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# Welcome to our Top 100 Sites 2017!



TRYING TO JUGGLE a busy life and planning your next touring or camping holiday can sometimes be stressful – in the end it's always worth the effort that you've put in, of course, but there is often a huge amount to think about. One of the most time-consuming aspects is selecting the best site for your needs; there are so many to choose from, and it's tricky to know which ones come highly rated.

That's where our annual *Top 100 Sites* scheme comes in. Every year, we ask those who have stayed at UK parks to nominate their favourites; we then count up all the votes, and our expert team from *Practical Caravan* and *Practical Motorhome* magazines has its say to come up with what we believe is the best guide out there on where to stay in your touring unit, tent or in a holiday caravan.

This year we're delighted to announce that we've teamed up with Bailey, one of the country's leading producers of caravans and motorhomes. It has a long and hugely impressive heritage; the perfect fit, we think, for enjoying the many great destinations that you'll discover on our home shores.

So, don't wait: turn the page now to start finding inspiration on a fabulous site at which to stay, no matter where in the British Isles you're planning to travel. Let us know how you get on – and enjoy your trip!

Sarah Wakely, Guide editor





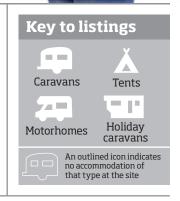
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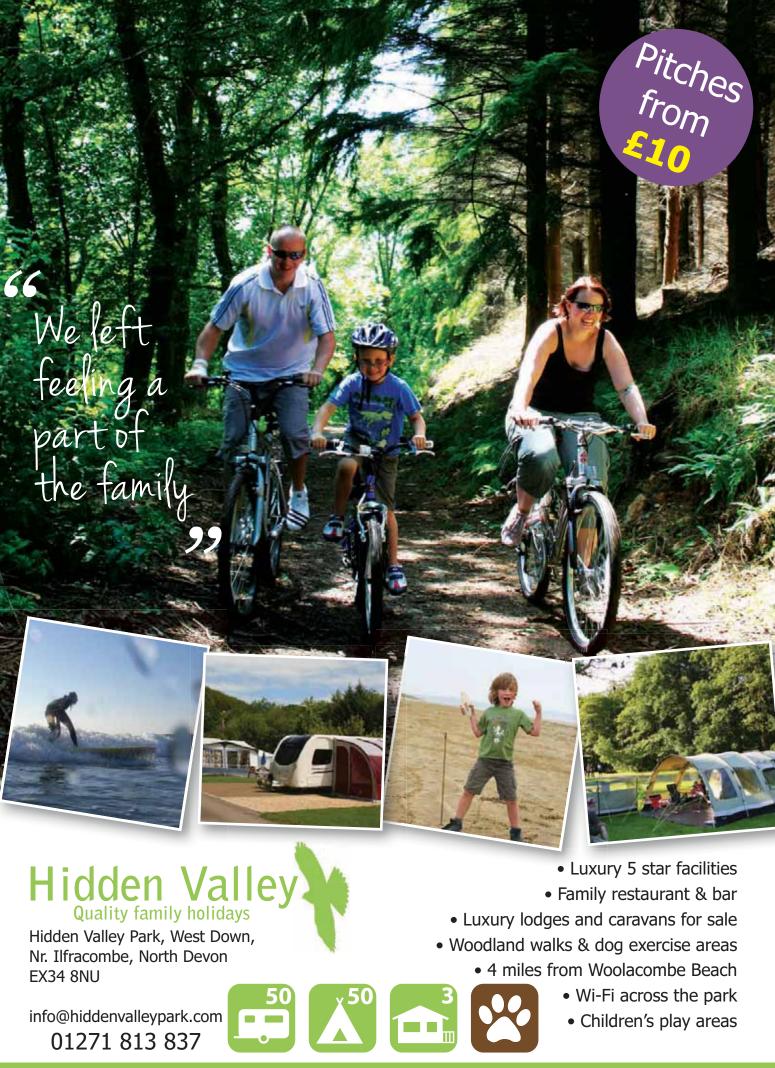
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STUNNING NORTHERN IRELAND has undergone something of a renaissance over the past few years: it's a simply fantastic place to tour, offering a warm welcome, breathtaking scenery and vibrant cities in the form of Belfast and Derry. There are too many highlights to fully list here, but on your must-see list should be the rugged Causeway Coast - including a visit to Giant's Causeway itself, the Carrick-a-Rede bridge and the Bushmills Distillery -Derry's historic city walls, the Ulster American Folk Park near Omagh, and the granite Mourne Mountains in County Down.

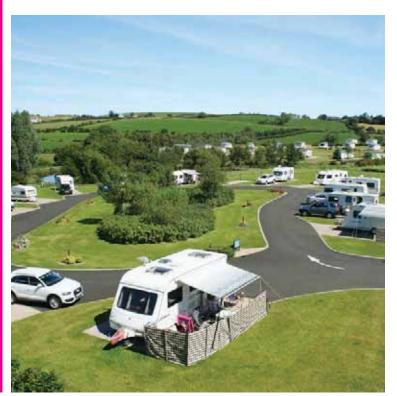
Two top Northern Irish sites make it into our guide once again this year; they're located about as far apart as you can get, so you've no excuse not to visit every corner of this wonderful and picturesque destination.



### **Ballyness Caravan Park**



Address 40 Castlecatt Road, Bushmills BT57 8TN Tel 028 2073 2393 Web www.ballynesscaravanpark.com Open 16 March-1 November 2017 Touring pitches 49 Pitch+2+hook-up £25



#### We say...

The Gypsy's Way dog walk is a new addition to Ballyness Caravan Park over the past year or so; you can take your pet on the pathways that wind through five acres and 2500 trees! Meanwhile, there is a trio of areas where you can set your tourer or motorhome, and each pitch has electric, water and drainage hook-ups. Other amenities include free Wi-Fi, an indoor games room, a children's play park and a motorhome service point.

Exploring the local area is easy, thanks to the Causeway Rambler bus service that takes you along the beautiful nearby coastal route; it operates during the summer season and calls in at the site by reception.

- "This site is beautifully kept and still peaceful even when all the pitches are full. It is perfectly situated for Bushmills village (10 minutes' walk) and even has its own bus stop. The owners are so helpful, friendly and kind. We love this site. It definitely deserves to be in the Top 100!"
- " A dog-friendly site with excellent hardstanding pitches with full services, a superb and scrupulously clean shower block, friendly service, and a fantastic location for exploring the glorious Causeway Coast of Northern Ireland."

#### Rushin House Caravan Park



Address Belcoo, Enniskillen BT93 5DU Tel 028 6638 6519 Web www.rushinhousecaravanpark.com Open 15 March-31 October 2017 Touring pitches 38 Pitch+2+hook-up £25

#### We say...

Rushin House Caravan Park, located on the beautiful shores of Lough MacNean, opened in 2007; since then it has grabbed a host of awards, including numerous victories as Regional Winner for Northern Ireland in our



Top 100 Sites awards. Congratulations go to all at the park, because it takes the top award once again this year.

It's the ideal place to explore County Fermanagh, and its many attractions; you won't have to travel far to visit the village of Belcoo, as well as historic Enniskillen and Sligo. The Fermanagh Lakelands, where you can take a trip on the water, are within easy reach, too.

It's the site's tremendous facilities that make it so popular, though: the 38 touring pitches are immaculate, there's free Wi-Fi and you'll even find an outdoor gym! The focus is firmly on the environment, with extensive recycling, wind-generated electricity and eco-friendly outdoor furniture all featuring.

- 😘 Ideally located beside the lough, this terraced site afforded everyone a very relaxing environment with grand views. The lovely owners are very friendly and welcoming... they related lots of information about getting around and things to do and see. Belcoo is close at hand (a pleasant kilometre's  $walk), with \ a \ couple \ of \ good \ restaurants/bars \ and \ an$ excellent small supermarket in the town centre."
- **W**e are seasoned motorcaravanners with extremely high standards. Rushin House never drops its standards! The park meets all of our criteria when deciding to stay at a campsite. In fact, we compare all other sites' facilities with those of Rushin House before we book."









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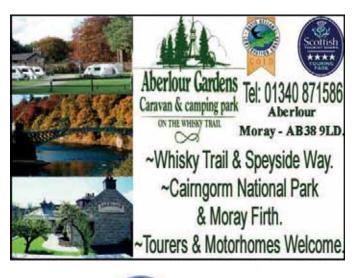


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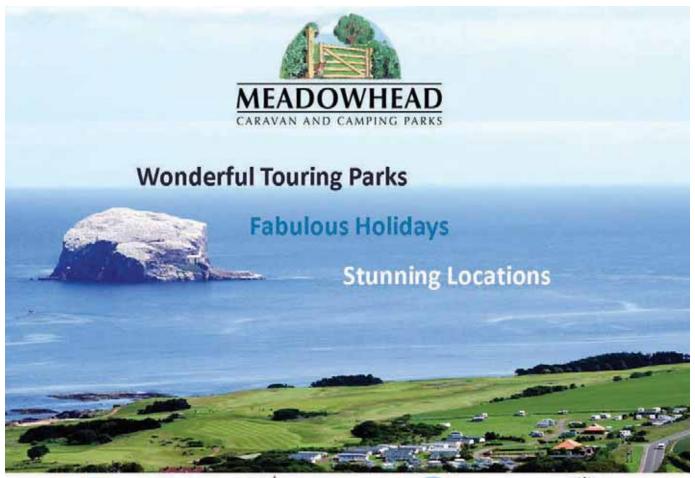
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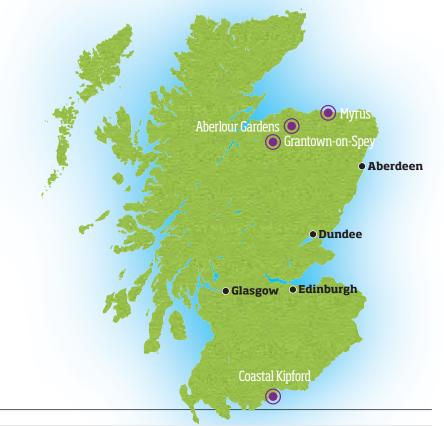


# Scotland

FOUR TOP SCOTTISH parks have made it into our Top 100 Sites Guide for 2017, located in the south and north-east of the country - no matter which one you choose, you're sure to find something nearby to grab your interest!

Scotland offers a tremendous diversity of landscape, from windswept islands in the west to the brooding lochs of the Highlands. Then there are the vibrant cities of Glasgow, Edinburgh and Aberdeen, all of which make for a great break.

Scotland is also well-known for its National Parks; they include Loch Lomond and the Trossachs, as well as the mountains of the stunning Cairngorms. Those who enjoy outdoor pursuits will be in their element here! There's plenty to enjoy around the Borders area, too, and for something a bit different, why not take a trip across the Firth of Clyde to the fabulous and wild Isle of Arran?



# **Aberlour Gardens Caravan and Camping Park**



Address Aberlour, Speyside AB38 9LD Tel 01340 871 586 Web www.aberlourgardens.co.uk Open 1 March-28 December 2017 Touring pitches 36 Pitch+2+hook-up £20.65-£25.75



#### We say...

Aberlour Gardens Caravan and Camping Park is a must-visit if you're planning a trip to the beautiful Speyside region: this five-acre site is set right in the heart of the area. It's located close to the River Spey, where you can fish for salmon, and the Speyside Way will be a real draw for lovers of the outdoors. There are also more than 50 distilleries in Speyside.

At Aberlour Gardens you'll find a wooded area for camping, and touring pitches that each have a 10  $\rm A$ electric hook-up point. A shop, laundry and motorhome service point are among the other facilities here; if you don't fancy cooking, meanwhile, you can always time your visit with the fish-and-chip van, which should make an appearance on Thursday evenings!

- "This is a very family-friendly place, and it's very clean and well-maintained. The owners were helpful and friendly, while the location is peaceful. Environmental awareness is very good, too."
- " Aberlour Gardens is a well-run site set in beautiful surroundings, and is well-placed for exploring this lovely area of Scotland."
- "Our favourite thing was that this is a very 'green' site, with lots of empathy for nature. It's in a beautiful region, too."

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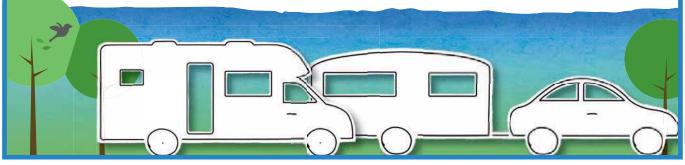


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#### Broomfield Holiday Park

West Lane, Ullapool, Ross-Shire IV26 2UT Tel: 01854 612020

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#### Belhaven Bay Caravan & Camping Park

Belhaven Bay, Dunbar, East Lothian EH42 1TU Tel:01368 865956

www.meadowhead.co.uk

Turn off the A1, north of Dunbar at Thistley Cross junction. The park is 1-2 miles along the A1087. Located in the sunniest and driest part of Scotland, in the John Muir country park. Open March to October

Bookings accepted and advisable.

