportunities on Dartmoor. Explore family friendly traffic-free trails such as the Granite Way (Okehampton – Lydford) or the Princetown Railway track taking you from the High Moor to Burrator reservoir. These trails allow you to get a real taste of Dartmoor but please remember that cycling on open moorland or common land is only allowed on public bridleways or designated routes.

If you fancy exploring more then try the National Cycle Network route 27 Devon Coast to Coast or the circular 95 mile Dartmoor Way, which has the option of a 27 mile High Moorland link add-on to complete a ‘figure of eight’ route.

Still not convinced? Well you don’t have to bring your bike as there are number of bike hire options on and around Dartmoor including electric bikes, or better still take advantage of a tour of Dartmoor by electric bike. By hiring you know that your bike is in good working order, you have the right kit for your ride and you will know what the weather might do...remember there are plenty of great cafes and pubs to relax in though to shelter from the sun or rain!

Whether on road or off road, a gentle traffic free trail or a punishing ascent, Dartmoor really does offer you all you could possibly want when it comes to cycling.

Call in to any of the award winning National Park Visitor Centres for information, maps and leaflets from the friendly, knowledgeable staff.

Richard Drysdale, Visitor Services Manager, Dartmoor National Park.

www.visitdartmoor.co.uk/things-to-do/cycling/cycle-hire
www.visitdartmoor.co.uk/things-to-do/cycling
Wild Ponies Galore

There is no more iconic sight on Dartmoor than a herd of ponies grazing together, with stunning, majestic Dartmoor as their backdrop.

You will find these beautiful ponies living wild in herds all over Dartmoor, one of the most enchanting sights in summer is a group of mares with their tiny foals tottering along beside them!

The ponies are very hardy and actually thrive on Dartmoor despite the harsh weather and poor vegetation. In fact, by grazing the moor they play a vital role in maintaining a variety of habitats and supporting wildlife. Most have not been handled, so you should not approach them too closely, and absolutely must not feed them, especially in the car parks as this encourages them to associate cars with food, which can have tragic consequences.

Because of their calm temperament, strength and sure-footedness, the ponies have been used for many purposes over the years, which has led to the breeding of the different types seen on the moor today. They have been used for riding and driving, pit ponies, shepherding, taking the family to market or even carrying the postman delivering mail.

Dartmoor offers me the ultimate place to carry out my personalised guided tours, with its broad array of things to see and do. It is a truly wonderful National Park!

Alex Graeme, Unique Devon Tours, Visit Dartmoor Ambassador

They have been here a long time, hoof prints found on Dartmoor during an archaeological dig were found to be 3,500 yrs old! Written records of ponies on the moor go back as far as AD1012, and in the mid 1800s ponies were used to transport granite from the moorland quarries.

www.visitchagford.co.uk/explore-dartmoor/dartmoor-animal-life/dartmoor-ponies
Step back in Time

If you want history, if you want to see archaeological sites, well Dartmoor is the place. The Moor’s archaeological heritage is quite outstanding in terms of the quantity and the quality of the archaeological remains which can be found all over the Moor. You can learn about the astonishing way people lived over the last six thousand years. Dartmoor is wild, but is not a wilderness as it was a very busy place right through history with lots of mining, farming and other industrial sites including an ice works and gun powder factory!

The survival of this wealth of archaeology is due in part to the robust nature of granite used for their construction, and in part because of the relative lack of exploitation of the Moor in more recent times.

The best way to see this history and the bronze villages is to go on a guided walk. Further information can be obtained from www.paulrendelldartmoor.co.uk or www.moorlandguides.co.uk

Paul Rendell
Under the Stars

Everyone has their own idea of the perfect camping spot. For some it is a pristine site with a sparkling shower complex, clubhouse and amenities; for others it is a field in the middle of nowhere with amazing views over the surrounding countryside. Well, we have both and everything in between.

Camping on Dartmoor isn’t just about the tent either. If you like a bit of sleeping out under the stars, this is the place to do it. Dartmoor is one of the few places in the UK where you can wild camp out on the moor; so, take your bivvi, and your bare minimum kit and enjoy some of the biggest skies in the west. Click to download information about where you can wild camp.

