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Guide**

2019 EDITION

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Family Holiday Guide 2019

The number of us holidaying at home is booming; In 2018 more than half of us chose to take our summer break in this country. We're lucky to have some of the most stunning beaches, breathtaking scenery and most exciting things to do in the world on our doorsteps. But choosing a British staycation is not only fun and economical, it's also environmentally friendly, cutting the need for carbon-emitting aeroplane trips. Our holiday guide this year explores the wilder corners of the country; secret beaches, undeveloped and free from crowds, perfect for long summer days out and wild salty swims. Find coves thronged with dolphins and mermaids, bottomless pools perfect for jumping into, and tiny, hidden harbours. We've also tracked down the wildest adventures; slide

through rapids and rocky gorges, soar over the Eden Project, or bounce on a gigantic network of trampolines deep in a rainbow-lit cave. Find adrenaline-pumping activities for all ages; thrilling together is a brilliant way of bonding with your family. More cerebrally, Britain's dense history is ripe for exploring, and we've found the most interesting, immersive ways of doing just that. From open-air recreations of Victorian towns to museums filled with handles to pull and buttons to press, or real-life coal pits down which to descend, every one of your senses will be tingling, and your family will be getting some sneaky learning in too. We hope you feel fired-up and inspired by our guide to this wonderful country – do send us your holiday tales and pictures!

KEY TO SYMBOLS



Beach Nearby



Baby Equipment



Wood burner or Fire



Outdoor Play Equipment



Wifi



Pets Allowed



Swimming Pool

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WHERE TO GO

SOUTH WEST

One of the most popular regions with holidaymakers, find cunning ways to escape the crowds. Discover secret coves, get an alternative view on the popular Eden Project or head underground for your thrills.

SECRET BEACHES

A remote-feeling part of Dorset's famous Chesil Beach, take a gorgeous, wildflower-scented stroll to **Cogden Beach**, an enormous swathe of shingle owned by the National Trust. Wander through the drifts of thrift



COGDEN BEACH

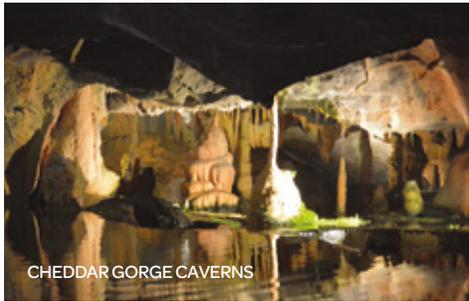
and rare sea kale that grow at the top of the shore on your journey, then onto the smaller-shingled, enormous swoop of coastline. The clay cliffs are packed with fossils; what ancient creatures and plants will you discover? There are limited facilities on the beach itself, but Hive Beach cafe and toilets are a short walk away.

These are the waters from which the mermaid of Zennor rose to seduce her land-dwelling Cornish lover; you can spy tucked-away treasure **Veor Cove** from Zennor Head. It's a steep scramble down from the cliff path, but locals know that it's worth the bramble scratches. At the cliff foot, you'll find white sand, huge rocks to climb, and even a vine-hung waterfall in which to cool off. These tropical surroundings rarely have more than a dozen visitors, even in the height of summer. Bring a picnic and supplies and stay until the tide rises.

ADVENTURES

Hangloose is situated in The Eden Project, but you don't have to pay to enter the main attraction. The heart-pounding, adrenaline rides have views across the biomes and beyond, but are safe enough for younger kids to enjoy too. Plummet 660m headfirst at 60mph

on England's longest and fastest zip-wire, experience multiple G-forces on Gravity: The Giant Swing, or drop a stomach-lurching 25 metres onto a giant air bag. The centre's proximity to the Eden Project makes it a natural, show-stopping finale to the more sedate kicks found in the eco paradise; why not finish a day there with a career down a zip-wire? hanglooseadventure.com



The stunning Cheddar Gorge region is famous for its network of tunnels and caverns, and exploring them is a real thrill for families with kids of all ages. **Cave Climb** tailor sessions to each group's capabilities; a scramble through passages or a squeeze through tight

holes; how adventurous you get is up to you. Explore Goatchurch Cavern, with its walk-in or rope-slide entrance and 'Superman Squeeze' for the adventurous. Or negotiate cascades and water chutes in the stalactite-filled Swildon's Hole.

MUSEUMS

One of the most photogenic museums in the country, **Dingles Fairground Heritage Centre** in Devon houses a collection of vintage fairground rides and attractions from the heyday of the funfair. Ride gilt-finished carousels and chariot racers, and see wonderfully rickety ghost trains, travelling caravans and vehicles. Or try your hand at old-fashioned coconut shies and amusement arcade machines. The

whole attraction is undercover; 45,000 square feet of wonder, and is a great escape on drizzly days. Keep an eye online for special events including circus skills workshops and exhibitions. fairground-heritage.org.uk



Renowned for being a museum that says 'climb aboard' rather than 'don't touch', the **National Maritime Museum** (nmmc.co.uk) in Cornwall is full of ships to scramble across and into. A flotilla of small boats sail across the top of the main hall, while galleries tell the stories

of Cornish life by the sea, fishing and the creatures that lurk in the deep. Peep through huge windows into the ocean bed to catch a real-life, deep-sea show, watch boats being restored, or explore how pilchards were pressed in a reconstruction of a pilchard cellar.

Rooke Cottages



Choose from seven beautifully restored 5 star self-catering cottages in North Cornwall, surrounded by rolling hills and peaceful Duchy farmland. Our working

farm is perfectly located for the family friendly Polzeath beach, the charming Port Issac and the foodie seaside village of Padstow. Our luxury accommodation includes wifi, TVs, dishwashers, beds with smooth Egyptian linen and beautiful private gardens. Children love our Owl-cam where you can watch our resident barn owls! We pride ourselves in creating a relaxing, comfortable holiday for all the family."

FAMILY FACILITIES



Drying room and store providing garden and beach games.

GREEN CREDENTIALS

Homemade Cornish cream tea on arrival.

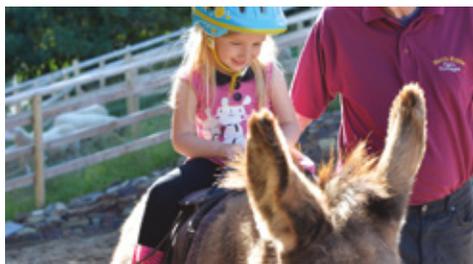
ADDRESS Rooke Cottages, Rooke Farm, Chapel Amble, Wadebridge, Cornwall PL27 6ES

WEB rookecottages.com **TEL** 01208880368

EMAIL info@rookecottages.com **SLEEPS** 2-8

PRICES FROM Weekly: £600 **Short Stay:** £450

North Hayne Farm Cottages



Set in beautiful North Devon, our 8 family friendly award winning cottages sleep 2-10 each with their own private hot tub to relax in at the end of a busy day. Come

and help feed the animals twice a day, collect the eggs, bottle feed the Spring lambs, groom the goats, hold the chicks and enjoy daily donkey rides each morning. Enjoy outdoor freedom with our farm trails and Free Rangers Club. EYFS curriculum-based activity packs also available, an indoor Games Room and Under 7's Play barn, locally prepared meals to order as well as Holistic therapy treatments and babysitting.