#### Milton of Fonab Caravan Park

Bridge Road, Pitlochry PH16 5NA Tel: 01796 472882

Half mile south of Pitlochry, opposite Bell's Blair Athol Distillery. Quiet family run site on the banks of the River Tummel. Open from mid March to mid October. Cost per night (based on two adults, plus unit) Max: £26 Min: £20. Bookings accepted and advisable

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#### Glen Nevis Caravan & Camping Park

Glen Nevis, Fort William, Highlands PH33 6SX Tel: 01397 702191

Email: holidays@glen-nevis.co.uk. Enter Glen Nevis mini-roundabout 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 Britain's highest mountain Ben Nevis.

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#### Barnsoul Caravan Park

Shawhead, Dumfries & Galloway DG2 95Q Tel: 01557 814351

Turn off A75 (signposted Shawhead) follow road through village, turn right at T junction then first left, follow road 3/4 mile. Barnsoul on left. 40 acres, 18 touring pitches, 30 camp pitches, 17 glamping pods, 1 static to let. Quiet, natural park.

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#### Staffin Caravan & Camping Park Isle of Skye, Highlands IV51 9JX

Tel: 01470 562213 Email: staffincampsite@btinternet.com Visit: www.staffincampsite.co.uk

right just before 40 mph sign on entering Staffin. Mix of hard standing and grass pitches. Set in scenic area overlooking the Western Isles. Open April to October.

### **Glenearly Caravan Park**

Dalbeattie, Dumfries & Galloway DG5 4NE Tel: 01556 611393 Fax: 01556 612058

Web: www.glenearlycaravanpark.co.uk E-mail: glenearlycaravan@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, tents and motorhomes - including electric and hook up -£20 to £22. Caravan holiday homes, per week £240 to £490. Bookings advisable.

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1.5 miles from the centre of St Andrews on A65, Craigtoun Road. 32 acre holiday park with 56 touring pitches, two of which are for two-man tents. Also 21 holiday homes and 2 glamping 'Little Lodges' for hire. Open from 15th March to 31st October. Cost per night (based on two adults, plus unit) Max: £29,

#### **Mount View Caravan Park**

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Station Road, Abington, South Lanarkshire, Scotland, ML12 6RW Tel: 01864 502808

A74 motorway J.13 sign to Abington/Crawford into village left at the fire station drive 1/4 mile turn right into site (travel 1 mile from services J13). Family run park set in 5.5 acres surrounded by hills only 1 mile from motorway and 1/4 mile from River Clyde. Open from 15th March to 31st October, Cost per night (based on two adults, plus unit). Max: £25 Min: £20. Bookings advisable.

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#### **Woodlands Caravan Park**

Newton Road, Carnoustie, Angus DD7 6GR Tel: 01241 854430

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#### West Lodge Caravan Park

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per night. Bookings advisable. 中中中央OPPAMETE



# **Coastal Kippford**



Address Kippford, Dalbeattie, Kirkcudbrightshire DG5 4LF Tel 01556 620 636 **Web** www.coastalkippford.com **Open** All year (from 17 April 2017 for touring units) Touring pitches 5 Pitch+2+hook-up £22-£27



#### We say...

Coastal Kippford - formerly Kippford Holiday Park is primarily a static-caravan site, but its touring pitches and facilities scored it plenty of votes from visitors, propelling it into our *Top* 100 *Sites Guide* once more. The pitches are level and all have electric hook-up; attractive screening helps to provide privacy, and most have water and waste connections. Wi-Fi access is available at the park; your first hour is free, with one day's connection costing £5. There's also a trio of heated shower blocks, two of which feature dishwashing facilities.

The surrounding area is a cyclist's paradise, with Dalbeattie Forest only a few hundred metres away; walkers will also find plenty of paths to enjoy.

#### You say...

- "The site is beautiful: it is clean and tidy. It is nice and secluded without being too far from local shops. It has lovely woodland walks, which you can take into the local village of Kippford or walk on to the next village of Rockcliffe. The views from the site are stunning and wildlife can be seen all around. The site staff are very friendly and will go that extra mile to help you."
- Wery clean and tidy site with a couple of play parks for the kids. Scenic and relaxing, with beautiful beaches and fantastic forest walks nearby."

### Myrus Caravan & Holiday Park



Address Myrus Crossroads, Macduff, Banffshire, Aberdeenshire AB45 3QP Tel 01261 812 845 Web www.myrusholidaypark.co.uk Open 31 March-31 October 2017 Touring pitches 23 Pitch+2+hook-up £23-£26



#### We say...

North-eastern Scotland is the setting for Myrus Holiday Park, a privately owned and peaceful site close to the town of Macduff. Keen golfers should remember to pack their clubs for their visit here - with a pair of 18-hole courses within a mile, and a driving range alongside Myrus, they will be in their element.

The facilities are of a high standard, with clean and heated washrooms. All of the touring pitches have 16A electric hook-up, while most also have a satellite TV connection, too. A communal barbecue area with picnic benches is situated in the middle of the park. Note that, while the luxury holiday caravans here can be rented by families, the touring section is open to adults only.

- We were impressed by the high standard of facilities and the attention to keeping everything in pristine condition."
- "The staff were very helpful during our booking. It's a clean, tidy and well-laid-out site with warm washrooms. We found everyone here to be friendly. It was worth the price, and we will be staying here again."
- " We liked the friendliness of the owners and manager, and the cleanliness of the site in general and the toilet block in particular. Good facilities and access to town. Very peaceful, too."

### Grantown-on-Spey Caravan Park



Address Grantown-on-Spey, Highlands PH26 3JQ Tel 01479 872 474 Web www.caravanscotland.com Open All year Touring pitches 130 Pitch+2+hook-up £22-£31

#### We say

Take a break and enjoy peace and quiet at the fantastic Grantown-on-Spey Caravan Park, which is our regional winner for Scotland in this year's Top 100 Sites Guide. The park has won this award numerous times over



the years, continually impressing its visitors with its high standards and attention-to-detail.

What's most noticeable is the quality of the facilities, which are superior to those of many other campsites: they include underfloor-heated washblocks, a toddler's washroom and a brand-new ultra-fast broadband system. If you're new to towing a caravan, you'll also appreciate the fact that every touring van is escorted to its pitch, and help can be given if needed.

It's these small touches that continue to make Grantown-on-Spey so very popular, but its location also plays a part: there's so much to see and do here, including fishing, taking a trip on the Strathspey Steam Railway, and visiting the lochs of this beautiful area of the Highlands.

#### You say...

<sup>44</sup> The toilet and shower blocks are exceptionally clean, and it was very relaxing having a shower with music playing. The wardens are very friendly and helpful. The location could not have been better: we took some great walks with our dog. We would strongly recommend this site to others."

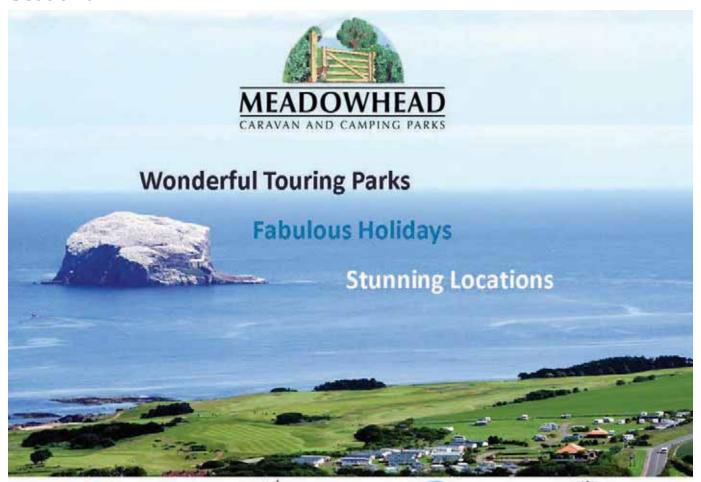
 $\mbox{``C}$  The site has very nice facilities; very clean with music, too. Having free Wi-Fi was so good. The staff are very friendly, and the launderette was excellent. It had plugs in it for charging gadgets and a washing line, which was helpful."













































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Don't miss the country's fabulous towns and cities, either, which include Swansea, Aberystwyth, Bangor and - of course - vibrant Cardiff.



#### **Bodnant Caravan Park**

Touring pitches 35 Pitch+2+hook-up £20-£21

Address Nebo Road, Conwy LL26 OSD Tel 01492 640 248 Web www.bodnant-caravan-park.co.uk Open 31 March-31 October 2017



#### We say...

You'll receive a warm welcome at Bodnant Caravan Park, which was established more than 50 years ago, in the early 1960s. Since that time it's been developed to become a hugely popular site, but one that has retained its high standards of maintenance, the proof of which are the numerous Wales in Bloom awards that the park has collected over the years.

It's a level, sheltered site, with pitches that are either grass or hardstanding; all of the tourer pitches have 16A electric hook-up. The spotless washrooms are heated, with free-to-use showers; you'll also find a dishwashing area, a small play area and a dog-walk section on this picturesque park. If you've enjoyed your stay here, why not encourage your family and friends to do the same gift vouchers for stays are available!

#### You sav...

- ( It was clean and very tidy; the grounds were wellmaintained and you could see the effort that had gone into making the park pleasant to look at. It was quiet and the amenities were spot-on."
- We had a wonderful time, the park was very clean and tidy. It's a very pretty area of Wales; there are lots of places to visit and sights to see. I would highly recommended this site to anyone thinking of going to Wales."

### **Bron Derw Touring Caravan Park**



Address Bron Derw Lodge, Llanrwst LL26 OYT Tel 01492 640 494 **Web** www.bronderw-wales.co.uk **Open** 1 March-31 October 2017 Touring pitches 20 Pitch+2+hook-up £23-£25



#### We say...

Bron Derw offers fantastic choice for those with a motorhome or caravan: there is a trio of sites to choose from here, with the primary touring park, an adults-only section, and a Caravan Club CL (the latter open to the Club's members only).

The main park is available to those of all ages, and features multi-service pitches with 16A hook-up, as well as a tidy washblock and utility room with washing-up and laundry facilities. The adults-only section offers the same, while the five-van CL also has its own toilet block.

No matter which area you choose to stay in, you'll be able to make the most of the park's tremendous location: it's close to both the North Wales coast and the glorious scenery of the Snowdonia National Park.

#### You say...

- " It is clean, spacious and the owners are extremely friendly. No problem is too small; the site is a credit to the owners."
- "The owners were welcoming and friendly from the first telephone enquiry. They live on site and were available all hours for your queries. They made you feel that your custom was appreciated. The facilities were very well $cared-for\ and\ exceptionally\ clean,\ as\ were\ the\ garden\ and$ surrounding lawns. Overall, it was service with a cheerful *smile, which added to the pleasure of being on holiday.*"

# **Fforest Fields Caravan and Camping Park**



Address Fforest Fields, Hundred House, Builth Wells LD1 5RT Tel 01982 570 406 **Web** www.fforestfields.co.uk **Open** 1 March 2017-5 January 2018 Touring pitches 80 Pitch+2+hook-up £16-£24

#### We say...

Fforest Fields has the atmosphere of a traditional site - it offers tremendous peace and quiet, and there's no clubhouse or bar – but it's far from basic in terms of amenities. The level, 10-acre park features very large pitches, all of which are neatly landscaped, and there's a separate field that's less formally designed. The tidy washblocks have won awards, and there are also two family washrooms, while the site's small shop stocks locally produced goods. Those without their own tourer or tent can stay in the two pre-erected bell tents, named Betty and Harry!

There are a couple of lakes right on Fforest Fields' doorstep, where you can swim, fish or canoe. You can also visit the Elan Valley, where you'll be able to marvel at the tremendous Victorian engineering in the dams.

- ${\it ```}$  Facilities are unlike anywhere else that we've stayed, with a shop open 24 hours with honesty box, free use of showers, fridges, freezers, a microwave, kettles and safe mobilephone-charging points. For a small fee you can hire fire pits and buy kindling, and if you run out of gas there's plenty in stock. There's even a drying room for your wet gear."
- " We only live five miles away, but stay on a regular basis because we love it!"





#### **Plas Farm Caravan Park**







Address Plas-Yn-Betws, Betws-yn-Rhos, Abergele, Conwy LL22 8AU Tel 01492 680 254 **Web** www.plasfarmcaravanpark.co.uk **Open** 1 March-31 October 2017 Touring pitches 57 Pitch+2+hook-up £23-£29



#### We say...

Plas Farm opened in 2007, and over the past decade has grown to become a very popular place for those wishing to explore the glorious coast of North Wales; it's handy for the Snowdonia National Park, too, so ideal for keen walkers and cyclists.

The owners clearly take great pride in the high quality and maintenance of the facilities, all of which are beautifully tidy. Set across 12 acres of countryside, the park features a variety of touring pitches, each with electric hook-up (10A or 16A), an all-weather surface and a TV connection point. Elsewhere at Plas Farm you will find grass pitches for tents, a campers' kitchen, a children's play area, and tourist information to help you discover more about the beautiful region.