If roughing it isn’t really your thing, we have something that just might be; why not enjoy Dartmoor from your own luxury yurt? Complete with sleigh beds, wood burners, roll top baths and outstanding views over Dartmoor, it doesn’t get much better.

Perhaps a camping pod would suit? Wooden pods, fully equipped to provide a clean, warm base from which to enjoy your holiday, are an unusual alternative to hiring a caravan. Maybe a trip in a classic VW Campervan would float your boat; what a way to see Dartmoor!

But there is a lot to be said for the good, old fashioned campsite and Dartmoor has some of the best for views, peace, tranquillity, wildlife and location. If you want a value for money holiday, with Dartmoor on your doorstep, plenty of space to spread out, adventures for the kids, local food, and a friendly face, come to Dartmoor and camp.

www.visitdartmoor.co.uk/accommodation/camping-and-caravan-sites

Dartmoor is a fantastic place to be a landscape photographer with such a varied landscape from the wild high moorlands to the rolling patch-work lowland hills, river valleys and of course great slabs of granite. The weather is equaly as varied but always dramatic.

Richard Fox,
Landscape Photographer
Arty Days

For centuries artists of all types have been drawn to Dartmoor by its imposing landscapes and ever-changing light conditions. Described by writers and poets as one of the last remaining wildernesses in Britain, the rugged moorland terrain and ancient thatched villages have inspired artists, traditional and contemporary, local and international.

Dartmoor is not just for ponies and rock climbing!

It’s also a place that inspires many artists. We have several wonderful galleries on Dartmoor celebrating the unique skills and crafts of artists who have visited or been stirred by the wilds of Dartmoor. It is well worth planning a trip to Dartmoor to see these diverse art venues.

In Moretonhampstead, on the edge of Dartmoor, a popular centre for walking, the town is becoming well known for its arts culture too. The attractive converted Victorian schoolhouse of Green Hill incorporates a contemporary art gallery with a year round programme of art based courses and workshops for all abilities.

Smaller venues in Moretonhampstead display Dartmoor based photography and artwork, there are numerous studios around the town where you can purchase and learn about pottery, hand-made shoes and felt making amongst other skills.

Not far away, located in Bovey Tracey, the Devon Guild of Craftsmen is a large craft centre displaying stimulating exhibitions and events where visitors can buy, make and learn about contemporary crafts.

A pleasant cafe provides a lovely stop on your journey for coffee and cake or a delicious home-made lunch.

Artists and artisans have been inspired by Dartmoor for centuries and it is still a place for art lovers to feel inspired too.

www.visitdartmoor.co.uk/things-to-do/shopping/galleries
Horsing around

Nothing beats the feeling of riding a horse on the open moors, away from the confines of an arena or restrictions of the roads. The feeling of total freedom, the raw beauty of Dartmoor’s common land stretched out before you, with four legs under you to take you on a journey of joy and discovery. Whether you wish to go fast or slow or a mixture of the two, riding a horse across Dartmoor is a fabulous way to explore the moor.

Distances can be covered more quickly, your visual perspective is different from a walker’s, your closeness to nature more profound. Horses will notice things that mere humans may not and many are happy to stop and stare at a view, scanning the horizon, following the course of a distant herd of ponies, flock of sheep or a buzzard soaring in the sky.

Dartmoor is littered with interesting artefacts, stone crosses, hut circles, ancient burial sites, abandoned mines and quarries, so much to see on your travels, but step carefully around the rabbit warrens and bogs, stick to well worn paths, the sheep and cattle know where it is safe to pass.

To be at one with nature and your willing mount is a privilege not everyone is fortunate enough to experience.

In contrast to the open moor you may prefer to ride the quiet paths and bridleways through the woods and forests some of these on the fringes of the moor. If you fancy giving Dartmoor riding a try there are establishments where you can hire horses and be safely escorted to the wild places of the moor, or if you have your own horse there are also places that you can stay and bring you equine partner too.