FAMILY FACILITIES



Hot tubs, Animals, Autism Friendly, Babysitting, Activity clubs, Donkey rides.

GREEN CREDENTIALS Local Suppliers, Bat walks, Nature trails, energy management, waste management.

ADDRESS North Hayne Farm, Bishops Nympton, South Molton, Devon EX36 3QR

WEB northhaynefarmcottages.co.uk

EMAIL info@northhaynefarmcottages.co.uk

TEL 01769 550807 **SLEEPS** 2 to 10

(or up to 47 if whole complex booked)

PRICES FROM Weekly: £414 **Short Stay:** £269

Boswarthen Farm Glamping



Relax and enjoy the sea views while your children play and make friends, in a car free space. Our award winning safari tents are spacious, stylish and practical so that families can unwind and enjoy the experience of being on a working dairy farm. Watch the cows being milked and learn about life on the farm. Rosy cheeks, muddy wellies and toasting marshmallows are all stuff of childhood memories and with a range of accommodation to choose from, over 50 beaches on our doorstep, moors, coastline and many amazing places to visit, Boswarthen Glamping is the ultimate family holiday experience.

FAMILY FACILITIES

Chickens, calves, cot, highchair, books, games, mini ride-on tractor, campfires

GREEN CREDENTIALS Solar lighting in 2-storey lodge, local produce, recycling, wildlife areas.

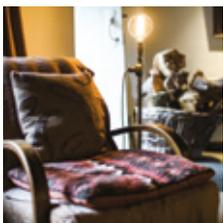
ADDRESS Boswarthen Farm, Madron, Penzance, Cornwall TR20 8PA **WEB** boswarthenfarm.co.uk

EMAIL boswarthenfarm@googlemail.com

SLEEPS 1-42 **TEL** 07731 776767

PRICES FROM Weekly: £525 **Short Stay:** £150

Botelet



Nestled in a quiet valley in Cornwall, Botelet has been farmed, nurtured and styled by the Tamblin family for 150 years.

There are two self-catering cottages, a wild camping meadow and a yurt, set amidst historic buildings and surrounding natural landscape. Botelet is beautiful, safe and tranquil for children, with 300 acres of rolling fields, deciduous woodlands and an iron age hill fort to explore. We have therapeutic massage available on-site and a range of creative family workshops including Sketch Clubs, massage courses and Breakfast Club serving a deliciously fresh, seasonal vegetarian breakfast and artisan coffee by the fire.

FAMILY FACILITIES

Trampoline in the orchard behind Manor Cottage, acres to explore! **SLEEPS** 2 - 6

GREEN CREDENTIALS Solar, Domestic wind turbines, Biomass, Logs harvested from farm

ADDRESS Botelet Farm, Herodsfoot, Liskeard,

Cornwall PL14 4RD **TEL** +44(0)1503 220 225

WEB botelet.com **EMAIL** stay@botelet.com

PRICES FROM Weekly: £350 **Short Stay:** £150

Railholiday



£25 off if arriving by train



Proud Winner of Winners at the 2018 Cornwall Tourism Awards, Railholiday have been offering family holidays in railway carriages since 1998. If you love a village location and want to explore our ten acres of private woodland, choose one of our carriages in St Germans. In Hayle, West Cornwall, our 1950's Harry Potter style carriage Harvey is perfect for a bucket and spade holiday and big enough to accommodate friends and grandparents too. With Gold awards for Sustainability and Alternative Accommodation, and Bronze for Access and Inclusivity, we are happy to accommodate special requests and welcome all.

FAMILY FACILITIES



Games Room. Playhouse. Toys. Swingball, Swings, Woodland Trail, Campfire Area. **SLEEPS** 1-13

GREEN CREDENTIALS Biomass heating, Solar panels, Wildlife gardens, Green energy, Local hamper.

ADDRESS Haparanda Station, St Germans, Saltash, Cornwall, PL12 5LU **WEB** railholiday.co.uk

EMAIL office@railholiday.co.uk **TEL** 01503 230783

PRICES FROM Weekly: £395 **Short Stay:** £245

Monkton Wyld Court



Under 12's half price



Monkton Wyld Court offers family friendly B&B accommodation in a Neo-Gothic mansion and camping on our lawns. Situated on the Jurassic Coast, the

beaches at Lyme Regis and Charmouth are just 10 minutes away, ideal for fossil hunting, making us a perfect base for seaside holidays. As a centre for education in sustainable living we have award winning compost loos, a wetland system and more. All food is vegetarian, with fresh organic produce from our garden and dairy from our 3 Jersey cows. Enjoy our natural playground with trees to climb and a rope swing for young and old.



FAMILY FACILITIES



Great outdoor space, swings, fire pit, pizza oven, kitchen, cots.

GREEN CREDENTIALS Homegrown organic produce, micro dairy, rainwater harvesting, compost loo, solar.

ADDRESS Elsdon's Lane, Monkton Wyld, Nr Charmouth, Dorset DT6 6DQ **TEL** 01297 560342

WEB monktonwyldcourt.co.uk

EMAIL info@monktonwyldcourt.org **SLEEPS** 1-41

PRICES Weekly: From £245 per person

Short Stay: From £35 per person per night

Walkers Farm Cottages



Four country cottages each with 2 bedrooms (sleeps 4-5) on a farm in the beautiful Somerset Levels. Make friends with our tame farm animals, Bob and

Sheepy love a cuddle, Fatboy the pony and Chickens are some of the animals to meet. Farm to explore - jump in puddles, pick fruit, make dens, walk our friendly dogs and spot the wildlife. Ideal for families or groups. Function room with large table which seats 16. Massive games barn, extensive gardens and hot-tub. Loads of outdoor family fun on the doorstep, including 5 RSPB sites and the Willows and Wetland Centre.

FAMILY FACILITIES

Games Barn, Farm Animals, Farm to explore, Nature area, Hot-tub. **SLEEPS** 2-20

GREEN CREDENTIALS Renewable energy: Solar PV, wood burner, Ecover products, recycling area.

ADDRESS Walkers Farm, Stathe, Burrowbridge, Somerset, TA70JL **TEL** 07511211735

WEB walkersfarmcottages.co.uk

EMAIL bookings@walkersfarmcottages.co.uk

PRICES FROM Weekly: £450 **Short Stay:** £350

Bosinver Farm Cottages



20 luxury selfcatering cottages in 30 acres, where children can play freely and families relax, with nature on the doorstep. Near the beaches of the

Roseland and St Austell Bay, Eden Project and Lost Gardens of Heligan, Bosinver makes the ideal location to explore Cornwall. Animal feeding and egg-collecting with Farmer Dave, pony riding, outdoor play areas, tennis courts, solar heated indoor swimming pool, gym, sauna and Wild Kids outdoor play sessions are all included at no extra charge. Carbon neutral ecocottage Lowen and Farmhouse have their own hot tubs and there's a great local pub just down the lane.