#### You say...

- "This is a wonderfully kept site throughout. Fantastic facilities, from the campers' kitchen and lots of very clean showers and toilets, to superbly landscaped grounds and a lovely children's play area. The views are gorgeous, too!"
- " The site is very clean and peaceful and run by a friendly and helpful family. Nothing is too much trouble."
- "There are beautiful views from this site, and it's a peaceful place. Everything here is well-kept and the owners are friendly. It is near to the countryside and sea, too."

# **Plassey Holiday Village**







Address Eyton, Wrexham LL13 OSP Tel 01978 780 277 **Web** www.plassey.com **Open** 10 February-5 November 2017 Touring pitches 85 Pitch+2+hook-up £19.90-£33.50

#### We say...

Plassey is a regular in our Top 100 Sites Guide: it's a fantastic place for families looking for somewhere that those of all ages will find plenty to entertain them. It's set within beautiful grounds and offers tremendous views across the Dee Valley; the facilities at the park are wonderful, and include 16A hook-up for all touring pitches, an indoor heated swimming pool, the Treetops bar, a castle-themed adventure playground for the youngsters, a sauna, a games room, a caravan-accessories shop, fishing ponds, a mini market and even a hair and beauty salon. It's also located right alongside the Plassey Retail Village, where you'll find plenty to spend your holiday cash on!

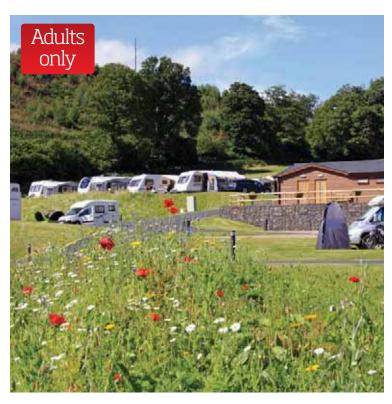
- "This site offers beautifully maintained grounds and facilities. It really is a superb place for families with younger children to visit."
- 😘 At Plassey you will find great facilities for adults and children alike, a good choice of restaurants and a friendly bar. The park is also really convenient for many of the local attractions and towns."
- We loved the cleanliness, the golf and the quaint shops that Plassey has to offer. We were also very impressed by the attitude of the staff."



# **Red Kite Touring Park**



Address Van Rd, Llanidloes SY18 6NG Tel 01686 412 122 **Web** www.redkitetouringpark.co.uk **Open** 1 March-31 October 2017 Touring pitches 65 Pitch+2+hook-up £27-£30



#### We say...

Red Kite Touring Park only opened its gates in May 2016, so it's hugely impressive that its visitors already consider it to be one of the UK's top 100 sites and we're sure that it will continue to make many appearances in our guide over the coming years. The pitches at this adults-only site are spread over four areas, and each touring pitch is gravel hardstanding and has 16A electric hook-up and full water connections. Free Wi-Fi is available, too. The washrooms are modern and spotlessly clean, while you'll also find a dog-walk area and a dog-wash facility, a late-arrivals bay, a small shop stocking basic accessories, and much more. Local attractions that guests are sure to find of interest include the town of Llanidloes, the Clywedog Dam and the coastal towns of Borth and Aberaeron.

#### You say...

- \*\* The facilities are five-star-plus and the family that owns the site is superb. The town is a short walk away and has good shops, cafés and pubs. The area around the site is beautiful."
- "There are a couple of dog walks that are well-thoughtout, including one around a lake. The site is a mile from a pleasant village with several places to eat. The owners are friendly caravanners who are willing to help if needed, but who do not impose unnecessary rules."

# **Smithy Caravan Park**



Address Abermule, Montgomery, Powys SY15 6ND Tel 01686 630 657 Web www.smithypark.co.uk Open 1 March-31 October 2017 Touring pitches 26 Pitch+2+hook-up £25-£28

#### We say...

Smithy Caravan Park is a sister site to numerous other parks, including Arrow Bank (p55) and Poston Mill (p57); all offer guests an impressive level of high-quality facilities, and a warm welcome. The Montgomeryshire Canal runs right alongside Smithy, and walking or cycling along its towpath is a wonderful way to pass an afternoon – as, of course, is a spot of fishing!

There are 26 touring pitches here, with tourers getting designated hardstandings; those with a tent will set up camp on grass - all pitches have 16A electric hook-up. The washrooms are meticulously maintained and heated, while the Abermule pub is very close by, where you can get good food and drink.

- " The site is very well-set-out, and the staff are absolutely fantastic - nothing is too much trouble."
- 44 A well-run, clean, well-kept site, with great owners and staff. Pitches are well-laid-out and a good size."
- " It's very friendly: the staff are always ready to help. It's the ideal site for visiting this area of Wales."
- We loved the fact that the pitches were fully serviced, and the site is in a lovely location. Everything was very well-maintained - the shower block was excellent. There's fishing on site, and friendly staff, too."





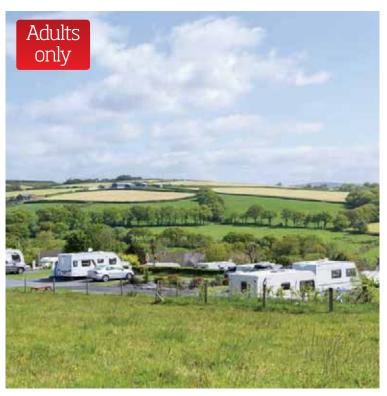
# South Wales Touring Park/Llwynifan Farm







Address Llangennech, Carmarthenshire SA14 8AX Tel 01554 820 420 **Web** www.southwalescaravansite.co.uk **Open** 27 February-31 October 2017 Touring pitches 15 Pitch+2+hook-up £14-£24



South Wales Touring Park – also known as Llwynifan Farm – is an adults-only site that's a great place for couples and friends to enjoy a peaceful, quiet break. A prime attraction is that it's only one mile from the M4, so it's easy to reach and a good base if you're planning to explore the highlights of this Welsh region.

All pitches are hardstanding, and there's Wi-Fi and a motorhome grey-waste disposal point. A number of more unusual amenities and services are also offered, including the use of the farm's small gym, car hire (the vehicle is brought to the park for you), and holistic therapies.

#### You say...

- 44 A small and friendly site with excellent facilities, lovely views and within easy reach of many tourist attractions. Always look forward to going there and receiving a lovely welcome."
- **&** Excellent welcome by genuine and friendly owners. Large pitch and a well-maintained site with fantastic views. Best toilet/shower facilities out of the 20 sites that we have stayed on this year. Large cubicles and showers where you can control the temperature. Friendly atmosphere, too."
- 66 Nothing was too much trouble for the staff and they always had a smile. The facilities are spotless and a credit to the campsite. Good-sized pitches and the layout is such that everyone benefits from a view of some sort."

# What to see in Wales

#### 25 May-4 June 2017

#### Hay Festival

#### Hay-on-Wye, Powys

Where better to enjoy a literature festival than in the book town of Hay-on-Wye, which sits close to the Welsh/English border? Every year this hugely popular event just gets better and better; it features talks from some of the world's best writers, workshops, discussions, music, shows and much more at various locations. Take a look at the website for full event details and ticket prices.

Web www.hayfestival.com



#### 7-9 April 2017

#### **RHS Cardiff Flower Show**

#### Bute Park, Cardiff

Those with green fingers - and those simply looking for a bit of inspiration - shouldn't miss a visit to the RHS Cardiff Flower Show: highlights include award-winning show gardens, talks by gardening experts, competitions, and plenty of places to buy beautiful and unusual plants and shrubs. Web www.rhs.org.uk

#### 21-27 August 2017

#### Llandrindod Wells Victorian Festival (pictured) Llandrindod Wells, Powys

Celebrate all things Victorian at this fabulous festival, which takes place in historic Llandrindod Wells. Events include performances, dances and much more, and locals don costumes. Web www.victorian-festival.co.uk

#### 16-17 September 2017

#### Abergavenny Food Festival Abergavenny, Monmouthshire

This fantastic festival was begun back in 1999, when it attracted 3000 visitors; today, 10 times that number make their way to the town to enjoy some of the very best of Welsh, British and world food and drink. While there they can speak to producers, be inspired by tasty dishes, watch top chefs at work, and - of course - try some new cuisine.

Web www.abergavennyfoodfestival.com



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### The Trotting Mare Caravan Park







Address Grange Road, Overton, Wrexham LL13 OLE Tel 01978 711 963 Web www.thetrottingmare.co.uk Open All year Touring pitches 43 Pitch+2+hook-up £25-£30



Trotting Mare Caravan Park is an attractive adultsonly site that's open all year, and is handily located right on the border between north Wales and Shropshire in England. As such, it makes a great base for exploring this area of both countries.

The washrooms are modern and beautifully maintained; they are centrally heated, too - ideal during the colder winter months. The touring pitches are all hardstanding and have water and electric connections; you can also opt for a deluxe pitch, which adds a patio and garden. Wi-Fi is included in your pitch fee, and fishing – the lake is stocked with carp, perch and roach, among others breeds - can also be enjoyed here.

#### You say...

- 😘 The Trotting Mare Caravan Park is beautifully landscaped and has fantastic facilities that were spotlessly clean. We received a friendly welcome from the helpful owners."
- " Gary, the owner, and his staff were very friendly. This is a peaceful, adults-only site with well-maintained and landscaped pitches - some even have a garden and patio area. The toilets and showers were immaculately clean."
- "This is a fantastic site that is clean and beautifully laid-out. We couldn't have hoped to find a more peaceful environment in which to stay."

# **Tyddyn Du Touring Park**



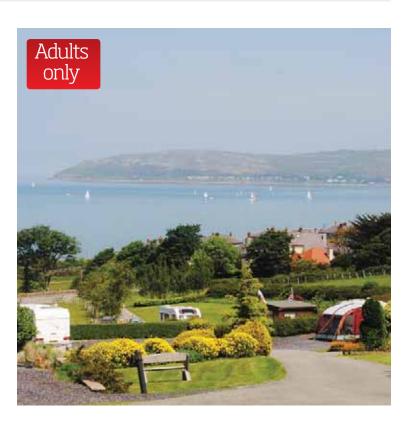
Address Conwy Old Road, Penmaenmawr LL34 6RE Tel 01492 622 300 Web www.tyddyndutouringpark.co.uk Open 22 March-31 October 2017 Touring pitches 100 Pitch+2+hook-up £25-£28

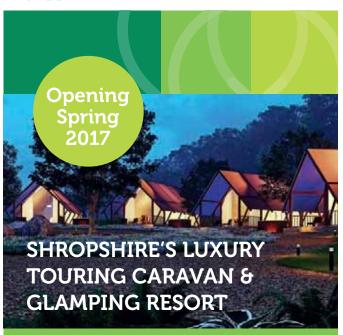
#### We say...

Those over the age of 18 can enjoy a restful break at Tyddyn Du Touring park, an adults-only site that is located on the North Wales coast, and that offers tremendous panoramic views out across the sea. You're welcome to bring your tourer or tent here, or you can rent out the spacious two-berth static caravan.

The facilities here are of a really high standard: all of the touring pitches have 16A electric hook-up and a water-connection point, for example, and the washroom amenities are spotless and well-maintained. You can also catch up on emails or browse the internet using the site's Wi-Fi network.

- 44 A friendly welcome as soon as we arrived, and we were guided to our pitch. The caravan was pitched by the staff very quickly. The site is immaculate, everywhere is clean and well-maintained. All pitches overlook a fantastic view, from the Great Orme right around to Anglesey."
- "The views are outstanding. The site is well-maintained and all the facilities are so clean. The owner, staff and fellow campers are helpful and friendly; it is a very special place. A great place to recharge your batteries!"
- " We have been going to Tyddyn Du for more than 10 years and it's the best site that we've found."







You will find super-fast WiFi, award-winning design toilet facilities and a park concierge service. Activity programmes will be available for all the family from stargazing to den-building, an onsite pilates/yoga studio, gym and personal training.

Alternatively, you could just relax in the exclusive adult area and enjoy the surroundings and fantastic views towards the Wrekin and the South Shropshire Hills.

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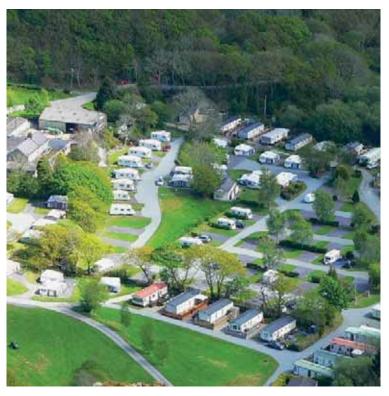
# Tyddyn Llwyn Camping, Caravan & Touring Park







Address Fford Morfa Bychan, Porthmadog LL49 9UR Tel 01766 512 205 Web www.tyddynllwyn.com Open 1 March-31 October 2017 Touring pitches 153 Pitch+2+hook-up £21-£32



Tyddyn Llwyn is a hugely impressive site: it's featured in our Top 100 Sites Guide every year since 2012, and makes it as a finalist again for 2017. It just keeps getting better: it's set across 18 acres, and the facilities including all-weather touring pitches, park-wide Wi-Fi access (a charge applies), a licensed bar and grill and a secondhand book exchange - are some of the best that you will find in the country.