Top tips - take a map, your camera and money for the pub, most moor pubs are horse friendly!

www.visitedartmoor.co.uk/things-to-do/other-activities/horse-riding
Rod & Reel

The reservoirs and rivers of Dartmoor offer some of the best trout fishing that the UK has to offer. Combined with the majestic backdrop of the moors and valleys, a day’s fishing couldn’t feel wilder!

Kennick and Burrator Reservoirs offer access to two of the best Rainbow trout fisheries in the country from the bank or a boat. A day at either beautiful venue will leave you wanting to book another trip to Dartmoor.

If you enjoy reservoir fishing for Brown trout then you can’t go wrong with a trip to either Fernworthy reservoir or Roadford Lake.

Information about reservoirs and permits is available from the South West Lakes Trust on 01566 771930. www.swlakestrust.org.uk/leisure-activities/fishing/trout-fishing

Dartmoor’s rivers are noted for their wild brown trout, sea trout and salmon. Much of the river fishing on Dartmoor is privately owned but stretches of the East and West Dart Rivers may be fished on the purchase of a Duchy of Cornwall permit (contact 01822 890205).

Tavistock Trout Fishery has five lakes and tuition is available 01822 615441.

For further information on fishing and distributors of rod licences please contact the Environment Agency: 03708 506 506.

www.gov.uk/topic/environmental-management/fisheries-rod-licensing

Come rain or shine Dartmoor welcomes everyone old and young.

David Guiterman, Active Dartmoor magazine

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**Town Titbits**

**Okehampton**

A Sunday train service from Exeter during the summer is very popular with tourists for exploring the town, taking a walk on the moor, or continuing along the line on the volunteer-run Dartmoor Railway to Meldon where there are spectacular views and access to Meldon Reservoir and Yes Tor.

The once magnificent castle, originally Norman but extended by Hugh Courtenay, Earl of Devon in the 14th century, towers above the West Ockment river. The last owner, Henry Courtenay fell foul of Henry VIII, who decided Courtenay would serve his monarch better if his body was relieved of its head!

Okehampton is truly a Gateway to Dartmoor – you can step out onto the moor from the edge of the town. And this part of the moor is the highest (High Wilhays is more than 2,000 feet above sea level) and arguably the wildest area in the South West.

**Tavistock**

An enchanting and very popular ancient Stannary town, Tavistock has a huge amount to offer visitors and travellers. A beautiful park, through which the River Tavy runs, a huge selection of lovely old shops, five minutes from the open moor and a bustling farmer’s market!

Each autumn, the town comes alive with festivities and a fair when the famous Goosey Fair occurs, and a little later on in the year a Dickensian evening takes place in December.

**Ashburton**

Ashburton was an important centre for the tin trade in the middle ages and in 1305 became one of the four official stannary towns (the others were Chagford, Plympton and Tavistock) which had special powers to assay the tin produced from the Dartmoor mines.

Today Ashburton is a lively centre for inland tourism, with walking, canoeing, pony trekking and fishing bringing many visitors to the town. Beside specialist shops for walkers, there are plenty of antique shops, a museum, galleries and a variety of eateries to sustain your interest. Some unusual ceremonial events dating from the stannary days are held throughout the year, including an ale tasting and bread weighing ceremony!
Moretonhampstead
All sorts of things go on in and around this busy and very popular small Dartmoor town! It’s a hive of activity throughout the summer months especially, with walkers, cyclists, antique hunters, cream tea and art enthusiasts!

Arts and crafts are so popular here that a buzzing community has grown up around them. With an open air swimming pool, letterbox trail of its own, this is one of the gateways to the moor that has more on offer than you might expect.

It’s on the A382 and is one of the main intersections leading up onto the moor.

Chagford
In 2015 this beautiful and atmospheric small town was voted Best Place to Live in England! A bustling and very popular location, Chagford is an old Stannary town, now with a thriving and lively community of artists and musicians, as well as attracting walkers and visitors from all over the world.

