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Welcome to our Top 100 Sites 2014!



What is it that makes a campsite great? Is it the warmth of the welcome, the quality of the facilities, the number of pitches, or the park's location? Running

our Top 100 Sites listings over the years has taught us one thing: it's all of these, and more. Very often there's that certain something that you can't quite put your finger on; a special atmosphere that makes a good holiday become a simply great one.

That's what you've told us over the years, and every site that you'll find in our 2014 line-up offers just that. This year our listings are more comprehensive than ever before: thousands of you – whether you stay in a caravan, motorhome, tent or caravan holiday home – have had your say about the sites that you love. Our experienced test team members have been through each and every entry, and visited countless sites, to come up with this year's results, and the most exhaustive listings that we've ever produced. We've included full contact details; these are relevant for all bookings – from tent to caravan holiday home – unless we've indicated otherwise. Enjoy your trip!

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Group Editor, *Practical Caravan & Practical Motorhome*

Key to listings



Caravan



Motorhome



Tent



Holiday home



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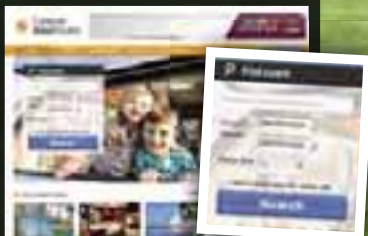
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Six of the best

All of the sites featured in this guide come highly recommended, but our test team has selected six parks that offer just that little bit more: these include the best open-all-year site, the best small site and more. The categories are below, and the winning sites have the relevant icon alongside their full listing in the guide.

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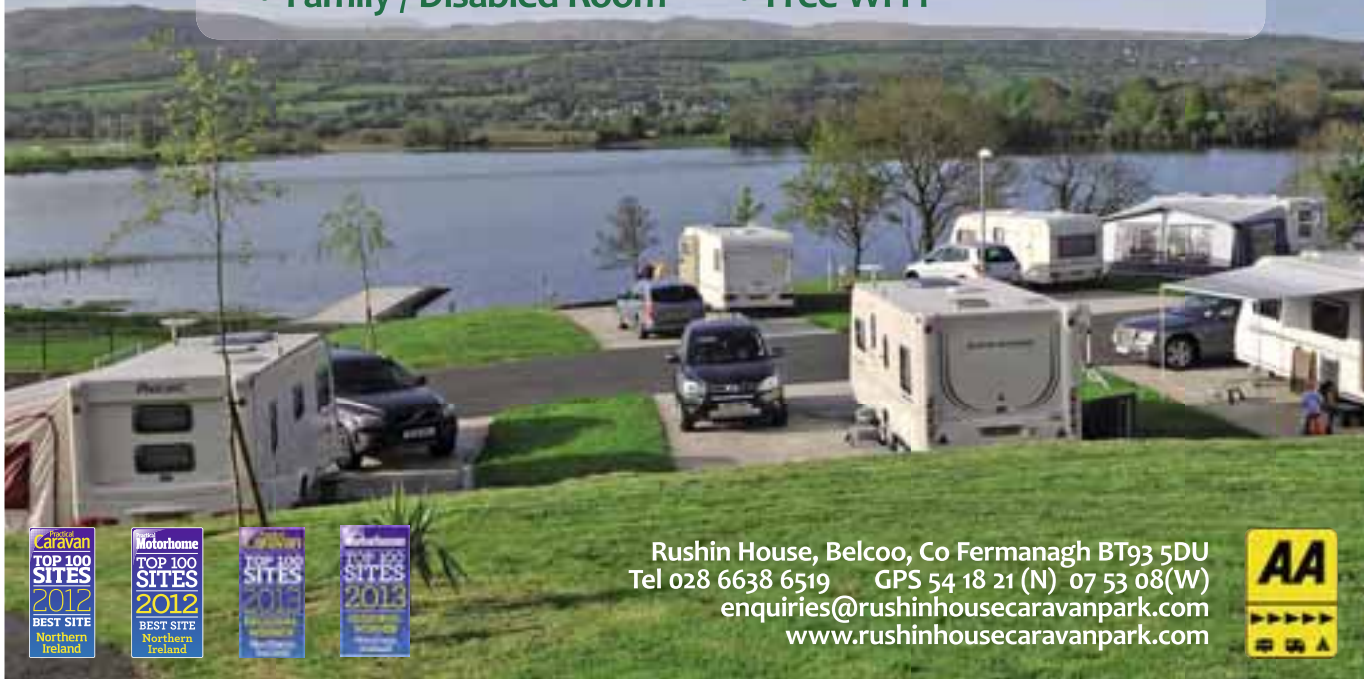
BEST SITE

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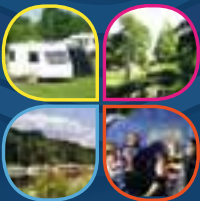
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Booking & Enquiries

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Ballyness Caravan Park

40 Castlecatt Road,
Bushmills, Co Antrim, BT57 8TN.
Tel 028 2073 2393
Email: info@ballynesscaravanpark.com,
Web: www.ballynesscaravanpark.com.
1/2 mile South of Bushmills on B66. 18 acres multi award winning park on north Antri coast, closest park to Giants Causeway and Bushmills Distillery, fully serviced pitches family friendly, WiFi, Open from 14th March to 2nd of November. Cost per tourer £24.00.
Bookings Necessary
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Watertop Farm

188 Cushendall Road,
Ballycastle, County Antrim, BT54 6RN.
Tel: 028 2076 2576.
www.watertopfarm.co.uk
6 miles east of Ballycastle on main A2 Ballycastle to Larne. The park has 3 areas, 1 hardstanding, 1 grass and a camping area all with electric hook-ups, water hook-ups and drainage. 10 pitch camping area. Open April till October.
Tourers £15.00 per night
Caravans £24 per night.
Bookings advisable.
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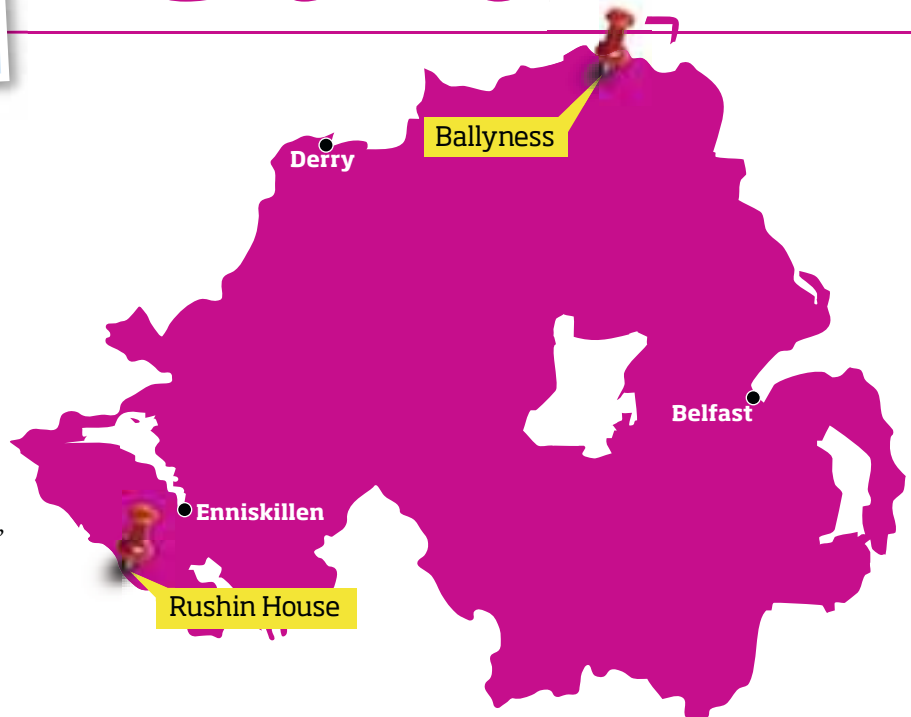


Northern Ireland

There's so much to see and do in beautiful Northern Ireland that you'll never want to leave – from soaring peaks to picturesque beaches, welcoming towns to historic monuments, there's enough here to keep you occupied on a tour of any length.

Two campsites feature in the region in this year's Top 100. Ballyness Caravan Park is perfect for visiting the awe-inspiring Giant's Causeway, the world-famous distillery at Bushmills, and the many other attractions of the north Antrim coast. Rushin House, close to the border with Eire, is perfectly located for exploring historic Enniskillen and the Fermanagh Lakelands.

Visitors to Northern Ireland should also be sure to take a trip to fabulous Belfast; you'll receive a warm welcome to this beautiful and historic capital city.



Ballyness

Caravan Park



Address 40 Castlecatt Road, Bushmills, Co Antrim BT57 8TN **Tel** 02820 732 393

Web www.ballynesscaravanpark.com **Open** 14 March-2 November

Pitches 48, all hardstanding **Pitch+2+hook-up** £20-£30



We say...

The northern coast is a wonderful place to take a tour, and Ballyness makes an ideal base for exploring all of the sights within easy reach, including the incredible Giant's Causeway. There are three separate sections to the touring area, which features 48 pitches in total; these pitches are well-spaced, so the site never feels crowded. Every touring pitch is hardstanding and has its own electricity, water and waste hook-up point. A motorhome service point is also available.

There's plenty at Ballyness to keep the entire family entertained, including a library, a barn with board games, a play area, pool and table tennis tables. Free Wi-Fi is also available.

You say...

"Ballyness is the best site we've ever stayed at in Northern Ireland. There's an immaculate attention to detail, and modern facilities to match. The children love the play area and the site is very safe. One word sums it up: outstanding!"

"We return here as often as we can. The toilets and washing areas are very clean, and the games room is very useful if the weather is wet outside."

"The family bathroom is a great idea for those with young children in tow."

Rushin House
Caravan Park



Address Holywell, Belcoo, Co Fermanagh BT93 5DU **Tel** 02866 386 519
Web www.rushinhousecaravanpark.com **Open** 14 March-31 October and limited winter *aire de service*
Pitches 38, all hardstanding **Pitch+2+hook-up** £20-£30



We say
Last year's 'Best in Northern Ireland' winner in both the *Practical Caravan* and *Practical Motorhome* Top 100 Awards takes the crown here once more – and a quick look at what it has to offer reveals the reason why. It features

a tremendous location alongside Lough MacNea, as well as a great level of facilities. It's well-located for exploring some of the region's finest sights, including the Enniskillen Museum. And those who enjoy walking will love its proximity to the Ulster Way.

The site is open from March to October, but handily an *aire de service* facility is open from November to February by prior arrangement. New facilities include a great new outdoor gym, which allows you to get fit while admiring the lovely vista over the lake.

You say...

- "This is a highly maintained site with excellent facilities and views, and it's convenient for touring the surrounding area. The owners are extremely welcoming and friendly."*
- "I was so impressed by how beautiful the site was – it's great for fishing, kayaking and relaxing. The owners are so friendly and so welcoming when you arrive, too. The toilet blocks were always spotless. My family and I look forward to our next visit."*
- "ALL touring sites should use Rushin House as their example."*
- "Everything about Rushin House impresses, from the warm welcome on arrival to the regular chats with various members of the owner's family. Even the family dog wanders around and is great with all visitors."*
- "This campsite is one of the best I've been to in Northern Ireland, and I've been to a lot! The toilet block was warm and immaculate, with music playing in the background. I've met the owner several times and he is always friendly."*





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Book online at
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Grantown-on-Spey Caravan Park,
Grantown-on-Spey, Highland PH26 3JQ



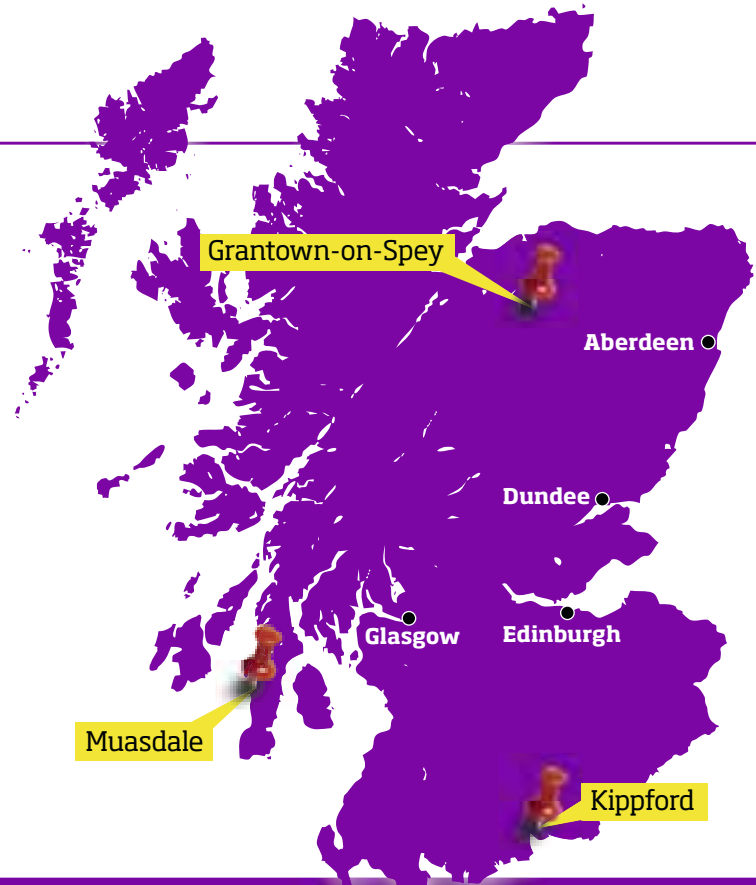


Scotland

So much of Scotland has spectacular scenery to enjoy – there are picturesque islands to the west of country, brooding lochs and soaring peaks are on offer across the Highlands, while Scotland's rugged coastline is a beautiful attraction in its own right. There are some stunning National Parks to visit, too, which are perfect for walkers or cyclists: they shouldn't miss the Loch Lomond and Trossachs National Park, as well as the mountains of the Cairngorms. There's much to see further south, too, thanks to the beauty of Dumfries and Galloway, and the fascinating history of the Borders.

You shouldn't tour Scotland without taking a trip to one of its handsome cities: many head for Edinburgh and Glasgow, but Dundee, Aberdeen and Inverness are all worthy of a visit in their own right, too.

Three Scottish sites make it through to our finals this year: one in the west, one to the south and the third in the north. No matter where you're touring in these areas, they're guaranteed to offer somewhere great to stay.



Granttown-on-Spey

Caravan Park



Address Granttown-on-Spey, Highland PH26 3JQ **Tel** 01479 872 474

Web www.caravanscotland.com **Open** 4 January-19 December

Touring pitches 117 (108 hardstanding) **Pitch+2+hook-up** Under £20-£30



We say...

Granttown-on-Spey scores consistently well in our Top 100 Sites Awards, and this year was no exception. Walkers will love the many paths they'll find nearby in this part of the Cairngorms; the Strathspey Steam Railway and the Cairngorm Funicular Railway are also within easy reach. The malt whisky trail – the only one of its kind in the world – is also a great draw to the area.

The facilities back on site are of a good quality. Washrooms have underfloor heating and cubicle washbasins, and there's even a separate toddler washroom with a small bath. A games room with table tennis and a pool table will keep children occupied, and there's a shop at reception. The site has also received a David Bellamy Gold award, demonstrating its commitment to environmentally friendly credentials.

You say...

"This is the cleanest, best-kept park in Scotland by a mile. Nothing is too much trouble for the very pleasant staff. We're returning next year for a longer stay."

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Blairgowrie Holiday Park
Rattray, Blairgowrie, Perthshire & Kinross, PH10 7AL
01250 876666
Fax: 01250 874535
www.holiday-parks.co.uk
E-mail: blairgowrie@holiday-parks.co.uk
Follow A93 1 mile north of Blairgowrie town centre, turn right at holiday park sign, park is 200 yards on left. Located by the Strathmore valley in the heart of Perthshire this friendly family run park is ideal for a relaxing weekend retreat, your family holiday or a lively adventure break.
Bookings: Advisable. Open all year. Tourers £18.00 to £20.00 Motor Caravans £18.00 to £20.00 Caravan Holiday Homes £235.00 to £595.00 Lodges £315.00 to £1025.00
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Balgair Castle Holiday Park
Finty Stirlingshire, G63 0LP
01360 860399
www.holiday-parks.co.uk
E-mail: balgaircastle@holiday-parks.co.uk
In a peaceful, rural setting Balgair Castle Holiday Park is cradled between the Campsie and Finty Hills close to the historic town of Stirling and half hour drive to Loch Lomond. Open 01/03 to 30/11. Tourers £18.00 to £20.00 Motor Caravans £18.00 to £20.00 Tents £18.00 to £20.00 Caravan Holiday Homes £235.00 to £510.00
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Corriefodly Holiday Park
Bridge of Cally, Blairgowrie, Perthshire & Kinross, PH10 7JG
01250 876666
Fax: 01250 874535
www.holiday-parks.co.uk
E-mail: corriefodly@holiday-parks.co.uk
A93 from Perth to Blairgowrie. Follow A93 Braemar Road for 6 miles to Bridge of Cally, first left after bridge on Pitlochry Road at Post Office, 200 yards on left. Friendly family run holiday park nestling in the hills and woodlands in the heart of Perthshire. Perfect base for touring and sightseeing or relaxing in beautiful countryside on this riverside park. Bookings: Advisable. Open all year. Tourers £17.00 to £19.00 Motor Caravans £17.00 to £19.00 Caravan Holiday Homes £330.00 to £450.00
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Craigendmuir Caravan and Camping Site
Village Drive, Clayhouse Road, Stepps, Glasgow, G33 6AF Tel:01417794057
M8, exit junction 11, follow for 1 mile to A80. Turn right, after 1/2 mile and turn right into Loch and follow for 1/4 mile to roundabout, park located over roundabout. 3 acres of level and gentle sloping grass areas and hard stand areas available and electrical hook ups. Recently refurbished facilities. Ideal stopover whilst touring west central Scotland. Open All Year, Min £18 to Max £22. Bookings accepted and advisable. Open from January the 1st to December the 31st **🏠🚐🏡🏠🚐🏡🏠🚐🏡**

Crossburn Caravan Park Edinburgh Road, Peebles, Borders, EH45 8ED. Tel:01721 720501. Fax: 01721720501 Email: enquiries@crossburncaravans.com. People come to us because they like where we are (on the outskirts of the lovely country town of Peebles), they like what we offer (atruly restful park in a beautiful area simply bursting with things to see and do) Come and enjoy our wonderful retreat.

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01224 733860 Fax: 01224 732490
www.holiday-parks.co.uk
E-mail: deeside@holiday-parks.co.uk
Left at A90 roundabout and follow B9077 for approximately 6 miles. Park is on the right past Old Mill Inn. Tranquil retreat set on the outskirts of Aberdeen this family run holiday park provides a great escape at any time of the year. Steeped in history with local activities to suit all the family. Bookings: Advised. Open all year. Tourers £18.00 to £22.00 Motor Caravans £17.00 to £22.00 Tents £14.00 to £19.00 Caravan Holiday Homes £290.00 to £535.00 Lodges £345.00 to £1050.00
★★★★ **🏠🚐🏡🏠🚐🏡🏠🚐🏡**

Dornoch Caravan Park
The Links, River St Dornoch, IV25 3LX. Dornoch is 2 miles off the A9 1 mile north of Tain. 25 acre two touring fields, grass hard stand pitches. Open from April to October.. Bookings advisable.
★★★★ **🏠🚐🏡🏠🚐🏡🏠🚐🏡**

Glennearly Caravan Park
Dalbeattie, Dumfries & Galloway, DG5 4NE
01556 61393 Fax: 01556 612058
Mr & Mrs Jardine
Web: www.glennearlycaravanpark.co.uk
E-mail: glennearlycaravan@btconnect.com
From Dumfries take A711 towards Dalbeattie, entrance on right 300 yards before town boundary. 20 acres, 74 static caravan pitches, touring area for 39 units, two holiday letting statics. Open all year. Tourers £15.50 to £17.50 Motor Caravans £15.50 to £17.50 Tents £15.50 to £17.50 Caravan Holiday Homes £215.00 to £455.00. Bookings advisable
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Glen Nevis Caravan & Camping Park
Glen Nevis, Fort William, Highlands, PH33 6SX. 01397 702191. holidays@glen-nevis.co.uk. Enter Glen Nevis mini-rounderbout on northern outskirts of Fort William A82. Park 2.5 miles on right. An Award winning quality park with excellent facilities. Set in the magnificent highlands, surrounded by the best Scottish scenery. Nestled at the foot of Britian's Highest mountain Ben Nevis. Open 15/03 to 31/10. **🏠🚐🏡🏠🚐🏡🏠🚐🏡**

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www.headsofayr.com/facilities.htm
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Dovecot Caravan Park Northwaterbridge, by Laurencekirk, Aberdeenshire AB30 1QL. 01674 840630. 5 miles north of Brechin turn off A90 at Edzell Woods sign at Northwaterbridge. 6 acres. Wifi is available on the site. Open April to mid October. Cost per tourer from £12. Gold David Bellamy Award. ★★★★★ **🏠🚐🏡🏠🚐🏡🏠🚐🏡**

Invercoe Caravan & Camping Park
Invercoe, Glencoe, Argyll, PH49 4HP. Tel: 01855811210.
Email: holidays@invercoe.co.uk, www.invercoe.co.uk
From the A82 at Glence hotel turn right on to B863 for a quarter mile. On the shores of Loch leven surrounded by excellent views of the Loch, mountain and forest. Open year round. Rates: £19 to 23. Bookings: Advisable **🏠🚐🏡🏠🚐🏡🏠🚐🏡**
John O Groats Caravan Site
John O Groats, Highland KW1 4YR
Tel: 01955 611329 / 744.
At end of A99, beside last house in Scotland. 4 Acres, 90 pitches. Shops, harbour, cafe, bus stop 100mm, cliff scenery 2km Open from April to September £19-£50 bookings accepted. www.visitjohngroats.com **🏠🚐🏡🏠🚐🏡🏠🚐🏡**

Linwater Caravan Park
West Clifton, East Calder, EH53 OHT
Tel: 0131 333 3326
www.linwater.co.uk
Sign posted from J1 of M9, Newbridge, and from Wilkieston on A71 along B7030. Family-run touring park excellent facilities with good access to Edinburgh and surrounding area. 5 Acres. Flat, Grass with hard standings Open Mid March to End of October. £16 -£22 You will be most welcome. Bookings advisable
★★★★ **🏠🚐🏡🏠🚐🏡🏠🚐🏡**

Lomond Woods Holiday
Tullichewan, Balloch, Loch Lomond, Dunbartonshire, G83 8QP
01389 755000 Rachel WoodFax: 01389 75563
www.holiday-parks.co.uk
E-mail: lomondwoods@ holiday-parks.co.uk
17 miles north west of Glasgow just off A82 at junction with A811 to Balloch and National Park. Left at next roundabout, Park 50 yards on left next to Loch Lomond shores. Award-winning family run park at the gateway to Loch Lomond National Park. Nestling in the hills and woodland and next to the Loch Lomond Shores Visitor Experience. Bookings: Advisable. Open all year. Tourers £20.00 to £26.00 MotorCaravans £20.00 to £26.00 Caravan Holiday Homes £250.00 to £550.00 Lodges £370.00 to £1045.00
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Tantallon Caravan & Camping Park
North Berwick, East Lothian, EH39 5NJ, 01620 893348
www.meadowhead.co.uk
From A1 turn onto the A1087 and then onto the A198. Follow the signs to Tantallon. The park is next to a golf course and the beach with spectacular views and is an ideal base for touring. Open from March to October. Min £16.25 to £30.25. Bookings accepted and advisable. **🏠🚐🏡🏠🚐🏡🏠🚐🏡**

Mount View Caravan Park
Station Road, Abington, South Lanarkshire. ML12 6RW.
Tel: 01864 502808
www.mountviewcaravanpark.co.uk.
Email: info@mountviewcaravanpark.co.uk
1 mile from J13 of M74 into village Abington, turn left at Royal Bank, travel approx 0.25 mile and turn right into site. 5 acre site well spaced out 40 touring pitches and 30 static pitches. Tourers, tents and motorhomes welcome. Open 15/03 to 31/10. Price £18 to £ 25. Bookings accepted and advisable **🏠🚐🏡🏠🚐🏡🏠🚐🏡**

Muasdale Holiday Park
Muasdale, Tarbert, Argyll PA29 6XD.
Tel: 01583 421207.
Southern end of Muasdale village on A83, 22 miles south of Tarbert. 10 touring pitches beside beach. 2 holiday apartments & 1 caravan holiday home for hire. Quiet site with wildlife & stunning sunsets. Open April till End of September. Tourers £15.50 to £17.50 Bookings accepted. **🏠🚐🏡🏠🚐🏡🏠🚐🏡**

Resipole Holiday Park
Acharacle, Argyll, Ardnamurchan, PH36 4HX.
Tel: 01967 431235.
www.resipole.co.uk
On A861, 8 miles west of Strontian. A level park with hard standings and grass area, a loch side location with stunning views and excellent facilities. Open from April to October. Cost from £19. Bookings advisable. **🏠🚐🏡🏠🚐🏡🏠🚐🏡**

Staffin Caravan & Camping Park
Isle of Skye, Highland, IV51 9JX
Tel: 01470562213
email: staffincampsite@btinternet.com
16 miles North of Portree on A865. Turn right before the 40mph signs on entering staffin. Mixed grass and hard pitches with view over the hills and sea. Excellent for touring, quiet site. Open April to October. £17. Bookings accepted and advisable. **🏠🚐🏡🏠🚐🏡🏠🚐🏡**

Thurston Manor Leisure Park .
Innerwick, Dunbar, East Lothian, EH42 1SA. Tel: 01368 840643. . Just half a mile off the A1 between Edinburgh and Berwick-Upon-Tweed. Set in 175 acres at the foot of the Lammermuir Hills, Thurston Manor has something to offer everyone. Open from 15th February to 6th January. Min £7 to Max £29.75 Bookings advisable. Seasonal Pitches Available. **🏠🚐🏡🏠🚐🏡🏠🚐🏡**

West Lodge Caravan Park
Comrie nr Crieff, Perthshire PH6 2LS. Tel: 01764 670 354. On main A85 1 mile east of Comrie. 5 miles west of Crieff. Small family owned park, quiet, good facilities, spaces for tents, tourers and motorhomes. Holiday caravans for hire. Open April 1st to October 31st. Tourers £18 to £28. Bookings accepted/ advisable. **🏠🚐🏡🏠🚐🏡🏠🚐🏡**

Woodlands Caravan Park
Newton Road, Carnoustie, Angus DD7 6GR. Tel: 01241 854 430. A family run site, with in walking distance of a championship golfcourse. Plenty of shops restaurants and activities near by, free Wi Fi is available to all guests **🏠🚐🏡🏠🚐🏡🏠🚐🏡**



Muasdale

Holiday Park



Address Muasdale, Tarbert, Argyll PA29 6XD **Tel** 01583 421 207

Web www.muasdaleholidays.com **Open** 4 April-31 December

Touring pitches 10 (0 hardstanding) **Pitch+2+hook-up** Under £20

We say...