FAMILY FACILITIES

Heated pool, Playbarn, Tennis, Nature trails, Forest School, Pony rides **SLEEPS** 2 to 12

GREEN CREDENTIALS Green Awards, Carbon neutral ecocottage, Renewable technologies, EV car chargers **TEL** +44172672128

ADDRESS Bosinver Farm Cottages, Trelowth, St Austell, PL26 7DT **WEB** bosinver.co.uk

PRICES FROM Weekly: £515 **Short Stay:** £370

EMAIL reception@bosinver.co.uk

WHERE TO GO

SOUTH AND SOUTH EAST

Search hard, and there's wildness to be found in this developed part of the country; chalky bays and fossil-rich cliffs. Take advantage of the history crammed into the home counties, and visit museums that bring the past to vivid life.



ADVENTURES

Follow in the path of Olympians at **Lee Valley White Water Centre**, a short hop from the centre of London. Built for the 2012 games, this is

a family-friendly spot to try out rafting, canoeing, kayaking and much more. Charter a whole raft for the morning for your family, and ride the rapids, try hydrospeeding, or career down the waterfalls on a rubber donut tube. It's not all about the miles-per-hour;

you may prefer to choose a more sedate paddle on a crystal-clear lake in a canoe or kayak, or explore the waters standing on a paddle board. Kids too small to take part in the water fun can hang out on the man-made beach and natural play park. gowhitewater.co.uk

Bond with your family while learning how to cook on an open fire, build a natural shelter, use a knife safely and learn sneaky ways to get even closer to wildlife at this beautiful, privately owned woodland near Canterbury in Kent. **Natural Pathways** family camps and courses are not only fun, but also teach self-reliance and confidence to everyone – not just the children. Choose whether you'd like to sleep in a tent or in your shelter; a night out in a camp you've built yourself is one of the most satisfying experiences. Or choose one of Natural Pathways other courses; foraging, flint-knapping, or a women-only bushcraft course. natural-pathways.co.uk



SECRET BEACHES

This chalky, sandy part of the Kent coastline is littered with secret-ish coves and beaches to explore. Nearby Botany Bay is filled with families in high summer, but **Kingsgate Bay** is quieter; park at Joss Bay and walk here. The quiet cove is overlooked by a castle; built in the 18th century, now converted into flats, but still perfect for gazing at and spinning yarns. There's a steep passage through the white cliffs to get down to the sands. Spend the day exploring



the caves that riddle this coastline; some natural, others man-made by smugglers to store their stashes, or make castles on the beach; the golden

sands are just right for building. The beach welcomes dogs year-round; this is an excellent place to hang out with your four-legged pal.

Pett Level Beach, near Hastings in Sussex, is easily accessible; there's a coastal road running alongside it, but is rarely busy. It's pebbly, but there's lots to keep kids occupied; fossil hunting, splashing in the muddy spots, rock-pooling and creating art using the big, flat stones found near the cliff end. The regular rock falls reveal dinosaur footprints and giant fossils, and there's even a twisted, slightly creepy ancient forest revealed at low tide to explore. Walk eastwards to grab strong, excellent coffee and melt-in-your-mouth, homemade cakes at The Red Pig shack.

MUSEUMS

Wander through a landscape scattered with historic buildings at the **Weald & Downland Living Museum**. There are over 50 homes, churches, watermills, workshops and farms gathered from across the south east of England, and exploring them is like stepping into a

time machine. Every day there are different domestic and craft demonstrations; you might see volunteers spinning, using herbs to make medicines, making fences, blacksmithing, or cooking Tudor food – if you're lucky, you'll even get to taste some. It's totally immersive and fires imaginations; perfect for role-playing fun and a lot of under-the-radar learning. wealddown.co.uk



Museums in London can be crowded, especially during holiday periods. For a slightly calmer day out that is still lots of fun, head to **The Museum of London**, or its sister, **Museum of London Docklands** (museumoflondon.org.uk). Both have plenty of buttons to press, recreations of streets to wander around, and spectacular exhibits to over-awe. The gigantic-yet-delicate London

2012 Cauldron in the Barbican-housed main museum never fails to make us well up, while the children's areas at the Docklands branch are outstanding – the water zone is always splashy fun. Both museums have an excellent programme of free, family events, from science shows and storytelling to family walks through the streets of the city and regular babies and carers groups. Free.

Sandy Balls Holiday Village



At Sandy Balls Holiday Village, it's a world away from your day to day, with more trees than you can... well, shake a stick at. Delve deeper and you discover the full story. With a beautiful range of accommodation including something for everyone's budget, on-site bars and restaurants if don't fancy cooking, PLAY and My Active activity programmes to keep kids (and adults) of all ages entertained and top-class entertainment to top it off, there's something for everyone! Book yourself a 2019 break now to give you and the kids something to look forward to!

FAMILY FACILITIES



PLAY and My Active activity programmes, family-friendly entertainment and events.

GREEN CREDENTIALS 80% of waste is recycled, awarded David Bellamy Gold 2018/19.

ADDRESS Sandy Balls Holiday Village, Godshill, Fordingbridge, Hampshire, SP6 2JZ

WEB awayresorts.co.uk/sandy-balls

EMAIL sandyballsguestservices@awayresorts.co.uk **TEL** 01442 508850

PRICES FROM Short breaks from £89*

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The Secret Campsites



All three Secret Campsites are in the beautiful Sussex countryside, with each campsite focused on Nature, Peace and Space. Beech Estate offers camping, glamping and hammocking for individuals and groups in a 600 acre woodland that is perfect for exploring. The Lewes campsite offers camping and quirky glamping in a wildlife rich woodland meadow. Wild Boar Wood is our glamping only site with nine fully furnished Bell tents in a magical ancient woodland. Each site encourages campfires and is car and dog free to enable wildlife to flourish throughout the camp. This ensures an invigorating camping experience.



FAMILY FACILITIES

Woodland exploring, den building, campfire cooking, wildlife watching, stargazing.

GREEN CREDENTIALS Solar & renewable energy sources, ecological landscaping for wildlife, recycling.

ADDRESS Beech Estate Campsite, Battle, East Sussex, TN33 9QU; Wild Boar Wood Campsite, Haywards Heath, West Sussex, RH17 7EA; The Secret Campsite Lewes, East Sussex, BN8 4TD **TEL 01273 401100**

WEB thesecretcampsites.co.uk

EMAIL info@thesecretcampsites.co.uk

SLEEPS 1 adult minimum, family groups welcome

PRICES Camping from £19 per adult and £9 per child per night. Glamping from £73 per night

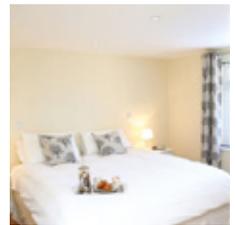
Riverside Cottage



Book before
end of February
for 2019 and receive
20% discount



Riverside Cottage is unique - a wonderful family home for all to enjoy. Our cottage is self catering in a large open space kitchen or we can fill the fridge with family meals or provide a chef. The cottage has the old features but also modern conservatories linking the outside in and vice versa - the grounds are vast and private. Its a peaceful countryside home yet with the city of Winchester only 15 mins away with lots of culture and markets. Southampton and Portsmouth 30 mins away offering beaches and West Quay shopping! Stone Henge, Bombay Sapphire, various gardens are all at hand.