The town is full of history and stories... one of the Pilgrim Fathers by the name of John Endecott lived here before heading off on his epic adventure to the New World

Plympton
Plympton is an ancient stannary town situated just east of Plymouth. In 2014 it celebrated 1110 years of recorded history, first recorded in 904 as Plymentun, from Old English Plymtun or Plymantun, “plum-tree-town.” It is ideally situated for the beaches of Devon and Cornwall and the Dartmoor National Park which is only a couple of miles north.

Ivybridge
Commonly known as the gateway to South Dartmoor, Ivybridge has a great deal to offer visitors. Superb shopping, close proximity to the A38 meaning easy access to Plymouth and Exeter. Set on the River Erne, it’s a great place as a base for exploring Dartmoor whilst mixing in some shopping and culture!

www.visitdartmoor.co.uk/explore-dartmoor
Event-ful Tavistock

Tavistock music and Arts Festival 15th April-3rd May.
Tavistock Food Festival 18th and 19th June
Robey Trust Steam Fair Sunday 5th June, Bedford Car Park
Tavistock Carnival week 9th-16th July
with the evening parade on the 16th starting at 6:3pm.
Goose Fair Wednesday 12th October
Fireworks 5th November Tavistock Meadows.
Dickensian Friday 25th November

Visit Tavistock award winning Farmers Market.
Every 2nd, 4th and 5th Saturday of the month.
Tavistock Pannier Market open Tuesday-Saturday

For more information go to:
www.visit-tavistock.co.uk
Try Something Different

Everyone knows that you can walk and cycle across Dartmoor. But there are other, less well known activities that you can enjoy if you have a mind to and a bit of a sense of adventure.

Try exploring the moor on horseback, do a bit of daredevil climbing or bouldering, or let yourself be educated by one of the many guides who run super tours all across the moor. And on the water? Pitch yourself against the river when you try kayaking or canoeing, learn from some of the best fishermen in the country how to fly fish.

Try Letterboxing, Tor Bagging, Geocaching, Navigation courses, Photography Workshops, there’s a whole host of fantastic opportunities on offer when you visit Dartmoor!

Whatever you choose to do, we can guarantee that you will end up doing it with a big smile on your face!

www.visitrmoor.co.uk/things-to-do/other-activities

Whether you’re interested in fishing, walking, wildlife or even a little adventure on the water.. the reservoirs of Dartmoor have something to offer everyone.

Neil Reeves,
Burrator Reservoir
WilD WOODlAnDS
OF THe MOOR

Dartmoor is well known for scenic panoramas and spectacular views but, for a contrast to the wide open spaces, a deciduous woodland offers shelter and you’re never alone in the woods with birds, mammals and insects foraging and calling or flying and crawling.

The Woodland Trust owns many Dartmoor woodlands which are all open to the public and managed for the benefit of wildlife. Some of the bigger woods are cared for in partnership with other conservation organisations and, in the Teign valley, Fingle Woods is jointly owned with the National Trust. Here you walk for miles through one of the largest woodland restoration projects anywhere in the country. Discover more about this magnificent project at www.finglewoods.org.uk

A bit further south you can find Pullabrook Wood and Hisley Wood along the Bovey Valley. This is where the Woodland Trust is working with Natural England as part of the Moor Than Meets The Eye partnership to carefully enhance the habitats for unusual lichens, rare butterflies, otters and dormice. From day to day and season to season, these woods change character, revealing new interest. You can experience this wonderful diversity at one of the organised events from a Festival of Dartmoor Wildlife to the River of Life Lantern Walk. Find out more about these events www.moorthanmeetstheeye.org

Another Dartmoor favourite is Blackaton Copse near Gidleigh. Its magical and ancient atmosphere takes you on a trip back into the mists of time. You can be at peace on the bench by the stream while admiring the beautiful detail, colours and textures of trees, flowers and fungi.

Grey Park Wood at Buckland in the Moor sits in a picturesque valley where Ruddycleave Water, a tributary of the Dart tumbles by.

Shaptor near Bovey Tracey is one of the quieter woods. Follow the long and winding paths and mighty granite tors will be revealed, towering among the mixed and ancient woodland.