If you're keen to get away from it all, make Muasdale your first point of call. Located in Tarbert, in Argyll, it has tremendous views out across the sea. The site was created in the 1960s by Richard and Margaret Semple, and Margaret still lives in the village of Muasdale. If you're a wildlife watcher, you'll feel right at home at this park; there's a good chance of spotting oystercatchers, seals, otters or even dolphins, so be sure to take your binoculars. Muasdale is handy for the ferry crossings to Arran, Jura, Gigha and Islay, too.

This is a small site, with just 10 pitches located next to the beach, so it's well worth booking in advance if you'd like to stay. The touring facilities are limited – there's no pool, play area or shop – but there is free Wi-Fi. Digital TV coverage is also available.

You say...

“The owners are very friendly and knowledgeable, the toilets and showers and amenities are immaculate. The site itself is spotless without lacking charm and it's in a beautiful location, too.”

“Location, location, location! We liked the welcome and clean facilities. The shower room has plenty of space and plenty of room for stuff, and the showers are nice and hot.”



What to see in Scotland

Diary dates

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Take in any of these fantastic events when you're touring Scotland, and stay at one of our fantastic, Top 100 sites!

28-30 June 2014

Bannockburn Live

Bannockburn Heritage Centre, Stirling

Commemorate the 700th anniversary of the Battle of Bannockburn with a trip to this fantastic event, at which you'll be able to enjoy live re-enactments of medieval warfare, listen to traditional music, visit living history encampments, eat Scottish food and try some old-world crafts. Adult day tickets cost £20; children's are £12.50 (both are subject to a booking fee).

Web www.battleofbannockburn.com

Tel 0844 493 2139

23 July-3 August 2014

XX Commonwealth Games

Various locations, Glasgow

One of the world's greatest sporting events comes to Glasgow in 2014; there'll be a host of fantastic events, from sporting to cultural, for you to enjoy. As we went to press there weren't many tickets still available for the main sport events, but take a look at the website for a full list of what will be happening in and around the city.

Web www.glasgow2014.com

23-28 September 2014

Ryder Cup

Gleneagles, Perthshire

Golf fans will be in their element this year, as the Ryder Cup takes place at Gleneagles, in Perthshire. It's only the second time that the event has been held in Scotland, so you can expect there to be a real buzz at all events. Tickets to the competition days had sold out when we went to press, but those for practice days were still available.

Web www.rydercup2014.com

Tel 0845 859 1006 (*Visit Scotland*)



Kippford Caravan Park



Address Kippford, Dalbeattie, Kirkcudbrightshire DG5 4LF **Tel** 01556 620 636

For lodge and static caravan bookings 0844 809 4530 **Web** www.kippfordholidaypark.co.uk

Open All year **Touring pitches** 35 (28 hardstanding) **Pitch+2+hook-up** £20-£30



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We say...

Our 2013 winner, located in scenic Dumfries and Galloway, returns to the top spot for 2014. Once again, Kippford's fantastic views, nature walks, good facilities and friendly staff meant that hundreds of you gave it your vote.

This is definitely a park for those who appreciate peace and quiet, in a real get-away-from-it-all location. Kippford even has its own 800-year-old bluebell woodland, where you just might be able to spot an elusive red squirrel. The views from the site are tremendous; on clear days you can see right over to the Lake District.

There are 35 pitches, separated from one another by gorse and granite outcrops. Elsewhere on site you'll find baby-changing facilities, a shop, heated washrooms, a play area and full laundry facilities. Caravan Club and Camping & Caravanning Club members receive a 15% discount when booking.

You say...

- "The layout of the site is very nice - it's all quite private and beautifully maintained. The great kid's play areas were an unexpected bonus, too."
- "Each pitch was nicely secluded and had its own water tap. The shower block was lovely and clean as well."
- "Kippford has plenty of well-maintained greenery, and there are lovely views from some parts of the park. Overall this is a really nice site."
- "We liked the unregimented and landscaped pitch settings and the way motorcaravans, static caravans and lodges blended into the scenery."



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Bryn Gloch Caravan and Camping Park, Betws Garmon, Caernarfon, Gwynedd, LL54 7YY
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Wales



Welsh campsites always score well in our Top 100 listings, and 2014 is no exception. This year 12 of its parks make it through as finalists; although interestingly, most this year are located to the north of the country.

There's so much to see in that area, though, that you're sure to want to use one of the fantastic sites as a base. Three Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty feature here, including the Isle of Anglesey, which is a haven for wildlife. There's also the fabulous Snowdonia National Park; if you're of reasonable fitness, then it's possible to walk to the top. The fascinating towns in the north of the country include Pwllheli, Bangor, Rhyl and Wrexham.

Head to the south of the country and you'll be able to visit the beautiful Brecon Beacons National Park, as well as the Pembrokeshire National Park. Walkers will particularly love the latter, as it offers a fabulous coastal path for them to tackle.



Bodnant

Caravan Park



Address Nebo Road, Llanrwst, Conwy Valley LL26 OSD **Tel** 01492 640 248

Web www.bodnant-caravan-park.co.uk **Open** 1 March-31 October

Touring pitches 35 (20 hardstanding) **Pitch+2+hook-up** Under £20



We say...

There are few sites as pretty and as well-maintained as this caravan park in the beautiful Conwy Valley, on the eastern edge of Snowdonia. Its tidy gardens and flower beds have even led to it winning the Wales in Bloom competition for 26 consecutive years. So it's an attractive place to pitch up, but the facilities are of a great quality, too.

There are 35 touring pitches in total, all with 16A electric, TV, water and waste hook-ups. Wi-Fi is available on site for a fee. There's also a dishwashing area, a small play area and dog walk; the larger of the two washrooms is heated. A small farm with geese, hens and sheep will help to keep younger visitors amused during their visit.

You say...

"We were made to feel very welcome. The toilets and shower blocks were always clean and well-lit. Lawns and gardens were impeccably kept."

"We liked the park's attractiveness, tidiness, layout, facilities, proximity to small towns, mountain walks and other places of interest. We are regular visitors to the site."

"Bodnant is well laid out, with big pitches. There are good facilities, and it's easy to access the site, which is pretty and peaceful. The proprietors are helpful and welcoming."

Wales

Bron Derw

Touring Caravan Park



Address Llanrwst, Conwy LL26 0YT **Tel** 01492 640 494

Web www.bronderw-wales.co.uk **Open** 1 March-31 October

Touring pitches 35, all hardstanding **Pitch+2+hook-up** CL under £20, other sites £20-£30

We say...

Whether you prefer your touring site to be large or small, you're sure to enjoy your stay at Bron Derw. It's made up of a trio of sites, including a main park, an adults-only site with seasonal pitches only and an award-winning Caravan Club CL. Bron Derw is perfectly located if you're planning to explore beautiful Snowdonia, as it's right on the edge of the national park.

Across the three sites you'll find multi-serviced pitches with 16A hook-ups, and well-maintained washrooms; the two larger parks also have a utility room with a dishwashing area. A self-catering apartment is available as well – handy if you'd like non-tourer-owning friends and family to stay close by.

You say...

"We stayed for six nights and wished it was longer. The pitches are all fully serviced and of a generous size, with plenty of well-kept grass around each. The facilities are second-to-none: spotless and well-maintained."

"The owners were very friendly and helpful. The two brilliant dog walks were always kept neat and tidy, and the toilets and showers were always spotless. All in all, this is a great, relaxing site at which to stay. I would recommend it to anyone and will certainly be staying again."



Bron-y-Wendon

Touring Park



Address Wern Road, Llanddulas LL22 8HG **Tel** 01492 512 903

Web www.bronywendontouringpark.co.uk **Open** All year

Touring pitches 130 (90 hardstanding) **Pitch+2+hook-up** £20-£30



We say...

Bron-y-Wendon returns to our Top 100 sites for 2014 after a few years' absence, and we're pleased to see it back. Located close to the sea, near the village of Llanddulas, it offers tremendous views. It's also close to the A55, which means that it's really easy to access, too.

There are 130 pitches on site – including 20 specifically for motorhomes – arranged in groups. These are serviced by a pair of clean, well-maintained heated washrooms, a laundry, tourist information centre and a games room

with table tennis and a television. As an added bonus, the beach is just a short stroll away.

You say...

"This site is beautiful. It's so peaceful and pretty, with lovely landscaped gardens and a great dog walk. The toilets and shower blocks are just so immaculate. The owners cannot do enough to make your stay wonderful."

"Bron-y-Wendon is an excellently maintained site with lovely sea views, multi-level pitches and landscaped gardens."



Emral Gardens

Touring Caravan Park



Address Holly Bush, Bangor-on-Dee, Wrexham LL13 0BG **Tel** 01948 770 401

Web www.emralgardens.co.uk **Open** 1 March-14 January

Touring pitches 20, all hardstanding **Pitch+2+hook-up** £20-£30

Adults
only

We say...

This lovely, adults-only site is located in the grounds of the former Emral Hall estate. There are 20 luxury, all-weather hardstanding pitches, all of which have 16A hook-up, and water, waste and TV hook-up. There is a modern washroom with a pair of showers and underfloor heating, and a dog-walk area.

Step outside your tourer and you'll be able to enjoy one of the many walks through the nearby woodland. You might even spot the historic dog graves, the final resting place of the dogs that were originally kennelled at the Emral estate. If you enjoy fishing, then you'll love this site – those visiting the park can fish at Emral Brook or the on-site pond for free.

You say...

"You can enjoy a pleasant stroll through the woods and beyond, or just chill out by the lily pond. The site owners are pleasant and very helpful. We will be returning soon."

"This is a small, family-run site of 20 fully serviced pitches centred around the former Emral Hall, which was destroyed by fire some 100 years ago. Here, wildlife is actively encouraged, which makes for wildlife-watching in abundance – not surprising, then, that the owner holds a David Bellamy Gold award."



Kingsbridge

Caravan & Camping Park



Address Llanfaes, Beaumaris, Isle of Anglesey LL58 8LR **Tel** 01248 490 636

Web www.kingsbridgecaravanpark.co.uk **Open** 1 March-31 October

Touring pitches 50 (22 hardstanding) **Pitch+2+hook-up** £20-£30



We say...

The Isle of Anglesey is a popular touring destination; if you're planning to visit, you're sure to enjoy a stay at Kingsbridge. It's a tranquil place, and lighting is kept at a minimum so you can star-gaze to your heart's content.

The site covers 14 acres and has 50 touring pitches, all with 10A electric hook-up. There's a shop that stocks basics, and a pair of clean and tidy washrooms complete with underfloor heating. Children can play in the large area dedicated to ball games, and there are dishwashing facilities, too.

The owners pride themselves on the site's low impact on the environment. Buildings are fitted with low-energy lighting, and heating is solar-powered.

You say...

"The site is well-organised and very quiet, and the toilet block is the best I've seen on any campsite!"

"Marian and Andy are very accommodating, providing answers to all questions when booking to make sure your break goes without a hitch. The site is always clean and tidy and has areas where both families and people wanting a quiet time away can stay."

"The showers are accessed with a keypad so there's no need for a key that you have to return or share."

Llandow Touring

Caravan Park



Address Llandow, Cowbridge, Vale of Glamorgan CF71 7PB **Tel** 01446 794 527

Web www.llandowcaravanpark.com **Open** 14 February-31 November

Touring pitches 90 (25 hardstanding) **Pitch+2+hook-up** Low season: under £20; high season: £20-£30



We say...

Exploring south Wales couldn't be easier if you pitch up at Llandow Touring Caravan Park. It's only a few miles from the Glamorgan Heritage Coast, and just a 20-minute drive from the exhilarating city of Cardiff. The site is also easily accessible from the M4 motorway.

The park is made up of two areas: one of 100 pitches, and the other with 75. Around half of the 175 pitches are seasonal. Visitors can use the facilities in either area: these include a laundry, dishwashing area, well-stocked shop, and smart washrooms. There's also a play area sited away from the main caravan site. The larger site is more suitable for those touring as a family, while the smaller area is better for couples and those with disabilities.

You say...

"Staff were friendly and professional. The on-site shop, while small, had everything we needed to keep the kids happy and provide our evening meal. Everything was clean and family-friendly including a wonderful little play area."

"Llandow is family- and pet-friendly. The owners have a relaxed approach, and they were happy to help at any time. The facilities are well-maintained."

"The staff are always very helpful – nothing is too much trouble – and the facilities are very clean."

Rhyd-y-Groes

Touring & Camping Park



Address Pont Rhyd-y-Groes, Marton, Welshpool, Powys SY21 8JJ

Tel 01938 561 228 **Web** www.rhyd-y-groes.co.uk **Open** All year

Touring pitches 30, all hardstanding **Pitch+2+hook-up** £20-£30

Adults
only

Open
all year

We say...

This picturesque site really is exclusively for adults – there's a minimum age here of 25. As such, it represents a great place to get away from it all and enjoy some peace and quiet. While at the park you'll also be able to enjoy the birds, butterflies and moths that are attracted to the surrounding shrubs and trees.

There are 30 touring pitches, all of which have electric hook-up. Elsewhere on site you can make use of the free swap library (at which you can exchange board games, DVDs and books), an enclosed dog-walk area and an information point. There's also a washing-up area, a microwave and a motorhome waste-water point.

You say...

"We stayed for a week on our first visit to the site and found that it was like camping in a beautiful garden, with a mass of various flowers and a wonderful variety of different trees that were just coming into bloom."

"We have stayed on hundreds of sites. This one is far and away the best. It is clean, friendly and all the amenities are well-maintained."

"The friendly atmosphere here means that you are really made to feel welcome. All amenities are well-maintained. You cannot fault this site."



Tyddyn Du

Touring Park



Address Conwy Old Road, Penmaenmawr LL34 6RE **Tel** 01492 622 300

Web www.tyddyndutouringpark.co.uk **Open** 22 March-31 October

Touring pitches 55 (41 hardstanding) **Pitch+2+hook-up** £20-£30

Adults
only



We say...

Tyddyn Du is another regular in our Top 100 listings – you frequently tell us just how much you love it. Situated on the North Wales coast, it offers tremendous views of the sea and across towards the Isle of Anglesey. You'll be able to enjoy some tremendous sunsets, and walkers will also appreciate the site's proximity to the gorgeous Snowdonia National Park.

Facilities at Tyddyn Du include sparkling washrooms, as well as a laundry room and sinks for dishwashing. All pitches have 16A electric hook-up, and Wi-Fi is available. The park is close to the A55 dual-carriageway, so it's easy to access, but don't enter the site's postcode into your GPS – it won't take you to the entrance. Instead, visit the website for directions.

You say...

- "We liked the cleanliness of this site; there were also very helpful staff. The grounds were kept in immaculate condition. There are excellent recycling facilities on site, too."*
- "The shower block is very impressive, with plenty of hot water. Best of all, there are no children running around, so it's very peaceful. There are gorgeous views of the sea."*
- "We like the location and accessibility to tourist attractions. It's always a shame to leave Tyddyn Du."*

Tyddyn Isaf

Camping & Caravan Park



Address Lligwy Bay, Dulas, Anglesey LL70 9PQ **Tel** 01248 410 203

Web www.tyddynIsaf.co.uk **Open** 22 March-30 September

Touring pitches 80 (60 hardstanding) **Pitch+2+hook-up** £20-£30

We say...

Tyddyn Isaf has scored well during the years that we've run our Top 100 Sites guide. It makes our shortlist again this year, and it won the AA's Wales Campsite of the Year award 2014, too. You won't be disappointed with a visit; the park is set in a beautiful location on the Isle of Anglesey, and the facilities are top-class.

Don't miss a visit to the friendly and welcome bar, which is open during the high season. There's also a coffee shop, and the Terrace restaurant offers both sit-down meals and takeaways. Children will be kept amused at the dedicated play area and by the pool table, and there's free Wi-Fi for guests to access, too.

You say...

- "There are clean facilities, a pub and a takeaway. It's also close to the beach. I have been staying at Tyddyn Isaf for 23 years and have seen it grow into a first-class site."*
- "This is a beautiful site: so clean and well looked after. It was a pleasure to use the facilities, which were kept pristine. The easy access to the beach was an added bonus."*
- "I have stayed at this site every year since I was a baby and now I take my own children."*



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Bron Drew Touring Caravan Park

Bron Derw, Llanrwst, Conwy, LL26 0YT, Tel: 01492 640494. In Llanrwst turn off A470 into Parry Road (signposted Llanddodged). Travel along Parry Rd at T-junction turn left, caravan park entrance is on the right at the black and white cottage. A 5 star & 5AA pennant, attractively landscaped touring caravan park with multi serviced pitches. Ideal base for exploring the Snowdonia National Park and North Wales Coast. Open from March to October. Cost per tourer £20.00 to £22.00. Bookings advisable
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Cenarth Falls Holiday Park

Cenarth, Newcastle Emlyn, Ceredigion, SA38 9JS. T:01239 710 345. Outskirts of Cenarth on the A484.12 Acres with 89 Caravan holiday homes, 2 Acre touring/ camping paddock with 29 shingle hard standing pitches. Open from March to November.
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Cringoe Holiday Park

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Emral Gardens Caravan Park

Holly Bush, Bangor On Dee, Wrexham, LL13 0BG, Tel: 01948 770401. www.emralgardens.co.uk. Email: info@emralgardens.co.uk. 7 miles south of Wrexham off A525,pass Bangor-On-Dee 15 miles turn left at Brown Emral Signs.Go 14 mile, site on right. Site set in 200 acres.20 luxury pitches.adults only. Tranquil surroundings, peace & quite, great base to explore the beautiful Dee Valley Dates open 1st of March to 14th of January. Price from £20 to £28
Bookings advisable
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Glanllyn Lakeside Caravan & Camping Park

Bala,
Gwynedd,
LL23 7SS.
Tel: 016785 540227.
3 miles south west of Bala on A494.
16 acres of level parkland on the shore of the Bala Lake in Snowdonia launching for boats, cannoes, fishing and fantastic views. Open from 21st March to 12th October. Costs from £21 - £25. Bookings accepted and advisable.
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Glyncorrwg Ponds Caravan Park

Ynyscorrwg park, Glyncorrwg, Port Talbot SA13 3EA Tel 01639 851900. From M4 take J40 sign posted for Cwmfaf along the A4107. Once you reach Cymer, turn left for Glyncorrwg. 1 acre site which can accommodate 30 caravans. Electrical hook ups available. Open from April to October. £5 per person.
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Golden Sands Holiday Park

Borth, Ceredigion, SY24 5JS
01970 871440 Fax: 01970 871440
www.goldensandsholidays.co.uk
E-mail: info@goldensandsholidays.co.uk
From Aberystwyth A487 north for 4 miles, left at Bow Street, park signposted in village. From Machynlleth A487 south, right at Tredrddl onto B4353, follow signs into Borth. A quiet holiday park close to the beach and golf course. Ideal for a relaxing break for people of all ages. Bookings: Not Accepted. Open 01/03 to 31/10.
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Greenways Leisure Park

Oxwich Bay, South Gower, Swansea, Wales, SA3 1YA, Tel: 01792 391203, Email: info@greenwaysleisure.co.uk
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Hendre Eyon Caravan and Camping Site

St. Davis, Pembrokeshire, Wales SA62 6DS
01437 720474
Directions: 2 miles north of St. Davis on the coast road to Llanrhian
Description: 7 acres divided into two .with sheltered perimeter pitches. Plenty of space, Ideal for families. Family shower rooms. Plenty of hot water and spotlessly clean facilities. open from 1st of April till 30th of September. Cost per night form £14 to £21 bookings advisable
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Kingsbridge Caravan Park

Camp Road Llanfaes, Beaumaris, Isle of Anglesey LL58 8LR Telephone: 01248 490 636 Web: www.kingsbridgecaravanpark.co.uk or email: info@kingsbridgecaravanpark.co.uk
Directions: On arrival at Beaumaris, pass the castle on the left (B5109) for approx 2 miles, ten left at small crossroads, .sign is on the left. 14 acres. 2 family touring/tent fields, 1 only adult onlt field . surrounded by farmland, very quiet. 5 star shower block, 2 miles from the busy castle town of Beaumaris. Open for 1st of March to 31st of October. Prices from £18 to £33 (Snowdonia 7 miles) David Bellamy Gold Awarded. Bookings accepted and advisable park.
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Tyddyn Du Touring Park

Conwy Old Road, Penmaenmawr, North Wales, LL34 6RE. Tel: 01492 622300. Take A55 Westbound to Junction 16. Take left at roundabout and immediately left again. Site entrance on right 50 yards after Gladstone Pub. 5 acre terraced and landscaped adults only park with superb views across Conwy Bay. Open 22nd March to 31st October. Max £25 to Min £22. Bookings accepted and necessary.
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Moorlands Caravan Park

Llangybi, Lampeter, Ceredigion, SA48 8NN
01570 493543
www.moorlands-caravan-park.co.uk
E-mail: enquires@moorlandslampeter.co.uk
On A485 Lampeter to Tregaron road, north east for 5 miles to Llangybi left at sign to caravan park, continue for 1.5 miles. Family operated park with 60 caravan owners enjoying the peace and tranquility that this part of Wales has to offer. It is a haven for bird and wildlife. Cors Caron wildlife area is nearby. Bookings: Necessary. Open 01/03 to 09/01. Caravan Holiday Homes £135.00 to £505.00
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Nolton Cross Caravan Park

Nolton, Haverfordwest, Pembrokeshire, SA62 3NP
Tel: 01437 710701 Mobile: 07814779020
noltoncross-holidays.co.uk
Email: info@noltoncross-holidays.co.uk
6 miles west of Haverford West on the A487. 5 acre park offering caravan hire, touring and camping pitches with or without electric hook up over looking St Brides Bay. Open 01/03 to 30/11. Prices from £8.70 to 15.80
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Pengarreg Caravan & Camping Park

Llanrhydstud, Ceredigion, SY23 5DJ
01974 202247
www.utowcaravans.co.uk
E-mail: info@niversideholidaypark.co.uk
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Plas Farm Caravan Park

Plas Yn Betws, Betws Yn Rhos, Abergelge, Conwy, LL22 8AU
01492 680254
www.plasfarmcaravanpark.co.uk
E-mail: info@plasfarmcaravanpark.co.uk
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Tynllwyn Caravan Park Ltd

Bryncrug, Tywyn, Gwynedd, LL36 9RD
01654 710370 Fax: 01654 710370
www.tynllwyncaravanpark.co.uk
E-mail: ppspsmc@aol.com
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www.islawrffordd.co.uk
E-mail: info@islawrffordd.co.uk
Islawrffordd is situated on the southern end of the village of Talybont just off the main A496 coast road. Licensed for 75 tourers/ motorhomes and 30 camping spaces. Bookings: Advisable. Open 14/02 to 07/01. Tourers £25.00 to £33.50 Motor Caravans £25.00 to £33.50 Tents £20.00 to £33.50 Caravan Holiday Homes £250.00 to £600.00
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Tyddyn Llwyn Caravan Park

Morfa Bychan Rd, Porthmadog, Gwynedd, LL49 9UR
Tel: 01766 512205
From Porthmadog High St (A497) turn for Black Rock Sands. Park entrance in on the right hand side less than 1km from the town centre. This family park is situated in a large area of partially wooded countryside at the foot of Moel Y Gest. Ideally located within walking distance of Porthmadog, Borth.Y.Gest, Ffestiniog and Welsh Highland Railways. 2013 prices held. Open from March to October £1800 - £3150 per night. Bookings accepted and advised.
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Tyddyn Talgoch Uchaf

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Tyn-Y-Mur Touring & Camping Park

Tyn-Y-Mur House, Lon Garmon, Abersoch, Gwynedd LL53 7UL Tel: 01758 713 223. The park is situated 7 miles west of Pwllheli on A499 and is the closest to Abersoch. 5 acre park, with 2 fields. Open Easter till October. Tourers £22.00 to £25.00. Bookings accepted/adviseable.
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Tyddyn Llwyn

Caravan Park



Address Morfa Bychan Road, Porthmadog, Gwynedd LL49 9UR **Tel** 01766 512 205

Web www.tyddynllwyn.com **Open** 1 March-1 November

Touring pitches 120, all hardstanding **Pitch+2+hook-up** Low season: under £20; high season: £20-30

We say...