FAMILY FACILITIES

large space to enjoy, additional yurt for extra space and or entertainment, additional studio by the river for entertaining, weekly yoga and art classes.

GREEN CREDENTIALS We are a member of Green Tourism and aim to manage and educate our guests in best practice of being energy efficient, recycling and respecting the environment.

ADDRESS Riverside Cottage, Bransbury, Nr Barton Stacey, Winchester, SO21 3QJ

WEB riversidelifestyle.co.uk **TEL 07973 215 407**

EMAIL clare@riversidelifestyle.co.uk **SLEEPS** 8-10

PRICES FROM Weekly: £2400 **Short Stay:** £1600

WHERE TO GO

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CENTRAL

The industrial heritage of the central belt of England is best explored through open-air museums, places around which to wander and learn at your own pace. Or escape to the wide-horizoned beaches of the east, easily accessible and perfect for young families.



MUSEUM

Dive headfirst into the industrial history of the West Midlands at the **Black Country Living Museum**. One of the largest, open-air museums in the country, this twenty-six acre place is home to a 'village' packed with residents. There's lots to do; talk to the charismatic people



SECRET BEACH

The coast of Lincolnshire is a low-key, family-friendly place to explore.

Anderby Creek is one of the most tranquil, quietly beautiful places in the county. Long and sandy, the beach stretches for miles, unspoilt by development or crowds. It's a dreamy kind of

place, echoed by its 'Cloud Bar' – a designated place to lie back and spot cumulonimbus or cirrus formations – find out what formation you're looking at by examining the 'menu'.

ADVENTURE

Situated close to Norwich, at the foot of the start of the Norfolk Broads, **Whitlingham Adventure** makes a fun-filled place to begin exploring the rich watery countryside of this area. Set in Whitlingham Country Park, the centre makes the most of surrounding rivers; try family starter sessions

in sailing, windsurfing, paddle boarding or canoeing. If you'd rather stay on dry land, there are plenty of climbing, archery and bushcraft courses to choose from. There's even a campsite (whitlinghambroadcampsite.com) with bell tents, shepherds huts, yurts and pitches, so you won't miss a minute of fun – it's a ridiculously handy place to stay if you've booked on to one of the week-long holiday courses.



Secret Meadows



Midweek
stay outside of
school holidays:
4 nights for the price of 3

Set at a beautiful nature reserve in rural Suffolk, Secret Meadows takes glamping to new heights with award winning accommodation, green-themed activities and special packages. Luxury Lodge Tents, a two-storey safari tent (new for 2019), Gypsy's Rest and The Hobbit Box are set in individual woodland glades overlooking wildflower meadows. Organic towels, complimentary hand-made soaps, and a welcome tea tray are provided, and beds are ready-made for your arrival. An onsite pantry shop is full of locally-sourced quality produce and wildlife themed gifts. Guided by an environmental ethos and owned by a wildlife charity, profits go to nature conservation.



FAMILY FACILITIES



Wildlife hide, BBQs, fire bowls, bushcraft & whittling workshops, woodland adventures!

GREEN CREDENTIALS Excellent recycling facilities, heating by local sustainably sourced wood. **ADDRESS** White House Farm Nature Reserve, Hasketon, Woodbridge, Suffolk IP13 6JP
WEB secretmeadows.co.uk **TEL** 01394382992
EMAIL holidays@secretmeadows.co.uk

SLEEPS Lodge Tents up to 6, 2-storey safari tent up to 8, Gypsy's Rest up to 4, Hobbit Box up to 4
PRICES FROM Weekly: £795 **Short Stay:** £295



Wild Luxury North Norfolk Coast



Our two award-winning Norfolk camps are amazing spaces where you can roam free and slow down. Some of the best beaches are right on the doorstep and there's so much to see and do. Thornham Bay has easy access to the beach with great pubs and restaurants within walking distance. The Hideaway is just off the coast in a beautiful setting. Discover woodlands, animals, play areas and zip lines. The 'Pamper Pod' has hair-dryers and spa treatments can be pre-booked. Whichever Wild Luxury camp you choose it'll be one of the best glamping experiences in the UK.

FAMILY FACILITIES



Play area, animals, den building, zip wire, swing tree and parachute canopy. **SLEEPS** 2 to 10

GREEN CREDENTIALS Renewable energy at Thornham, Local produce hampers, recycling.

ADDRESS Wild Luxury, North Norfolk Coast, Near Hunstanton, Norfolk **TEL** 01485750850
WEB wildluxury.co.uk

EMAIL adventure@wildluxury.co.uk

PRICES FROM Weekly: £695 **Short Stay:** £395

Condover Hall



Condover Hall is a stunning Elizabethan manor house owned by JCA Adventure in the rolling Shropshire countryside.

The manor mostly plays host to school groups to provide educational residential trips. In the school holidays, Condover Hall's grand gates are opened up to families looking to spend quality time together and take on new challenges. Try high ropes, aerial trek, archery, climbing, abseiling, kayaking and more. Short trips range between 2-4 nights and the package includes accommodation, meals, activities, bedding - basically everything! The perfect opportunity to put down the electronics, turn off the TV and let the adventure begin, together.



FAMILY FACILITIES



Indoor & outdoor adventure activities, restaurant, bar, cafe, shop, extensive gardens, lake.

ADDRESS Condover Hall, Church Street, Condover, Shrewsbury, SY5 7AU **WEB** condoverhall.com

EMAIL enquiries@jca-adventure.co.uk

SLEEPS 1 - 500 maximum **TEL** 01273 647200

PRICES PER PERSON FROM Short Stay: £109

Eco Chic Cottages



Our two award winning Cotswold stone holiday cottages are perfect for families. Lavished with luxuries they are fantastic for adults and welcoming for children.

Culls Cottage has 3 double bedrooms and a large garden with lawn. The Chestnuts has four double bedrooms in two wings; perfect for larger family groups. With two lounges and a large kitchen/dining area, there's space for everyone. Discover the local area with heaps to do - such as the local wildlife park or just sit and enjoy The Cotswolds countryside from our gardens and watch the children play while you read a magazine.

FAMILY FACILITIES



Board games, Toys, books for tots to teenagers, lawn at Culls.

GREEN CREDENTIALS Gold Green Tourism award, Carbon Neutral, Ethical Sustainable Award winners.

ADDRESS Culls Cottage, Lechlade Rd, Southrop, Gloucestershire GL73PF • The Chestnuts Bridge St, Shilton, Oxon, OX184AB **SLEEPS** 2 to 10

WEB ecochiccottages.com **TEL** 07860337763

EMAIL chris@ecochiccottages.com

PRICES FROM Weekly: £950 Short Stay: £498

WHERE TO GO

NORTH

The sharper inclines and more rugged country of this part of the world lends itself to adventures; build boats and sail them across the region's fairytale lakes, or find unexpected surf on the eastern side of the area. Beaches here are less crowded and more dramatic; find wild, windy expanses with space to stretch.