Walkers will be in their element with the many paths nearby, giving access to the glorious countryside. Attractions include the popular Ffestiniog and Welsh Highland Narrow Gauge Steam Railways, and the harbour town of Porthmadog.

#### You say...

- "The staff are always friendly, approachable and helpful. I camp on my own and I feel very welcome and safe at Tyddyn Llwyn. The fantastic facilities are always clean and tidy. I just love the place... and so does my dog!"
- 😘 Extremely well-set-out, clean and tidy. We waited three years for a seasonal pitch here. Our awning on the seasonal pitch kept collecting rain and collapsing; the warden kept an eye on it when we were not there, and even checked it in the early hours during a very rainy night, installing additional poles for support. That is what I call five-star service!"

# **Woodlands Devil's Bridge**







Address Devil's Bridge, Aberystwyth SY23 3JW Tel 01970 890 233 Web www.woodlandsdevilsbridge.co.uk Open 3 March-31 October 2017 Touring pitches 78 Pitch+2+hook-up £19-£23

#### We say...

Twelve miles from the bustling seaside town of Aberystwyth lies Woodlands Devil's Bridge, a beautifully maintained park with views of the Cambrian mountains. You don't need a tourer or tent to stay here, either: you can choose to bunk down in the fabulous camping pod, or in the self-catering cottage. No matter what your accommodation, you'll be able to visit the famous Devil's Bridge Falls, or take a trip on the Vale of Rheidol Narrow Gauge Railway, both of which are located quite close by.

That's not to say that there isn't plenty to keep you occupied at the site: thanks to the large tearoom, gift shop selling local products and a games room, you should never feel bored!

- "The setting is in glorious countryside: very peaceful, with excellent access to walking and the coast. The site staff were very friendly and efficient. All the facilities were immaculately clean and very easy to find, and the showers, laundry and washing-up facilities were the best I've seen."
- "Amazing washblock with the most fantastic showers, washing machine, dryer and outside drying area. There are plenty of things to do for the children. It's a very clean site with friendly staff. Just the best campsite we have been to."







# Tyddyn Isaf Camping & Caravan Park



Address Lligwy Bay, Dulas, Amlwch, Isle of Anglesey LL70 9PQ Tel 01248 410 203 Web www.tyddynisaf.co.uk Open 1 March-31 October 2017 Touring pitches 80 Pitch+2+hook-up £20-£33

#### We say...

Tyddyn Isaf takes this category win again for 2017: this is the third year in a row that the fantastic park has won our award. It's simply a fabulous place to pitch up if you're planning to stay on the beautiful Isle of Anglesey:



from the site you can see Lligwy Beach and Lliigwy Bay, and right across to Great Orme and the mountains of the Snowdonia National Park.

During your stay at the park you'll be amazed by the quality of the facilities: they're within 300 metres of all of the pitches, so you'll never have too far to walk. The pitches are predominantly grass; it's worth taking levelling ramps, too, because many are slightly sloping.

Other amenities to enjoy are the bar - which is open during the high season – a coffee shop, a children's play area, free Wi-Fi access, a motorhome service point, a pool table, a shop and much more. You can even order your favourite daily newspaper each morning!

- ${\it ``C}$  Immaculate, friendly, family-run site. Nothing is too much trouble for the owners and we are always well-looked-after. The site is huge and next to the beach."
- ${\it ```}$  We never tire of walking around this lovely site and woods, enjoying the wildlife they have encouraged here, often seeing rabbits, pheasants and numerous birds and butterflies. In short, it is the best site we have ever stayed at, and we enjoy it as much now, if not more, than we did when we first came here."
- " It's not overcrowded, even during high season. Wonderful views of Lligwy Bay. Probably the best caravan park that I have stayed at in the UK."









#### **Abererch Sands Holiday Centre**

Abererch Sands, Pwllheli, Gwynedd LL53 6PJ Tel: 01758 612327

Email: enquiries@abererch-sands.co.uk 2 miles east of Pwllheli. Two touring fields with hook ups and water taps, two tent fields with hook ups, located right on the beach. Wifi on site. Open from 1st March to 31st October. Prices max: £34 to min: £20. Bookings accepted.

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#### **Bron Derw Touring Caravan Park**

Bron Derw, Llanrwst, Conwy LL26 OYT Tel: 01492 640494

In Llanrwst turn off A470 into Parry Road (signposted Llanddoged) Travel along Parry Rd and turn left at T-junction. Entrance to caravan park on right at Black & White cottage, continue along driveway. Award winning and attractively landscaped touring caravan park with 20 multi serviced pitches and modern facilities. Situated on the outskirts of the market town of Llanrwst and 4 miles from Betws y Coed. An ideal base for exploring the North Wales Coast and the Snowdonia National Park, Wifi available, Open from 1st March to 31st October. Cost per night (based on two adults, plus unit) Max: £25.00 Min: 23.00. Bookings advisable. 4044PAR684

#### **Bron-Y-Wendon Touring Caravan Park** Wern Road, Llanddulas, Colwyn Bay,

North Wales LL22 8HG Tel: 01492 512903 Email:stay@northwales-holidays.co.uk Website:www.northwales-holidays.co.uk OPEN ALL YEAR ROUND. Excellent, modern facilities, easily reached from the A55. All 130 pitches have sea views, ideal base for seaside or touring. Internet access and WiFi are available on the park. There are a wide range of attractions and leisure opportunities nearby. Snowdonia, Anglesey, Llandudno, Conwy and Chester are all within easy reach. Please ask for our colour brochure or visit our

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#### Cenarth Falls Holiday Park

Cenarth, Newcastle Emlyn, Ceredigion SA38 9 IS

Tel: 01239710345 Outskirts of Cenarth on the A484. 12 acres with 89 caravan holiday homes. 2 acre touring/camping paddock with 29 shingle hard standing electric pitches. Wifi available. Open March to November. Prices: Max: £28 to Min: £18. Bookings advisable

#### **Dolgamedd Caravan Park**

Bontnewydd, Dolgellau, Gwynedd, North Wales LL40 2DG Tel: 01341 450221 Dolgamed is situated 3 miles from Dolgellau, just off the A494 towards Bala. At Bontnewydd take the B4416 signed Brithdir - continue over the bridge and we are immediately on the left. The Holiday Park itself is situated on the banks of the river Wnion, on 11 acres of level, sheltered land, now open in March, we also have a separate static Holiday Home complex with piped gas provided. Open from March to the 31st of October. Min £19, Bookings are accepted. ▜▀**₫₽₽₽**₽₽Ă▙ᢆᢆॿᠻᡧᢥ



#### **Emral Gardens Caravan Park**

Holly Bush, Bangor On Dee, Wrexham LL13 OBG Tel: 01948 770401 www.emralgardens.co.uk Email: info@emralgardens.co.uk 7 miles south of Wrexham off A525, pass Bangor-On-Dee 1.5 miles turn left at Brown Emral Signs.Go 1/4 mile, site on right hand side. Site set in beautiful rural farmland. A fantastic base to explore the Dee valley and North Wales. Adults only. Dates open 1st of March 2017 to 14th January 2018. Price from £20 to £30. Bookings advisable and online

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#### **Glyncorrwg Mountain Bike Centre**

Glyncorrwg Ponds Campsite, Ynyscorrwg Park, Glyncorrwg, Port Talbot SA13 3EA Tel: 01639851900 Email: glyncorrwgcampsite@hotmail.com From the M4 take J40 signposted for Cwmavan; this is the A4107. Once you reach Cymmer, take the turning left for Glyncorrwg. The Glyncorrwg Ponds are two miles up the valley on your left. The site can cater for twenty touring caravans with six generous flat pitches and hook up for six caravans. Open March to October 2017. Maximum £14 (£7 per night). Bookings accepted.

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#### **Home Farm Caravan Park**

Marianglas, Isle of Anglesey LL73 8PH Tel: 01248 410614 A5025 left at Moelfre roundabout, park 1/2 mile on left after church. 20 acres, landscaped touring and tenting area. Plus privately owned holiday homes 2017 dates open 31st of March - 31st of October Bookings accepted.

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#### **Hendre Mynach Touring & Camping Park**

Llanber Road, Barmouth, Gwynedd LL42 1YR Tel: 01341280262.

1 mile north of Barmouth on the A496. Approximately 14 acres with hard standing and grass pitches for touring caravans motorhomes & tents. Open from 01/03/17 to 09/01/2018. Cost per night (based on two adults, plus unit) Max: £39.00 Min: £19.00. Bookings acceptable and

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#### Kingsbridge Caravan Park

Camp Road, Lllanfaes, Beaumaris, Isle of Anglesey LL58 8LR Tel: 01248 490636 2 Miles past Beaumaris Castle, 14 acres, 2 new underfloor heated shower blocks, shop, swings, free WiFi at reception, 1 adults field, 2 family fields, 2 miles from sea. Open from 1st March to 31st October. Cost Per Night (based on two adults, plus unit) Max: £29.50 Min: £22.50. Bookings advisable

#### Irfon River Premier Leisure Park

Upper Chapel Road, Garth, Llangammarch Wells LD4 4BH Tel: 01792 391203 From Builth Wells follow signs for A483 in direction of Llandovery, passing through Cilmery. Turn left onto B4579. We are approx 10 mins from Builth. In the heart of Wales located in a serene riverside setting, amid quiet meadows and picturesque pastures and woodland with the spectacular Epynt moutains on the doorstep. Open from 1st feb to 2nd Jan. Cost per night min: £16.50. Bookings advisable.

### Glanllyn Lakeside Caravan & Camping

Bala, Gwynedd LL237SS Tel: 01678 540227

3 Miles South East of Bala town on A494, 16 acres level parkland on the shore of Bala lake with large shingle beach and launching area for sailing and canoeing. Open from March 20th to October 12th.

Cost per night (based on two adults, plus unit) range from £22 to £26.

Bookings accepted and advisable. 

#### **Lianberis Touring Park**

Glyn Rhonwy, Llanberis, North Wales 11554FI

Tel: 01286 870 700

From the North West along the M56 and A55 to Bangor and then the A4244. From the Midlands and the South of England, the A5 from Shrewsbury to Capel Curig then the A4086 is a scenic route. I Janheris Touring Park is located on the fringe of pretty Llanberis village, which nestles on the southern bank of Llvn Padarn and at the foot of Snowdon. The park provides high quality facilities, 35 hardstanding pitches and 19 super pitches Open from the 1st of March 2017 - 31st of October 2017. The cost per night would be £25.10 - £30.90

Bookings are advisable

#### **Premier Leisure Park**

Greenways of Gower, Oxwich, Gower, Swansea SA3 1LY Tel: 01792 39120. Leave M4 junction 42, into Swansea. Follow

signs for Gower, then South Gower. Through Kittle then right towards Penmaen, follow road to Oxwich turning on right. Follow road toward Owich castle then second on the right, Based on the beautiful South Gower coastline with glorious views over Oxwich and Three cliffs bay. Spacious fields and Platinum award toilet block. Dates open 1st April to 31st September. Cost per night min: £17.50 to max: £28. Bookings advisable.

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#### Riverside Caravan Park - Morris Leisure

Riverside Touring Park, Old Church Road Betws-y-coed, Conwy, North Wales LL24 OAL Tel: 01690 710310

Located in Betws-Y-Coed, close to the centre of the village. Situated on the junction of the A470/A5, the village has direct access from the north west via the M56 and A55 expressway. The A5 connects to the midlands and the motorways linking north Wales to the south of England. The five star 8 acre park is nestled alongside the river close to the shops, restaurants and pubs. The park provides high quality facilities, 60 touring pitches and 12 backpacking tent pitches. Open dates from 17/02/17 to 03/01/18. Cost per night min: £25.10 to max: £30.90. All bookings are advisable

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#### South Wales Touring Park Llwynifan Farm.

Llangennech, Llanelli, Carmarthenshire SA14 8AX

Tel: 01554 820420

Email: info@southwalescaravanpark.com M4 Junction 44 onto the A4138, in 1 1/2 miles, first roundabout turn right. after 425 yards turn left between two bungalows onto Farm Road. An adults only, 25 pitch site, all hard standing terraced with views. 10 serviced pitches, showers, toilets, washing facilities, laundry, gym and information point. Open from 24th of February to 31st of October. Price: Max £24 Minimum £14.00. Bookings advisable.

#### Tyn-Y-Mur Touring & Camping Park

Lon Garmon, Abersoch, Gwynedd LL53 7UL Tel: 01758 713 223 Visit: www.tyn-y-mur.co.uk

1.5 miles from Abersoch, turn right at Abersoch Land and Sea. Approximately 6 acre park, seasonal touring pitches, camping park with laundry and showering block. WiFi Available Park. David Bellamy award winning site, Open 1st March until 31st October Cost per night based on 2 adults, Max: £32, Min: £22 . Bookings necessary.