Close to the charming Welsh town of Porthmadog you'll find popular Tyddyn Llwyn, which is a great destination for those touring with a family. On-site facilities include park-wide Wi-Fi (for a small charge), a children's play area, a games room, a library/book exchange, a licenced bar with grill and a launderette.

If that's not enough to keep you entertained, then you'll find lots to do in the nearby area. The site's within walking distance of the narrow-gauge steam Ffestiniog & Welsh Highland Railways, and the Snowdonia National Park is close by, too. What's more, pitch prices for the 2014 season have been held over from 2013.

You say...

"This is a very clean and tidy site, with pleasant, friendly wardens. The toilets and showers are spotless, and the children had a great play area. There's plenty of dog walking up through the woods."

"This is our fourth year on this site and we are as happy here as when we first came. The staff are always extremely pleasant and helpful, and the site itself is always immaculately clean and tidy."

"Staff at Tyddyn Llwyn are very friendly and cannot do enough for you. The site is very clean and very peaceful."



The Willows Abersoch

(Yr Helyg)



Address Yr Helyg, The Willows, Mynytho, Nr Abersoch, Pwllheli, Gwynedd LL53 7RW

Tel 01758 740 676 **Web** www.the-willows-abersoch.co.uk **Open** 15 March-12 October

Touring pitches 21 (14 hardstanding) **Pitch+2+hook-up** Low season: £20-£30; high season: £30+



We say...

If you're looking for a get-away-from-it-all site on the Llyn Peninsula, then The Willows comes highly recommended. It's a small park, but the facilities are excellent, and the site never feels crowded. You'll find 21 touring pitches with 16A electric hook-up, free Wi-Fi, clean and tidy washrooms, mobile-phone charging points, a tourist information area, a children's playing field, a dog exercise field and even a dog-minding service. Family and friends can stay on site, too, in one of the fantastic 'Hobbit' camping pods.

Attractions close by include the towns of Pwllheli and Porthmadog, as well as the village of Abersoch and its pretty beaches.

You say...

"The site is first-class, in a beautiful location. We stayed on the grass pitches, which are very spacious. Although it was bank holiday and was fully booked, we still had lots of room."

"We appreciated that the children had somewhere safe to play without disturbing the neighbours – or us!"

"Sometimes you want to keep treasures all to yourself and not share. This campsite is one of those rare treasures."

"My only problem is that revealing this secret might make it impossible to book!"

The Plassey

Leisure Park

**Address** Eyton, Wrexham LL13 OSP **Tel** 01978 780 277**Web** www.plassey.com **Open** 14 February-6 November**Touring pitches** 60, all hardstanding **Pitch+2+hook-up** Low season: under £20; high season: £20-£30

**TOP 100
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We say...

The Plassey really is a popular site, as evidenced by its consistently high standings in our Top 100 awards, both for caravans and motorhomes. The leisure park itself is enormous – in total it covers 247 acres – and it's evolved

tremendously over the 50 years it has been in operation. These days it includes a five-star touring caravan park that offers some great facilities, and this also makes a fantastic base for exploring everything that this beautiful region has to offer. There's a craft and retail centre within the leisure park, too, as well as a nine-hole golf course.

At the touring area you'll find a great indoor heated swimming pool (free of charge for 2014); 60 pitches, all with 16A electric hook-up; Wi-Fi access; a laundry room; a licenced bar and restaurant; a coffee shop; a sauna room; table tennis and much more. No wonder you voted it your favourite site in Wales!

You say...

"This attractive and very-well-kept site is run by very helpful staff. There are plenty of activities, including a fabulous heated swimming pool and golf course. The restaurant and café offer good food at reasonable prices."

"There's loads to do on site. You don't really need to move your car if you don't want to."



The Plassey took the regional top-spot in 2013, and does so again this year. It's a great site with facilities that include a swimming pool, a coffee shop and spacious pitches

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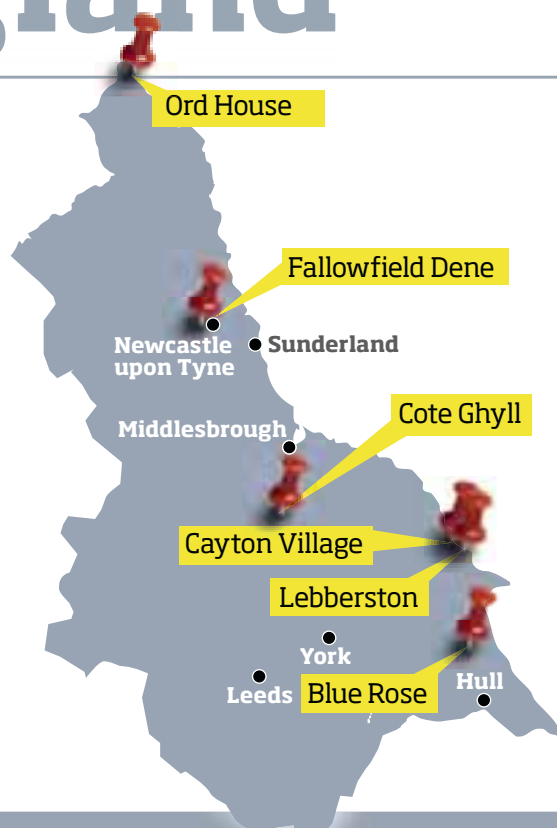
North-East England

This stunning region was once a hot-bed of dispute over border fights between England and Scotland; these days it's a fantastic place to head if you're looking for a peaceful tour. The six sites that have made it through to our finals this year are well spread down through the area, allowing you to explore the region with ease.

If you enjoy walking you'll want to head for the North York Moors; there are paths there suitable for all abilities. Alternatively, head to Hadrian's Wall to stretch your legs and learn all about those long-running border disputes.

There are so many great towns and cities to visit in the region that you'll find yourself spoilt for choice. History lovers will adore the many sites of York, while cosmopolitan Newcastle-upon-Tyne, Hull (the city of culture for 2017) and Leeds offer much to their many visitors.

If you prefer to see the sea, then you'll also find numerous destinations that you're sure to enjoy. These include the traditional coastal towns of Scarborough and Whitby: you'll find fantastic sandy beaches at both.



Blue Rose

Caravan & Country Park



Address Brandesburton, East Yorks YO25 8RU **Tel** 01964 543 366

Web www.bluerosepark.com **Open** All year

Touring pitches 58 (12 hardstanding) **Pitch+2+hook-up** Up to £20

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We say...

Enjoy a trip to the Yorkshire Wolds with a stay at Blue Rose Caravan and Country Park, only around seven miles from the coast. This adults-only site is a great place to head if you're a couple searching for a little peace and solitude. The park is handy for access to Hull, UK City of Culture for 2017, which is just 15 miles away.

All touring pitches at Blue Rose are hardstanding, allowing you to make the most of the fact that the site is open all year. All pitches feature electric-, water- and waste-water drainage connections.

You can take a number of attractive walks from the site, and you can even find downloadable directions and maps for them on the Blue Rose website.

You say...

"This touring park is run by a family, not a large faceless company, and it shows in the personal service and attention to detail."

"The warden is really helpful, and nothing is too much trouble for him – which, in itself, is a great asset to the park. We have stayed at Blue Rose on numerous occasions and would definitely recommend this site."

"It's a brilliant site for adults who are looking for a bit of peace and quiet."

North-East England

Cayton Village

Caravan Park



Address Mill Lane, Cayton Bay, Scarborough YO11 3NN **Tel** 01723 583 171

Web www.caytontouring.co.uk **Open** 1 March-2 November

Touring pitches 310 (239 hardstanding) **Pitch+2+hook-up** Low season: under £20; high season: £20-£30

We say...

Cayton Village offers so much to its visitors, not least the opportunity to explore some tremendous sights. It's close to the beautiful Yorkshire Moors, Runswick Bay, Robin Hood's Bay and so much more. Cayton Bay is also nearby with its attractive sandy beach.

The site itself is beautifully maintained, and there are a number of different pitch types available, including super pitches. The latter feature in the smart 'Laurels' section of the park; those pitching up here will also enjoy free Wi-Fi and 16A electric hook-up. The village pub and fish-and-chip shop are just a stroll away.

You say...

"We received a warm welcome from the wardens. They took us to our pitch and helped to site our caravan. This is a well-kept park with a first-class dog walk. We've visited on three occasions and will continue to do so in the future."

"With its gorgeous surroundings and excellent, well-looked-after facilities, we couldn't fault it!"

"We went to Cayton Village with all of the family to celebrate my husband's 60th birthday. The owners made sure that we were all pitched together – three large tents, eight adults and seven grandchildren! We would all very much like to go back again."



Cote Ghyll

Caravan & Camping Park



Address Osmotherley, Northallerton, North Yorks DL6 3AH **Tel** 01609 883 425

Web www.coteghyll.com **Open** 1 March-31 October

Touring pitches 77 (30 hardstanding) **Pitch+2+hook-up** £20-£30



We say...

The pitches at Cote Ghyll are divided into dedicated 'family' and 'quiet' areas, so no matter what kind of holiday you're looking for, you're sure to feel welcome here. The level of facilities across the park is excellent. The two luxurious washrooms have underfloor heating, and there's a family bathroom, too. Elsewhere you'll find a drying cabinet for coats and boots, a new woodland play area for young children, a nicely stocked shop and Wi-Fi access.

Local attractions include the historic village of Osmotherley, and the town of Northallerton. A number of rambling and cycling paths run close by the site, including the Cleveland Way walking trail.

You say...

"Everything about this site impressed me – it's a credit to everyone concerned. The owners make sure your stay is trouble-free. Facilities are spotless. It's a great place for relaxing, walking or any outdoor sport or leisure activity."

"Cote Ghyll, located between Osmotherly and Cod Beck reservoir, always impresses me. It is set in a beautiful valley. It is so relaxing and so friendly."

"The pitches were generous, the site was well-laid-out, the toilet block was good and the location was stunning."

Fallowfield Dene

Caravan & Camping Site



Address Acomb, Hexham, Northumberland NE46 4RP **Tel** 01434 603 553

Web www.fallowfielddene.co.uk **Open** 16 March-1 November

Touring pitches 24 (12 hardstanding) **Pitch+2+hook-up** Under £20

We say...

Our 2012 regional winner always makes a great impression on visitors, and it's easy to see why. Its location close to Hadrian's Wall makes Fallowfield Dene a fantastic place to stay if you're planning to visit this historic region. But of course, that's not the only reason for its popularity; the site has a great level of facilities, and all of the pitches are set within some lovely landscaping. Each area of the park has a Roman name, reflecting the region's amazing heritage.

Wildlife-lovers will be in their element here. When walking on one of the many trails that wind around the site, there's a chance that you'll spot a badger, fox, kestrel, woodpecker or even a red squirrel.

You say...

"Everyone is so friendly and we go regularly and see the same people coming back to enjoy Fallowfield Dene. It's a great place to relax and get away from it all."

"This site was very well set out – clean and tidy – and the washrooms were wonderful. The staff were very friendly and helpful."

"It's very dog-friendly. My dog was in heaven!"

"The very friendly owner and staff made us feel really welcome. This site is situated in beautiful countryside."



Lebberston

Touring Park



Address Filey Road, Scarborough, North Yorks YO11 3PE **Tel** 01723 585 723

Web www.lebberstontouring.co.uk **Open** 1 March-1 November

Touring pitches 120 (60 hardstanding) **Pitch+2+hook-up** Low season: under £20; high season: £20-£30



We say...

Enjoy a relaxing break at Lebberston Touring Park, handily located for both the North Yorkshire Heritage Coast and the lovely Yorkshire Wolds. The town of Filey is only a short drive away; you can also easily make a trip to Whitby, York or Bridlington.

On site, you'll be able to enjoy all of the great facilities Lebberston has to offer. These include a pair of modern heated washrooms, a family bathroom, a licenced shop, Wi-Fi, a dog-exercise area and a tourist information point. All of the pitches are roomy and attractive, and have electric hook-up.

You say...

"Access to the site is easy: there's a security barrier at the park entrance, where CCTV provides added safety. The location is also superb, with many popular seaside towns nearby for days out."

"The facilities were kept immaculately. There was always plenty of free hot water and never any waiting for the showers. The hardstanding pitches were spacious and level and didn't hold water when it rained. They'll even tow your caravan to your pitch!"

"The shop at reception sells basic essentials. This is a lovely, well-maintained site, which is a credit to the staff."

Ord House

Country Park



Address East Ord, Berwick-upon-Tweed TD15 2NS **Tel** 01289 305 288

Web www.ordhouse.co.uk **Open** All year

Touring pitches 74 (40 hardstanding) **Pitch+2+hook-up** Up to £30

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We say...

Ord House in Northumberland was a finalist in 2013; this year, it takes the top spot in the entire region. The 44-acre country park is home primarily to static caravans, but three areas have been set aside exclusively for tourers.

All pitches are of a good size and have electric hook-up. Site facilities are impressive, including a centrally heated washroom that includes baths, and a launderette. You'll also find a shop that stocks all the essentials, and Maguire's Bar offers good food and drinks. There's also a woodland dog walk that takes in just a small part of the beautiful surroundings.

Close by you'll find Bamburgh Castle, the fascinating Holy Island of Lindisfarne, and Alnwick Castle, location of the *Harry Potter* films.

You say...

"The play park is really good, and the kids loved the soft play area in the pub. The walk around the park is absolutely beautiful, too. Ord House Country Park is well worth a visit – we'll definitely be going again."

"We spent an extremely enjoyable three nights at Ord House Country Park. It has excellent facilities, especially for anyone with a disability, which both my husband and I have. The pitch was superb; with electric hook-up and water supply and drain, it made life really simple."



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Hill of oaks Park
Towerwood, Windermere, Cumbria LA12 8NR
Tel: 01539 531578
Exit junction 36 on the M6, Head west on the A590 till the roundabout signposted 'Bowness'; turn right onto the A592, we are on the left hand side. Located in Ancient woodland, this award winning park is positioned the shore of lake Windermere. Welcomes touring caravans, motorhomes and offers holiday homes. Open from the 1st March - 14th November. Nights range from £17.00 - £36.00. Booking Advised and accepted.
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Lancliffe Park
Settle, North Yorkshire, BD24 9LX
Telephone 01729 822387
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open 1st March 2014-14th January 2015
Cost per tourer per night £22-£30

Woodcrose Park High Casterton, Kirkby Lonsdale, Cumbria, LA6 2SE, Telephone: 01524 271597. Exit Junction 36 of the M6 - follow A65 - approx 6 miles on left after Devil's Bridge. 9 acres set within the beautiful valley of the river Lune. This picturesque location offers a unique holiday base with touring facilities for caravans and motorhomes, tent pitches and self catering wigwams for hire and holiday homes for sale. Open from 1st March - 1st October. £13.00 -£23.00. Bookings accepted and advisable.

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North-West England

It's not really surprising that so many of our Top 100 finalists this year are located within easy reach of the Lake District: it has to be the UK's favourite National Park, and the region caters well for visitors. Walkers will love the dramatic scenery of the peaks that surround the water; those who enjoy boating or canoeing will also feel at home here as they take advantage of the brooding lakes. If you prefer your past-times less active, then you'll still find plenty to do here, thanks to the many pretty villages and grand houses that you'll discover between the lakes. There's a great range of sites in the area, from all-singing, all-dancing, full-facility parks right through to small, peaceful locations.

Head further south in the region and you'll be able to visit the family-friendly, traditional resort of Blackpool which offers fun for all the family. Lytham St Annes and Morecambe are also classic holiday resorts.

Music lovers shouldn't miss a trip to Liverpool, where they will be able to visit some of the many sights that are connected to The Beatles.



Bay View

Holiday Park (Holgates)



Address A6 Main Road, Bolton Le Sands, Carnforth, Lancashire LA5 9TN

Tel 01524 701 508 **Web** www.holgates.co.uk/bay-view **Open** All year

Touring pitches 199, all hardstanding **Pitch+2+hook-up** £20-£30



We say...

Beautiful rolling fields surround this pretty site in Lancashire. It offers a number of accommodation options: tourers and tents are welcome, and camping pods and static units are also available. All visitors can enjoy the on-site bar and restaurant, children's games room and play area, clean and tidy washrooms and showers, and extensive walking opportunities in the local area.

There are plenty of attractions within easy reach, including the beautiful Forest of Bowland Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. If you prefer the bright lights and hustle and bustle of towns, don't miss a trip to nearby Blackpool and Morecambe.

You say...

"The site is kept to a really high standard. There are excellent facilities and food – including, according to my teenage son, the best pizza he's ever had! It's also a great location for exploring the region."

"Excellent, friendly wardens are always happy to help. It's a clean, safe site with great views – a fantastic place to stay for a short weekend break or a longer holiday."

"This is a great location for walking. Kendal, Windermere and Kirkby Lonsdale are only a short drive away."



North-West England

Hill of Oaks

Lodge and Caravan Park

Address Tower Wood, Windermere LA12 8NR **Tel** 01539 531 578
Web www.hillofoaks.co.uk **Open** 1 March-14 November
Touring pitches 43, all hardstanding **Pitch+2+hook-up** Low season: under £20; high season £30+

We say...
 Hill of Oaks is a picturesque, family-friendly park located right on the shores of Lake Windermere. As such, it's a haven for those who want to take to the water – the site shop even sells wetsuits and bodyboards. If that doesn't apply to you, you'll still find so much to do here, including watching wildlife, cycling and (of course) walking. Site visitors also receive a 10% discount on Ullswater Steamers and the Ravenglass & Eskdale Railway – ask for your voucher in reception.
 Back on site, facilities include Wi-Fi, electric hook-up, a washing-up area, a laundry room and much more.

You say...
"Hill of Oaks has friendly and accessible staff, free showers, recycling and beautiful surroundings. It's also very clean. The plans for the site were very sympathetic to their environment. Booking is easy, thanks to the brilliant – and accurate – website."
"A cosy site: there are no large signs displaying rules. The staff are friendly and genuine, making for a relaxed atmosphere."
"Friendly staff, reasonable costs, great little shop, peaceful... all this and great access to the lake as well."
"There are spotless toilets and washing facilities. It also has first-class boat-launching facilities."



Hillcroft

Holiday Park

Address Pooley Bridge, Ullswater CA10 2LT **Tel** 01768 486 363
Web www.hillcroftpark.co.uk **Open** 1 March-15 November
Touring pitches 15 (plus 64 camping pitches) **Pitch+2+hook-up** Low season: under £20; high season: £20-£30



We say...
 Enjoy a peaceful break in the Lake District at Hillcroft Holiday Park, which makes a great base for exploring this beautiful region. On-site facilities including clean and tidy washrooms, a washing-up area, laundry equipment, a dog walk, a licensed shop and a children's play area.
 The site offers tremendous views of Ullswater, and there's lots to enjoy in the surrounding area. Walkers and cyclists will be in their element here, thanks to the number of nearby routes. Those keen on a more leisurely break can take a trip to some of the fantastic historic monuments within easy reach of the site, such as the lovely Dalemian Historic House and Gardens.

You say...
"The location, the staff and the owners were all fantastic. I would recommend Hillcroft Park to anyone looking to visit the Lake District."
"The site is owned and run by very friendly, helpful staff; nothing was too much trouble for them. We were escorted to our pitch by the owner's daughter. We were told about everything on the site and where to find things."
"Hillcroft has a fantastic location in Pooley Bridge and it's a lovely site: very clean with helpful staff. We will be returning here every year."

Park Cliffe

Camping & Caravan Estate



Address Birks Road, Windermere, Cumbria LA23 3PG **Tel** 01539 531 344

Web www.parkcliffe.co.uk **Open** 1 March-9 November

Touring pitches 55, all hardstanding **Pitch+2+hook-up** Low season: £20-£30; high season: £30+

We say...

The lovely Park Cliffe campsite is set in 25 acres of beautiful Cumbrian countryside, and with tremendous views of Windermere. It's a haven for wildlife, including foxes, squirrels and birds, so it comes as no surprise that it is the holder of a David Bellamy Gold conservation award.

The site is home to a number of static caravans, but tourers are welcome to pitch up in the Moor How area. On-site facilities are excellent. The washrooms have underfloor heating, and you can even hire a private bathroom during your stay. There's a bar and restaurant serving good meals, and visitors can access free Wi-Fi while there. The well-stocked shop is also licenced.

You say...

- "Staff were exceptionally helpful and nothing seemed too much trouble for them. I would go as far to say they bent over backwards to accommodate our requirements. Facilities are exceptionally clean. The site has a great layout. If needed, they'll help you pitch your caravan."*
- "Park Cliffe is exceptionally clean and family-friendly. I loved being able to book a bathroom for free to bathe our toddlers."*
- "We liked the quality of the facilities, the friendliness of the staff and the great views from the site!"*



Stanwix Park

Holiday Centre



Address Greenrow, Silloth, Cumbria CA7 4HH **Tel** 01697 332 666

Web www.stanwix.com **Open** All year

Touring pitches 127, all hardstanding **Pitch+2+hook-up** Low season: £20-£30; high season: £30+



We say...

Family fun is guaranteed near the Cumbrian coast at Stanwix Park, which offers a great number of facilities to keep everyone - young and old alike - entertained for the duration of your trip. Much of the site is dedicated to static units, but there are two attractive areas set aside for tourers. All pitches are hardstanding and have 10A electric, water and waste hook-up points.

But it's the on-site facilities that really score highly here. You'll find a couple of swimming pools, a well-stocked shop, a great café, bars, amusements, snooker and pool tables, and even a 10-pin bowling alley. In addition, bikes, tennis equipment and even sunbeds are available to hire.

You say...

- "It was great to see so many children enjoying the indoor and outdoor swimming pools, and the nightly entertainment for the children was second to none. Before we left we decided to come back next year."*
- "The pools and fitness centre are well-maintained and the selection at the Garden Café matches those outside the centre. The park is very well-maintained and very clean."*
- "The staff are all extremely friendly and helpful and there is just a really lovely feel about the place."*

The Quiet Site



Address Ullswater, Cumbria CA11 OLS **Tel** 07768 727 016

Web www.thequietsite.co.uk **Open** All year **Touring pitches** 91, all hardstanding

Pitch+2+hook-up Low season: up to £20; high season: £20-£30



We say...

This family-friendly site really lives up to its name – it makes a great place to stay if you're looking for a little peace. It also makes a great base if you're a keen walker: there are lots of beautiful paths to take nearby, some of which start just outside the site itself.

On-site facilities are extensive and include a shop, a bar, an adventure playground, family bathrooms, a motorhome service point, a TV room, a dog walk and a laundry room.

The site is easily accessible from the M6, but it's best not to use your sat-nav to find it; instead, use the directions that can be found on the website.

You say...

"The views were phenomenal from our pitch; there were great walks all around. The on-site pub was superb. The showers were clean and free, and there was free use of a microwave, fridge and freezer. This is the best campsite we've ever stayed at."

"The owners are incredibly customer-focused: nothing is too much trouble. The site is spotlessly clean and in a beautiful setting. Their commitment to green sustainability is fantastic. The bar is brilliant as well."

"We liked the friendly staff and the site's cleanliness."



Waterfoot

Park



Address Pooley Bridge, Ullswater, Cumbria CA11 OJF **Tel** 01768 486 302

Web www.waterfootpark.co.uk **Open** 1 March-13 November

Touring pitches 31, all hardstanding **Pitch+2+hook-up** £20-£30



We say...

Waterfoot is a lovely site set within the grounds of a Georgian mansion. The park offers tremendous views of Ullswater, one of the Lake District's most popular areas. The touring section features 31 hardstanding pitches, each with electric hook-up; there are also clean and tidy washrooms, a laundry room and dishwashing areas. Head for the former mansion building and you'll find a bar (where Wi-Fi access is free) and a games room, as well as an information area.

Take a trip off-site and you'll be able to enjoy a cruise on the water with Ullswater Steamers; you can even take your bike onboard if you'd like to try out one of the locality's many cycle paths. There are also lots of lovely walking paths to explore within easy reach of the site.