To find out more about these and other Woodland Trust woods across Dartmoor go to www.woodlandtrust.org.uk
Visit these woods and get to know them and their wild inhabitants. It’s open for access, it’s free and there’s a lot to do and see.

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1. Blackaton Copse - Gidleigh
   Grid ref: SX678886 - 4.86 ha (12.01 acres)

2. Fingle Woods - Drewsteignton
   Grid ref: SX762895 - 169.65 ha (419.21 acres)

3. Grey Park Wood - Ashburton
   Grid ref: SX72172715 - 16 ha (37.46 acres)

4. Shaptor Woods - Bovey Tracey
   Grid ref: SX811805 - 78.58 ha (194.18 acres)

5. Bovey Valley Woods - Drakeford Bridge
   Grid ref: SX788800 - 86.19 ha (212.98 acres)
Dartmoor is a truly special place that offers something for everyone.


Richard Drysdale, Visitor Services Manager, Dartmoor National Park

Dartmoor has the capacity to offer something for everyone, regardless of your hobby, interest or passion.

From simple circular walks which can include a picnic spot, to a more extreme activity like a Bear Grylls Survival Course, there will be an activity or attraction that will bring you pleasure, enlightenment or excitement.

For the children try one of the family friendly attractions, take a trip on a steam train or book them onto one of the bushcraft days, circus skills or arts and crafts days at one of the camping sites, tourist attractions or National Trust properties.

Indulge your inner horticulturalist at one of the many fabulous open gardens, lose yourself in a stunning abbey or a castle, spend an afternoon exploring an ancient stannary town like Tavistock, take a wander amongst ancient ruins, step back in time at a museum, take in some heritage or feel inspired in one of the super galleries.

Whatever else you do, don’t forget to visit one of the award winning National Park Visitor Centres at Princetown, Postbridge and Haytor.

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Dartmoor National Park Visitor Centres

Call into our award-winning Visitor Centres – they are great places to find out more about Dartmoor, or to start a walk or cycle ride from.

Opening hours
24 March - 30 October 2016
Open daily 10am - 5pm
(unti 4pm from 26 September)
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Princetown
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Illustrating why Dartmoor is the TOP destination for outdoor activities

Active Dartmoor magazine is THE magazine for anyone looking for information on the latest and greatest activities on Dartmoor. Pick up a copy at any one of around 65 outlets including the local Tourist Information Centres or the National Park Visitor Centres.

Each issue is packed with feature articles on activities ranging from Cycling to Letterboxing, Walking to Wild Running, Caving to Horse Riding and many more. We feature activities and sports that are specifically suitable for the less mobile, in our Access for All series.

Whether you fancy having a go at Bouldering, want to know the story behind our Dartmoor Search and Rescue Groups or Park Rangers, enjoy reading about a Local Hero on Dartmoor or want to find out what clubs are in the area...you need to look no further.

Alternatively, you could visit the website to view previous issues, FREE where you can download these to read online.

www.activedartmoor.co.uk
Organised by Moorland Guides, there will be several events each day during the festival ranging from modest guided strolls and children's rambles to full day walks and ambitious challenges!

Dartmoor National Park is fully supporting the week with Ranger-led walks, evening talks and archaeological visits.

We are working with the British Heart Foundation to support their 25th annual moor walk on the final day of the festival on Sunday 4th September, with a focus on raising much needed funds for their work.

This exciting programme will also include climbing, Nordic walking, cycling and more. Making use of the local cycle trails will also mean that those who use mobility scooters and ‘Trampers’ can also come along and enjoy Dartmoor.

Dartmoor Search and Rescue Teams are also supporting, if you have ever wondered what they do out in the dark when searching for missing walkers then come and join them on an evening exercise to find out!

[link: www.visitdartmoor.co.uk/things-to-do/walking/dartmoor-walking-festival]
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WHERE TO STAY

To make it easy to choose we have colour coded each accommodation type and geographic location.

Simply use the map and the directory on this page to find your ideal holiday location.

Accommodation Schemes

The National Quality Assurance Standards used by the AA and VB (Visit Britain) are the benchmark for quality accommodation. Properties are visited annually.