MUSEUMS

There are more buttons at Halifax's **Eureka** (eureka.org.uk) than on a



pearly king's suit, as you'd expect from a place that describes itself as 'the only fully interactive museum totally dedicated to children aged 0-11 in the UK'. Run around six themed zones, with hundreds of interactive exhibits; scan a pregnant mum's

tummy, create digital art, try sensory play, stroke a coyote, explore the world of work, make crazy cartoon sounds, and listen to global lullabies. The fun's not just inside; the museum's extensive grounds are also home to sensory trails and a giant outdoor sandpit.

Housed in the cavernous old Co-operative Wholesale Society building (its art deco flourishes will make you smile), **Discovery Museum** (discoverymuseum.org.uk) tells the story of Newcastle and Tyneside's maritime, scientific and technological history. Be dwarfed by Turbinia, a steam-powered ship that was once the fastest in the world, and then immerse yourselves in engineering heaven. The museum is packed with fun things for families to do, don't miss Play Tyne, the interactive water play area or their innovative events such as drop-in inventing sessions and pre-school engineering fun. You might even get to meet the inventor-in-residence. Free.





ADVENTURES

Get prepared for a lifetime of Swallows and Amazons-style adventures by coming together to build your

own canoe. Located in the beautiful Lake District **Orca Adventures** (orcaadventures.co.uk) run family boat-building courses, which run over 2-4 days. Pick your design, and spend four idyllic days crafting your vessel – kids are welcomed

warmly, but there are lots of local attractions to visit if they start to get fidgety. You can camp, stay in a yurt on in a barn onsite, or choose accommodation nearby. At the end of your build, you'll have your own canoe ready to haul home.

Surfing ain't just a south-west thing – the Northumberland coast has swell to ride, and the beaches and campsites are a lot less crowded. **Northside Surf** (northside-surf-school.co.uk) run family courses in surfing and stand-up paddle-boarding; one-to-one sessions and groups at stunning beaches along the coast, including North Druridge Bay, Embleton Bay, Seahouses and Bamburgh. It's a great way to take in the breathtaking beauty of this part of the country. For a fun afternoon on the sea, try their giant stand-up paddle board that can take ten kids or eight adults.

SECRET BEACHES

The pretty walk to **Sugar Sands** in Northumberland just makes your day by the sea even sweeter (although there is a short-cut drive along a path near Low Stead farm). This tucked-away

beach between Boulmer and Howick has cliffs with Vienetta-like layers of strata, soft, white sand and blue seas and is a favourite among locals. Take a few minutes to walk to nearby Rumbling Kern and discover rock pools the size of jacuzzis, and formations just begging to be jumped from. A great place for adventures.



The vast expanse of **Sandscale Haws beach** (nationaltrust.org.uk) is more than matched by its views of the Cumbria mountains – this is a stunning part of the world. The dunes that ring the sands are a designated National Nature Reserve and packed with plants and animals from coralroot

orchids to dragonflies and great crested newts. There's also a colony of rare (and poisonous) natterjack toads. It's a wild, windy kind of place that is fun at any time of year; take your kite, your bat and ball and rock pooling nets. It's a National Trust property – parking is free to members.

Camp Katur



Camp Katur is a Glamping experience with a difference and offers a truly memorable Yorkshire Glamping holiday.

Our Glamping Village has many types of accommodation including Safari Tents, Bell Tents, a Tipi, Unidomes, Hobbit Pods, Geodomes and Bears Place Eco Lodge. Each accommodation is truly unique. The Camp Hill Estate is an activities estate so there is plenty to do whilst you are here, whether you enjoy Segways, Quad Bike treks, Football Golf and Children can enjoy the Woodland Kingdom Adventure Park which is home to a mini low ropes course, dens, playhouses and a bbq and picnic area.

FAMILY FACILITIES

Toy Shed, Adventure Park, Woodland Walks.

GREEN CREDENTIALS

Solar Power, Local Produce Hampers.

ADDRESS The Camp Hill Estate, Bedale, North Yorkshire DL8 2LS **WEB** campkatur.com

EMAIL info@campkatur.com

SLEEPS 2-8 **TEL** 01845 202100

PRICES FROM Weekly: £315 **Short Stay:** £45

Broadgate Farm Cottages



Relax after your days exploring the delights of the Yorkshire Wolds and stay at our award winning, eco-friendly self-catering cottages.

Luxury 5 star Gold barn conversions ideally positioned for exploring the Yorkshire Wolds, Beverley, York, Hull and the Yorkshire coast, there is so much to do in the area with lots of family friendly attractions and activities. Two, three, four and six bedroom cottages, ground floor bedrooms & bathrooms, private gardens all set in 19 acres of grass & woodland with lovely views across the fields and our farm animals. Arrive any day – short breaks welcome – pet-friendly cottages – free Wi-Fi.

FAMILY FACILITIES

Books/games, grass play area, close to many child/family attractions. **SLEEPS** 2-25

GREEN CREDENTIALS GSHP & solar for heating/ water, generate electricity, guest fruit orchard.

ADDRESS Broadgate Farm, Beverley Road, Walkington, Beverley HU17 8RP **TEL** 01482888111

WEB broadgatefarmcottages.co.uk

EMAIL elaine@broadgatefarmcottages.co.uk

PRICES FROM Weekly: £490 **Short Stay:** £299



ST FAGANS NATIONAL MUSEUM

WHERE TO GO

WALES

Old coal mines make for both immersive education and thrill-seeking fun; jump on trampolines deep under the earth, or descend into a pit dressed in the same way as a miner. There's plenty to do above ground too; spot dolphins, look for shipwrecks, or leap crazily off cliffs.

MUSEUMS

Lose yourself in the history of Wales at the UK's first national open-air museum. When **St Fagans National Museum of History** (museum.wales/stfagans) opened, it was a radical place, dedicated to documenting the lives of ordinary people. Standing in the grounds of the beautiful St Fagans Castle, wander around 40 original, re-erected buildings; houses, a chapel, a farm and a school. What makes this place truly special is how alive it feels; you are encouraged to interact, to voice your feelings, and to learn to make and craft. Watch blacksmiths at work, follow the story of wool from fleece to fabric, eat cakes made at the Bake House with corn milled at the Mill or buy custom-made clogs from the clog-maker. Free.

Museums don't get more immersive than the **Big Pit National Coal Museum** in Blaenafon (museum.wales/bigpit). A real coal mine, you'll get to go 300 feet underground with a real miner, and find out exactly what life was like for the thousands of men who hacked and toiled in the depths of the earth at the coal face.

You'll wear a helmet, cap, lamp, belt and battery just like a real miner, and take a 50-minute walking tour around the coal faces, engine houses and stables. Above ground, there are galleries which explain the modern mining process, the history of the Welsh industry, and real-life machinery. Free.