You say...

"The site is very clean, and the managers were very friendly and helpful. We would recommend this site to everyone."

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Touring pitches 120 (50 hardst'ding) **Pitch+2+hook-up** Low season: under £20; high season: £30+



We say...

Clippesby Hall is a regular in our Top 100 sites, and a visit to its open-all-year park will quickly show you why. It's a fantastic site to choose if you'd like to explore the Norfolk Broads. The touring pitches are spread over eight different areas, so you can choose the type of pitch - woodland or lawns - that's right for you. On-site facilities include a coffee shop, a pub and restaurant, a swimming pool, tennis courts and mini-golf, a children's play area and a cycle-hire centre. If that's not enough to keep you and the whole family entertained, head off site to discover Norwich and Great Yarmouth, the gardens at East Euston and Hoveton Hall, and the fascinating BeWILDerwood adventure park.

You say...

"It's a big site, with plenty of amenities and entertainment, but retains the feel of a small, friendly site with small, separate fields and secluded pitches."

"Staff are very helpful and there's an excellent range of facilities and a high standard of cleanliness. This is a family environment in beautiful surroundings"

"Clippesby has everything you need for a great holiday: helpful staff, a swimming pool, bar and café, bike hire, crazy golf, a play park and much, much more."



Eastern England

Delph Bank

Caravan Park

Address Old Main Road, Fleet Hargate, Holbeach, Spalding, Lincolnshire PE12 8LL

Tel 01406 422 910 **Web** www.delphbank.co.uk **Open** 1 March-3 November

Touring pitches 45 (24 hardstanding) **Pitch+2+hook-up** Under £20-£30

Adults only

We say...

You're sure to enjoy your tour of the Fens with a stay at Delph Bank, which has earned a regional award a number of times in past Top 100s. It's a tranquil, adults-only site, and the facilities are of a superb standard. They include 16A electric hook-up, a heated washblock, a motorhome waste-water disposal point, an information centre, Wi-Fi access and much more. The site is well-placed for exploring Lincoln, Stamford, Peterborough, Wisbech and King's Lynn; you can easily leave your vehicle on site and take a local bus to King's Lynn and Spalding. The latter village has a number of attractions, including a garden centre, a tea room, a couple of pubs and a Chinese restaurant.

You say...

"The site is very well-maintained, and Jennifer and Michael are both very friendly and helpful."

"The location and layout of the whole site are outstanding. We would definitely make another visit."

"Delph Bank was very quiet and peaceful, with spotlessly clean facilities. The site was extremely clean and spacious, with plenty of space between pitches and room to manoeuvre. The whole site and pitches were well-maintained, too, with plenty of lovely grass."



Eastview

Camping and Touring Caravan Park

Address Trunch Lane, Chapel St Leonards, Skegness, Lincolnshire PE24 5UA

Tel 01754 875 324 **Web** www.eastviewcaravans.co.uk **Open** 1 March-31 October

Touring pitches 42, no hardstanding **Pitch+2+hook-up** Low season: under £20; high season: £20-30



We say...

The 15-acre Eastview Caravan Park is located on the outskirts of Chapel St Leonards, near to the bustling, popular tourist town of Skegness. Many of the pitches here are seasonal, but there are also a good number of regular-visitor pitches, too. The park offers a pair of heated washrooms, dishwashing facilities, electric hook-up and a dedicated play area for children.

Anglers will appreciate the fishing lakes located alongside the park. Chapel St Leonards, which has beaches, pubs and restaurants, is within walking distance; alternatively, you could catch a local bus to Skegness. While you're there, you could take in a show at the Embassy Theatre. Those touring with children might also like to pay a visit to the Fantasy Island amusement park, or Natureland Seal Sanctuary.

You say...

"The staff at Eastview were very friendly and helpful, and provided excellent customer service. The toilet and shower block was very clean."

"We loved the clean, fresh facilities and friendly staff. All in all, it was a nice, happy experience camping here."

"We appreciated the friendly staff, who were always approachable and keen to help us enjoy our holiday."

Fen Farm

Camping and Caravan Site



Address Moore Lane, East Mersea, Colchester, Essex CO5 8FE

Tel 01206 383 275 **Web** www.fenfarm.co.uk **Open** 15 March-31 October

Touring pitches 130 (3 seasonal hardstanding) **Pitch+2+hook-up** Low season: under £20; high season: £20-£30

We say...

Fen Farm on Mersea Island has a long history as a place to camp – the first visitor arrived more than 90 years ago. Since then, it has become a hugely popular but peaceful site. It makes a great base for exploring the nearby area, and simply enjoying a tranquil tour. There's a huge amount of wildlife to see at Fen Farm, and today the site holds a David Bellamy Gold award for conservation.

One area is available for tourers, and another is set aside for owner-occupied static units. Children can enjoy the play areas on site, and dog owners will appreciate the walks around the park. Wi-Fi is available for a small charge, and there's a laundry room and free solar-heated showers.

You say...

"We liked a number of aspects of Fen Farm: the peace and privacy, and the spacious size of the pitch; the ease of access and the turning-room allowance; and the cleanliness of the facilities. The hospitality of the staff, was excellent, too."

"The site at Fen Farm is located in a peaceful setting. The rules regarding children and dogs meant that we were able to relax properly."

"This site is very clean and well-kept. The pitches are spacious and there are plenty of facilities. The welcome was quite friendly, too."



Lakeside Park

Touring Park



Address North Somercotes, Lincolnshire LN11 7RB **Tel** 01507 358 428

Web www.donamottparks.com/lakeside-touring-park.aspx **Open** 14 March-30 November

Touring pitches 110, all hardstanding **Pitch+2+hook-up** Low season: under £20; high season: £30+



We say...

Lakeside is one of caravan dealer Don Amott's popular parks. It has owner-occupied holiday homes, but there's also a great touring area with a large number of hardstanding super pitches, too. Those staying in their caravan or motorhome can enjoy all of the park's fantastic facilities. These include the Tropicana pool complex - which also has a sauna, solarium and steam room. The washrooms are smart and heated, and you'll even be able to enjoy music while you make use of them!

In the evenings, head for the Waterfront Club, where you'll be able to watch entertainment for all ages and have a drink the bar or enjoy a meal in the restaurant.

You say...

"This is a five-star site, with excellent facilities and pitches. It's the best site we have stayed at in three years of touring. Staff are warm and friendly and the site is beautiful. We're booking for next year. Highly recommended!"

"Lakeside is very clean and well laid out, with good toilet blocks. There's lots for the family to do, a great kids play area, good food, and brilliant entertainment."

"Full marks for the friendliness and helpfulness of all staff. Shower blocks and facilities are well-maintained and clean. And there's plenty of open space where kids can play safely."

The Old Brick Kilns

Caravan Park



Address Little Barney Lane, Barney, Fakenham, Norfolk NR21 0NL

Tel 01328 878 305 **Web** www.old-brick-kilns.co.uk **Open** 15 March-15 December

Touring pitches 65, all hardstanding **Pitch+2+hook-up** Low season: under £20; high season: £20-£30



We say...

The Old Brick Kilns site – another regular in our Top 100 listings – covers around 13 acres of beautiful Norfolk countryside, and it has been cleverly designed to offer a variety of environments. On three levels, the park offers 60 spacious, semi-hardstanding pitches, while full hardstanding pitches are available for motorcaravanners. There are also five premier pitches in the Heydon's Meadow area, which is a Caravan Club CL.

You'll find plenty here to keep you entertained. The small fishing lake is stocked with carp, rudd and tench; angling costs £3 per day. There's a family games area and a pool table, TV room, an internet room, a fenced children's play area and a giant chess set, too. The washrooms have underfloor heating. You can enjoy good food at the restaurant/bar, and you can even book a massage on site.

You say...

"This site is beautifully kept with plenty of space for each unit. The owners are friendly, and clearly work hard to keep every aspect of the site in good order."

"Brick Kilns is well laid out, with spacious pitches. There's also a tent section and a separate luxurious Caravan Club CL area. You always get a warm welcome from John and Alison, and everything on the site is immaculate."

Petwood

Caravan Park



Address Off Stixwould Road, Woodhall Spa, Lincolnshire LN10 6QH **Tel** 01526 354 799

Web www.petwoodcaravanpark.com **Open** 21 March-2 November

Touring pitches 98 (8 hardstanding) **Pitch+2+hook-up** £20-£30

We say...

Enjoy a visit to the lovely Lincolnshire village of Woodhall Spa with a stay at Petwood Caravan Park, which was a finalist in our Top 100 2013 listings. The village offers the National Golf Centre, featuring a pair of top courses, and the famous, unique Kinema in the Woods cinema. The site is located beside a public park, which has a heated outdoor swimming pool and tennis courts. The Battle of Britain Memorial Flight Visitor Centre is just a few miles away, as is the Lincolnshire Aviation Heritage Centre.

There are 98 touring pitches available at Petwood, each with 16A electric hook-up. There's also a laundry room, a shop that stocks basics, heated washrooms, a dog-walking area and a lending library with adults' and children's books. Members of the Camping and Caravanning Club receive a £2 discount per night during the low season.

You say...

"There are excellent facilities at Petwood, and the site itself is so close to town. We will book again."

"We will be back. Well done!"

"We liked the friendliness and helpfulness of the staff, as well as the cleanliness and neatness of the site."

"This is a great site with an excellent location."



Woodhall Country Park

Caravan and Campsite



Address Stixwould Road, Woodhall Spa, Lincolnshire LN10 6UJ **Tel** 01526 353 710

Web www.woodhallcountrypark.co.uk **Open** 1 March-30 November

Touring pitches 80, all hardstanding **Pitch+2+hook-up** £20-£30



We say...

The AA's Campsite of the Year for the Heart of England also makes it to our latest Top 100. This site is set in lovely parkland and a conservation area, and it has been designed in conjunction with Natural England. Because of this, a huge amount of wildlife can be spotted here, including fascinating birds, butterflies and reptiles.

The touring area features 80 fully serviced hardstanding pitches, and the washrooms are spacious and tidy. There is a trio of well-stocked fishing lakes for anglers to enjoy; one day's fishing on a single rod costs £5. Bike hire is available, and you can even take a course in wildlife photography on selected dates in 2014.

You say...

"This is a quiet, fully serviced site, with easy access to Woodhall Spa and the river path for cycling, walking – and the riverside pub. We loved the friendly staff."

"Woodhall is a clean and tidy site. It's peaceful even when full because all users use the site well, thanks to the staff."

"The very friendly team here is always willing to help. The serviced pitches are a bonus, and the facilities are very clean. It's excellent all round. We'll definitely visit again."

"Our second stay this year! Great staff, fantastic facilities and great fishing lakes... Woodhall Spa has it all!"

What to see in Eastern England

Diary dates

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Stay at one of our fantastic Top 100 sites, and enjoy one of this trio of great events taking place during 2014!

12-13 April 2014

East of England Food Festival

Knebworth House, Hertfordshire

You'll be able to try and buy some of Eastern England's finest food and drink at this fantastic festival, held at historic Knebworth House. This is the fifth festival, and it promises to be bigger and better than ever, with great demonstrations, a celebrity chef, cookware and other kitchen products and much more. Adult tickets cost £9 at the gate.

Web www.knebworthhouse.com

6-7 September 2014

Great Yarmouth Maritime Festival

South Quay, Great Yarmouth

Enjoy a fantastic weekend in Great Yarmouth, at the annual Maritime Festival, which takes place along the length of South Quay. You'll be able to see tall ships, maritime exhibitions, demonstrations of skills, listen to shanty music and visit a number of craft and charity stalls. Entry is free of charge, but a £1 donation is suggested.

Web www.great-yarmouth.co.uk/maritime-festival/

6-7 September 2014

English Wine Festival

New Hall Vineyards, Purleigh

English wine is enjoying a surge of popularity at the moment, and New Hall Vineyards in Essex is one of the oldest and largest examples of its kind in England. In September it will host the 42nd English Wine Festival and open day; visitors will be able to enjoy tours of the winery, craft displays, good food, folk plays and much more. Adult admission costs £7 and includes a tasting glass; your first four wine tastings are free.

Web www.newhallwines.co.uk



Run Cottage
Touring Park



Address Alderton Road, Hollesley, Woodbridge, Suffolk IP12 3RQ **Tel** 01394 411 309
Web www.run-cottage.co.uk **Open** All year
Touring pitches 45 (14 hardstanding) **Pitch+2+hook-up** Under £20




We say...
Topping our regional category this year is the lovely Run Cottage Touring Park, located on Suffolk's beautiful heritage coast. All touring pitches have 10A electric hook-up and are set in pretty parkland, so you really feel like you're getting away from it all. Other facilities on site include new washrooms, a tourist-information area and 14 all-weather caravan pitches. It's just a short stroll to the local pub and village shop, too.

There's plenty to see in the surrounding area, including Orford and Framlingham castles, the towns of Woodbridge and Aldeburgh, and historic Sutton Hoo. Walkers will also love the proximity of the Suffolk Coast Path.

You say...
“We found this site last year. It is immaculately maintained – the showers and toilets are extremely clean – and it is in such a peaceful setting. We have been so impressed; this site has great people running it, and they have extremely high standards!”
“We had never been to Suffolk before and saw the good reviews about Run Cottage so decided to have a week there. Michelle and Andy were most welcoming. The site is ideal for a peaceful stay. We would definitely recommend it as a very good choice for couples and families.”



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Beeston Regis HolidayPark

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Brighthouse Farm

Melford Road, Lawshall, Bury St. Edmunds, Suffolk, IP29 4PX.
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Clippesby Hall Hall Lane, Clippesby, Great Yarmouth, NR29 3BL Tel: 01493 367800. Website: www.clippesby.com.
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Finchale Abbey Caravan Park Finchale Abbey Farm, Co Durham, DH1 5SH. Tel: 0191 3866528. Off the A1M at Junction 63. Head south on A167 signs for Armsen Centre. Follow signs Finchale Priory. Set in the meander of the River Wear is beautiful countryside overlooking the priory. Open All Year. Bookings necessary.
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Peacock Waters Timberland, Lincoln, Lincs, LN4 3RG
01526 378059 Adam & Amanda Northcote-Wright
www.peacockwaters.co.uk
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Lee Valley Campsite Sewardstone
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Lee Valley Caravan Park Dobbs Weir Charlton Meadows, Essex Road, Hoddesdon, Hertfordshire, EN11 0AS
08456 770 609
From the A10 take the Hoddesdon turn off then at the 2nd roundabout, turn left, site is on the right within 1 mile. Spacious site on a tranquil bend of the River Lee, with hard standing and grass pitches on-site shop, laundry and children's play area. Open March to January.
Price £13.50 to £19.20 (excludes electrical hook up) Bookings accepted and advisable
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Long Acres Touring Park

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John Plant
www.longacres-caravanpark.co.uk
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Lee Valley Camping and Caravan Park Edmonton Meridian Way, Edmonton, London, N9 OAR
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Leave M25 at J25 and follow signs for central London, turn onto A1055 and follow signs for Lee Valley Leisure complex, approx 7 miles. A great site with two fields, one for tents and one for tourers and camper vans. Electric hook-ups available. Open all year.
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North Shore Holiday Centre Elmhist Avenue, Roman Bank, Skegness, Lincolnshire, PE25 1SL
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www.northshore-skegness.co.uk
E-mail: reception@northshore-skegness.co.uk
From the Ship Public House Skegness, take A52 (Ingoldmells) 0.25 mile on left into Elmhist Avenue. North Shore is a family holiday park situated a short walk from the beach and town centre. It is possible to enjoy either a t seaside break or a more active holiday. Bookings: Advisable. Open 01/03 to 30/11. Tourers £1700 to £22.50 Motor Caravans £19.20 to £22.50 Caravan Holiday Homes £299.00 to £515.00 Chalets £252.00 to £445.00 Apartments £185.00 to £455.00

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Pentney Park Caravan Site Pentney, Kings Lynn, Norfolk, PE32 1HU
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www.pentney-park.co.uk
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Pine Trees Leisure Park

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Vauxhall Holiday Park

Acle New Road, Great Yarmouth, Norfolk, NR30 1TB
01493 857231 Mr R Finney
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www.vauxhall-holiday-park.co.uk
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Follow B1025 to Mersea Island cross the Strood Channel and take the left hand fork and follow the tourist signs. Large grassy site with pitches for caravans, tents and motorhomes. Pirate beach. Holiday homes for hire and sale. Open 01/03 to 30/11 Price £18-£30
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Walesby Woodland Caravan Park

Walesby/Market Rasen, Lincolnshire LN8 3UN
www.walesbywoodlands.co.uk
01673 843285
B1203 road to tealby, 0.5 miles after take left to Walesby road, 0.5 miles after turn left onto lane then 150 yards to entrance. 8 acres, 58 pitches both grass and hardstanding, woodland walks, 16 miles from Lincoln, quiet and peaceful site. Open all year. Prices from £14 to £19. Bookings necessary
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Woodhall Country Park
Stixwold Road, Woodhall Spa, Lincolnshire, LN10 6UJ
01526 353710 Ian Edmondson
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Weybourne, Holt, Norfolk
NR25 7HW
www.kellingheath.co.uk
Tel: 01263 588181
Turn North at park sign at Bodham on A148 or turn South off A149 at Weybourne Church. 2500 acres of woodland and open heathland with magnificent views of the coastline. A range of facilities and environmental activities. Bookings accepted and advisable. Open Feb 10 to Jan 02. £18.20 to £40.95
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Woodthorpe Hall Leisure

Woodthorpe Hall, Woodthorpe, Alford, Lincolnshire, LN13 0DD
01507 450294 Fax: 01507 450885
www.woodthorpehalleisure.co.uk
E-mail: enquiries@woodthorpehalleisure.co.uk
From Alford A1104 for 3 miles then B1373 for 1.5 miles. From Louth A157 for 10 miles then B1373 for 1.5 miles. Set around woodland, a golf course and fishing lakes. Near to coast and market towns. Static vans available for hire and for sale. Bookings: Advisable. Open 01/03 to 03/01. Tourers £14.50 to £25.00 Motor Caravans £14.50 to £25.00 Tents £14.50 to £25.00 Caravan
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Heart of England

The Heart of England is often overlooked as a touring destination, which is a shame: it offers so much variety in its attractions that you're sure to find somewhere fascinating to visit. It's easy to access, too, thanks to the number of motorways that plough their way through the region.

The Peak District National Park is perhaps the most popular place for visitors, and with good reason: its fantastic combination of stunning scenery, historic properties and picturesque towns make it a winner with all ages. Fortunately, there are numerous of our Top 100 finalists within reach of it, so you're sure to find somewhere great to stay during your trip.

Cosmopolitan Birmingham is great for a day trip, and you shouldn't miss the dreaming spires of Oxford. Those who have a penchant for all things historic will be in their element here: they'll be able to discover many landmarks of the Industrial Revolution – including the Grand Union Canal – and Warwick and Stratford both teem with history, too.



Barn Farm

Campsite



Address Barn Farm, Birchover, Matlock, Derbyshire DE4 2BL **Tel** 01629 650 245

Web www.barnfarmcamping.com **Open** Easter-31 October

Touring pitches 12 (4 hardstanding) **Pitch+2+hook-up** £20-£30

We say...

Any wildlife-lovers should head for Barn Farm next time they're planning a trip to the beautiful Derwent Valley – this site is a real haven for fauna, and there's a chance you might spot a black fallow deer or badgers.

The facilities at this small site are far from back-to-basics, however. There are clean and tidy washrooms, a shop, laundry equipment, a children's play area for those up to the age of 10, and a games room with a pool table and a TV. There's even a sauna and a sunbed for guests to hire! Camping barns are available – handy if you're holidaying with family or friends who don't own their own touring vehicle.

You say...

"Barn Farm is well-kept, with very friendly staff, good, clean facilities, and great views. It was a shot in the dark when a group of us bikers booked our places here; some stayed in a bunkhouse, while others camped. But it paid off well: the plan is to go back there next year, too!"

"The facilities such as showers, toilets and the dishwashing area were all to a high standard and were always well-maintained. The on-site shop was brilliant, and the kids' entertainment was great, too. All of this has made us consider bringing our families next time."



Heart of England

Birch Hill Farm

Caravan Club CL



Address The Cross, Ellesmere, Shropshire SY12 0LP **Tel** 01691 622 951

Web www.birchhill.co.uk **Open** All year

Touring pitches 5, all hardstanding **Pitch+2+hook-up** Under £20

Open
all year

We say...

This is a simply stunning five-van CL (certificated location) site that's open exclusively to Caravan Club members. Despite its small size, Birch Hill consistently impresses those who stay there. The site covers two acres, so there's lots of room for units to pitch up, and there are five hardstanding pitches available if you're planning to visit during the bad weather. Birch Hill is also located down a long drive, so you'll be settled well away from any roads.

The CL is in England, but it's just a couple of miles from the Welsh border, so it's handy for exploring both regions. History-lovers will enjoy a trip to Whittington and Chirk castles, while Pontcysyllte Aqueduct and Ironbridge are also within driving distance. The town of Ellesmere is around one mile from Birch Hill.

You say...

"There was a choice of two areas to pitch: the upper area with good views, and the lower area with more shelter. The site was very well-maintained and clean. There was always someone there and the welcome was fantastic."

"Birch Hill was very tidy and well-managed. It even provided tourist information packs for each guest."

"We found it attractive and the owners were friendly."



Clover Fields

Touring Caravan Park



Address 1 Heath View, Harpur Hill, Buxton SK17 9PU **Tel** 01298 78731

Web www.cloverfieldstouringpark.co.uk **Open** All year

Touring pitches 25, all hardstanding **Pitch+2+hook-up** £20-£30

Open
all year

Adults
only



We say...

Clover Fields is a peaceful, adults-only site located close to the spa town of Buxton; as such, it makes a brilliant base for exploring the Peak District. The park was the *Practical Caravan* Top 100 regional winner for 2013, too.

There are 25 touring pitches, all of which have 16A electric hook-up, and a large field for those with a tent. The washrooms are modern and clean, and laundry facilities are also available; there's a shop on site, too.

If you're not confident when towing your caravan, then help is also at hand: the site has teamed up with a local tuition company to offer lessons. As we went to print, prices began at £25 per hour.

You say...

"We have been visiting Clover Fields for about two years now; it was also our first site when we started caravanning. We fell in love with the site from the start and return as often as we can."

"From the moment we got there we were made very welcome. The facilities are first-class and the pitches are excellent. We could not fault anything."

"It was so clean, spacious and private and the toilet and shower blocks were immaculate. I loved that music was playing while we showered!"

Diamond

Caravan Park



Address Islip Road, Bletchington, Oxford OX5 3DR **Tel** 01869 350 909

Web www.diamondpark.co.uk **Open** 1 March-31 October

Touring pitches 22, all hardstanding **Pitch+2+hook-up** Low season: under £20; high season: £20-£30

We say...

Diamond Caravan Park may be a small site with just 22 hardstanding pitches, but the standard of the facilities belies its size. There's a solar-heated outdoor pool, a licenced bar, an outdoor children's play area – with a new climbing frame and improved flooring for 2014 – a pool table and arcade games. Free Wi-Fi is available, too.

Be sure to take your bikes when you visit, as there are a good number of cycle paths within easy reach. If you prefer to keep your feet on the ground, you can always take a trip to Oxford, which is just a few miles away, Blenheim Palace, the Cotswold Wildlife Park, Bicester Outlet Shopping Village or the charming town of Burford.

You say...

“This is a lovely site, with good facilities, and friendly, helpful staff. It's very clean, and the shop is fab. The children loved the swimming pool; we were lucky enough to have warm weather so even I had a swim!”

“The staff are so friendly and made us feel welcome. As we were new to camping they even gave us a hand to set up. Nothing was too much trouble for them.”

“This park is ideally located for Oxford and the surrounding area. It's well-kept, with good facilities and helpful staff. The toilet block was small but kept to a very clean standard.”



Elm Cottage

Touring Park



Address Chester Lane, Nr Winsford, Cheshire CW7 2QJ **Tel** 01829 760 544

Web www.elmcottage.co.uk **Open** All year **Touring pitches** 35 (29 hardstanding)

Pitch+2+hook-up Low season: under £20; high season: £20-£30



We say...

This is a friendly, family-run park that's open all year, and it's handily located if you're planning to tour around the lovely county of Cheshire. There are 25 pitches, either all-weather or grass, spread across two acres; each pitch has 10A electric hook-up. There's also a 6.5-acre camping field. Premium Plus pitches are available with additional facilities such as grey-water disposal. The washrooms have underfloor heating to keep you warm all season, and there's also a motorhome service point. Motorcaravan owners who aren't planning to stay can make an up-to-three-hour stopover and use the facilities for a charge of just £6.

If you're visiting on a Friday or Saturday night between April and August, look out for the fish-and-chip trailer! If you'd prefer to head off site for dinner, you'll find the Shrewsbury Arms pub just 400 yards down the road, which serves good food.

You say...

“Elm Cottage is a beautifully maintained site and puts high importance on being environmentally friendly. The shower block is very clean and well-served. It's perfectly placed for excellent walks, and the whole place has a comfortable homely feel about it.”