Hotel Accommodation ★★★★★
Hotels are awarded 1 to 5 stars based upon overall quality, range of facilities and level of service.

Guest Accommodation ★★★★★
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Self-catering Accommodation ★★★★★
Self-catering properties are awarded from 1 to 5 stars based upon the quality of facilities provided. Higher star ratings provide additional facilities.

Holiday Parks (VB) ★★★★★
Holiday, touring and camping parks are awarded from 1 to 5 stars, based upon the quality of service, cleanliness and facilities.

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Other logos

- Green Tourism Business Scheme
- Food & Drink Devon
- Farm Stay UK
- Welcome Host
- David Bellamy Conservation Award
- Dartmoor First award for putting Dartmoor first in terms of sustainability the environment, culture etc.

Facility symbols

- Number of Bedrooms
- En-suite bedrooms or private bathrooms
- Tea/coffee facilities in bedroom
- Guest Lounge
- Dinner and/or other meals
- Vegetarian/special diets by prior arrangement
- Children welcome, minimum age
- Packed lunch provided on request
- Licensed
- Self catering units
- Central Heating throughout
- Bookings taken via Travel Agents
- Rated by a National Accessibility Scheme
- Ground floor bedrooms
- Dogs accepted by arrangement
- Conference facilities for 10 or more persons
- Parking facilities
- Open for Christmas
- Special Breaks available
- Credit cards accepted
- Television in all bedrooms/self-catering units
- Telephone in all bedrooms/self-catering units
- Swimming pool
- Garden for use of guests
- Linen provided free
- Linen for hire
- Laundry facilities
- Wi-Fi
- Cyclists welcome
- Working Farm
- Walkers welcome
- Motor Caravans admitted
- Number of pitches (Camping & Caravanning
Dartmoor is proud to host a huge range of hotels across and around it’s beautiful landscape.

Whatever you prefer can be found here, from top class luxury where opulence and grandeur abound, and your every whim or wish can be catered for, to gorgeous family hotels offering comfort, a warm welcome and local knowledge about the area.

There are castles, and country estates, small rural hotels with that wonderful personal touch, and fabulous town hotels where you will have the best of both worlds, stunning scenery on your doorstep but the benefits of having cinema, restaurants and shopping close by as well. But wherever you stay, the love for Dartmoor, the passion for fresh, locally produced food, and a pride in superb service will all ensure that your stay on Dartmoor is fabulous, and memorable for all the right reasons.

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The Bedford Hotel

The Bedford Hotel, in the heart of the award-winning Devon market town of Tavistock. Your haven of comfort in the heart of town. Step inside, and you'll find a warm welcome, comfortable rooms to rest the night, fine restaurant dining, an informal and busy bar, all in beautifully historic surroundings.

The Bedford Hotel, 1 Plymouth Road, Tavistock, Devon PL19 8BB
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enquiries@bedford-hotel.co.uk
www.bedford-hotel.co.uk

Rooms from £120pppn Open all year

Bovey Castle

A beautiful country estate tucked away in the heart of Dartmoor National Park. The estate includes 63 rooms in the main house, 22 country lodges, an 18-hole championship golf course and a spa.

North Bovey, Devon, TQ13 8RE
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www.boveycastle.com

This former 15th century water mill offers a wonderful location in Dartmoor National park bordering the River Teign with footpaths and walks direct from the door. Open to non-residents all day our garden provides a beautiful setting for light lunches and afternoon teas or we have several cosy lounges with crackling fires if preferred.

We have 15 en-suite bedrooms which are all individually styled and children and pets are welcome. The historic water wheel can be seen from the dining room and still turns when the river is high. Our chefs use the bounty of local produce from the Moor as much as possible and offer an exceptional standard of cuisine to suit all ages.

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John O’Flaherty, Old Station Road, Horrabridge, Yelverton PL20 7RA
Tel: 01822 853501
enquiries@overcombehotel.co.uk www.overcombehotel.co.uk

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**Tavistock House Hotel**
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Self Catering accommodation

Your perfect getaway could be anything from a high end lodge in the grounds of a castle to a rustic log cabin, a picture postcard thatched cottage or a gorgeous barn conversion set on a working farm.