BIG PIT NATIONAL COAL MUSEUM

ADVENTURES

Perhaps the most fun it's possible to have underground, this network of giant trampolines, walkways, slides and tunnels, suspended in a slate cavern thrills the eyes as much as every other sense. **Zip World Caverns Slate Caverns** (zipworld.co.uk) allow



you to bounce, fly and climb through dramatic subterranean scenery, lit in purples, yellows and blues. Choose your adventure; Bounce Below is a chance to jump and slide on an enormous series of nets and trampolines, while the trickier Caverns is a course of via ferrata, rope bridges, climbs and monkey bars. Back above ground, Titan has three, leg-wobbling zip wires to fly down.



It's claimed that coasteering was invented in West Wales, and the rugged cliffs of the region are one of the finest places in the world to immerse yourselves in a session of cliff jumping, rock climbing and sea level traversing. Scramble in and out of sea caves, ride wild waves along gullies, and discover secret places not even

visible from the coastal path. You might even come face-to-face with a seal, puffin or confused rabbit. **Preseli Venture** in Pembrokeshire have incredible locations to explore on the National Trust coastline and offer half day and weekend sessions, or full adventure holidays with accommodation. preseliventure.co.uk

SECRET BEACHES

It's a scramble down the gentle cliffs or a wander over the beach from the Gower's Broughton Bay to get to **Blue Pool Bay**. Which means this sandy cove is usually free from crowds. Its star is the supposedly bottomless rock pool, ringed by high



rocks and popular with divers. Brave the jump, or watch others leap in. The cliffs surrounding the bay are scoured and dented by the sea; explore the sea arches known as Three Chimneys, or find a Culver Hole, a cave where prehistoric finds have been found. The beach even boasts its own shipwreck, a Portuguese vessel; why not go digging for doubloons?



Have you ever seen a dolphin? There's a chance you will spot one of these magical creatures at **Mwnt** (nationaltrust.org.uk), a hidden-ish cove on the Ceredigion coast. There are even regular Dolphin Watch events hosted by National Trust rangers. Apart from the golden sands and sheltered surf, there's lots to do. Have a poke around the tiny

white church, a sailor's chapel thought to be built on an ancient site from the Age of the Saints, then grab a warm welsh cake from the cafe at the top of the steps down to the beach. The cove is a fairytale place to spend the day; finish off your visit with a climb to the top of the neighbouring conical Foel y Mwnt hill, with its vistas of Cardigan Bay to watch the sun set.

Stones Cottages



Stones Cottages are situated on the Strumble Head peninsula in West Wales. It is a rugged coastal area with views over the sea toward St David's Head. There

are three converted cottages; Harmony, Sunset and The Workshop. All three have been created from former stone farm buildings, lovingly converted into two story dwellings using environmentally friendly and traditional building techniques. You can walk and play in the wild flower meadows and small wooded areas in the small holding, feed the pet sheep and chickens or venture out to explore the National Park, beautiful beaches and great family walks.



FAMILY FACILITIES



Wild Flower Areas, Wooded Areas, Pet Sheep, Pet Chickens. **SLEEPS** 1-6

GREEN CREDENTIALS

Air Source Heat Pump, Electric car charging, PV, Solar Thermal, Log Burner.

ADDRESS Stones Cottages, Llandrudion, Pencaer, Goodwick, Pembrokeshire SA64 0JQ

WEB stonescottages.co.uk **TEL** 01348 891344

EMAIL holidays@stonescottages.co.uk

PRICES FROM Weekly: £300 Short Stay: £200



Treberfedd Farm



We have a diverse choice of accommodation to offer. Chic and original eco-cabins with panoramic views, family size barn conversions with log burner and

hot tub, Lovingly restored historic welsh farmhouse with hot tub, modern large family farmhouse. All benefit from a beautiful secluded location in the hills with panoramic views and only a 20 mins drive from the delights of the unspoilt Cardigan Bay coastline.



FAMILY FACILITIES



Adventure play boat, farm walks, games barn, shop, egg collecting.

GREEN CREDENTIALS

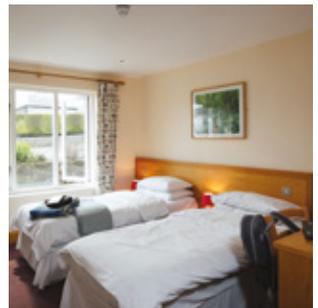
Organic, 19 acres woodland created, renewable electricity, local food.

ADDRESS Treberfedd Farm, Dihewyd, Lampeter, Ceredigion, Wales SA48 7NW

WEB treberfedd.co.uk **TEL** 01570 470672

EMAIL info@treberfedd.co.uk **SLEEPS** 2 to 9

PRICES FROM Weekly: £320 Short Stay: £159



National Trust Pembrokeshire - Stackpole Estate & Gupton Farm



Our 2000 acre estate in South Pembrokeshire is made for exploring! With award winning beaches, tranquil woodlands and miles of footpaths, it's not

difficult to be inspired by Stackpole. Whether you're all about wildlife watching in the national nature reserve, walking our network of paths or taking the water for a coastal pursuit, we've got you covered. Big groups, small groups, special interest breaks, family gatherings or adventure holidays...whatever your reason for staying, you'll find us very accommodating. Our eco-centre sleeps up to 147 in a combination of single, double and bunkhouse style rooms. Gupton Farm's ideal for a wilder, rustic stay. There's plenty of space with the campsite offering 120 tent pitches and 5 campervans, and the beautifully restored farmhouse sleeping up to 10.

FAMILY FACILITIES

Nature Trails & bird hides, Surfing/ Stand Up Paddle Boarding, Kite flying, rockpooling, Coasteering, Kayaking.

GREEN CREDENTIALS Biomass Heating System, Solar Panels, Platinum Eco Centre, Reed bed filtration system (Gupton Farm), Ground Source Heat pump (Gupton Farm).

ADDRESS Stackpole Estate & Gupton Farm, Pembrokeshire SA71 5DQ **TEL 01646 623110**

WEB nationaltrust.org.uk/stackpole

EMAIL Stackpole.bookings@nationaltrust.org.uk

SLEEPS Stackpole Centre - 147 Gupton Farm - 130

Croft Farm and Celtic Cottages



Andy and Sylvie, parents themselves, have been welcoming families to these award winning, beautiful cottages for 30 years. Croft is a smallholding lying 4 miles from the stunning Pembrokeshire beaches and bays and 3 miles from the historic market town of Cardigan. Imagine your child's delight waking on a farm, running out to play and helping feed the animals and collect the eggs. Family-friendly facilities include luxury indoor heated pool, soft play, pool table, toddler swings and ride-ons, adventure playground, air hockey as well as hot tubs and sauna. Celebrate a special occasion with a pampering massage and chef-cooked dinner.



FAMILY FACILITIES

Daily animal feeding, adventure playground, rustic play barn, soft play.

GREEN CREDENTIALS Carbon neutral wood pellet boilers heat indoor pool and cottages

ADDRESS Croft, CARDIGAN, Pembrokeshire SA43 3NT **WEB** croft-holiday-cottages.co.uk

EMAIL info@croft-holiday-cottages.co.uk

SLEEPS 2-12 **TEL** 01239 615179 **PRICES FOR FAMILY OF 4 FROM Weekly: £570 Short Stay: £285**

Aber Cottages



Perfect for unwinding and getting back to nature. Two comfortable cottages on a working family organic farm, where animals and nature abound. Collect eggs for supper, melt marshmallows over the campfire or simply lay back and gaze as the stars twinkle above. Recharge your batteries for free - your car battery, using our micro-hydro produced electricity. Great walking from the doorstep taking in the best our National Park has to offer. Home of Jacob Sheeptrekking and Experience days, as seen on Countryfile. Stabling and grazing available.