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#### **Tyddyn Du Touring Park**

Conwy Old Road, Penmaenmawr, North Wales LI34 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 £27 to Min £24. Bookings accepted and necessary.

#### Tyddyn Llwyn Caravan Park

Morfa Bychan Rd, Porthmadog, Gwynedd 1149 9UR Tel: 01766 512205

www.tyddynllwyn.com

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. Open from March to October. £21.00 - £35.50 per night. All pitches are now fully serviced. Bookings accepted and advised during high

#### Tynllwyn Caravan & Camping Park

Tynllwyn Caravan Park, Bryncrug, Tywyn, Gwynedd LL36 9RD Tel: 01654 710370 www.tynllwyncaravanpark.co.uk

E-mail: info@tynllwyncaravanpark.co.uk 2.5 miles north of Tywyn on A493 turn right onto B4405, then take first right down lane. Tynllwyn is a small family site offering good clean facilities, small site shop and children's play area. We have 6 luxury static caravans for hire and 2 touring & camping fields. Bookings: Advisable. No group bookings. Open 01/03 to 31/10.Price: £21 to £24

#### Woodlands Caravan Park

Devil's Bridge, Aberstwyth, Ceredigion SY23 3JW Tel: 01970 890233

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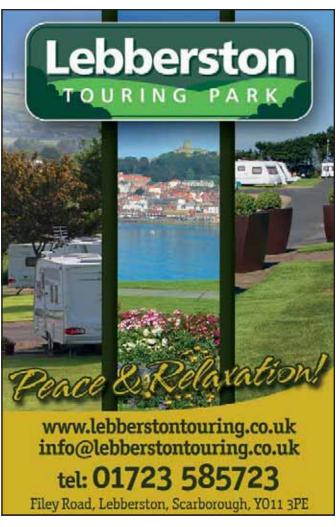
enquiries@woodlandsdevilsbridge.co.uk 12 miles east on A4120 from Abervstwyth 3 miles off A44 at Ponterwyd. A beautiful location in Mid Wales. Touring field with views of mountains and adjoining farmland for walks. Award winning shower and toilet amenities. Camping pods for hire. Pub and village within a 5 minutes walk. Open from 4th March until 31st October. Price: Max: £22 to Min: £14. Bookings advisable

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# North-East England

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Those who enjoy outdoor activities should make a beeline for both the North York Moors and the Northumberland National Parks: there are countless trails across both for them to enjoy. Families, meanwhile, will find everything they need for a traditional holiday at one of the region's fantastic seaside towns, including Scarborough, Whitby and Bridlington.

No matter where you tour in this fantastic region, stay at one of our Top 100 Sites and you'll be able to experience the very best that it has to offer.



#### **Akebar Park**

Address Leyburn, North Yorkshire DL8 5LY Tel 01677 450 201 Web www.akebarpark.com Open 1 March 2017-1 January 2018 Touring pitches 108 Pitch+2+hook-up £20-£24



#### We say...

Akebar Park in North Yorkshire was first developed as a holiday park in the 1970s; since then it has expanded to become one of the most popular sites in the region, and a regular in our *Top* 100 *Sites Guide*. It's also undergone extensive redevelopment over the past few years, with new additions and upgrades including the installation of Wi-Fi, the creation of a dog-exercise area, new electric hook-ups and much more besides. Other facilities that you'll find here are a shop stocking the basics, and a fantastic pub - The Friar's Head - at the entrance to the park. Keen golfers can also make use of the course and driving range right alongside the site.

- "This campsite had a lovely feel to it that we noticed as soon as we arrived. The staff were brilliant and the park was clean and tidy. It is also in a fantastic location for visiting surrounding landmarks."
- 🕻 In a beautiful area, so clean and well maintained with great facilities including golf courses and a driving range. The Friar's Head is a lovely pub that serves a variety of delicious meals. Real effort has been made and it shows."
- " It's clean and tidy and there are excellent catering facilities at The Friar's Head. The site's 18-hole golf course has reasonable fees and the new play area is very good."

### Blue Rose Caravan Country Park







Address Starcarr Lane, Brandesburton, East Yorkshire YO25 8RU Tel 07504 026 899/01964 543 366 Web www.bluerosepark.com Open All year

Touring pitches 59 Pitch+2+hook-up £20-£25

#### We say...

This adults-only, open-all-year site is less than 15 miles from Hull, which is celebrating its status as the UK City of Culture for 2017. As as result you'll find a huge number of events taking place there this year, as well as numerous good restaurants, pubs and shops.

Blue Rose offers 59 spacious touring pitches, all of which are set on the eastern half of the park; the western part is taken up by owner-occupied holiday caravans. The park has just won a Gold David Bellamy award for the 2016/2017 season, and you can certainly expect to see lots of wildlife here, including goldcrests, jays and even the occasional barn owl.

#### You say...

- "The site is well kept with an immaculate washblock and beautiful gardens. The owners go the extra mile to make you feel so welcome that you don't want to leave."
- Quiet, neat and friendly and features a dedicated dog area. The expansion plans are ambitious."
- The owners of this site are helpful and pleasant. The grounds are well kept with lovely flowerbeds. The site is well-maintained throughout, and is quiet and peaceful. The staff go out of their way to help if needed, and that's why I've put my tourer on a seasonal pitch here. We have been to other campsites, but this outshines all of them."



# **Fallowfield Dene**

Address Acomb, Hexham, Northumberland NE46 4RP Tel 01434 603 553 **Web** www.fallowfielddene.co.uk **Open** 10 March-28 October 2017 Touring pitches 23 Pitch+2+hook-up £18.50-£19.50

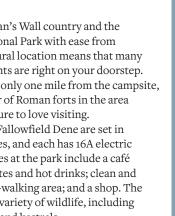


#### We say...

You can explore Hadrian's Wall country and the Northumberland National Park with ease from Fallowfield Dene; its rural location means that many of the county's highlights are right on your doorstep. Hadrian's Wall itself is only one mile from the campsite, and there are a number of Roman forts in the area that history buffs are sure to love visiting.

All of the pitches at Fallowfield Dene are set in beautiful wooded glades, and each has 16A electric hook-up. Other facilities at the park include a café serving snacks, light bites and hot drinks; clean and tidy washrooms; a dog-walking area; and a shop. The park is home to a wide variety of wildlife, including badgers, woodpeckers and kestrels.

- 🕻 It is always clean and tidy, no matter whether there are a few people on site or it is full. The wardens are lovely and will try to help you in any way that they can."
- ${\it ```}$  We love the friendliness and helpfulness of the staff, the beautiful surroundings, the high standard of cleanliness in the facilities, and the lovely atmosphere."
- We really appreciated the friendliness of the wardens, and the immaculate condition of the site. The safe adventure field was brilliant for children."





## **Jasmine Park**



Address Cross Lane, Snainton, North Yorkshire Y013 9BE Tel 01723 859 240 Web www.jasminepark.co.uk Open 1 March-5 November 2017 Touring pitches 64 Pitch+2+hook-up £27-£37

#### We say...

Caravans, motorhomes and tents are all made welcome at popular Jasmine Park, which is located between the towns of Scarborough and Pickering. If you fancy taking public transport to either, you'll find the bus stop for the number 128 route a three-quarter-mile walk from the site. Jasmine Park also has a number of luxury caravans available for hire, too.

Internet access is now available in most areas of the park; prices start at £2 per hour, or £5 for 24 hours. A licensed shop stocks basic groceries as well as touring accessories, and the modern washrooms are heated. If you want to explore the local area, be sure to visit the tourist-information section (behind the washblock), which should provide plenty of inspiration on places to visit.

#### You say...

- 44 A well-managed, beautifully maintained park, with clean facilities, a well-stocked shop for all your essentials and very friendly and helpful staff, who always treat you like a VIP! They were happy to help with suggestions of sights to see, and nothing was too much trouble. We will return!"
- "The campsite is exceptionally tidy and very well run. The staff are both friendly and very attentive. The shower block is always kept up to standard, even at busy times such as bank holidays."



# What to see in North-East England

# All year UK City of Culture 2017 Hull, East Riding of Yorkshire

Kingston-upon-Hull (pictured) was announced as the UK's City of Culture 2017 in 2013, and since then a vast number of events have been planned to celebrate. You can expect to see art, film, music, dance, theatre, performances, exhibitions and much more at various locations, all of which celebrate the city's people and its history. The events have been split into four seasons, with something different happening in each. Web www.hull2017.co.uk



#### 20-23 April 2017

#### Harrogate Spring Flower Show Harrogate, North Yorkshire

Get in the mood for gardening with a visit to the Harrogate Spring Flower Show. On display will be various show gardens to inspire you, a 'plant pavilion' hosting around 100 of the country's leading nurseries, a live cookery theatre and great shopping. Web www.flowershow.org.uk

#### 28-30 April 2017

#### Tour de Yorkshire

#### Various locations

Take the opportunity to see some of the world's greatest cyclists take on the hills and valleys of Yorkshire at this prestigious event. The first of the three stages begins on 28 April in Bridlington; the final stage finishes on 30 April in Sheffield. A women's race takes place on 29 April. Web http://letour.yorkshire.com/

#### 30 June-2 July 2017

#### The North-East Chilli Fest 2017

#### Seaton Sluice, Northumberland

Spice lovers will be in their element at the three-day North-East Chilli Fest: street food, live music, comedy and cabaret will all be available, plus - of course - plenty of opportunities to try and buy chilli products and dishes. Free parking is available, but to make a weekend of it, why not book a camping pitch? Web www.chillifest-ne.co.uk

# Naburn Lock Caravan Park, Naburn. York. Y019 4RU

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#### **High Moor Farm Park**

Skipton Road, Harrogate North Yorkshire HG3 2LT Tel: 01423563637 Email: highmoorfarmpark@btconnect.com High Moor Farm Park is 4 miles west A59 leaving Harrogate. Open from 31/03 to 31/10. Prices start from £22 per night. Bookings advisable

#### Flower of May Holiday Parks Ltd

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#### Langcliffe Park

Settle, North Yorkshire BD24 9LX Tel: 01729822387 1 Mile from Settle town centre off the B6479. Situated on the edge of the Yorkshire Dales, Langcliffe Park offers a well laid out and maintaned touring field for caravans, motorhomes and tents. Open from 1st March to 14th January. Cost per night (based on two adults, plus unit) Min: £20, Max: £31. Bookings accepted.

#### Naburn Lock Caravan Park, Naburn North Yorkshire YO19 4RU

Tel: 01904728697 www.naburnlock.co.uk Southside of York. At the interchange between A19 and A64. Take A19 heading for York for 200vds. Left on B1222 for Naburn through the village for 1 mile and the site is on the right. Close to the River Ouse, 4 miles from the centre of York. Bus & boat available to York. With a cycle track close by. Open 01/03. Prices from £20. Bookings advisable.

#### Overbrook Caravan Park

Malton Gate, Thornton Le Dale, Pickering, North Yorkshire YO18 7SE Tel: 01751 474417

3 miles east of Pickering just off A170. Hard standing touring pitches set within countryside surrounded by mature trees and shrubs, just for grown ups. Dates open from 01/03/2017 to 07/01/2018. Cost per night min: £18.00 to max: £27.00. Bookings necessary.

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#### Rawcliffe Manor Caravan Park

Village Street, York YO325TZ Tel: 01904 640845 email: enquiries@lysanderarms.co.uk We are situated 2-5 miles outside York city centre. Just off the A1237 North of York. We are a 13 pitch (super) urban site with grass and hard standing. We are adult only and are open all year round. WiFi on all pitches. Maximum price £25. Booking advisable

#### Robin Hood Caravan and Camping Park

Slingsby, Yorkshire YO62 4AP Tel: 01653 628 391 6 miles east of Malton, 8 Miles west of Helmsley, direct access from B1257 Fully serviced touring pitches with separate area for tents, family owned and run 2017 dates open from March 1st to 5th November. Max: £27 - Min: £22 per night Bookings are accepted

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#### **Proctors Stead Caravan & Camping Park**

Nr Craster, Alnwick Northumberland NE66 3TF Tel:01665 576613 www.proctorsstead.co.uk

Situated on coast approx 7 miles from Alnwick (A1) near fishing village of Craster &Dunstanburgh Castle, Small family run park of 3.5 acres. Level grass pitches. HS; EHU; Tents from £14; Caravan/MH/TT inc EHU from £18.

#### Vale of Pickering Caravan Park

Carr House Farm, Allerston, Pickering, North Yorkshire YO18 7PQ Tel: 01723 859280

1.25 miles off A170 Pickering to Scarborough Road. At village Allerston take the B1415 and head towards Yedingham and Malton. Follow road to left hand bend. Turn right into our park entrance. 15 acre family run and owned caravan park. Unisex family bathrooms. Immaculately kept award winning park. Five Star Park. Loo of the year- Platinum award. AA caravan park of the year overall winner for England, Wales and Scotaind. Open 6th March 2017 to 2nd January 2018. Max £30 to Min £14. Bookings accepted and advisable.