Eye Kettleby Lakes



Address Melton Mowbray, Leicestershire LE14 2TD **Tel** 01664 565 900

Web www.eyekettlebylakes.com **Open** All year **Touring pitches** 61, all hardstanding

Pitch+2+hook-up Low season: under £20; high season: £20-£30

Open
all year

Adults
only



We say...

Those who enjoy angling will love their trip to Eye Kettleby Lakes: there are seven-day-ticket coarse-fishing lakes to enjoy here. But this adults-only touring park is well worth a visit in itself. It's only a couple of years old, and is maintained to a very high standard, with tremendous views across the surrounding countryside. It's a great base for visiting historic Melton Mowbray, too.

While you're staying on site you can visit the comfortable clubhouse, which serves tasty breakfasts from 8-10am. In the evenings, you can enjoy a pint there and make the most of the free Wi-Fi access.

You say...

- "This is the best site ever. The staff are very friendly and nothing is ever too much trouble. We can't wait to go back!"
- "Friendly and enthusiastic staff give you a great welcome, good service and local information. The amazing showers and toilets are always clean, and there's a fantastic clubhouse with live music."
- "We liked this impressive site with its immaculate facilities, spacious individual pitches and lovely location. The whole site is well-kept, with a good selection of fishing lakes."
- "Sparkling, exceptional facilities, with lots of little extras such as a dog wash help make this a really nice place to stay."

Glencote

Caravan Park



Address Station Road, Cheddleton, Leek, Staffordshire ST13 7EE **Tel** 01538 360 745

Web www.glencote.co.uk **Open** 1 February-31 December

Touring pitches 74, all hardstanding **Pitch+2+hook-up** £20-£30

We say...

Glencote is a tidy and well-maintained park on the Staffordshire moorlands that's handily placed for those planning to visit Alton Towers theme park; it's also great as a base when walking or cycling in the Peak District. The Churnet Valley Railway runs right alongside the park, and the station is just a couple of minutes' walk away. There's also a small fishing lake on site, stocked with roach, perch, carp, tench and bream; a Glencote permit is required. The park is very close to the centre of Cheddleton village, which has a small supermarket, a fish-and-chips shop, an off-licence and three pubs, as well as a restaurant and tea rooms.

On-site facilities include all-weather pitches, 16A electric hook-up, heated washrooms, internet access, a laundry, a ball-games area and dishwashing facilities. Wildlife is encouraged here, with specially maintained wild areas around the park's boundaries.

You say...

- "This is an outstanding site and we will definitely come back."
- "The friendly, professional staff were very helpful and accommodating. They kept site and visitors in good order."
- "We really liked the location. The staff are very friendly and helpful. The site is very clean and tidy. It's just lovely."



Heart of England



Located in Landford on the very edge of the New Forest, this quiet family run park has direct access to the forest from the site. This tranquil site has 160 pitches (50 on hardstanding), most with electric hook-up. The site is split into different areas including an adults-only area. Three brand new toilet and shower block offer superb state of the art facilities. There is an outdoor children's play area and recreation field. Fishing is available on site. It is within walking distance of two pubs and is located on a bus route. This site is ideal for exploring the New Forest, or just relaxing and enjoying the wildlife on site.



Green Hill Farm Caravan & Camping Park
New Road, Landford, Salisbury, SP5 2AZ
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Email : info@greenhillholidays.co.uk
Web: www.greenhillholidays.co.uk

Longnor Wood Holiday Park
Newtown, Longnor, Buton Derby's, SK17 ONG
Tel: 01298 83648
www.longnorwood.co.uk
125 miles from the village of Longnor in the heart of the Peak District. We are a small select adults only park. Peace, tranquility and a warm welcome awaits our visitors. Set in the heart of the Peak District National, surrounded by farmland and tranquil countryside. Park. Open 1st March to 10th January. Bookings accepted and advisable.

Newhaven Caravan & Camping Park
Newhaven, Nr Buxton, Derbyshire SK17 ODT
www.newhavencaravanpark.co.uk
Tel: 01298 84300.
The park is situated half way between Ashbourne and Buxton on the A515 at Junction with A5012. We have 30 acres. Open from 1st March till 31st Oct. Prices from £11.50 to £19.75 depending on season

Penlan Caravan Park
Brilley, Hay-On-Wye, Herefordshire, HR3 6JW
01497 831485
www.penlancaravanpark.co.uk/
7 miles North East of Hay-On-Wye, 1/2 a mile from Welsh Border. Small secluded site on National trust Farm. Magnificent views over looking the Wye Valley. Seasonal Pitches available. Bookings necessary
Open 01/04 to 31/10. Prices £16 to £22

Lamb Cottage Caravan Park
Dalefords lane Whitegate, NR Northwich Cheshire , CW8 2BN.
Tel: 01606 882302. info@lambcottage.co.uk
www.lambcottage.co.uk
1 mile from A556 at Sandiway. 4 acres, 30 pitches. This peaceful, five star adult only site is located in the heart of Cheshire is open March to October. Prices £20 to £26. Bookings necessary.

Somers Wood Caravan Park Somers Road, Meriden, Warwickshire, CV7 7PL Tel: 01676522978, Email: . Website: . Angela & Marc look forward to welcoming you to their quality 5 star touring park in Warwickshire which is exclusively for Adults only. Visit Warwick, Stratford, Kenilworth, Coventry & Birmingham NEC. Standard and fully serviced pitches available all with hardstanding. To check availability, book on-line or obtain further information please go to our website at . OPEN ALL YEAR. Cost £19 to £25.

The Trotting Mare
Overton-On-Dee, Ellesmere, North Shropshire, LL13 0LE
01978 711963 www.thetrottingmare.co.uk
Email: info@thetrottingmare.co.uk
From Birmingham take the M54 then the A5 to Ellesmere, then A528 for 3 miles and site on the left. From Manchester take the M56 until the A55, stay on A55 until A483 to Overton, take the A528 and the site will be on the right. An exclusively adults only, open all year park. Situated between the historic village of Overton-on-Dee (near Wrexham) and the Lakelands of Ellesmere in Shropshire. The grounds are uniquely located on the border joining North Wales and Shropshire. Dogs are made welcome, but must be kept on a lead at all times. Dogs are also welcome in the public house. Perfect for country holidays, mini breaks or one night stop-over.

Riverside Caravan Park Little Clevelode, Malvern, Worcester, WR13 6PE
Tel: 01684310475
Email: riverside@riverside-park.co.uk
Directions Exit M5 junction 7 or 8, follow signs for 3 counties showground situated on B4424 between Malvern and Upton on Severn. The Park has views of the Malvern hills, Fishing in the river seven, highly maintained family run park. Open 01/03 to 31/12 Pitches £18



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Web www.greencaravanpark.co.uk **Open** 28 March-2 November

Touring pitches 140 (5 hardstanding) **Pitch+2+hook-up** Under £20



We say...

This site really lives up to its name. Located in the lovely Onny Valley and covering 15 acres, it offers lush greenery, attractive woodland and a sparkling (but small) river running through its heart. You can choose to pitch up at a variety of locations; several pitches are situated alongside the river. If you really want to get back to nature, you can set up camp in the wild, unmanaged area at the end of the Rally Field – here you'll be able to wildlife-watch to your heart's content, as more than 50 bird species have been spotted here. Unsurprisingly, the Green Caravan Park has won numerous David Bellamy Gold Awards for conservation over the years.

Elsewhere on site you'll find washrooms (showers cost 20p), laundry facilities and a shop selling basic groceries and gas. There's a children's play area, too.

You say...

"A fantastic site for children to play in a beautiful setting."

"There was no overcrowding here, and the site felt well-maintained. There was space for the children to play, and a not-too-expensive pub on the doorstep."

"The park is very well-maintained, with many different places to pitch. We had a very pleasant stay here. The facilities are good and the staff are friendly."

Lickpenny

Touring Park



Address Lickpenny Lane, Tansley, Matlock, Derbyshire DE4 5GF **Tel** 01629 583 040

Web www.lickpennycaravanpark.co.uk **Open** All year **Touring pitches** 115, all hardstanding

Pitch+2+hook-up Low season: under £20; high season: £20-£30



We say...

Close to the popular towns of Matlock and Bakewell you'll discover Lickpenny Touring Park, set in 16 acres of pretty countryside. The pitches have 16A electric hook-up and are a great size, so the site never feels cramped. Extra-large deluxe pitches are also available; these have water, drainage and electric hook-up connections. There are two heated washrooms as well as a motorhome waste point, a children's play area and woodland walking paths.

If you fancy visiting Matlock, you can leave your vehicle on site and catch a bus that stops near the park. Also within driving distance are the popular and historic attractions of Bolsover Castle, Haddon Hall, Hardwick Hall and Chatsworth House.

You say...

"Lickpenny is a wonderful site on a flower plantation. It has brilliant views, especially from the elevated pitches that overlook the valley."

"This park has everything: extra-large pitches with shrubs affording privacy, friendly helpful staff, superb playing areas for children, an on-site dog walking area. It's tranquil yet child-friendly, and offers excellent, clean and well-maintained facilities."

"Overall, this is a super site, with large grassed areas."





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Manor Wood

Country Caravan Park



Address Coddington, Chester CH3 9EN **Tel** 01829 782 990

Web www.cheshire-caravan-sites.co.uk **Open** All year **Touring pitches** 25 (12 hardstanding)

Pitch+2+hook-up Low season: under £20; high season: £20-£30



We say...

Manor Wood is a Cheshire site that offers great facilities. There's a heated outdoor swimming pool that's free-of-charge for all park guests to use, a tennis court, on-site fishing, a games room, free Wi-Fi access and much more. The environment is high on the agenda here: bird tables, and hedgehog and owl boxes are located around the park; water butts collect rainwater for use on the hanging baskets; park lighting is movement-sensitive; and comprehensive recycling facilities are available.

Manor Wood makes a great best for enjoying local attractions such as Chester Zoo, Cheshire Oaks shopping outlet, Bunbury Mill, Beeston Castle, Blue Planet Aquarium and Cholmondeley Castle Gardens.

You say...

"There are excellent toilet and shower facilities as well as leisure facilities for the whole family, including a play area, outdoor swimming pool, tennis courts and games room."

"We found top facilities here, including the bathrooms, playground, swimming pool, games room and fishing pool. With helpful wardens and well-kept grounds, this site ticks all the boxes and we return year after year."

"Manor Wood is very clean, with spacious pitches and friendly staff. There are great local attractions, too."



Somers Wood

Caravan Park



Address Somers Road, Meriden, Warwickshire CV7 7PL **Tel** 01676 522 978

Web www.somerswood.co.uk **Open** All year **Touring pitches** 48, all hardstanding

Pitch+2+hook-up Low season: under £20; high season: £20-£30



We say...

If you're a couple planning to visit any show at Birmingham's NEC, then you should seriously consider pitching up at the impressive, adults-only Somers Wood Caravan Park – it's well placed for a trip to the exhibition centre. In fact, it's great to visit at any season, as it's open all year, and is also close to the historic city of Coventry and county town of Warwick.

There are 48 pitches at Somers Wood, all of which have 10A electric hook-up; there are also four fully serviced pitches. The washrooms are heated; dishwashing facilities are available, as is Wi-Fi, and there is an information cabin and a laundry service.

You say...

"Somers Wood is a very friendly adults-only site about a mile from Meriden in the heart of the country. It has good access to Birmingham Airport and the NEC for shows and concerts. Facilities are very good, and if you're a wildlife enthusiast, there's an abundance of wild birds in this rustic setting."

"This beautiful site is very well-maintained. It's quiet and peaceful, but only a couple of minutes from the NEC and major motorway links. Last but not least, lovely people run the park. An absolute gem, and very highly recommended."

Callow Top

Holiday Park



Address Buxton Road, Sandybrook, Ashbourne, Derbyshire DE6 2AQ **Tel** 01335 344 020

Web www.callowtop.co.uk **Open** 4 April-9 November

Touring pitches 100, all hardstanding **Pitch+2+hook-up** £20-£30



TOP 100 SITES
2014
REGIONAL WINNER

We say...

In 2013 Callow Top took the *Practical Motorhome* Top 100 regional winner award; it grabs the gong once more this year. It's well-placed for exploring the Midlands, and the hills of the Peak District are within easy reach, while those with

families will love its proximity to Alton Towers.

There's no need to leave the site to keep yourself entertained, though, as there's plenty to do at Callow Top. Adults will like the licenced supermarket, pub and restaurant, café/bar and sun terrace, while the youngsters will love the games field, amusement arcade, swimming pool and evening entertainment programme. Callow Top is a fantastic site, and a worthy winner yet again.

You say...

"This has everything a family needs on one site. You could easily stay in the park for the duration of your visit and everyone could be kept happy. If you do fancy an outing, there's loads to do nearby. We love the swimming pool!"

"The shop sells everything you need. The toilets and showers were spotless."

"Callow Top offers excellent customer service and organisation, good, clean facilities and lots to do for children. We were in field six, which was quiet, with lots of grass for kids to play on. I liked how each pitch was clearly marked."

"It's clean, tidy, and staff are very friendly and helpful. The food is excellent. It's an ideal place as a Derbyshire base."



Callow Top is a fantastic site for the whole family to take a break, and it's featured in our Top 100s for the past seven years. The heated pool (above) is one of many highlights

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South-East England

Many visitors pass straight through the south-east on their way to catch a ferry from Dover, but the region has much to offer in its own right. There are some beautiful beaches here, and towns with handsome architecture, including Brighton and Hastings. Then, of course, there's London: you might not think that it's a viable touring option, but it's within easy reach of a couple of our Top 100 sites this year.

One of the biggest draws to this area has to be the beautiful and historic New Forest, where you'll be able to see ponies roam free, and walk across the glorious moorland. From there it's a short hop over the Solent to the stunning Isle of Wight: the latter is a camper's dream, as it offers a host of attractions a short distance apart. There are a couple of great campsites on the Island that have made it through as finalists in our line-up this year, too – so you've no excuse not to visit!



Appuldurcombe Gardens

Holiday Park



Address Wroxall, Ventnor, Isle of Wight PO38 3EP **Tel** 01983 852 597

Web www.appuldurcombegardens.co.uk **Open** March–November

Touring pitches 136 (37 hardstanding) **Pitch+2+hook-up** Low season: under £20; high season: £20–£30

We say...

Take a trip across the Solent and enjoy a stay at Appuldurcombe Gardens, an attractive holiday park near Ventnor on the popular Isle of Wight. It's set in 14 acres of pretty countryside and makes a perfect retreat for those who enjoy walking or cycling.

There's a huge amount to do on site, no matter what your age. For starters, there's a play area, football pitch and crazy golf for youngsters to enjoy; they can even take part in scuba lessons or swimming galas (during peak season) in the heated outdoor pool. For adults, there's a bar with games and function rooms, an on-site café and a shop.

You say...

"This park has some amazing facilities and pitches. Staff were all friendly – and so were other guests. Everything here is calm: just how you would want it to be – and there are many walks around here as well."

"It's very friendly and you can trust that your family is safe. Also, there is evening entertainment, which means you can sit back and relax while the kids dance around. I would be more than happy to recommend this site."

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Hill Cottage Farm

Camping and Caravan Park



Address Sandleheath Road, Alderholt, Fordingbridge, Hampshire SP6 3EG **Tel** 01425 650 513

Web www.hillcottagefarmcampingandcaravanpark.co.uk **Open** 1 March-30 November

Touring pitches 82 (32 hardstanding) **Pitch+2+hook-up** Low season: under £20; high season: £20-£30

We say...

Hill Cottage was *Practical Caravan's* regional winner in 2012, and it's a finalist again in this year's line-up. Its location close to the sights of the New Forest is just one of the attractions; it's also handy for seeing some of the delights of Dorset, including the beach at Bournemouth.

The site is a great place to unwind. During your stay you can make use of the fishing ponds, watch some of the diverse nature that's attracted to the hedgerows and take a woodland walk. You can also enjoy the games room, and children will love the play area.

You say...

"This was our first time in a caravan and we had a few niggles. Malcolm and his wife could not have been more helpful, going above and beyond the call of duty. Nothing was too much trouble and they ensured ours was an extremely pleasant stay."

"This site was impeccably clean and maintained to the highest of standards. The hardstanding pitch where we stayed was fully serviced and surrounded by hedges for privacy. The staff worked hard and were friendly and approachable. I would certainly recommend this site."

"It's very clean, tidy and well-presented – the best site we've ever been on. We've already rebooked for this year."



Swiss Farm

Touring and Camping



Address Marlow Road, Henley-on-Thames, Oxfordshire RG9 2HY **Tel** 01491 573 419

Web www.swissfarmcamping.co.uk **Open** 1 March-31 October

Touring pitches 134 (101 hardstanding) **Pitch+2+hook-up** Low season: under £20; high season: £20-£30



We say...

Handily located for exploring Oxford, Windsor and even the bright lights of London, Swiss Farm is a family-run site that's great for those looking for a little peace and quiet. The grounds have been nicely landscaped so that the pitches feel private, and a noise curfew is maintained between the hours of 11pm and 7am to help ensure that everyone gets a relaxing night's sleep!

The facilities are of a great standard and include an outdoor swimming pool, coarse fishing, a licenced bar and clean, tidy washrooms. Holiday-home hire is available as well; all caravans sleep up to six.

You say...

"We have been coming here for the last four years. We find the site very clean and well-kept. We also have children and like the fact that they can play in a safe environment."

"We loved the warm welcome when arriving, the layout and top-notch facilities, which were immaculate. It's also only a short 10-minute walk into Henley-on-Thames. Swiss Farm is really impressive and well deserves its five stars; other five-star sites just do not compare."

"The site is very clean and very well laid out. The staff are very friendly and very helpful. The facilities are clean, well-maintained and there is enough space to go around."

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Holiday Park



Address Plaxdale Green Road, Stansted, Sevenoaks, Kent TN15 7PB **Tel** 01732 822 261

Web www.thriftwoodholidaypark.com **Open** All year

Touring pitches 100 (35 hardstanding) **Pitch+2+hook-up** £20-£30



We say...

If you're planning a tour to the beautiful Kent countryside, then Thriftwood Holiday Park should be top of your list of places to stay. It's within driving distance of Sevenoaks, Maidstone and Royal Tunbridge Wells. While you're there, you could take a trip to watch motorsport at Brands Hatch, or even take a day's excursion into the capital.

The on-site facilities are of a really high standard. There's a clubhouse with live entertainment, a heated outdoor swimming pool and a well-stocked shop. The children will love the play park and amusement arcade, and all members of the family are sure to enjoy strolling through the eight acres of ancient woodland that you'll find here.

You say...

"We had very helpful and friendly staff from booking to arrival and during our stay. The site is extremely clean and very well-equipped, and the swimming pool is clean and safe. Overall, it's an excellent site."

"We arrived without booking first and only wanted to stay for one night; although they were very busy, staff found us a delightful spot with no fuss. They were very helpful and friendly, with a great sense of humour!"

What to see in South-East England

Diary dates



Stuck for touring inspiration in South-East England?

Visit one of these fabulous events on your next trip to the region!

4 May 2014

Kent Mega 2014

Hop Farm, Tonbridge

If you're a fan of geocaching – a high-tech hobby where you 'treasure hunt' using a GPS unit – you'll love this Mega event, which is a day of activities that's likely to attract hundreds of geocachers. As well as looking for geocaches, you'll also be able to enjoy a barn dance and a hog roast. Pre-registration for the event is encouraged; you can do so via the website.

Web www.kentmega.co.uk

20-24 May 2014

RHS Chelsea Flower Show

Royal Hospital, Chelsea, London

Horticulture lovers should make a beeline for the RHS Chelsea Flower Show this year; as always, there'll be some fantastic displays to see. One not to miss for 2014 is a special exhibit in the Great Pavilion commemorating the 100th anniversary of the outbreak of WW1; it's set to feature wartime memorabilia and giant poppies.

Web www.rhs.org.uk

Tel 0845 260 5000



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2-9 August 2014

Cowes Week

Cowes, Isle of Wight

The annual regatta at Cowes is one of the UK's longest-running sporting events, and it's a fantastic spectacle. Combine a trip to the Isle of Wight with a visit to see some of the 1000 boats that could be taking part; up to 8000 sailors, from amateurs to Olympic champions, take part each day. There's a huge amount going on shore-side to enjoy, too.

Web www.aamcowesweek.co.uk

Whitefield Forest

Touring Park



Address Brading Road, Ryde, Isle of Wight PO33 1QL **Tel** 01983 617 069

Web www.whitefieldforest.co.uk **Open** 28 March-6 October

Touring pitches 90 (38 hardstanding) **Pitch+2+hook-up** Low season: under £20; high season: £20-£30

**TOP 100
SITES
2014
REGIONAL WINNER**

We say...

This year's regional winner is a fantastic site on the lovely Isle of Wight. In fact, it's the second year in a row that Whitefield Forest has taken top honours in this category.

Each year its extensive facilities, warm welcome and great location continue to impress. It's close to the lovely beaches of Sandown and Ryde, and you can access either without moving your vehicle – a bus stops outside the site that will whisk you there and back again.

There's a good mixture of roomy hardstanding pitches and grass pitches here; each has an electric hook-up connection. There's a motorhome service point, heated washrooms and a small shop that will allow you to stock up on essentials.

Whitefield Farm is perfect for those who really want to get back to nature, too: there's even a chance that you'll spot a red squirrel. No wonder this fantastic site has taken the top spot again!

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South-East
England**

You say...

"The layout of the site was lovely and practical for both tents and caravans. The facilities are immaculate and the cleanliness was fantastic. Everyone works very hard at keeping the site clean and tidy. We would highly recommend it to anyone."

"We were impressed by the welcome, the cleanliness of the excellent facilities and the spacious pitches in both lovely woodland and sunny open areas. The bus within 100 metres enables easy access to the rest of the island."

"Whitefield Farm has lovely level pitches and hardstandings. It's incredibly clean, with excellent facilities, including big shower cubicles with hot water, ample clothes hooks, soap and hand dryers. The site gives plenty of attention to the wildlife, too, with several birdfeeders dotted around."



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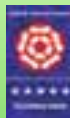
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Dorset

Discover one of Britain's prettiest counties with a visit to beautiful Dorset. Here you'll find rolling hills, a tremendous coastline, some handsome traditional seaside towns – and four of our Top 100 finalist campsites.

In the east of the county you can discover Bournemouth and Poole; both are great shopping destinations, and the former has an attractive stretch of sandy shore. Beach lovers should also head to Weymouth, which has a pretty bay that's safe for swimming. Nearby Portland is located at the end of the world-famous Chesil Beach: 18 miles of shingle, where wild waves crash on the shore.

This stretch is also part of the incredible Jurassic Coastline, where you can discover fossils and other historic remnants that betray the region's ancient past.

Further inland, don't miss a trip to some of Dorset's pretty villages and welcoming towns, such as Sherborne, Blandford and Gillingham, to name just a few.



Bingham Grange

Touring & Camping Park



Address Bingham's Farm, Melplash, Bridport, Dorset DT6 3TT **Tel** 01308 488 234

Web www.binghamgrange.co.uk **Open** 12 March-3 November **Touring pitches** 89, all hardstanding

Pitch+2+hook-up Low season: under £20; high season: £20-£30

Adults
only

We say...

Set in the grounds of a Victorian farm, Bingham Grange is an attractive, peaceful site that's exclusively for adults. Facilities are of a high standard here; the washrooms have underfloor heating, there's a great and cosy bar and restaurant on the top floor of a converted barn, and you'll also find a laundry room, a woodland dog walk and a kitchenette for guests to make use of. All touring pitches are hardstanding, with electric hook-up.

The site makes an ideal base for visiting lovely west Dorset. Why not take a trip to historic Abbotsbury or Bridport, and then enjoy a stroll along the stony beaches of the Jurassic Coast to search for fossils?

You say...

"This is a beautifully maintained site in all respects. I loved the private bathroom and showers with plenty of room for all one's bath things. There are heated towel rails, too, and the woodland dog walk with a stream is fantastic."

"From the first welcome we knew this site was good. We were guided to our pitch and asked if we could manage (we could). The site is immaculately clean and very well maintained and all facilities (including three sets of showers) were excellent."





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Seadown Holiday Park
Bridge Road, Charmouth, Dorset ENGLAND. DT6 6QS
TEL: 01297 560154 Fax: 01297 561130
www.seadownholidaypark.co.uk
This family run park, nestling in a quiet Dorset Valley alongside the pretty River Char, has direct access to the beach, which is only 150 yards away, and is within walking distance to the village of Charmouth. The park is friendly, comfortable and beautifully maintained. Open Mid March- End Oct. Price between £15.00 to £21.00 per tourist per night. Bookings Advisable. ★★★★★

South Lytchett Manor Dorchester Rd, Lytchett Minster, Poole, Dorset, BH16 6JB. Tel: 01202622577. From the East follow signs from the A31, continue on the A35 (signposted Dorchester) after 3 miles turn right at Bakers Arms island, continue through village, site 300 yds on the left. Set in 20 acres of stunning parkland, just 3 miles from Poole, bus stop at gate, excellent amenity blocks, village pub within walking distance. Open March to Jan. Tourers £14.00 to £25.00. Bookings advisable. ★★★★★

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Springfield

Touring Park



Address Candy's Lane, Corfe Mullen, Wimborne, Dorset BH21 3EF **Tel** 01202 881 719

Web www.home2.btconnect.com/springfield **Open** 29 March-12 October

Touring pitches 45 (35 hardstanding) **Pitch+2+hook-up** £20-£30

We say...