FAMILY FACILITIES

Playroom, farm trail, campfire, den building, organic food, egg collecting.

GREEN CREDENTIALS Organic farm, spring water, self-sufficient energy, GTBS Gold, EV charging.

ADDRESS Aber Cottages, Aberhyddnant, Crai, Brecon, Powys LD3 8YS

WEB abercottages.com **TEL** 01874 636797

EMAIL info@abercottages.com **SLEEPS** 2 to 10

PRICES FROM Weekly: £391 Short Stay: £98/night

*Not available with any other offer



Acorn Family Holidays



Acorn Family Holidays specialise in all-inclusive family adventure holidays in the UK & Europe. Our flagship Adventure Centre in the Brecon Beacons National Park is set on the shores of Llangorse Lake.

Here your family can enjoy a whole host of activities from stand up paddleboarding to high ropes. Activities are delivered by our qualified team and are included in the price. Accommodation is in one of our lakeside camping pods or private family tented villages. All meals are provided and evening entertainment is included. Our family villages are exclusive to our families, allowing children to have the freedom to

play, whilst the adults relax and unwind. Prices start from £188pp for a 3 night break, which includes your activity programme, meals, accommodation, instruction, kit/equipment and evening entertainment.

FAMILY FACILITIES

Fully inclusive adventurous activity programme, including water sports on Llangorse Lake.

ADDRESS Acorn Adventure, Royal Oak, Llangorse, Brecon, LD3 7TR **TEL 01384 398 870**

WEB acornfamilyholidays.co.uk

EMAIL Info@acornfamilyholidays.co.uk

SLEEPS 2-5 **PRICES FROM** £188pp for 3 nights to £309pp for 6 nights

WHERE TO GO

For more fabulous places to visit in the UK go to thegreenparent.co.uk/issue-87-extras

SCOTLAND

Find true wildness in the far north; this is a country filled with gorges ready to slide down, beaches with views of heather-wrapped hills and a rich heritage to uncover. Go on a truly memorable adventure staying in stone bothies, or enjoy more hi-tech thrills at a virtual ride through the history of our planet.



SECRET BEACHES

Scarista Beach on the Isle of Harris is a perfect example of the kind of shore that Scotland is famous for;

acres of white sand, undulating hills, dunes, and sapphire-hued seas. Seas that are usually pretty damn chilly! The heart-bursting beauty of this beach extends beyond the sealine; soaring above it are mountains, purple, grey

and majestic. Even at the height of summer, you may be here alone at this windswept, remote place that stretches for miles – it's not super-easy to access. Take balls, kites, cameras and play, or just sit here quietly and drink in the incredible views.



MUSEUMS

See, hear, smell and feel the dramatic story of the birth and lifetime of our planet at Edinburgh's **Dynamic Earth** (dynamicearth.co.uk). A Deep Time Machine will rocket you back to the big bang, then it's a breakneck ride through

the universe watching the universe expand and the planets form. Touch an iceberg, feel the cold, see the Northern Lights and fly high above glaciers and deep below the ocean, marvelling at whales and waves. There are often activities and creative sessions taking place, such as the roaringly popular design-your-own-dinosaur; check online for details.

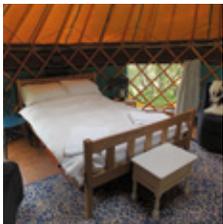
ADVENTURES

A proper, adrenaline-pumping adventure for children as young as seven, Gorge Walking is a slide, scramble and swim through the pools and natural flumes of a watery canyon. With **Vertical Descents**

(verticaldescents.com) you'll pull on a wetsuit and bump down either through the rocks near Fort William or the pools near Blair Atholl in Perthshire. Both venues are staggeringly beautiful. Each feature and challenge of the descent is optional, which makes this very suitable for families with mixed bravery levels.



Black Isle Yurts



Black Isle Yurts is sited on a small working farm that offers access to wild areas of semi-ancient woodland, secluded sandy beaches on an unspoilt coastline and

breath-taking views over the Moray Firth. An area of great biodiversity, with endless opportunities to see wildlife (the area is famous for dolphin-spotting), and important historical and archaeological interest. Peace and tranquillity come guaranteed as our yurts are well-spaced out, each in their own natural clearing in the birch woods. Wood burning stoves in all our yurts and quality washroom facilities at the Hub means you can enjoy luxury and comfort in nature while on holiday with us.

FAMILY FACILITIES

Board games in the yurts!

GREEN CREDENTIALS Family-run

Eco-tourism Business, hand-crafted yurts

ADDRESS Black Isle Yurts, Easter Hillockhead Farm, by Eathie, Rosemarkie, Highland IV10 8SL

WEB blackisleyurts.co.uk **TEL** 01381 620634

EMAIL info@blackisleyurts.co.uk **SLEEPS** 2-5

PRICES FROM Weekly: £270 **Short Stay:** £140

Wilderness Cottages



Located throughout Scotland, Wilderness Cottages offer a unique collection of properties, from small cottages ideal for two through to larger houses for families or for groups of friends. Situated in some of the most spectacular locations in Scotland including the West Coast, the Cairngorm National Park, the Isle of Skye and around the Loch Ness area. We are sure that we will have a property to suit your requirements. Short breaks available in selected properties. Pets welcome. Free brochure available – please order via website or contact us direct.



ADDRESS Kintyre House, 127 Culduthel Road, Inverness IV2 4EF **WEB** wildernesscottages.co.uk

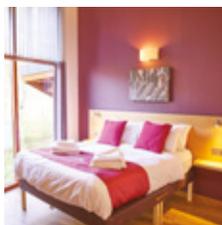
EMAIL bookings@wildernesscottages.co.uk

TEL 01463719219 **SLEEPS** 2 to 10

PRICES FROM Weekly: £245 **Short Stay:** £245



Forest Holidays



The forest makes for a beautiful escape for the family. Perfect for reconnecting with nature, and spending quality time together as a family. Create unforgettable memories on your forest adventure. Whether you have little ones who want to splash in puddles and look at the squirrels or older children itching to explore the forest and build dens, a Forest Holiday brings you all together and allows the time and space for simple pleasures. It's great too, for getting the generations together, with well-equipped self-catering cabins that can sleep up to 10 people.

FAMILY FACILITIES

Games crate, nature trail, bike hire, ranger activities
GREEN CREDENTIALS Connecting people, nature and local communities. Local produce within our Retreat. Our holiday locations are designed, built and managed with sensitivity to their forest setting.