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#### **Robin Hood Caravan Park**



Address Green Dyke Lane, Slingsby, North Yorkshire Y062 4AP Tel 01653 628 391 **Web** www.robinhoodcaravanpark.co.uk **Open** 1 March-5 November 2017 Touring pitches 40 Pitch+2+hook-up £22-£27

#### We say...

The facilities at Robin Hood Caravan Park, situated 18 miles north-east of York, are of a really high standard, so you're sure to enjoy your stay: they include a shop for essentials, clean and modern centrally heated washrooms, and internet access on all hardstanding touring pitches and in all of the holiday caravans. Children, meanwhile, will love the treasure trail and the play area with swings, slides and more.

Note that you should take care when using a sat-nav to get to the park: guests should take the main entrance on the B1257 rather than that on Green Dyke Lane.

#### You say...

- " We love going to Robin Hood campsite: if we ask our granddaughters where they want to go camping, they always say "Robin Hood". The amenities are very clean and tidy. We also like the fact that single-sex groups are not allowed, so there's no worry about noise and bad behaviour. It's safe to let the children run about and play in the park; there are trails to go on, too, such as the scarecrow hunts. You can pretty much just relax and enjoy your time. We love it!"
- 🕊 It has a great layout for seasonal pitches, excellent facilities, and helpful, friendly owners. It caters for couples and families, and there's a lovely atmosphere on site."



# **Waren Caravan & Camping Park**



Address Waren Mill, Bamburgh, Northumberland NE70 7EE Tel 01668 214 366 Web www.meadowhead.co.uk/Waren-Home/ Open 10 March-28 October 2017 Touring pitches 140 Pitch+2+hook-up £12.50-£28 (2016 prices - 2017 prices N/A)





#### We say...

Waren Caravan & Camping Park is a fantastic place to stay if you're keen to explore Northumberland's beautiful coastline and its many attractions. Within easy reach of the park are the castles of Bamburgh, Alnwick and Chillingham, the Holy Island of Lindisfarne and the Farne Islands.

That's assuming you'll want to leave the park, because there's lots to keep you occupied here: facilities include a family restaurant and bar, an outdoor splash pool (open during the summer season), a children's play area, and a nature trail. Other more practical amenities include a licensed shop, heated washrooms and a launderette. If you don't have your own tourer, why not rent one of the luxurious wooden 'wigwams' that offer both comfort and tremendous views?

#### You sav...

- "This is a beautiful and varied site with friendly staff, who keep it clean and well-maintained. It's a beautiful area, too, with lots of things to see and do."
- $ilde{\omega}$  I have been coming here my whole life, and it is the greatest place on earth. The nature and scenery is breathtaking. The site is surrounded by trees, hills and fields and overlooks Budle Bay. There is plenty of wildlife; it has won many conservation awards."

# **Riverside Meadows Holiday Park**







Address Ure Bank Top, Ripon, North Yorkshire HG4 1JD Tel 01723 584 311 Web www.flowerofmay.com Open 24 March-28 October 2017 Touring pitches 10 Pitch+2+hook-up £24-£30

#### We say...

The Flower of May group owns and operates 10 holiday parks across Yorkshire, but one of the jewels in its crown is Riverside Meadows, which this year takes our North-East England category win. The site is located close to the



historic city of Ripon and in the heart of the Yorkshire Dales, so offers families and couples alike the opportunity to enjoy a really relaxing and entertaining break in this beautiful area of England.

So its location is first-rate, but that's also matched by the quality of its facilities, which are hugely impressive. For starters, you'll find a bar complex offering areas for families and adults-only; a games arcade and adventureplay area; a licensed mini-market; an attractive sun patio; a launderette; and much more besides.

Note that electric hook-up for tourers and tents is metered. Limited Wi-Fi is available for free, or you can opt to upgrade and pay for the Superfast service, which is available across the site.

- " The staff were very friendly and helpful, and the facilities are excellent - clean and modern. This is a stunning and beautifully maintained site."
- 🕻 It has a good location and is in a great area for getting about. The park, including showers and toilets, is well-kept. The clubhouse is excellent, with good entertainment, and the staff are friendly. We're looking forward to next year."
- Friendly, helpful staff, who obviously care greatly for the site and its visitors. The facilities are top-notch. It's a fantastic place that feels safe for all members of the family. Riverside Meadows is second-to-none."















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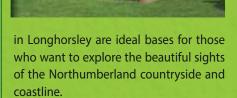




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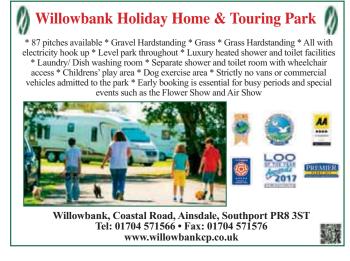
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# North-West England

ALTHOUGH IT COMPRISES the counties of Lancashire, Merseyside and Cumbria, the North-West England region is perhaps best known for the beautiful Lake District National Park, which makes up a large proportion of its most northerly area. It's traditionally been very popular with those who enjoy camping: many of the sites here offer glorious views of the lakes and their surrounding peaks, and there's always great opportunities for walking, no matter what your level of experience. For a real challenge, you can tackle Scafell Pike, the highest mountain in England.

Further south you'll find the wonderful coastline of Blackpool and its surrounds, which has long been the destination for those in search of a traditional family holiday, and the historic city of Liverpool - a must-visit for anyone interested in the music of the 1960s!



# **Castlerigg Hall Caravan & Camping Park**



Address Keswick, Cumbria CA12 4TE Tel 01768 774 499 Web www.castlerigg.co.uk Open 8 March-6 November 2017 Touring pitches 75 Pitch+2+hook-up £21-£31.75



## We say...

The touring pitches at Castlerigg Hall Caravan and Camping Park are mostly set on level ground, and many have great views of the surrounding Cumbrian landscape. There are no electric hook-up pitches for those in tents, but you'll find the camping area sheltered, and there's a good campers' kitchen. The site is dog-friendly - there's even a dog wash available!

The park is located around 1.5 miles from the bustling town of Keswick, and in close proximity to both Derwentwater and Bassenthwaite Lake. You won't need to leave the site to visit a restaurant, though: you'll find one in Castlerigg's grounds.

- \* The site is in the perfect location to tour the Lake District and on many of the pitches you get views that are second-to-none. The quality of the pitches and the grounds is excellent. The guest facilities are really nice and clean, and the restaurant and shop are superb. The staff are always helpful and friendly and offer advice about the local area."
- We love the site and have been coming here for 10 years. The staff are very friendly and helpful, and the amenities are immaculate. The shop and restaurant are great and the views are lovely; it's also only a 30-minute walk to the most beautiful town in the Lake District [Keswick]."



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# **Hillcroft Park**



Address Roe Head Lane, Pooley Bridge, Penrith CA10 2LT Tel 01768 486 363 **Web** www.hillcroftpark.co.uk **Open** 1 March 2017-6 January 2018 Touring pitches 64 Pitch+2+hook-up £20-£33



There has been a host of upgrades to Hillcroft Park over the past 12 months; a new toilet block and 16 additional pitches are all due to arrive during the 2017 season. Even without these changes, the facilities at Hillcroft are impressive: they include a children's play area, nature walks, a small shop and free showers.

The site is attractively landscaped, and you can even hire the park's Renault Twizy to allow you to get out and about in the local area with ease! There's a huge amount to see in the vicinity, too, including the pretty town of Pooley Bridge, and the shores of nearby Ullswater.

# You say...

- " It's very clean, quiet and incredibly family-friendly. It's easy to book online, on the phone and in person. The staff are super-friendly. The amenities are good and I liked the ice freezer. The pods were amazing. We will be booking again as soon as possible."
- "The staff were very helpful and friendly, and the toilets and showers spotless. There's a play park for children and good-sized camping pitches. It's just a lovely family site."
- Well laid out neat and tidy. The staff seem friendly and nothing was too much trouble. The site is located on the fringe of a beautiful village and seems to engage well with local residents, frequently running events and so on."

# The Quiet Site



Address Ullswater, Penrith, Cumbria CA11 OLS Tel 07768 727 016 Web www.thequietsite.co.uk Open All year Touring pitches 70 Pitch+2+hook-up £16-£40

## We say...

Given its name, you won't be surprised to find that The Quiet Site prides itself on the peaceful and relaxing stay that it can offer its guests, no matter whether they stay in their own tourer, a tent, one of the camping pods or the self-catering holiday cottages. The facilities are of a high standard, too, and consist of a well-stocked shop, a bar with log fire, solar-powered washrooms, flat pitches, a motorhome service point and a secure bike storage area.

The site is perfectly situated for you to explore the Lake District, and Ullswater in particular, which is just a short distance away. A bus stop is located one mile from the park, from where you can travel to Keswick, Glenridding and more.

- "Clean, friendly and with excellent facilities, this campsite is the best we have stayed at. The contribution it makes to preserving the environment is also excellent. It is very good value-for-money and the pods make an excellent alternative to pitching a tent, but still retain all of the great things about camping. Absolutely loved it."
- "It's a wonderful site run by great people. They opened the pub for us when it wouldn't normally open! The pub was amazing and had great character inside. Can't wait to go back."



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# **Greaves Farm Caravan Park**

Field Broughton, Grange-over-Sands, Cumbria LA11 6HR

Tel: 01539 536587

Email: info@greavesfarmcaravanpark.co.uk www.greavesfarmcarayanpark.co.uk. Leave M6, Junction 36, follow A590 Barrow in-Furness, just before Newby Bridge. Take left turn to Cartmel/Holker. Site 2M on left. Small, quiet family-run park. 4 acre field, 20 level grass pitches and hard standings with 6 amp hook-ups. Ideal for South Lakes and Cartmel. Open from mid March to the end of October. Praices: minimum £18 to maximum £20. Bookings necessary.

#### Hill Of Oaks & Blake Holme Caravan Estate

Hill of Oaks Park, Newby Bridge, Windermere, Cumbria LA23 3PJ Tel: 01539531578

Exit J36 M6, head west at A590 to Barrow. At A592 roundabout turn right - 3 miles on left side. Exclusive lake frontage at Lake Windermere, touring caravans, holiday homes, self catering pods/lodges/apartments. Boat landing and pier access. Water bus in the high season to Lakeside.

Open from March to November. Bookings accepted and advisable.  Hillcroft Park

Pooley Bridge, Ullswater, Cumbria. CA10 2LT Tel: 01768 486363 Email: info@hillcroftpark.co.uk 6 miles south west of Penrith Hire fleet, pods, two/three camping/touring fields, wifi available to purchase. We offer a disabled/family bath/shower room. Pet friendly site, facilities for cycle/electric car hire. Fishing facilities within three miles, pony trekking within 3 miles. Canoeing and Kayaking facilities within 3 miles of the park Online booking facility available.

2017 dates open: 1st March - 15th November 2017 £20 min per night - £33 max per night

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# **Moorlands Caravan Park**

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# Park Foot Caravan & Camping Park - Park

Park Foot Caravan & Camping Park, Howtown Road, Pooley Bridge, Penrith, Cumbria CA10 2NA

Tel: 01768 486309

Email: holidays@parkfootullswater.com.uk Directions to Park Foot- From M6 leave at Junction 40 onto A66 Keswick. At next roundahout take A592 to Ullswater. At the T Junction turn left for Pooley Bridge and then right at church and right at crossroads onto Howtown Road. We are 1 mile from Pooley Bridge on the left. Park Foot Holiday Park is situated beside the Lake Ullswater and in the ideal base for exploring the beautiful lake district. We offer pitches for tents, caravans and motor homes with or without electric and have self catering Houses and Lodges. We are open from March to Bonfire weekend and all year for self catering. Prices per night are £14-£29 (2 people 1 car and 1 tent), £22,00-£39.50 (for 2 people, car caravan or motor home with electric).

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#### The Quiet Site

Ullswater, Lake District, Cumbria CA11 OLD Tel: 07894160211

M6 J40 A66 for Keswick. A592 for Ullswater. Turn right at lake. Turn right at Brackenrigg inn site after 1.5 miles on right. Overlooking Ullswater. Serviced pitches, free showers & bathrooms. Probably the best campsite bar in Britain. Green tourism Gold 2017. Open all year. Cost per night min: £16 to max: £40. Bookings accepted and advisable

# Ullswater Holiday Park

Watermillock, Penrith, Cumbria CA11 OLR Tel: 017684 86666

From M6 junc 40 take A592 to Ullswater. Reach Lakeside Road after 5 miles turn right. 2 miles later turn right at tel box signposted Watermillock church, park is 1/2 mile up the road. Our park is ideally situated for exploring the lakes 13 acres of open space with over 100 camping pitches, 60 touring pitches fully serviced, static homes to rent & for sale & holiday cottages.

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# Waters Edge Caravan Park Ltd

Waters Edge Caravan Park, Crooklands, Nr Kendal, Cumbria LA7 7NN Tel- 015395 67708

Visit: www.watersedgecaravanpark.co.uk Email: stay@watersedgecaravanpark.co.uk 1 mile from junction 36 off M6 ON A65 at Crooklands. 3 acres of hard standing and grass, between a river and canal feeder in a small valley. Open from 1st of March to Mid-November, Prices including electric Maximum: £26-£95 Minimum: £16-£95. Bookings accepted.