Springfield Touring Park is an attractive site located close to the town of Wimborne, and it makes a great base for visiting the eastern part of Dorset. The park is set within 3.5 acres of pretty countryside, and has some great views of the Stour Valley. It's also within easy reach of the ever-popular New Forest.

The facilities on site are impressive, and include electric hook-up many of its 45 pitches, a tourist-information area, a dishwashing area, laundry and shop. The under-12s will love the children's play area, which offers a slide, swings and a playhouse. The pitches are nicely spaced, and most of them are hardstanding, too.

You say...

"I could not find anything that didn't impress me about this site. It is perfect in my opinion."

"Springfield is a quiet, friendly site that is well suited to older people but with play facilities for young children, too. There are some excellent local eateries and good bus services."

"The owners were very helpful and the facilities were very clean. We asked the owner about some places to go and he was able to help us. It was good value for money as well."

"We like the position of the site. It is well placed for all of Dorset and owners John and Sheila are excellent hosts."



St Leonards Farm

Caravan & Camping Park



Address West Moors, Ferndown, Dorset, BH22 0AQ **Tel** 01202 872 637

Web www.stleonardsfarmpark.com **Open** 1 April-30 September

Touring pitches 150 (hardstanding N/A) **Pitch+2+hook-up** Low under £20, High £20-£30



We say...

St Leonards Caravan & Camping park is perfectly placed if you're planning to explore the many sights of Poole, Bournemouth, the New Forest and the surrounding area. There's such a huge amount to see and do in this lovely part of the country, so why not take a trip to beautiful Corfe Castle, wonderful Brownsea Island or the historic Jurassic Coast?

All electric hook-ups on site are 10A, and you'll also find a children's play area, dishwashing facilities, a launderette and spacious washrooms on site. There's no shop onsite, but there is a large Sainsbury's around five minutes up the road. It's worth noting that when you arrive you'll need £10 in cash as a deposit for your card to enter the gates (returned at the end of your stay). Some of the site is set aside for park homes and a four-berth static caravan is available for hire on a weekly basis.

You say...

"St Leonards has to be the best and cleanest campsite we have ever stayed on!"

"This site is brilliantly located for Bournemouth beach, where our three children loved playing on the clean sand. Although there are some park homes on site, there is still plenty of room left for tourers."

South Lytchett Manor

Caravan and Camping Park



Address Dorchester Road, Lytchett Minster, Poole, Dorset BH16 6JB **Tel** 01202 622 577

Web www.southlytchettmanor.co.uk **Open** 1 March-2 January

Touring pitches 150 (88 hardstanding) **Pitch+2+hook-up** Low season: under £20; high season: £30+

**TOP 100
SITES
2014
REGIONAL WINNER**

We say...

South Lytchett Manor Caravan and Camping Park is our regional winner for 2014. Nestled in 20 acres of beautiful east Dorset parkland, the site was redeveloped and extended in 2007, an undertaking that has helped transform it into the fantastic site that it is today.

Caravans, motorhomes and tents are all welcome here. No matter how you're pitching up, you're sure to love the clean, tidy and modern washrooms that even have piped music. There's a well-stocked shop and a motorhome waste-disposal point, fully serviced pitches, large pitches for those with twin-axle units or a big tent, free Wi-Fi, an adventure playground, a games room, bicycle hire... The list goes on.

The children can also enjoy seasonal treasure hunts, while the adults will appreciate local pubs within walking distance. You can even leave your vehicle on site and hop on a bus just outside the main gate to head straight for Poole, Swanage or Weymouth.

South Lytchett is a fantastic, beautifully maintained site, and it's definitely a worthy regional winner.

You say...

"We couldn't have had a better site than South Lytchett; the facilities are excellent. We've had a wonderful stay and will definitely be back – and we're telling all our friends!"

"This is a fantastic site, very thoughtfully equipped and very clean. The staff were extremely friendly and welcoming, and nothing was too much trouble for them. I thoroughly recommend this site and would love to come back again."

"We have enjoyed our stay at South Lytchett Manor so much that I think this will be hard to beat."



South Lytchett is a great site with top facilities; the washrooms even have piped music

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Somerset, Avon & Wilts

Somerset is probably the most popular touring destination in this region, and that's not surprising, given the diverse landscape it offers. For a start, there are the wild and remote uplands of Exmoor, which walkers love. The coastline here is fabulous, too, and there are so many other attractions in the county, including the fascinating towns of Glastonbury, Taunton and Wells, as well as Cheddar Gorge and atmospheric Wookey Hole.

There's also a great deal to discover in Wiltshire, including wonderful Salisbury with its tremendous cathedral. In fact, numerous handsome historic towns are scattered across this region; the best of these include Trowbridge, Marlborough and Devizes. No visit to Wiltshire would be complete without a trip to one of the UK's most famous landmarks: Stonehenge now has a brand-new visitor centre, which should make your visit even more fascinating and informative. The standing stones at Avebury also make for a fantastic day out.



Batcombe Vale

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Address Shepton Mallet, Somerset BA4 6BW **Tel** 07710 326 339

Web www.batcombevale.co.uk **Open** 4 April-28 Sept

Touring pitches 33, no hardstanding **Pitch+2+hook-up** £20-£30

We say...

Fishermen or -women or will be in their element at Batcombe, as they'll be able to enjoy the trio of angling lakes on site that are stocked with tench, rudd and carp; you must have a current fishing licence. All visitors will love the peace and tranquility the park offers; you might even spot a buzzard gliding overhead. Facilities include electric hook-up, and a log cabin houses the washrooms. You can even borrow a free rowing boat to make the most of the on-site lakes, or stretch your legs with a stroll along the miles of pathways and lanes around the site.

There's plenty to occupy you in the nearby area, too. You could take a trip to Longleat Safari Park, the historic city of Wells, Cheddar Gorge, Wookey Hole, Sparkford Motor Museum or the Fleet Air Arm museum.

You say...

"We loved the facilities in each 'private bathroom' This site has everything you need in one place."

The landscaping is also very neat and the owners provide useful tourist and walking information."

"How well laid out each pitch is, with wonderful plants and trees. Staff are very helpful staff."

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Bowdens Crest

Caravan & Camping Park



Address Bowdens, Langport, Somerset TA10 0DD **Tel** 01458 250 553

Web www.bowdenscrest.co.uk **Open** All year

Touring pitches 30 Hardstanding 10 **Pitch+2+hook-up** Low under £20, High £20-£30



We say...

Another of our Top 100 regulars, Bowdens Crest offers tremendous views of the Somerset Levels and Moors; on a clear day you can see for around 30 miles. The park is close to the town of Langport, where you can catch a bus to take a look around Taunton or Yeovil.

Electric hook-up points are located around the edge of the touring field. The drainage here is good, but a limited number of hardstanding pitches for motorhomes are available. There's a park shop on-site, as well as the Mad Hatter's Club Bar and Murphy's Kitchen, where you can grab a bite to eat. Children, meanwhile, will love the comprehensive outdoor play area. Static caravan hire is also available for those with non-touring friends or family, and these units sleep from two to eight people.

You say...

"Bowdens Crest has great facilities that are kept in good order. The food is good value and the site is well managed."

"Right from the start, we were treated so well. The reception is clean and the shop is well stocked. The restaurant area is also very inviting. It was a real pleasure to stay here."

"We loved everything here: the heated toilets, flat pitches, and short grass; the bar and restaurant on site; the fantastic views. Oh yes: and those wonderful toilets again!"

Brokerswood

Country Park



Address Westbury, Wiltshire BA13 4EH **Tel** 01373 822 238

Web www.brokerswood.net **Open** 4 April-2 Nov

Touring pitches 85 Hardst'ding 23 **Pitch+2+hook-up** Low under £20, High £30+

We say...

You can really get back to nature with a stay at Brokerswood Country Park. The whole site is spread across 80 acres, and as well as the impressive campsite, you'll also be able to take part in archery, canoeing, foraging and even willow-weaving activity days!

Pitches for caravans, motorhomes or tents are spacious and offer 10A electric hook-up; if you fancy travelling light, you can book a large 'Ready Tent' that's pitched-up for you – all you need to bring is a sleeping bag. There's a breakfast bar at the site, a shop that sells essentials, a laundry and dishwashing facilities.

You say...

"Our pitch was in a little cul-de-sac, and because it was quiet we had the whole area to ourselves. The pitches are well marked and of a generous size. There are two fabulous play areas for little and bigger children. There is also an adventure trail to an adventure park in the woods which has slides and climbing and balancing frames as well as a zip wire."

"Brokerswood is a clean site, which is very friendly with professional management. It's in a good location, too."

"Our stay here was extremely friendly and very peaceful. The breakfast bar is fantastic. We'll stay here again."



Green Hill Farm

Caravan & Camping Park

**Address** New Road, Landford, Salisbury, Wiltshire SP5 2AZ **Tel** 01794 324 117**Web** www.greenhillholidays.co.uk **Open** All year**Touring pitches** 116 Hardstanding 50 **Pitch+2+hook-up** Low under £20, High £20-£30**We say...**

Fancy exploring the sights of Salisbury and the New Forest? If so, Green Hill Farm could be the site for you, as it's well positioned for both. This is a beautifully maintained park, with 160 spacious pitches, and you can choose to set up camp in a number of different areas, depending on your needs. Forest View is suitable for those with a family; Woodland Grove is for adults-only; and Wild Haven is for adults-only and is dog-free.

On site you'll find a recreation area for children, a small licenced shop, a motorhome service point, a games room (open from April-October), mountain-bike hire, a seasonal mobile takeaway, fishing lakes (a permit is required) and much more. The washrooms are new and wonderfully clean; a further toilet block is set to open during 2014.

You say...

"The site is well laid out, clean and tidy. The staff are helpful and the lake is great for fishing. We also appreciate there being a separate section for adults only. Dogs are made welcome and catered for, too."

"Green Hill Farm is fantastic: peaceful and beautiful, with excellent facilities and friendly, helpful staff. It's wonderful for families, good value for money and easy to find!"

"There's great fishing here – my husband loved it!"

Plough Lane

Caravan Site

**Address** Kington Langley, Chippenham, Wiltshire SN15 5PS **Tel** 01249 750 146**Web** www.ploughlane.co.uk **Open** 24 March-3 Nov**Touring pitches** 50, all hardstanding **Pitch+2+hook-up** £20-£30**We say...**

Couples touring without children will love their stay at the adults-only Plough Lane site near Chippenham. It's a member of the Tranquil Touring group of parks, and as such you're sure to have a peaceful visit.

There are 50 touring pitches, all of which are half hardstanding and half grass, and each has 16A electric hook-up. The facilities are of a high standard and include a laundrette, dishwashing area, a dog-exercise field and a tourist information area with a library. Plough Lane is easy to access from the A350, and handily situated for many of Wiltshire's sights, including the Bath, Devizes, Avebury, Stonehenge and Lacock.

You say...

"Everything about the site is impressive. You always get a friendly welcome and nothing is too much trouble. The whole site, including the toilet block, is beautifully kept. There are extra little touches such as shower gel, body lotion, hand cream and facial tissues in the washrooms."

"The layout is beautiful. The facilities are spotless and have lovely music playing in them. The staff couldn't be more helpful. Above all, it's a lovely tranquil site to get away from the pressures of daily life!"

"We will definitely be staying again. It is easy to get to, too."



Somerset, Avon & Wiltshire

Stonehenge

Campsite



Address Berwick St James, Salisbury, Wiltshire SP3 4TQ **Tel** 07786 734 732

Web www.stonehengecampsite.co.uk **Open** All year

Touring pitches 15 Hardstandings 8 **Pitch+2+hook-up** Low under £20, High £20-£30



We say...

You'll get a warm welcome at this friendly, open-all-year site that's within easy reach of the famous monument that shares its name. Motorhomes, caravans and tents are accepted here, and a number of camping pods are also available for hire. It's a small site, but the facilities are good – there's a new ladies' shower block, and the gents' version is due for an upgrade during 2014.

Time your visit right and you can enjoy a music festival or food workshop at the site! There's also a communal campfire, and the Number 2 bus to Salisbury stops just outside the park. And will you be up for taking the seven-pub challenge: visiting each of the hostelrys that's within walking distance of the site? You could be the first to do it in one day!

You say...

"This is a very relaxed campsite, and friendly warden Elaine is always happy to help. It's comforting that she is on the grounds 24/7. The brand-new ladies shower and toilet block was wonderful. I hope to be going back very soon – and I would love to try one of the new eco pods."

"I really appreciated the nice new, clean ladies showers. There was lots of wildlife to see on the site, and the campsite warden was very friendly."

Stonehenge

Touring Park



Address Orcheston, Salisbury, Wiltshire SP3 4SH **Tel** 01980 620 304

Web www.stonehenge touring park.com **Open** All year

Touring pitches 30 Hardstanding 12 **Pitch+2+hook-up** Under £20



We say...

This is the third year in a row that the family-run Stonehenge Touring Park has made it into our Top 100 listings, which demonstrates how popular it is. Nightly pitch prices have been held over for 2014, making your stay even better value.

As you'd expect from its name, the park is well positioned for Stonehenge (around five miles away); it's also easy to access from the A303. The site is level, with 12 hardstanding pitches and 20 electric hook-up points; there's also free Wi-Fi available, heated washrooms, a launderette, a dishwashing area, a motorhome waste-water point and a small shop.

You say...

"This is a lovely, quiet but child-friendly site with very helpful staff and all the facilities you could need."

"The people who run Stonehenge Touring Park are very loving, warm-hearted, accommodating folks that pretty much invented the word 'hospitality'. The facilities were, without fault, spotlessly clean and the showers were hot and pleasant."

"We were most impressed by the very friendly and helpful staff. The site was all clean – nice and quiet – and there's everything you need for the last minute in the shop."



Waterrow

Touring Park



Address Waterrow, Wiveliscombe, Taunton, Somerset TA4 2AZ **Tel** 01984 623 464

Web www.waterrowpark.co.uk **Open** All year

Touring pitches 41, all hardstanding **Pitch+2+hook-up** Low under £20, High £20-£30

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We say...

Fancy learning to paint while you're on your next tour? If so, Waterrow is the destination for you. At this beautiful adults-only site you take a course, and beginners or the more experienced are all welcome.

The site is run by Tony and Anne Taylor, and it's maintained to an incredibly high standard. The pitches are set within nicely landscaped surroundings, and all offer 16A electric hook-up. There are also seven grass pitches for those with a tent.

Although the site is located in rural Somerset, it's just a few miles from the Devonshire border; so it's a great park from which to explore the best of both counties. Exmoor National Park is only half an hour's drive away, too, which is perfect for walkers.

You say...

"Waterrow is a hidden gem! The site was beautifully maintained and the facilities were very clean. Staff are lovely and helpful and the location is beautiful, with so much to do and see in the area. I will definitely go back."

"We loved the excellent layout and the friendly site owners and wardens, who were always available and happy to assist. The attention to detail made the stay enjoyable. There's also plenty of hot water in the showers."

What to see in Somerset, Avon & Wiltshire

Diary dates

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Enhance your next tour to these beautiful counties with a visit to this trio of special events. You can stay at one of our Top 100 sites, too!

26 April-26 May 2014

Bristol Walking Festival

Various locations, Bristol

Put your best foot forward and stride out one of many walks that you'll be able to enjoy in this annual festival. Walks this year focus on three themes: art and creativity, active travel, leisure and learning, and health. You're sure to find one to suit you, no matter what your ability. For further details of walks that are taking place, see the website.

Web <http://bit.ly/1eaASOM>

13-14 September 2014

Swindon Railway Festival 2014

STEAM, Swindon

The Museum's of the Great Western Railway's biggest annual event takes place in September, and it really is a must-visit for those who love trains and railways. There will be all sorts of displays to see, including model railways, and a special 'Railway at War' exhibit will be on show. Special entrance fees apply to this event.

Web www.steam-museum.org.uk

Tel 01793 466 646



1 November 2014

Bridgwater Carnival

Bridgwater, Somerset

Everyone should see one of the world-famous Somerset carnivals at some point: the spectacle and atmosphere really is unique. Bridgwater is perhaps the best, and best-known; it winds its way through the town's streets early in November. Wrap up warm, enjoy a toffee apple and watch in awe as the illuminated floats pass by.

Web www.bridgwatern carnival.org.uk

Bath Chew Valley

Campsite



Address Ham Lane, Bishop Sutton, Somerset BS39 5TZ **Tel** 01275 332 127

Web www.bathchewvalley.co.uk **Open** All year

Touring pitches 45, all hardstanding **Pitch+2+hook-up** £20-£30

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We say...

This hugely popular, adults-only site in Somerset has taken our regional winner award a hugely impressive three times, and it obviously continues to impress everyone who visits. It tops our regional category once more in 2014.

So much thought has gone into the running of Bath Chew Valley: the pitches are large and well landscaped, there are luxury washrooms, free ironing facilities, a lending library, a motorhome waste-disposal point, a conservation area, a dog-walking area... the list goes on and on. There's even the opportunity to hire a car if you want to leave your motorhome on site.

The attractions of this site aren't limited to its facilities, though. It's close to a championship fishing lake, and the beautiful city of Bath is easy to reach. All of which adds up to a fantastic campsite that truly deserves to come first in this category.

You say...

"Staying here was like staying in someone's private garden with all the trees and shrubs. Being able to hire a car hourly or daily was a bonus."

"We loved the friendliness of the staff, the efficiency of the whole operation, the wonderful landscaping and amazing washblock! Also great was the proximity to brilliant pub food and great sights."

"You arrive, check in, the staff put your van on pitch and they remove it at the end. Each bathroom cubicle has a handbasin, shower, toilet, hand- and hairdryer. The information room has a library, too."



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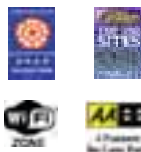
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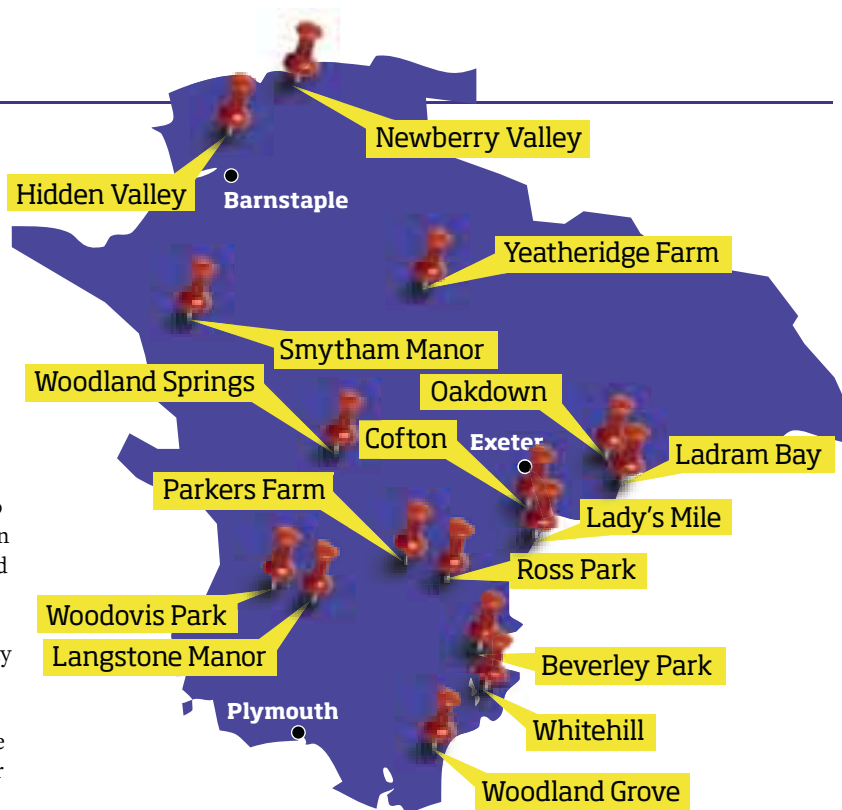
Devon

This year our Top 100 listings feature an amazing 16 sites in lovely Devon, every one of them well-placed for exploring the many delights that this county has to offer the visitor.

Towards the north you'll find Exmoor, which Devon shares with Somerset; but it has Dartmoor, further south, all to itself. Either makes a great place for walkers to visit, as they'll be able to enjoy the miles of pathway that are on offer.

Back on the north coast you'll be able to take a trip to see some hidden coves and sandy beaches; you can even take a boat ride to try to spot seals, or visit Lundy Island and keep an eye out for its resident puffins.

You'll also love a visit to the English Riviera, which you'll find along the south coast - there are plenty of family attractions in that area to keep everyone entertained. Historic Plymouth is a great place to head for a spot of shopping, or for learning all about the city's amazing nautical past. The county town of Exeter is also a great place to spend the day.



Beverley Park



Address Goodrington Road, Paignton, Devon TQ4 7JE **Tel** 01803 843 887

Web www.beverley-holidays.co.uk **Open** Open all year **Touring pitches** 190 (30 hardstanding)

Pitch+2+hook-up Low season: under £20; high season: £30+



We say...

With views over the English Riviera, five-star facilities and friendly service, Beverley Park contains a touring area for caravans and motorhomes, and is one of three sites run by Beverley Holidays; its two sister sites accommodate static caravans. For children, the Lagoon outdoor heated pool, indoor soft play area or supervised arts and crafts activities are a big draw, while the adults will be equally taken with the Oasis Centre, with its indoor swimming pool and well-equipped fitness suite, or the bar, where they can go for a relaxing drink. For active visitors, there's a tennis court, nature walks, crazy golf and outdoor adventure playground. Alternatively (or afterwards) they can relax and rejuvenate in the spa bath, steam room and sauna.

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You say...

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Devon

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Holiday Park

Address Starcross, Nr Dawlish, South Devon EX6 8RP **Tel** 0800 085 8649

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Pitch+2+hook-up Low season: under £20; high season: £30+

We say...

With easy accessibility just 20 minutes from the M5 and Exeter, Cofton has been a family-run holiday park for over 30 years. Catering for motorhomes and touring caravans, all pitches are on level terraced areas, with hardstanding pitches allowing you to explore nearby Dartmoor throughout the year.

Holding a David Bellamy Gold Award for conservation for 10 years, Cofton is ideal for fishing, with two specimen carp lakes and a further three pools, all of which were completely restocked in 2012. Guests can book a pitch as close as 32ft from the fishing lakes, or you can have glorious views of the valley from the Coombeland field, with 30 acres of parkland to explore.



You say...

“The park is clean, tidy and well-organised, and the staff are so friendly and go out of their way to help. We had a problem with our caravan this year, which they helped us fix in no time. We’ve been going to Cofton for more than 20 years.”

“Cofton is very reasonably priced and immaculately kept, with lovely landscaping. The swimming pools are very clean; all the staff are highly professional; the toilets and shower facilities are perfect and spotlessly clean; and the restaurant serves very reasonably priced food.”

Hidden Valley

Caravan & Camping Park

Address West Down, Nr Ilfracombe, North Devon EX34 8NU **Tel** 01271 813 837

Web www.hiddenvalleypark.com **Open** All year **Touring pitches** 100 (50 hardstanding)

Pitch+2+hook-up Low season: under £20; high season: £20-£30



We say...

What with the abundance of wildlife in North Devon and the profusion of flora and fauna, staying at Hidden Valley is a must for nature enthusiasts and anyone who loves wildlife-watching at close quarters. Recorded sightings show that otters, deer and buzzards are among the ‘residents’ of the park, while dragonflies and birds, including kingfishers, are also bountiful. In 2013, a beehive was introduced as part of the park’s conservation programme; it now supplies its own honey.

As the name suggests, the Park is situated in an idyllic wooded valley, with purposely created walks to enjoy all the natural surroundings and wildlife. The facilities meanwhile are five-star, with heated amenity blocks and a well-stocked shop selling local produce.

You say...

“After a warm meeting with staff we were taken to our pitch and helped to unhitch. The facilities are extremely good and there is ample space between pitches. The site also has very good toilet and shower rooms close enough for all to get to.”

“This is a beautiful site, with fantastic-sized pitches, friendly staff and a lovely laid-back atmosphere.”

“Hidden Valley is owned and managed by people who obviously care about their site and their customers.”

Ladram Bay

Holiday Park



Address Ladram Road, Otterton, Budleigh Salterton, Devon EX9 7BX **Tel** 01395 568 398

Web www.ladrambay.co.uk **Open** 15 March-3 November

Touring pitches 60, all hardstanding **Pitch+2+hook-up** Low season: under £20; high season: £30+

We say...

There's no need to drive to the coast while staying at Ladram Bay, near Otterton; the holiday park has its very own private, sheltered beach, while all pitches are fully serviced and situated on level tiers that offer amazing views across the bay. This is very much a holiday park for the active, with a large heated indoor swimming pool, Waves Nightspot and Bar, an amusement arcade, evening entertainment seven days a week and various eateries ranging from a large restaurant to cafés and takeaways. You can also hire kayaks, rowing and motorboats from the beach and fish from boats or the shore both day and night.