You can find properties with indoor pools, rambling gardens, hot tubs; some with large inglenook fireplaces or drying rooms, even games rooms, and farmhouse kitchens.

There are cottages on Dartmoor that stand alone on the moor, and those that are right in the centre of a thriving market town; some properties sit inside a large country estate, others just a short walk from the village pub.

Whatever your needs are, you can definitely find something to suit you on Dartmoor.
Dartmoor Holidays

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chrisboswe@aol.com
www.dartmoorholidays.co.uk

SC from £228 pw Open all year

East Hook Holiday Cottages

Mrs Mary Stevens, East Hook Holiday Cottages, West Hook Farm, Okehampton, Devon EX20 1RL
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mary@westhookfarm.fsnet.co.uk
www.easthook-holiday-cottages.co.uk

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www.kirksidebarn.co.uk

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www.meadowsweetcottage.co.uk

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www.sallysholidaycottages.co.uk

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BREAKFAST IS SERVED

Bed & Breakfast and Guesthouses

What image does it conjure up for you? A cosy cottage with a thatched roof and blooming garden, a spectacular room in a grand manor, a hearty breakfast served on mismatched china, a farmhouse kitchen offering local eggs and bacon? Somewhere simple and clean where you can just fall into bed after a day exploring the magic and grandeur of Dartmoor?

Whatever your idea of a good Dartmoor Bed & Breakfast or Guest House, we may just have what you are looking for right here. Would you like somewhere to accommodate you on a tight budget, do you need a host who has great knowledge of the moor and can advise you where to walk, ride or cycle?

We have it all. And if you can’t see what you are looking for on these pages, please visit www.visitdartmoor.co.uk or email us for further assistance.

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Katestone@gagesmill.co.uk
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Tel: 01364 621235
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www.ventonfarm.com
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Angela Bell, Wooster Manor Holiday Homes, Widcombe-in-the-Moor, Newton Abbot TQ13 7TR Tel: 01364 621391 woostermanor@gmail.com www.woosterman.com

SC from £350 pw Open all year

Meadowlea Guest House

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Mark & Lesley Poole, Meadowlea Guest House, 65 Station Road, Okehampton, Devon EX20 1EA Tel: 01837 53200 meadowleaguesthouse@btinternet.com www.meadowleaguesthouse.co.uk

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The Cherrybrook

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Dave & Judy, The Cherrybrook, Two Bridges, Princetown, Dartmoor PL20 6SP Tel: 01822 880260 info@thecherrybrook.co.uk www.thecherrybrook.co.uk

B&B from £40 pppn Open all year

The Old School Guesthouse

Victorian school house providing luxury accommodation. Located on the moor, in the picturesque village of Horrabridge (Yelverton). Tavistock and Plymouth are nearby. Evening dinners available by Leith’s trained chef.

Maxine Limon, The Old School Guesthouse, Whitchurch Road, Horrabridge, Yelverton, Devon PL20 7TT Tel: 01822 852437 enquiries@theschoolguesthouse.co.uk www.theschoolguesthouse.co.uk

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Acorn Lodge


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Mrs Susie Pope, Peter Tavy Lodge, Peter Tavy, Tavistock, Devon, PL19 9NP Tel: 01822 810515 peter.tavy.lodge@gmail.com www.peter.tavy.lodge.co.uk

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Visit Dartmoor Ambassador Jo Bradford is the photographer behind Green Island Studios, whose Dartmoor Photography has a global army of 50K+ social media fans and followers.

Jo runs photography workshops and offers online e-courses. She also sells photographic prints from her colour darkroom and studio on North Dartmoor. Jo undertook a daily 365 photo project entitled “A Love Letter To Dartmoor” in 2015, which will be exhibited at the Dartmoor National Park Visitor Centre in Princetown from May to August 2016. Follow Jo online at instagram.com/greenislandstudios, facebook.com/greenislandstudios and twitter.com/greenislandart

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