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#### Waterfoot Caravan Park - Lake District Estate

Waterfoot Park, Pooeley Bridge, Cumbria CA11 OLL

Tel: 017684 86302 www.waterfootpark.co.uk

J-40 on M6 head west along A66, turn left onto A592 for 3 miles- entrance on the right side. Located in the Lake District National Park, in the ground of Georgian mansion overlooking Ullswater. Touring, self catering, wigwams and holiday homes, walking and water activities and cycling.

Open from March, Cost based on two adults maximum: £28 to minimum: £15. Bookings accepted.

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# Woodclose Caravan Park- Lake District

Woodclose Park, Kirkby Lonsdale, Cumbria LA6 2SF

Tel: 01524 271597 www.woodclosepark.com

6 miles from A65 junction B6 m6, 14 miles from J34 via A683/A63. Award winning site, touring, self catering wigwams, holiday homes, cycle hire, walking distance to Kirkby Lonsdale, has restaurants and is set within nine acres.

Open from 1st of March to October 31st.

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#### Willowbank Holiday Home & Touring Park

Willowbank Holiday Park, Coastal Road, Ainsdale, Southport, Lancashire PR8 3ST Tel: 01704 571566

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# **Waterfoot Park**







Address Pooley Bridge, Ullswater, Cumbria CA11 OJF Tel 01768 486 302 Web www.waterfootpark.co.uk Open 1 March-14 November 2017 Touring pitches 32 Pitch+2+hook-up £21-£30





Fancy exploring the Ullswater region of the stunning Lake District? Waterfoot Park makes a great base from which to do so: it's located in the Ullswater Valley, and is only a 10-minute walk from the picturesque village of Pooley Bridge. Walkers will be in their element here, with some of the country's most beautiful paths passing close by; cyclists will also find a variety of attractive local routes for them to choose from.

At the heart of Waterfoot Park is the Mansion House, where you'll find the bar, tourist-information area, coffee lounge and more. Over on the touring part of the site there's the reception and a shop. A large children's playing field also features at Waterfoot, and there are four 'wigwams' if you fancy staying in accommodation that's a little different!

## You say...

- "The park is well-laid-out and in a great location. It's really well-maintained and the staff were extremely courteous and helpful. We had two great nights in one of the wigwam pods, which were very comfortable."
- "The staff were really friendly and helpful, the facilities were good and the location is lovely."
- **&** Excellent, friendly staff, beautiful site and location, and easy access to all of the Lake District."

# What to see in North-West England

Why not take a trip to one of these great events while you're staying at a Top 100 site?

# **29 April-1 May 2017** Cumberland Sausage Festival

Muncaster Castle, Ravenglass, Cumbria

As well as tasting and buying the traditional Cumberland sausage, you'll also find producers of other local food and drink here, and there are plenty of gifts for you to browse. Normal castle entry fees apply, and give you free access to the festival. Web www.muncaster.co.uk

# 12-13 August 2017

# Blackpool Air Show

Tower Festival Headland, Blackpool, Lancashire Enjoy a fantastic family day out at the annual Blackpool Air Show - it's absolutely free to watch, too! You'll be able to see a wide variety of aircraft, from vintage classics to modern super-planes, and even brave wing-walkers. Web www.visitblackpool.com

# 23-29 August 2017

# International Beatleweek Festival

Various locations, Liverpool (pictured)

There will be even more music lovers heading for Liverpool than normal this August, due to the International Beatleweek Festival, which takes place at a number of great venues in the historic city. Beatles tribute acts make a large proportion of the line-up, but there will be many other fantastic bands playing during the week, covering a wide range of 1960s music. Web www.internationalbeatleweek.com

# 14 September 2017

# Westmorland County Show

Westmorland County Showground, near Kendal

The annual Westmorland County Show is one of the largest one-day shows in the country, and each year attracts more than 30,000 visitors. It's firmly based around agriculture, with judging taking place on many varieties of livestock including sheep, alpacas, heavy horses and poultry; there are also more than 350 trade stands to browse, featuring local crafts, food and drink. Web www.westmorlandshow.co.uk





# Park Cliffe Camping & Caravan Estate



Address Birks Road, Windermere, Cumbria LA23 3PG Tel 01539 531 344 Web www.parkcliffe.co.uk Open 1 March-12 November 2017 Touring pitches 64 Pitch+2+hook-up £27-£35

# We say...

This outstanding site has taken our North-West Regional Winner award for three consecutive years now, and with good reason: the facilities here are fantastic, and many of you told us that you return time and again.



There's plenty to keep guests of all ages occupied during their stay - from the wonderful children's play area, to the bar and restaurant serving good food - but it's also a tremendously peaceful place, with plenty of wildlife attracted by the park's decision to leave its grounds as natural as possible. While you're staying, keep an eye out for buzzards, deer, swallows and more – as well as Chester, the site's tabby cat!

With Windermere right on your doorstep, there's plenty to entertain you in the nearby area, too. Highlights of this beautiful region include the Gummer How Viewpoint, the market town of Kendal and the outdoor activity centre at Rookin House.

- " Fantastic bar and restaurant with amazing food. This is without a shadow of a doubt the best campsite that I have stayed at in the UK. For me it is a fivestar campsite and its location makes a perfect base to explore the beautiful Lake District."
- " Beautiful views, a spotless site and great toilet and shower facilities – the best I've seen! The restaurant food was very good, too."
- Wery pretty location and the site was well-run. Always lots of friendly staff available to answer any questions and give advice. The restaurant looked very nice."

















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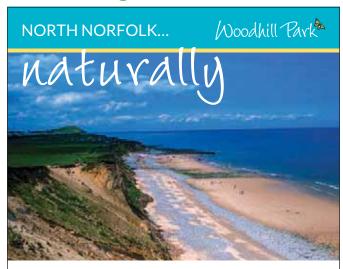
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# Eastern England

THERE ARE 12 fantastic sites in our Eastern England section this year, and they cover a wide part of this attractive region - so no matter which you choose to stay at, you're sure to find something nearby of interest!

There are the famous Broads of Norfolk for starters - you can really get back to nature by hiring a boat to explore them fully - as well as the historic city of Norwich, with its handsome cathedral. Suffolk, meanwhile, offers plenty to see and do, including the towns of Bury St Edmunds, Ipswich and Lowestoft. The Lincolnshire Wolds are another firm favourite among visitors to this region, while the county of Essex offers some stunning countryside and pretty village architecture. If you're a beach-lover you'll be spoiled for choice here, too: the region has a really long coastline, and Skegness is just one of the many highlights.



# **Colchester Camping and Caravan Park**



Address Cymbeline Way, Colchester, Essex CO3 4AG Tel 01206 545 551 Web http://colchesterholidaypark.com Open All year Touring pitches 145 Pitch+2+hook-up £15-£22



## We say...

There is a variety of pitches for you to choose from at Colchester Camping and Caravan Park, depending on the facilities that you need: there are hardstandings and grass pitches with electric hook-up, as well as a number of fully serviced pitches. If you've forgotten something important, you're sure to find the camping and caravan accessories shop useful; it also stocks Calor Gas.

Colchester is Britain's oldest recorded town, and there are plenty of historic monuments and attractions to visit in the local area. Nearby Clacton-on-Sea and Mersea Island are popular places to visit, too.

- "The staff were incredibly friendly and went out of their way to make our stay as comfortable as possible, tailoring it to our needs. The facilities were spotless and we had everything we needed. We couldn't ask for more."
- We loved the cleanliness and the well-spaced pitches are fantastic. The staff are all very helpful and friendly. Our whole stay represented really great value-for-money. It's a fantastic location for touring"
- \*\* The well-cared-for site and facilities and the customer service are superb. The pitches are well-laid-out and have enough distance between them to afford an appropriate degree of privacy."

# Eastview Caravan Park



Address Trunch Lane, Chapel St Leonards, Skegness PE24 5UA Tel 01754 875 324 Web www.eastviewcaravans.co.uk Open 1 March-31 October 2017 Touring pitches 42 Pitch+2+hook-up £19-£26



# We say...

Just off the A52, and close to the attractive village of Chapel St Leonards, is popular Eastview Caravan Park; it's within easy reach of the bustling resort of Skegness, and is therefore ideal for families looking for somewhere to enjoy a traditional seaside holiday. Keeping youngsters entertained is no problem thanks to the proximity of both the Fantasy Island adventure park and Natureland Seal Sanctuary.

Back on site you'll find touring and tent pitches, as well as two- and three-berth static caravans for hire. Amenities at the park include a small shop stocking the basics, Wi-Fi (for a charge), heated washrooms and a snack vending machine.

# You say...

- We really appreciated the professionalism of all the staff and the contact over 24 hours; nothing was too much trouble. The facilities are 100%. The site's location must be one of the best in the area – quiet, but not too far from the nightlife should you want that sort of entertainment."
- "The friendly, polite staff are helpful and approachable. The toilets and shower blocks are spotlessly clean. I would recommend this site to all my friends and family. The lady on reception has a welcome for everyone. The groundsman is always willing to help, too."

# Fen Farm Caravan Site







Address Moore Lane, Colchester, Essex CO5 8FE Tel 01206 383 275 Web www.fenfarm.co.uk Open 17 March-28 October 2017 Touring pitches 65 Pitch+2+hook-up £19-£35

## We say...

Fen Farm Caravan Site has a fascinating history that stretches back almost a century; it's expanded hugely over the decades, but still makes for a fantastic place to stay in the glorious Essex countryside. With Cudmore Grove Country Park close by, it will be particularly attractive to those who enjoy wildlife-watching.

Fen Farm isn't an all-singing, all-dancing site there's no swimming pool or clubhouse – but it's ideal for spending a few days away in the peace and quiet. There are still plenty of play facilities for children to enjoy, and there's an information point if you need some inspiration on what to do in the local area.

- " I've been coming to Fen Farm since I was six-weeks old and now I'm 50. The site holds precious memories for me and my family. The people are helpful and approachable, and look after the site to the highest standard. I have watched this place grow into what it is now: a friendly, tidy and most of all happy environment for children of all ages."
- ${\ }^{\ }$  The facilities are spotless, the friendly wardens are always on hand and the site is clean and tidy. There is a pub within walking distance that does fantastic food. It's a relaxing place, with great walks along the beach it's like a little piece of heaven."





# **Highfield Farm Touring Park**







Address Long Road, Comberton, Cambridge CB23 7DG Tel 01223 262 308 **Web** www.highfieldfarmtouringpark.co.uk **Open** 31 March-31 October 2017 Touring pitches 120 Pitch+2+hook-up £20.50-£26



# We say...

Highfield Farm Touring Park is a family-run site that's set in eight acres of beautiful Cambridgeshire countryside; it's made numerous appearances in our Top 100 Sites Guide over the years, and does so again for 2017. Great pride is taken in the superb maintenance of the site and the quality of the facilities, which include spotless washrooms, a fully equipped laundry, 10A electric hook-up points, a motorhome service point and a dog-exercise area. The floral displays are stunning during the summer months, too.

The touring park is ideally placed for exploring the many attractions of the local area, which include the fantastic Duxford Imperial War Museum. It's possible to catch the 119 bus into Cambridge, if leaving your car or motorhome on site appeals.

# You say...

- Wery friendly and helpful owners, and this is a neat and tidy site. We are always happy to stay here and are treated like old friends. The pets enjoy the dog walk, and our grandchildren love the open space to play in."
- "In lovely countryside, and in easy reach of Cambridge."
- Wery friendly owners, and lots of space. The toilets and showers here are sparkling. We always stay here at the beginning and the end of our holiday."

# **Long Acres Touring Park**







Address Station Road, Old Leake, Boston, Lincolnshire PE22 9RF Tel 01205 871 555 **Web** www.long-acres.co.uk **Open** 1 March 2017-8 January 2018 Touring pitches 40 Pitch+2+hook-up £18-£26

## We say...

Long Acres is a fantastic touring park that's only open to adults: it offers a great opportunity to escape the hustle and bustle of everyday life and unwind. It's situated a few miles from the historic market town of Boston in Lincolnshire, which has some great restaurants and pubs for visitors to enjoy.

There are 40 pitches at Long Acres, all of which have 10A electric hook-up; a dedicated service point will also be appreciated by those visiting in their motorhome. Dog owners will enjoy taking their pet for a walk in the area set aside for the purpose, and free dog-waste bags are available, too. The washrooms are modern and heated, and there are also indoor dishwashing facilities.

- <sup>46</sup> A lovely, clean, quiet site run by friendly people. There's lots of wildlife and birdlife to see. It offers a really restful break. John and Tracey are always ready to help if necessary, and are always tending to the site."
- "The site is well run by John and Tracey Plant. They always take the time to check all is okay with everyone. It is a very clean, quiet, well-cared-for and nature-friendly campsite."
- " It's so peaceful here, the facilities are spotless and the owners are helpful and friendly. There is lots to do in and around Lincolnshire."