You say...

"Ladram Bay is set in a beautiful location, with lots of facilities on site. My daughter really enjoyed the kid's club and the entertainment."

"We loved everything about this site. It's a perfect setting for adults and kids, it's clean, and every single member of staff we came across was so friendly and helpful. We were also impressed with their complimentary pitching service."

"It's extremely clean, with well-looked-after pitches, lovely hot showers. Staff are friendly, from the cleaners right up to management. Brilliant entertainment is available, too."



Lady's Mile

Holiday Park



Address Exeter Road, Dawlish, South Devon EX7 0LX **Tel** 01626 863 411

Web www.ladysmile.co.uk **Open** All year **Touring pitches** 420 (61 hardstanding)

Pitch+2+hook-up Low season: under £20; high season: £30+



We say...

Less than a mile from the Blue Flag beaches of Dawlish Warren in South Devon is Lady's Mile, a large holiday complex with plenty going on. Super-sized hardstanding pitches and user-friendly amenity buildings are a given, but it's the entertainment facilities that stand out. New for 2014 is 'Oceans Spa', with a gym, sauna, swimming pool and hot tub, while opening in March is the Oceans restaurant and bar. A brand-new entertainments team provides evening shows and lots of daytime activities for the children – that is, if you can pull them away from the two fun pools, flume rides, plunge pools, the bowling alley, adventure playground and sports pitch.

You say...

"Lady's Mile is so well-organised, spotlessly clean and it has a good shop on site. On our holiday, we didn't hear any noise at night."

"There's great entertainment here for the whole family: fantastic pools, both indoor and outdoor; an adventure park for the children. I can't say a bad word about the site."

"Staff are very friendly and always there to help. The kids love the pools and there's a nice walk to the beach."

"Lady's Mile is absolutely great fun with the grandchildren and for 'ladies who lunch' weekends!"

Devon

Langstone Manor

Holiday Park



Address Moortown, Tavistock, Devon PL19 9JZ **Tel** 01822 613 371

Web www.langstonemanor.co.uk **Open** 15 March-15 November

Touring pitches 42 (8 hardstanding) **Pitch+2+hook-up** Low season: under £20; high season: £20-£30



We say...

Set among delightful mature grounds in a sheltered, wooded valley on the southwest edge of Dartmoor, Langstone Manor offers a restful venue in which to relax after a day's exploring. There are 42 level, well-drained pitches divided into two separate areas: the sunny Daffodil Field, with views across the moorland, or the walled garden for shelter and seclusion among the trees.

In the manor house is a lounge bar with wood-burning stove, dining room, Wi-Fi access and games room; no loud music or traffic noise. A new playground is available to the youngest visitors, while special offers are provided for weekly bookings to those over 55 years.

You say...

"It has the beautiful backdrop of Dartmoor. The site works in harmony with its surroundings by being very eco-friendly, using natural light in the washroom, time switches and a newly refurbished shower, laundry and bathroom block."

"Wildlife is abundant due to the team's efforts to encourage all manner of species. This is a truly peaceful place, with walks straight out onto the moor."

"The site itself is perfectly situated for some good walks on the Moor, and within a long walk, short ride or quick journey by car to Tavistock for supplies."

Newberry Valley Park

Caravan Park



Address Woodlands, Combe Martin, North Devon EX34 0AT **Tel** 01271 882 334

Web www.newberryvalleypark.co.uk **Open** 15 March-1 November **Touring pitches** 110 (30 hardstanding)

Pitch+2+hook-up Low season: under £20; high season: £20-£30

We say...

Run by the Fletcher Family, this quiet and intimate site is all about peace and tranquillity, listening to the calming sounds of the countryside and valley that surround Newberry Farm. With pitches in small paddocks adjacent to a two-acre lake (stocked with coarse fish), secluded woodland walks and meadows, there are plenty of opportunities to relax and soak up the stillness.

Heated wash- and shower rooms (including a family bathroom), laundry and dishwashing rooms are centrally located within the park, while off site there's the opportunity to explore the rugged North Devon coastline and nearby sandy beaches.

You say...

"Newberry is the best and cleanest site we have ever stayed on. The location is brilliant for Ilfracombe, Barnstaple and Saunton Sands, which is amazing."

"The pitch was spacious, the site so well-kept, the views exceptional and the facilities clean all the times we used them. The staff are friendly and knowledgeable."

"The standard of the facilities are absolutely first-class and the staff are friendly, cheerful and good-natured."

"The green, peaceful setting was wonderful. The nearest town, Combe Martin, was easily accessible by foot and car."



Oakdown

Touring Park



Address Gatedown Lane, Near Sidmouth, Devon EX10 0PT **Tel** 01297 680 387

Web www.oakdown.co.uk **Open** 21 March-2 November

Touring pitches 150 (100 hardstanding) **Pitch+2+hook-up** Low season: under £20; high season: £20-£30



We say...

For nearly 40 years, the Franks Family has been carefully evolving Oakdown Touring Park from open meadowland to its current award-winning standard. There are no straight lines here: just gentle curves, spacious groves, seclusion, privacy and peace. Oakdown received our Best Green Site Award in 2013, so it isn't surprising that touring guests are welcomed to a delightfully landscaped park filled with trees, hedges and flower beds. There's a choice of level, non-serviced (no hook-up), serviced (hook-up) or super-serviced (hook-up, water, drainage) pitches.

Situated on the World Heritage Site Jurassic Coast near Sidmouth, Oakdown has a nine-hole short course/pitch-and-putt golf course opposite and a walking trail that leads directly to Devon's famous Donkey Sanctuary.

You say...

"On arrival we found the staff very friendly. They took us personally to our pitch. The site was well laid out – very clean and tidy, with plenty of water, refuse and waste points."

"This is a clean, well-laid-out site with pretty flowers in patches throughout. Staff are very friendly and helpful. It's very reasonably priced over winter, too."

"Oakdown has immaculate facilities. The pitches are a good size and flat. The addition of Wi-Fi is a big bonus."

Parkers Farm

Holiday Park



Address Higher Mead Farm, Ashburton, Devon TQ13 7LJ **Tel** 01364 654 869

Web www.parkersfarmholidays.co.uk **Open** 29 March-2 Nov

Touring pitches 100 (25 hardstanding) **Pitch+2+hook-up** Low season: under £20; high season: £20-£30

We say...

Guests are considered part of the family – the Parker family that is – while staying at Parkers Farm, a holiday park created by relatives more than 60 years ago. Developed and expanded over time, the touring park is terraced to provide large, level pitches overlooking Dartmoor, while the beaches at Torbay are just 12 miles away. Two modern, recently refurbished shower blocks with private washing facilities, including family rooms and provision for the disabled, keep guests clean and spruced up after a muddy ramble across Dartmoor or a day on the beach.

You say...

"We love this excellent site. It's very well laid out and well-maintained and -equipped. There are great facilities for children, and staff are very friendly and welcoming."

"This is an exceptionally clean and well-ordered site with helpful, friendly staff. It's the best site we have ever stayed on and is ideal for children – the play areas are amazing!"

"There's a great farm walk and plenty of fun for the kids."

"We were impressed by the number of things for children to do, such as the farm walks and seeing the animals."

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Address Little Torrington, Devon EX38 8PU **Tel** 01805 622 110

Web www.smytham.co.uk **Open** 21 March-31 October

Touring pitches 44 (16 hardstanding) **Pitch+2+hook-up** Low season: under £20; high season: £20-£30

We say...

Experience camping in the grounds of an old manor house, with lots of fresh air and plenty of space for children to play outside. Take your bikes to ride around the extensive grounds, or along the nearby Tarka Trail traffic-free cycle route, swim in the solar-heated pool, or head off to reception to collect a football or cricket kit for a game in the 23 acres of parkland.

Smytham Manor is very much a 'quiet night' site with a preference for birdsong rather than loud music, although there is a relaxing bar in the Manor House. Level grass and hardstanding pitches are available for caravans and motorhomes and, for non-touring friends or family, there are three log cabins and a camping pod on site, too.

You say...

"There are fantastic grounds in a beautiful location.

We had some lovely walks and saw plenty of wildlife."

"It was good to be near the Tarka Trail."

"Smytham has friendly staff and very clean facilities.

There's lots for the kids to do, but peace and quiet as well."

"It's quiet, well-presented and the people are very friendly.

I come all the time and love it here."

"Smytham is a quiet site with everything you need for all ages. The owners are very friendly."



Whitehill

Country Park



Address Stoke Road, Paignton, South Devon TQ4 7PF **Tel** 01803 782 338

Web www.whitehill-park.co.uk **Open** 14 April-26 September

Touring pitches 325 (71 hardstanding) **Pitch+2+hook-up** Low season: under £20; high season: £20-£30



We say...

Ideally situated to enjoy the English Riviera towns of Paignton and Brixham, Whitehill offers the best of both worlds, with its location in rolling countryside and yet just 2 ½ miles from the sea and picturesque beaches. Formerly the home of the Primley Stud, the stables and barns have been converted into a bar, family room, craft room, café and shop, yet none of the original atmosphere has been lost.

Watch the sun go down while dining al fresco on the Hayloft Bar terrace following an active day in the outdoor pool, drawing and painting in the Shire Craft Centre or searching for clues on the letterbox nature trail – a popular Devon pastime.

You say...

"We are a young family of four, and the family members to be impressed are our four-year-old and two-year-old, so with the numerous playgrounds, activity frames, meadows, swimming pool, activity centre, children's disco, games rooms and donkey rides, they had a great time."

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Touring Park



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Web www.woodlandsprings.co.uk **Open** All year

Touring pitches 81 (50 hardstanding) **Pitch+2+hook-up** £20-£30

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We say...

Surrounded by farm and woodland within Dartmoor National Park, yet just 1.5 miles from the A30, Woodland Springs is exclusively for adults. Fully serviced, standard (with hook-up) and basic pitches are available on hardstanding and grass, and pets are invited free of charge. Open all year, the site has been awarded an AA 5 pennant grading, while the amenity block has gained a Platinum 'Loo of the Year Award' 2014 for its cleanliness. A small, licensed shop on site stocks basic provisions, fresh bread is baked to order and Calor gas is available, too. A static tourer is also available for hire.

You say...

- "This is a very clean, well-organised site. The owners, Chris and Jan, are very welcoming and even came out to help me at 3.30am when my awning collapsed."
- "We were impressed by the very helpful owners, freshly baked bread that's available, and the site's immaculately clean, modern toilets, showers and dishwashing facilities. There's also good recycling, and the park is dog-friendly."
- "This well-laid-out site has plenty of hardstandings and is situated in a lovely part of the country."
- "Woodland Springs is clean, friendly, well-organised and tranquil. And its site owners are always helpful."

Woodlands Grove

Caravan & Camping Park



Address Dartmouth, Devon TQ9 7DQ **Tel** 01803 712 598

Web www.woodlandsgrove.co.uk **Open** 28 March-2 November

Touring pitches 300 (143 hardstanding) **Pitch+2+hook-up** Low season: under £20; high season: £20-£30

We say...

Designed with families very much in mind, children will beg to stay for longer at this five-star caravan park, with free admission every day to the sister Woodlands Family Theme Park (www.woodlandspark.com) next door – an enormous saving on days out. Meanwhile, the Devon Wildlife Trust has produced bright and informative Wildlife Panels throughout the park that encourage campers to follow a Wildlife Quiz Trail.

Couples should look out for special offers during term time, when adult-only discounted breaks are available to enjoy the thousands of bulbs, rhododendrons and azaleas throughout the spring and summer months.

You say...

- "These are first-class facilities run by really friendly staff."
- "We liked the efficiency of booking, both before arrival and when we arrived. There was no need to search for our pitch as we were taken to it and informed of all the services. It's very peaceful out of main season, and the amount of wildlife and diversity is marvellous."
- "You get great value as the site's combined with a theme park."
- "The staff are exceptional and there is nothing that's too much trouble for them. They go out of their way to make sure you have a fantastic holiday."



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Web www.woodovis.com **Open** 21 March-31 October

Touring pitches 41 (28 hardstanding) **Pitch+2+hook-up** Low season: £20-£30; high season: £30+



We say...

Woodovis Park is nestled on the edge of the spectacular Tamar Valley, which is designated as an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and a World Heritage Site. Expect nothing less than the best here: this small and peaceful touring park offers facilities usually associated with larger sites. In addition to the usual facilities you anticipate on a modern, award-winning site (including a motorhome service point), there's an indoor heated swimming pool and spa pool, water-walking activities (yes, really), a physiotherm infrared therapy cabin to rejuvenate, revitalise and detox, and a *pétanque* court should you feel the need to pretend you're in France. You can learn archery on site with a trained instructor, buy fresh-baked pastries every morning and, in high season, enjoy a locally sourced hog roast each week.

You say...

"Woodovis is in beautiful countryside with excellent pitches, and very good facilities. The hot showers are to die for. It's very dog-friendly and has a well-stocked shop, but above all the friendliest most helpful staff you could wish for. I have recommended Woodovis to quite a number of friends."

"They have the best staff: friendly, helpful and welcoming. It was a fantastic holiday; we hardly needed to leave the park."

Yeatheridge Farm

Camping & Caravan Park



Address East Worlington, Crediton, Devon EX17 4TN **Tel** 01884 860 330

Web www.yeatheridge.co.uk **Open** 15 March-6 October

Touring pitches 100 (10 hardstanding) **Pitch+2+hook-up** Under £20

We say...

Be assured of a warm welcome at Yeatheridge Farm, where the Hosegood Family run their caravan and camping park midway between Crediton, South Molton and Tiverton. There are acres of open space to fill your days with, whether that's enjoying a barbecue on one of the fully serviced pitches, horse riding around the farm or taking a stroll on the 2.5 miles of waymarked walks through woodland and along the River Dulch that borders part of the farm.

As a working farm, the Hosegoods rear their Yeatheridge Pedigree Ruby Red herd of cattle and you can pre-order a beef or lamb (they also rear sheep) meat box before you arrive, ready for collection from the on-site shop – perfect for that barbecue.

You say...

"This site is beautifully kept and uncrowded, with fantastic facilities. It has friendly staff and is a true family-run park."

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Ross Park

Caravan Park



Address Park Hill Farm, Ipplepen, Newton Abbot, Devon TQ12 5TT **Tel** 01803 812 983

Web www.rossparkcaravanpark.co.uk **Open** 7 March-2 January

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Outside, play areas and wildlife reserves will keep children entertained for hours, while a bus stop located 150m from the site entrance will transport you around the local area – unless you're tempted by the golf course across the road, of course.



You say...

"Ross Park is a very well-presented caravan site with small, colourful avenues."

"Nothing is too much trouble for owners Helen and Mark and their excellent staff. I am visually impaired, and both my husband and I can relax here."

"This is an absolutely spotless site. It's beautifully laid out, with great attention to detail."

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Langstone Manor Park Moortown, Tavistock, Devon, PL19 9JZ. Tel 01822-613371 From Tavistock take the B3357 for approx 2 miles, turn right at crossroads and follow brown tourist signs. 6 acres with three separate camping areas, terraced open view to moors. Open March to end of 31st October. Max £21 to Min £16. Bookings accepted and advisable.
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Lobb Fields Touring and Camping Park .
Saunton Road, Braunton, North Devon EX33 1AS. Tel: 01271 812090 From Barnstaple take A361 Ilfracombe Road. In Braunton turn left onto B3231. Park is one mile on the right. 14 acres, 2 fields for tourers, tents and motorhomes. Open 28th March to 2nd November. Bookings accepted and advisable. ★★★★★
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Springfield Holiday Park Tedburn St. Mary, Exeter, Devon EX6 6EW. Tel: 01647 24242.
From J31 off M25 travel west A30 to Okehampton. 2nd exit signposted Cheriton Bishop/Tedburn St. Mary. Follow brown signs to park 500yds. The park is ideal for touring dartmoor, suburb country views, excellent facilities. Golf course, shops, post office, pubs & restaurants close by. Open 15th March till 30th October. Tourers £12 to £20. Bookings advisable.
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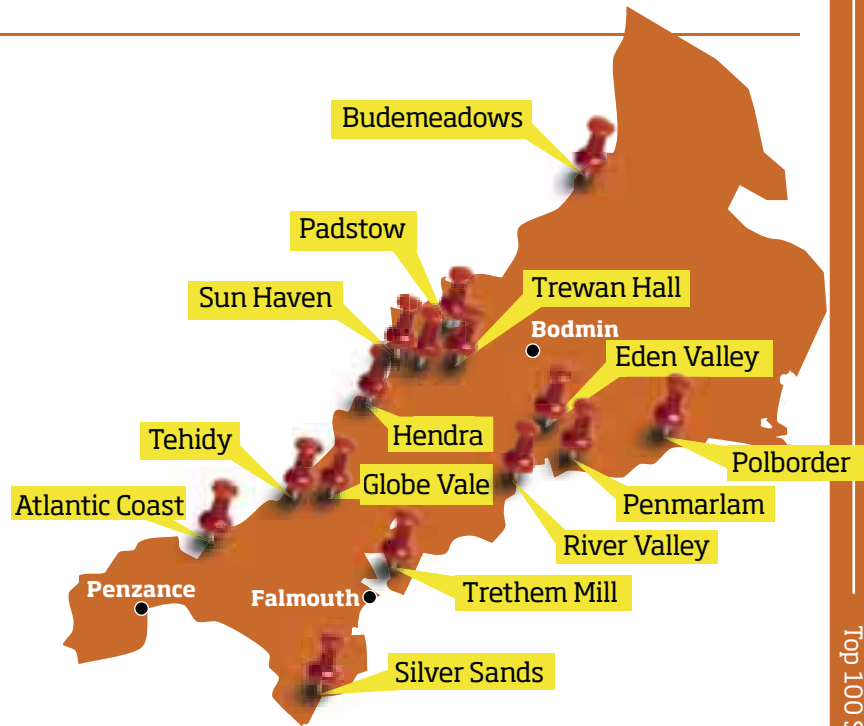


Cornwall

Cornwall has the longest coastline in Britain, so you'll be able to discover somewhere fantastic during your tour here: from the rugged cliffs of the north to the sheltered, sandy beaches of the south. Fourteen top-rated sites from the county have made it through as finalists this year; they are spread out across Cornwall, but are primarily dotted along the coast.

You won't find any motorways in the county, so you'll need to take your journey at a slower pace, but that's sure to get you in the laid-back frame of mind that will help you enjoy your trip here. There's just so much to see, including The Eden Project, The Lost Gardens of Heligan, the Seal Sanctuary at Gweek... the list goes on.

Inland you'll be able to strap on your walking boots and take to the rolling countryside of Bodmin Moor. Head south to fascinating Falmouth, and the historic fishing town of Penzance. Culture lovers can enjoy some great art in picturesque St Ives, and gaze across the Atlantic at Land's End.



Atlantic Coast

Holiday Park



Address 53 Upton Towans Hayle, Cornwall TR27 5BL **Tel** 01736 752 071

Web www.atlanticcoastpark.co.uk **Open** 1 March-8 January

Touring pitches 15, no hardstanding **Pitch+2+hook-up** £20-£30

We say...

Exactly as the park's name implies, touring pitches at Atlantic Coast are situated right alongside the sand dunes on the glorious St Ives Bay, near Hayle. The site is just a five-minute walk to the sandy beach at Gwithian Towans and also within easy driving distance of St Ives, Land's End and the Lizard.

Suitable for families and couples, this small David Bellamy Gold Award park offers fully serviced, well-drained grass pitches with hook-ups, water and drainage. Facilities include newly refurbished showers and toilets, free Wi-Fi and a fully stocked shop with freshly baked bread. Popular touring deals allow guests to stay longer for less.

You say...

- "Atlantic Coast is well-kept and very quiet. It's a lovely country site and a nice place to be."
- "This is a quiet park, with pet-friendly beaches and superb facilities. The cleanliness is excellent."
- "There's a relaxed atmosphere here and the staff are helpful."
- "The staff were extremely friendly and helpful and gave us lots of tips for our visit."
- "Atlantic Coast has a beautiful setting in the dunes, with pleasant people all around."



Cornwall

Budemeadows

Touring Park



Address Widemouth Bay, Bude, Cornwall EX23 0NA **Tel** 01288 361 646

Web www.budemeadows.com **Open** All year **Touring pitches** 145 (34 hardstanding)

Pitch+2+hook-up Low season: under £20; high season: £20-£30



We say...

In rolling countryside and just a mile from the expanse of Widemouth Bay (a year-round favourite with surfers), Budemeadows lies on a gently sloping nine-acre park. Pitches are arranged in small groups separated by hedges or picket fencing so that the park feels intimate, while mature trees and additional hedgerows provide shelter for wildlife and keep the sea breezes at bay.

A key attraction of Budemeadows is the heated outdoor swimming pool (open Whitsun to late August), located in an enclosed, sunny grass area with sun-loungers and a separate splash pool for little ones. For those who prefer open water, four sandy beaches are all within a few miles, with great rock-pooling territory, too.

You say...

“Friendly staff give that personal touch. There are excellent facilities, with a play park, zip wire, and lovely pool, also clean toilets and showers. The home-made muffins and cakes each day in Grumpy Pete’s Bar are delicious!”

“Grumpy Pete’s Bar is a great place to relax with a drink.”

“We love that Budemeadows is such a friendly site with great amenities. The heated pool is a fabulous bonus that our kids loved. The shower/toilet blocks are clean and the on-site shop/bar/takeaway is there if needed but it’s not intrusive.”



Eden Valley

Holiday Park



Address Lanlivery, Cornwall PL30 5BU **Tel** 01208 872 277

Web www.edenvalleyholidaypark.co.uk **Open** 1 April-31 October

Touring pitches 56 (35 hardstanding) **Pitch+2+hook-up** Under £20



We say...

A finalist in our Top 100 Sites for the past five years, and selected for a David Bellamy Gold Award for conservation, this park delights in playing its part to help wildlife and conservation. Situated in a sheltered and secluded valley, within easy reach of both the north and south coastlines, Eden Valley welcomes couples and families to a peaceful, uncommercialised setting.

Tourers are catered for within several small paddocks surrounded by hedges and shrubs. Individual pitches are large and well-positioned to prevent overcrowding, while there are plenty of hardstanding, gravel pitches.

You say...

“A very well-kept site with beautiful views. We had a warm welcome from the minute we arrived and were shown to our pitch by the owner, which was great. The facilities were all very well kept and spotless.”

“How clean and tidy this site always is! It has the cleanest shower block I’ve ever used when on a campsite.”

“Everything from the very first greeting to the wave goodbye was brilliant, from the start of the holiday to the end. The play area is great; the toilet/shower blocks were spotless every day. Eden Valley was quiet and friendly and just – well, a brilliant place to stay!”

Globe Vale

Holiday Park



Address Radnor, Near Redruth, Cornwall TR16 4BH **Tel** 01209 891 183

Web www.globevale.co.uk **Open** All year **Touring pitches** 150 (25 hardstanding)

Pitch+2+hook-up Low season: under £20; high season: £20-£30

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We say...

Perfect for all-year touring, Globe Vale was a finalist in our Top 100 Sites Awards last year. Family-run, it offers some excellent modern facilities, including a play area and, given that this is a surfer's paradise, a wet-suit wash area for those who like to enjoy the waves of the nearby north Cornish coast.

There are three main camping areas, all surrounded by undulating countryside with superb views. There's a collection of fully serviced pitches on all-weather surfaces and grass and a Premier Field, split in two with spacious grass pitches placed around the perimeter – ideal for family groups, with plenty of open space for outdoor games. The Meadow is used during busy periods. Upon arrival, you can head straight to the beach or the bar while the owners set up your 'van for you.

You say...

"Globe Vale has good facilities, including a play area, bar and restaurant. It's a helpful, family-run site with a friendly and welcoming atmosphere. There are good views and irrigation on hard and grass pitches, and the roads are gravelled - not at all muddy. It's also in an ideal location."

"This site is spotless and very well run; nothing is too much trouble for the hosts. Pitches aren't on top of one another."



Hendra

Holiday Park



Address Newquay TR8 4NY **Tel** 01637 875 778

Web www.hendra-holidays.com **Open** 28 March-25 October

Touring pitches 700 (28 hardstanding) **Pitch+2+hook-up** Low season: under £20; high season: £20-£30



We say...

A must for family touring, Hendra's big attraction is its on-site swimming pool complex, with both a large, free outdoor pool and a very attractive indoor fun pool (a small additional charge applies) with giant flumes, slides, river rapids, water cannons, fountains and waterfalls. As it's located in popular Newquay, the beaches are never far away. Also on site are bars, restaurants, a skate park and play areas. Staying at Hendra gets you discounted rates to local attractions, too.

As expected on a five-star holiday park (and winner of a 'Loo of the Year' award), facilities are right up to the mark, and spacious touring pitches with good access roads mean guests enjoy returning regularly.

You say...

"This is by far the best site we've stayed at. I would highly recommend it to all who want to visit Newquay."