LOCATIONS 10 Locations UK wide

WEB www.forestholidays.co.uk

TEL 03330 110 495 **SLEEPS** 2 to 10

EMAIL info@forestholidays.co.uk

PRICES FROM Weekly: £445 **Short Stay:** £345

Sykes Holiday Cottages



Sykes Holiday Cottages have a lovely range of self-catering cottages across the whole of the UK and Ireland. Every property is personally inspected by a Sykes travel expert and is priced fairly and affordably. With over 25 years' experience in the holiday letting industry, book your next holiday cottage with confidence today. Your perfect place awaits.

LOCATIONS UK and Ireland **SLEEPS** 2 to 59

WEB sykescottages.co.uk **TEL** 01244 356695

EMAIL info@sykescottages.co.uk

PRICES FROM Weekly: £151 **Short Stay:** £151

holidaycottages.co.uk



Holidaycottages.co.uk offers over 3000 family-friendly places to stay across the UK, from the Highlands of Scotland to the beaches of Cornwall. Our large choice of personally inspected holiday cottages includes everything from small cottages for young families to big and beautiful houses perfect for multi-generational getaways. We are able to cater for those who require cots, high chairs and enclosed gardens, and those seeking additional extras such as swimming pools, play equipment and games rooms. With so much to see and do, the UK is the perfect destination for fun filled days out and good times with all the family.

FAMILY FACILITIES 

Tennis courts, games rooms, play areas, farm activities (some properties)

GREEN CREDENTIALS Solar panels, biomass heating, increased recycling (some properties)

ADDRESS Across the UK

WEB holidaycottages.co.uk/family

TEL 01237 459888 **SLEEPS** 2 to 24

EMAIL bookings@holidaycottages.co.uk

PRICES FROM Weekly: £239 **Short Stay:** £234

La Radicata - Family holidays in Italy



Villa Radicata is family friendly, has 6 double rooms, outside eating areas, a 12 x 5 fenced pool and beautiful lake and mountain views in a stunning, undiscovered area of Tuscany. We offer classes in yoga, fitness, cooking for mums, art and Italian for children, with babysitting provided during classes. All food & wine included, as is a massage and an excursion to the medieval town of Anghiari. Free pick ups on offer from Perugia airport or Arezzo station. Experience quality time with your children and fabulous “mummy time” with great food and true Italian hospitality. Weekly rentals also available.



FAMILY FACILITIES 

Toys, bikes, paddling pool, horseriding nearby, and baby equipment.

GREEN CREDENTIALS Locally grown organic food, Home made pasta and bread, wood burning oven.

ADDRESS Via Radicata , 246 Caprese Michelangelo, Arezzo Italy 5100

WEB mum-and-baby-experience.co.uk

EMAIL ritakobrak1@aol.com

SLEEPS 4-12 **TEL** 0039 349 5018679

PRICES FROM Weekly: £850 **Short Stay:** £400

Tots To Travel Almond Grove Family Resort



This idyllic Spanish haven combines family fun with a true taste of Spain. Little ones can spend days splashing in the pool, playing in the huge playground and making new friends giving you a chance to relax. These beautiful Spanish villas have been completely renovated, combining modern characterful interiors with practicality for families. There's even play areas stacked with toys and books. Relax at the villa or explore the countryside; rural villages and stunning beaches of the Costa Blanca. One of The Times' 50 Best Villas in the Med 2018', praised for the 'top-notch facilities for families with young children'.

FAMILY FACILITIES



Trampoline, kids pool, cinema nights, baby and toddler kit, babysitting
GREEN CREDENTIALS Solar heated swimming pool
ADDRESS Almond Grove Family Resort, Costa Blanca, Spain **TEL 0800 014 2770**

WEB totstotravel.co.uk/resort/almond-grove/

EMAIL enquiries@totstotravel.co.uk

PRICES Weekly: From £1,218 for a family of up to 4 plus 2 infants in cots

Short Stay: 7 night minimum stay

SLEEPS 2 and 3 bedroom villas available sleeping from 4-6 people plus 2 infants in cots

Agriturismo Fattoria la Prugnola



Nestled on an organic farm that produces extra virgin olive oil, and where nature offers a rich playground for children, "Agriturismo Fattoria la Prugnola" is a magical adventure for the family. Located near the small village of Montescudaio, close to beautiful beaches and the famous attractions of Tuscany, such as Volterra, Pisa, Siena and Firenze. There's different accommodation to match your needs: big cottages, small apartments, cosy yurts, brand new lodge tents and a "one of a kind" tree house! All accommodation is self catered, but we prepare a buffet breakfast with fresh, local and organic products - a real treat!

FAMILY FACILITIES



Adventure park with tree climbing rope trail. Wood trail with cave

GREEN CREDENTIALS Organic farm producing extra virgin olive oil

ADDRESS Via delle Vedove 2, 56040 Montescudaio (PI), Tuscany, Italy **WEB** laprugnola.it

EMAIL info@laprugnola.it

TEL 00393805050323 SLEEPS 2-7

PRICES FROM Weekly: €300 **Short Stay:** €180

Little Clogs Holidays



Family friendly accommodation in the most beautiful areas of The Netherlands and Belgium. Back to nature holidays which are perfect for little ones with magical woodland trails, sand dunes and playgrounds on the beach. Little Clogs have handpicked the best toddler friendly holiday parks with their brilliant facilities, and farm holidays in luxury glamping tents. Extremely accessible, child friendly countries with some of the cleanest, sandiest beaches in Europe, national parks, fairytales and childhood characters such as Miffy and The Smurfs. You can discover beautiful nature yet the famous cities are never far away.



FAMILY FACILITIES



Kids' clubs, children's accommodations, woodland walks, indoor play, toddler facilities
GREEN CREDENTIALS Natural settings, sustainable tourism, woodland trails, cycle networks, organic produce

WEB little-clogs-holidays.co.uk

TEL 07803604866

EMAIL info@little-clogs-holidays.co.uk

PRICES FROM Weekly: €256 in March or from €768 in August **Short Stay:** €176 in March or from €373 in August **SLEEPS** 2-24

Tots To Travel Berry Farm Gites



Set within 22 acres of picturesque Breton countryside, Berry Farm Gites are an enchanting backdrop for your family holiday. All the action is centred around the safely enclosed Village Green with a playground for tots. A heated, enclosed saltwater pool provides many happy hours for your water babies. Plan days out to the glorious Brittany beaches, pram-able strolls through the beautiful woodland, or a trip to the Forest Adventure Park and you'll build up the perfect itinerary for an outdoorsy family. Then back to a home cooked meal, left in your gite, ensuring mums and dads get a proper break too.



FAMILY FACILITIES



Mud kitchens, bug hotel, balancing trails, playbarn, playhouses, construction zone sandpit
GREEN CREDENTIALS Home cooked meals using locally sourced produce available.

ADDRESS Berry Farm, Brittany, France

WEB totstotravel.co.uk/resort/the-berry-farm/

EMAIL enquiries@totstotravel.co.uk

TEL 0800 014 2770 **PRICES Weekly:** From £798 for a family of up to 4 plus up to 3 infants in cots

Short Stay: From £398 for 3 nights

SLEEPS 6 cottages with 2, 3 and 4 bedrooms sleeping 4 - 8 adults or children plus infants in cots

Come explore!



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