"We like the professional way in which Hendra is run, with all the staff making your holiday enjoyable, from the customer-care team in reception when dealing with any problems or enquiries, to the ground staff who make sure the upkeep of the park is spotless."

"Hendra is good, clean and welcoming. Staff are friendly and helpful. All in all, it makes for a relaxing holiday."

Padstow

Touring Park



Address Padstow, Cornwall PL28 8LE **Tel** 01841 532 061 **For static caravan bookings** 01841 532 289

Web www.padstowtouringpark.co.uk **Open** All year **Touring pitches** 150 (45 hardstanding)

Pitch+2+hook-up Low season: under £20; high season: £20-£30



We say...

A panoramic view of the beautiful north Cornish countryside is just one of the attractions that draw visitors to Padstow Touring Park. Because it's open all year, you can experience the ever-changing seasons and Padstow's microclimate, too. Static-caravan hire is also available at the park.

Yet another popular feature of staying at this five-star site is direct access via a footpath to Padstow, one of Cornwall's most attractive towns. Full of charm and character, and renowned for its foodie connections, visitors will love this historic fishing harbour town on the Camel Estuary. And with seven local beaches, you can try a different one every day of the week.

You say...

"The facilities are excellent and plentiful: there's no queue for a shower or toilet at any time of the day, and they are cleaned regularly throughout the day. The on-site shop stocks everything! The added extras of evening food vans and Wi-Fi made it even better."

"What an excellent location: it's so peaceful but manages to retain a holiday atmosphere."

"How clean and friendly Padstow is. Staff are always very helpful, pitches are well cared for. It's a pleasure to stay here."

Penmarlam

Caravan & Camping Park



Address Bodinnick by Fowey, Cornwall PL23 1LZ **Tel** 01726 870 088

Web www.penmarlampark.co.uk **Open** 1 April-31 October **Touring pitches**

63 (0 hardstanding) **Pitch+2+hook-up** Low: under £20; high: £20-£30

We say...

Located high above the Fowey Estuary, on the edge of Bodinnick village, Penmarlam enjoys spectacular views across the hills and valleys of southern Cornwall. The park is located within part of the county designated as an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. Guests staying here will love the peaceful location, as well as being able to walk from the site into picturesque Bodinnick, where you can enjoy lunch at the Old Ferry Inn, or take a look at the former home of novelist Daphne du Maurier. Indeed, there are numerous and varied walks from the site to make the most of your surroundings, but don't forget the annual Fowey Regatta, held every August.

You say...

"We loved absolutely everything, from the stunning scenery and excellent facilities right through to the complimentary Wi-Fi. The welcome from the on-site staff was first class, and this set the standard for the duration of our stay. I look forward to returning again."

"The site was incredibly clean. It had excellent facilities and was small and very quiet. The staff were friendly and personable and provided excellent information with regards to weather and superb local knowledge. We're coming back next year for two weeks."



Polborder House

Caravan & Camping Park



Address Bucklawren Road, St Martin, Looe, Cornwall PL13 1QS

Tel 01503 240 265 **Web** www.polborderhouse.co.uk **Open** All year **Touring pitches** 31

(19 hardstanding) **Pitch+2+hook-up** Low season: under £20; high season: £20-£30



We say...

A small and intimate caravan park with lovely, far-reaching views of the surrounding countryside, Polborder is most definitely a place to come to unwind. There is no noisy clubhouse or bar, just the required facilities to enjoy a relaxing stay. Order your favourite newspaper from the on-site shop along with your fresh bread and milk. Spacious, individually marked pitches are separated in some areas by hedges and rustic fencing, and all are positioned around the perimeter of two touring areas, giving easy access and privacy. Pitches are large enough to accommodate the longest of 'vans, too.

You say...

- "The site looked so pretty when we arrived and it was always kept very tidy."*
- "I've never been on a site that had such luxurious toilets and showers!"*
- "Polborder is in a beautiful location. It's well laid out, with excellent, clean facilities."*
- "The friendliness of the owners and staff is obvious. They're very helpful and also have a sound knowledge of the local area."*
- "How quiet the site is, especially at night. We were well looked after."*

River Valley

Holiday Park



Address London Apprentice, St Austell, Cornwall PL26 7AP **Tel** 01726 735 33

Web www.rivervalleyholidaypark.co.uk **Open** 12 April-4 October

Touring pitches 45 (all hardstanding) **Pitch+2+hook-up** Low season: under £20; high season: £30+

We say...

Make yourself at home on one of River Valley's 45 spacious pitches, where you can cycle or walk to nearby sandy beaches, sit back and light the barbecue or take a dip in the heated indoor swimming pool.

River Valley is run by a local Cornish family, who know it's the little things that often make the difference – and there are plenty of those here. In addition to immaculate facilities, there's a library; a family bathroom with a bath; a 'pets paddock', with pigs, chickens and ducks; as well as bike hire on site. There's no noisy clubhouse at River Valley, but the Polgooth Inn, which serves a local brew, is just a 15-minute walk away.

You say...

- "I love this place, and it's worth travelling the 200 miles to get to. That's why we keep going back for two weeks minimum at a time. There are nice owners and great facilities, excellent walks for the dogs and it's ever so easy to get to the north or south Cornish coast."*
- "River Valley was extremely clean and tidy. Everyone was made to feel welcome, and staff are very friendly and helpful. There are fantastic, safe facilities for children, too."*
- "We would recommend this site to everyone who is looking for a peaceful, relaxing holiday."*





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Web www.silversandsholidaypark.co.uk **Open** 21 March-31 October

Touring pitches 35 (0 hardstanding) **Pitch+2+hook-up** Low season: under £20; high season: £20-£30



We say...

Set in the dramatic and beautiful countryside of the Lizard Peninsula, Silver Sands Holiday Park is ideal for families, couples and singles alike, whether you wish for 'away from it all' relaxation, or a more active sightseeing and touring holiday. It's just a short half-mile woodland walk through the Lizard Nature Reserve to clean, sandy beaches at Kennack Sands, while the stunning Kynance Cove, the Lizard – Cornwall's most southerly point – and the unspoilt Helford River are all within easy reach. Owners Nick and Kell Whittle take pride in their conservation efforts around the park and encourage guests to do the same.

You say...

- "We got a warm welcome from the owners. This is a well-appointed site with just the facilities we needed. Large, well-separated pitches are located in a lovely sheltered, spacious and verdant park. It's nice and quiet, with a short walk to an excellent beach."*
- "This is a family-friendly site. It was quiet in the evenings for the kids to get to sleep, and there were big spaces for them to play in. A beautiful part of the world to stay in."*
- "The owners were always helpful and friendly and made this a very pleasant stay. The facilities were excellent. There was plenty of privacy but also interaction with other visitors."*

Sun Haven Valley

Country Holiday Park



Address Mawgan Porth, Newquay, Cornwall TR8 4BQ **Tel** 0800 634 6744

Web www.sunhavenvalley.com **Open** 1 April-31 October

Touring pitches 107 (9 hardstanding) **Pitch+2+hook-up** Low season: under £20; high season: £30+

We say...

Attention to detail and exceptionally high standards of service are assured at Sun Haven Valley Holiday Park, considered one of the most peaceful caravan parks in the county. With wonderful surrounding countryside, and just half a mile from the beach at Mawgan Porth on Cornwall's north coast, the park is designated specifically for quiet families and couples, and prides itself on a strict 10.30pm silence policy so that all guests can enjoy a good night's sleep – and consequently, a good day every day. It's an ideal place from which to begin a walk, even if it's just for a one-mile stroll to the nearby village for a cream tea. Alternatively you can catch a bus from the site entrance to reach the coast, where you can pick up the South West Coastal Path.

You say...

- "This is an immaculately maintained and well laid out site in a beautiful and peaceful setting, with warm and friendly, helpful staff."*
- "The layout and presentation of the site is fantastic, with lots of open space, lots of flowers and within walking distance to the beach. The 10.30pm curfew was adhered to by all."*
- "Sun Haven Valley is such a quiet and peaceful site. We found the night-time curfew very helpful."*



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We say...

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You say...

"I cannot speak too highly of Trethem Mill: it is the best site we have ever stayed on. The facilities are always spotlessly clean. The park is kept in immaculate condition. It is in a perfect situation to explore the Roseland Peninsula and the rest of Cornwall."

"This is the friendliest, most helpful site that we have ever stayed at. They are accommodating, have great policies for wildlife and always put their customers first."

"This is everything you could need from a touring park. We could have stayed all summer."

Trewan Hall

Camping and Caravanning



Address St Columb, Cornwall TR9 6DB **Tel** 01637 880 261

Web www.trewan-hall.co.uk **Open** 2 May-15 September

Touring pitches 200 (0 hardstanding) **Pitch+2+hook-up** Low season: under £20; high season: £20-£30

We say...

Trewan Hall lies on the north coast between Newquay and Padstow, and is a stunning 17th-century manor house. Within the grounds is the campsite, which has been run by the Hill family for nearly 50 years. There's an informal atmosphere at Trewan Hall that provides a safe environment for children to play and explore the 36 acres of woods and grounds, including beautiful gardens. A 25m outdoor heated swimming pool and masses of space for indoor and outdoor games will occupy everyone. Visit the library and writing room for quiet time, or 'The Barn', where evening performances are staged in the small theatre.

You say...

"This is an extremely beautiful site and location. The family and their local staff all seem to love their jobs! You pitch where you like on the two fields, so if you're a group with your own units, you can all camp next to each other."

"It's a lovely, friendly campsite with wonderful facilities that have recently been renovated. We were able to pitch up anywhere we wanted, and the children found lots of other children to play with."

"The real magic of this site, though, is the atmosphere and ambience. It is the ultimate laid-back experience."



Tehidy Holiday Park



Address Harris Mill, Illogan, Redruth, Cornwall TR16 4JQ **Tel** 01209 216 489

Web www.tehidy.co.uk **Open** 23 March-2 November

Pitches 18 (9 hardstanding) **Pitch+2+hook-up** Low season: under £20; high season: £20-£30



We say...

Our regional winner in 2013 was also voted Best Small Site in 2012, and continues to please this year. Set in the beautiful wooded surroundings of Tolskithy Valley near Redruth, and within a UNESCO World

Heritage Site, Tehidy Holiday Park offers peaceful camping that is still close enough to many of Cornwall's favourite attractions.

All the clean, modern amenities you would expect in an award-winning park are here, including wheelchair-friendly features (although the site is set on the side of a valley, so access to some facilities requires assistance), plus self-catering and glamping options if you're staying with non-touring friends. The site is also pet-free.

You say...

"Our first impression was the lovely, warm greeting at reception from Richard the owner. We loved the fact that this is a relatively small site with an excellent play area for children. Everything was spotlessly clean."

"The site is beautifully laid out; Cornish hedges lend a sense of privacy to your pitch while being sympathetic to the local wildlife. The facilities are conveniently located and well maintained and include the usual showers, laundry facilities, etc."

"The whole setting is simply wonderful. This was our fourth year here and we never tire of it."

"There's lots to do. The site is modern and clean, with great facilities and friendly staff."



Tehidy Holiday Park is small, but it's beautifully laid out; pods are available if you fancy some camping comfort. There's a great level of facilities, too

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Ayr Holiday Park

Higher Ayr, St. Ives, Cornwall, TR26 1EJ. Tel: 01736795855. www.ayrholidaypark.co.uk. From A30 follow holiday route to St Ives, 0.5 miles before town leave B3306, turn left at mini roundabout. The only holiday park in St Ives itself. 0.5 miles from the harbour, town centre and beaches. Open all year. Cost per tourist per night £18.00 to £37.00 Bookings advisable

Eden Valley Holiday Park

Lanlivery, Bodmin, Cornwall, PL30 5BU. Follow signs to A390. Turn off at brown tourist signs - Eden Valley Near Lostwithiel. Situated in a sheltered valley, separate paddocks, seasonal pitches available. Open 1st April to End of October. Min £13 Max £17. Bookings Accepted and Advisable.

Lanyon Holiday Park

Loscombe Lane, Four Lanes, Nr. Redruth, Cornwall, TR16 6LP. Telephone: 01209 313 474 Here at Lanyon Holiday Park, Cornwall we offer one of the best quality campsites in Cornwall. Camping pitches are large with short grass, Motor Homes, RVS and Touring Caravans are welcome. Self Catering modern Lodges and Holiday Static Caravans are available to hire.

Little Winnick Touring Park

Pentewan, St Austell, Cornwall, PL26 6DL. 01726 843687 Email: mail@littliewinnick.co.uk www.littliewinnick.co.uk The park is flat and spacious - nestled on the banks of the River Winnick. Our family run park offers a selection of hard standing and grass pitches, an amenities block including laundry, onsite shop, WiFi and children's play area. Located on the Pentewan Valley cycle trail you can enjoy miles of off road tracks to walk or cycle with the beach and pub a short stroll away.

Meadow Lakes Holiday Park

Hewas Water, St Austell, Cornwall, PL26 7JG 01726 882540 Take the A389/A391 ramp to Wadebridge/ St Austell , at the roundabout, take the 1st exit onto A391, at the roundabout, take the 2nd exit onto B3274, Turn right onto Trinity St/B3274. Continue to follow B3274, Continue onto Truro Rd, Turn right onto Truro Rd/A390. Continue to follow A390. Slight left toward B3287. Continue straight onto B3287 for 0.1 mi Area and description of site (eg: 25 acres, two touring fields). Meadow Lakes family holiday park is set within 56 acres of idyllic Cornish countryside, beautiful meadows, woodlands and lakes, makes it the perfect place to relax and spend some time together. Meadow Lakes formerly known as Tencreek Farm Holiday Park, offers holiday accommodation in Cornwall; Caravans, Bungalows and Luxury Lodges to rent, Camping Pods to rent or buy and facilities for Tenting and Touring, pitches for touring caravans and motorhomes. . Dates open from 15 March to 3 November. Price £8.50 to £21.00

Silver Sands Holiday Park

Gwendreath, Kennack Sands, The Lizard, Cornwall, TR12 7LZ. Tel: 01326 290631 www.silversandsholidaypark.co.uk Enjoy a peaceful, relaxing holiday in our beautifully landscaped park. Holiday homes and spacious touring/camping pitches are separated by shrubs. Short woodland walk through the Lizard Nature Reserve to award-winning beaches of Kennack Sands. Dogs welcome. Small kennel services & dog walking area available. AA 3 Pendants. Visit England 4 Stars, David Bellamy Conservation Gold Award Site. From Helston follow signs to Goonhilly Earth Station. At next crossroads turn right. Take next left to Gwendreath Open March to October. Bookings advisable in high season.

Pentire Haven Holiday Park Stibb Road, Kilkhampton, Bude, EX23 9QY. 01288 321601. holidays@pentirehaven.co.uk. 3 miles north of Bude. On the A39 take turning left marked, Sandymouth Beach. Beautiful location, minutes from beaches. Easy access off A39. Lovely pitches. Electric/hardstandings available. Bookings: Advisable. Open March to October. Tourers £9.95 to £18.50

Polborder House Caravan and Camping Park Bucklawren Road, St Marton Looe PL13 1QS Tel 01503 240265. 2 1/2 miles east of Looe off B3253. Follow brown signs for Polborder and Monkey Sanctuary. 3. Polborder is a small caravan and camping park nesting in the sleepy hamlet of Bucklawren, Looe, in the beautiful Cornish countryside. Open All Year. Prices from £11.00 to £23.50

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Tencreek Holiday Park Polperro Road, Looe, Cornwall. PL13 2JR. 01503 262447. 1 and 1/4 miles west of Looe on the Looe - Polperro Road (A387). Open all year, nearest holiday park to Looe. Indoor and outdoor pools. Clubhouse with entertainment. Newly built shower and toilet facilities. Individually marked pitches and hardstandings. Open All Year. Max £20.50 and Min £11. Bookings advisable.

Treveague Farm Gorran, St Austell, Cornwall, PL26 6NY From St Austell Take the B3273 towards Mevagissey, Past Pentewan go towards Heligan garedens, then follow brown tourist signs for sea view international our brown signs will be on theirs. The site itself covers 4 acres with costal views. Open April to October. Pitches start from £7.50 to £22 Tel: 01726 842295, Email Address treveague@btinternet.com

Tower Park Caravan and Camping St Buryan, Penzance, Cornwall, TR19 6BZ. Telephone 01736 810286 3 miles beyond Penzance on the A30 turn left onto B3283 signposted St Buryan. On entering village turn right Tower Park is 300 yards from the village. Peaceful, family run campsite in Cornwall, short walk to village pub and shop. Holiday caravans and pre-erected tents for hire. Open from 7/3/14 to 1/11/14 Cost per tourist per night £10-£19

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Whitefield Forest Touring Park

We received an enormous response to our Top 100 awards this year: thousands of you – whether you have a caravan, motorhome, tent or stay in a static unit – told us about the site that you think deserves our top award. We’re delighted to announce that the winner of our overall Top 100 award for 2014 is Whitefield Forest Touring Park near Ryde, on the Isle of Wight: not only did it win the highest number of votes from our readers who stayed there in a caravan, motorhome or tent, it scored very highly with our site reviews team, too.

So what is it that makes Whitefield just so good? Great facilities help, of course. The pitches here are spacious, and the heated washrooms are welcome. There’s a motorhome service point, and a small shop, too. But it’s the little extras that go a long way towards making a campsite great, and you’ll find lots of them here.

The environment is vitally important: the site’s been created with the surrounding woodland in mind, allowing its natural beauty to thrive. “The site blends in naturally with its surroundings; they are doing a good job!” reported one happy visitor. The welcome that you’ll receive is warm, too, setting the tone for your whole stay: “The owners are lovely,” said another visitor. You can even book a ferry crossing through the campsite, making planning your tour easier. The site’s location is another reason why it’s so popular: it’s handily located to allow you to easily explore the island’s beaches and towns.

As one contented customer reported back to us: “This is a very special place that brings us back here year after year.” Congratulations go to everyone at Whitefield Forest, the worthy winner of our 2014 top award. For this site’s address and contact details, see p66.



“This is a very special place that brings us back year after year”



Top sites for caravans



1 BATH CHEW Valley has fared brilliantly over the past few years in our *Practical Caravan* Top 100s, so it's not surprising that it's proved most popular with those who own a caravan for 2014. All vehicles are kept in the on-site car park, and your unit is towed to the pitch for you: an added benefit is that the site becomes a safe, quiet environment. All of the parks that scored highly in this category are on the larger side with good facilities, demonstrating just how important these are to caravanners, who often tour with their families; although Bath Chew Valley is an adults-only site.

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Top sites for motorhomes



TOPPING OUR motorhome-friendly-site charts is South Lytchett Manor Park in Dorset. The site offers a host of facilities that are just perfect for those with a motorcaravan: there are a good number of hardstanding pitches, there's a motorhome waste-disposal point, and regular buses stop outside, meaning that your vehicle can be left on site.

Further down the list, it's great to see the inclusion of the adults-only Waterrow Touring Park: its quiet, peaceful atmosphere and outstanding level of facilities mean that it's ideal for older couples on tour.



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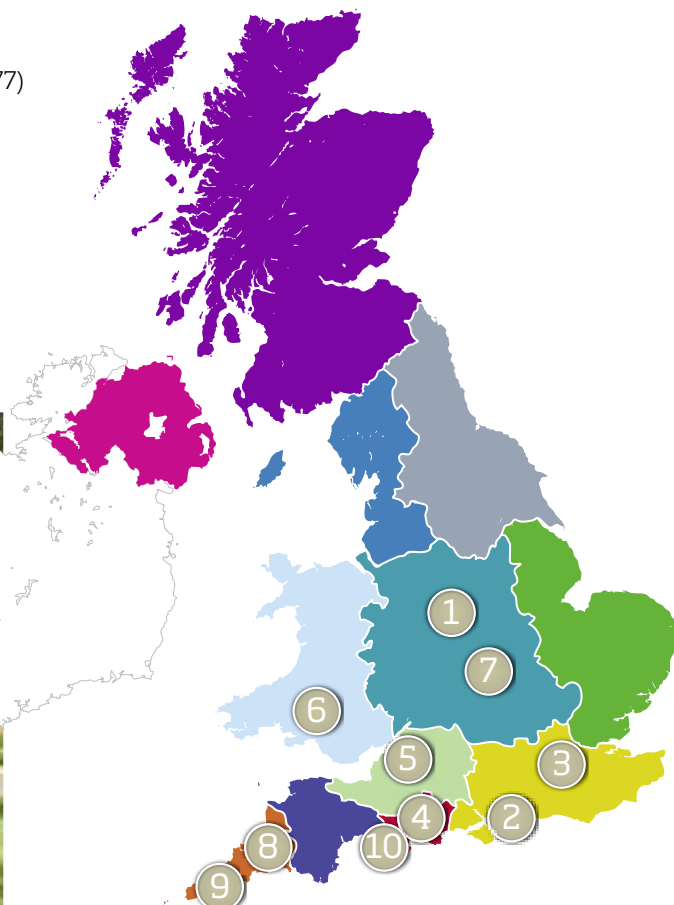
Top sites for camping



IF YOU'RE touring with a tent, the chances are that you prefer a site that offers great facilities: this is reflected in the great parks that were voted for by our campers this year. The top-rated site, Callow Top, offers spacious tent pitches, spotless washrooms, a heated outdoor pool, a café/bar, a laundry room, and so much more besides.

It's great to see that the Trewan Hall site has proved popular with campers, too. This beautiful park offers some fantastic facilities, including a well-stocked shop, a library and writing room, and live music entertainment.

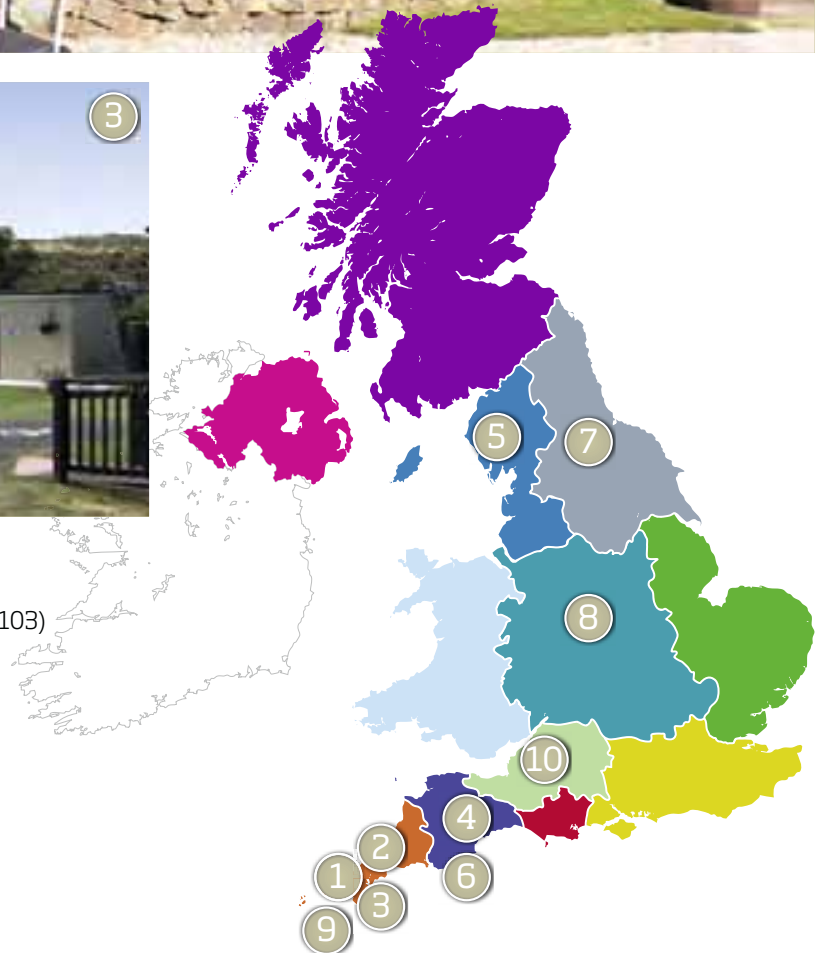
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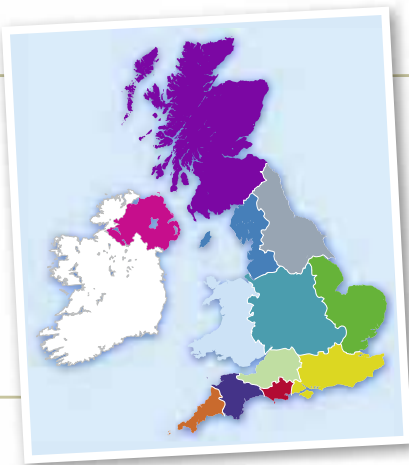
Top sites for static units

TEHIDY HOLIDAY Park is a fantastic site in Cornwall, and it's been voted into top spot by our test team and those who have stayed in its static-caravan accommodation. There's a fantastic choice of caravans, from one to three berths, and many of you reported on just how clean and well-appointed you found them to be.

Most of our top sites in this category are in the south of England, but Stanwix Park Holiday Centre, Ord House Country Park and Eye Kettleby Lakes also proved extremely popular with static-caravan fans.



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