# Petwood Caravan Park





Address Stixwould Road, Woodhall Spa, Lincolnshire LN10 6QH Tel 01526 354 799 Web www.petwoodcaravanpark.com Open 17 March-15 October 2017 Touring pitches 98 Pitch+2+hook-up £21-£25



# We say...

The pretty village of Woodhall Spa is just over five minutes' walk from Petwood Caravan Park, and it's a fantastic place to spend time: there are a couple of good golf courses to enjoy, as well the famous Kinema in the Woods. You'll find a heated outdoor swimming pool alongside the campsite, too.

Back at Petwood there are 98 touring pitches for tents and tourers, all of which have 16A electric hook-up points; a choice of grass or hardstanding is available. Other amenities here include a pair of tidy washrooms, laundry facilities, a shop at reception that sells the basics, a dog-walking area, a lending library and a motorhome service point.

# You say...

- "This is a very pretty site, with large pitches, but what was fantastic were the toilet blocks. These are by far the best of any toilet blocks we have seen at a campsite. They are immaculate, modern and very pretty buildings. The wardens are very friendly and helpful, too!"
- Very clean facilities and lovely, well-kept grounds. Friendly and helpful staff. Good family atmosphere and plenty of local attractions."
- Wery well-run and kept. Two spotlessly kept shower and toilet blocks. Well sited for all amenities in Woodhall Spa."

# **Run Cottage Touring Park**







Address Alderton Road, Hollesley, Woodbridge IP12 3RQ Tel 01394 411 309 Web www.runcottage.co.uk Open All year Touring pitches 45 Pitch+2+hook-up £18-£20

## We say...

Last year's Eastern England Regional Winner makes it through as a finalist again for 2017; it continues to offer superb facilities, a warm welcome and, of course, a great location, situated as it is on Suffolk's beautiful Heritage Coast. It's within easy reach of Felixstowe, so makes an ideal base if you're planning a visit to the latter, or simply want to explore all of this beautiful region.

The open-all-year site has 45 pitches, 14 of which are hardstanding; the electric hook-ups are 10A. The pitches are set on five acres of land, and there are attractive views across the surrounding open farmland. Among the other amenities here are a tourist-information point, a washing-up area, a dog-exercise area and more. Luxury glamping pods are also available for hire.

- " It is a very quiet site with no children running around. The location is in a beautiful part of Hollesley, next to a natural stream with all the wildlife that such a setting would attract. Run Cottage is exceptionally clean and well-presented."
- \*\* The whole site is kept to a very high standard; as we drove onto the park we knew we had picked well. The cleanliness of the site and facilities was first-class. The people were friendly and helpful: just what you need when you arrive."





# Stroud Hill Park







Address Fen Road, Huntingdon, Cambridgeshire PE28 3DE Tel 01487 741 333 Web www.stroudhillpark.co.uk Open All year Touring pitches 60 Pitch+2+hook-up £25-£27



# We say...

Those touring without children are sure to enjoy the peace and quiet of the adults-only Stroud Hill Park, which is located on the edge of a 150-acre family farm. The emphasis is firmly on environmental conservation, and as a result you'll find an amazing variety of wildlife attracted here: it's ideal for birdwatchers.

The site's Barn Restaurant is open from Thursdays to Sundays, and there's also a bar where you can relax with a drink. An 18-hole pay-and-play golf course is available close by. Helpfully, your arrival at the site can be any time after 9am, and you can depart until the late afternoon. Free Wi-Fi is also available on most pitches.

# You say...

- \*\* The serviced pitches were well situated, with lots of space behind the caravan on grass verges. Toilets and showers were excellent and the restaurant was superb."
- "Tranquil, with wonderful views from the pitches. Great facilities, an amazing restaurant, superb walks and it's dog-friendly, including the restaurant – all in all, perfect!"
- "The site is well-maintained. Pitches are of a good size. Toilet and shower facilities are fantastic. There are lovely walks close by and a very good restaurant that serves tasty food and is dog-friendly. The wardens, Jools and Dee, are very friendly and could not do enough for you."

# **Waldegraves Holiday Park**







Address Waldegraves Lane, West Mersea, Colchester, Essex CO5 8SE Tel 01206 382 898 Web www.waldegraves.co.uk Open 1 March-30 November 2017 Touring pitches 100 Pitch+2+hook-up £20-£35

## We say...

Touring with children in the East of England? Take a look at Waldegraves Holiday Park, a fantastic full-facility site that's situated on picturesque Mersea Island. Those with a tourer or tent are very welcome here, as are those who would prefer to rent one of the comfortable holiday caravans. Everyone who chooses to stay at the park can make use of the tremendous range of facilities, which should keep each member of the family happy and occupied: there are live shows and entertainment to enjoy, in addition to four fishing lakes, a crazy-golf course, a boating lake and a 'FootGolf' facility. Those on the touring or camping pitches, meanwhile, will appreciate the pair of spotless washrooms and shop.

- What impressed me the most was the amount of things there are to do: the swimming pool, arcade, restaurant and the parks. I really enjoyed being so close to the beach - only a two-minute walk and you're right there. The park was also very clean and tidy, which was nice!"
- "This is a great site and we have been twice. The children loved the entertainment, the food was fabulous (we went half-board), and the caravan was well-maintained, as is the whole site. The staff are very friendly; we're looking to go again this year."





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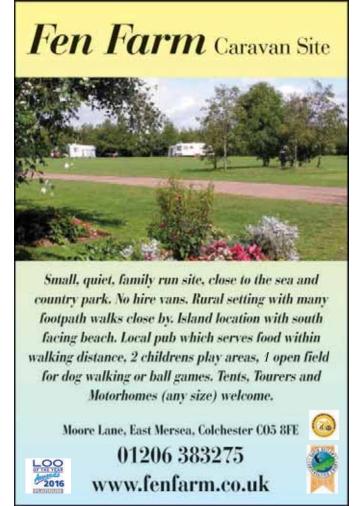






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# **Walnut Lakes Caravan Park**







Address Station Road, Algarkirk, Boston, Lincolnshire PE20 2LQ Tel 01205 460 482 Web www.walnutlakes.co.uk Open 1 March-31 October 2017 **Touring pitches** 15 **Pitch+2+hook-up** £14 (excl plug & pay electric meter)



# We say...

The adults-only Walnut Lakes Caravan Park gets its name from the pair of pretty fishing lakes that you'll find here: keen anglers can fish for carp, roach, bream and more during their stay. If that doesn't appeal you can simply relax in your outfit and enjoy the wonderful views and sunsets that are allowed by the flat landscape of the surrounding area. Family or friends who don't have their own motorhome or caravan can choose to stay in the comfortable two-bedroom lodges that are available for hire.

The surrounding fenland attracts plenty of wildlife, so this site makes an excellent base for birdwatchers and others who love what nature has to offer. The towns of Skegness, Kings Lynn and Spalding are also within easy driving distance.

## You say...

"This is a friendly site with the owners always on hand to help. Showers are clean and free. There's no extra fee for awnings or dogs and there's a nice long dog walk on site. The site is always tidy, has level pitches and two fishing lakes. Electricity is on pay-as-you-go card meters, but we feel this is a fairer way to pay. Less than a five-minute walk away are a 24-hour shop and garage. Even though it is near the busy A17, the traffic noise is not a problem."

# **Woodhall Country Park**







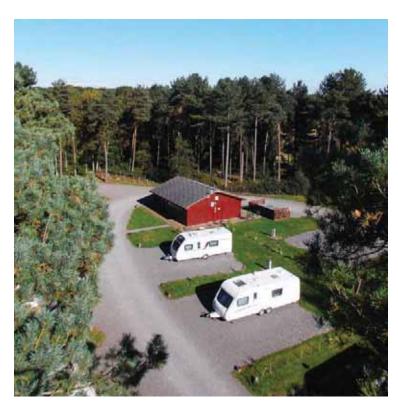
Address Stixwould Road, Woodhall Spa, Lincolnshire LN10 6UJ Tel 01526 353 710 Web www.woodhallcountrypark.co.uk Open 1 March-30 November 2017 Touring pitches 110 Pitch+2+hook-up £22-£26

## We say...

Woodhall Country Park was designed in conjunction with Natural England, and it's a wonderful place for lovers of the great outdoors to visit: paths link up pretty meadows and ponds, and a wide variety of wildlife is attracted to the area. A pair of bird hides allow you to watch the fauna in peace and quiet.

The park is set within woodland and has more than 100 pitches to choose from, including serviced and fully serviced; camping pods and Sky pods (wooden units) are available for hire if you fancy a little more luxury than your tent can offer! There's a trio of fishing lakes for guests to make use of (for a fee), and bikes can be rented, too. Right alongside the site is The Village Limits pub, which offers good food and drink.

- " It's in beautiful countryside, well laid out, with fully serviced pitches, excellent staff and a short walk through the woods to lovely Woodhall Spa."
- " The site facilities are always spotlessly clean, with plenty of hot water. Also the staff are friendly and very welcoming."
- "It has large serviced pitches, clean toilet and shower blocks, and fishing lakes with plenty of wildlife. It's an easy walk to Woodhall Spa where there are shops and plenty of eateries, including a Budgens supermarket for basic needs."



# **Old Brick Kilns Caravan & Camping Park**



Address Little Barney Lane, Barney, Fakenham NR21 ONL Tel 01328 878 305 Web www.old-brick-kilns.co.uk Open 17 March 2017-2 January 2018 Touring pitches 65 Pitch+2+hook-up £17-£23

# We say...

Our East of England regional winner for 2017 - Old Brick Kilns Caravan & Camping Park – is a good-sized site, but never feels too large: it covers 13 acres of land, and the 65 pitches are well-spaced so you'll never feel hemmed-in



either. You can choose to stay within the adults-only section if you'd prefer, or Heydon's Meadow, which is open to Caravan Club members only: the latter has five luxury pitches, each offering its own picnic bench and sited within its own wooded area.

No matter where you stay, you'll be able to make use of the fantastic facilities here, which include a small fishing lake, a games and television room, a licensed shop, Wi-Fi available on all pitches and much more. You can also choose to have a good meal or enjoy a drink at the wonderful Barney's Restaurant and Bar, which is open part of the week from Easter onwards; a takeaway service is available. Don't miss the Wednesday fish-and-chip night, too!

- " In a quiet location, ideally situated between Holt and Fakenham, giving quick and easy access to the north Norfolk Coast, and Norfolk in general."
- " I was very impressed by the spotless toilets and showers;  $everything\ else\ on\ the\ site\ was\ first-class,\ too.\ I\ have\ been$ caravanning for 40 years and can truly say this is the best site we have stayed on. Cannot wait to return."
- **66** Beautiful site with excellent amenities, the staff are so friendly and they serve great meals in Barney's Restaurant. We have being coming here for seven years, and it has really improved its standards over that period of time."









Fen Road, Pidley PE28 3DE

A beautiful, peaceful, adults only touring site set in Pidley, Cambridgeshire.

- · Open all year round
- · Excellent on-site facilities
- . Award winning restaurant at the heart of the park
- 3 acre fishing lake on-site, with many local attractions nearby
- Chosen by the Best of British Competition winner as the place





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# **Ashby Park**

Furze Hills, West Ashby, Horncastle, Lincolnshire LN9 5PP Tel: 01507 527966 Email: ashbypark@btconnect.com 1 1/2 miles north of Horncastle between the A153 and A158. 70 acres in Lincolnshire Wolds, 7 lakes wooded areas, 3 heated toilet blocks, laundry room, super pitches and hardstanding. Tourist board 4 star, David Bellamy Gold 17 years. Open from 24th February to 3rd December. Cost per night Min: £23.5, Max: £33.

Bookings accepted and advisable.

#### **Beeston Regis Holiday Park** Cromer Road, West Runton,

Norfolk NR27 9QZ

Tel: 01263823614 Email: info@beestonregis.co.uk Nestled between Cromer & Sheringham on the Norfolk coast, 1 mile from Sheringham on the A149. Presigious park is set in 62 acres on the North Norfolk Coast. Brilliant views from the clifftop park, 280 statics, 12 lodges and 41 touring pitches. Open 24 March to 31 October. £20 to £35 per night. Bookings advisable

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#### The Old Brick Kilns Little Barney Lane, Barney, Fakenham,

Norfolk NR21 ONL Tel: 01328 878305 Email: nguiries@old-brick-kilns.co.uk www.old-brick-kilns.co.uk Old Brick Kilns is set in 13 acres of parkland, in North Norfolk, just 9 miles from the coast. It is a 5 star site with 60 spacious, all-weather pitches and first class facilities including a small fishing lake, a shop, restaurant and bar on site

Open from 17/03/2017 to 02/01/2018 Cost per night: Min: £17, Max: £27.

Bookings advisable. **印の**東部のP
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#### Fen Farm Caravan Site Moore Lane, East Mersea, Colchester,

Essex CO5 8FE Tel: 01206 383275. Email: havefun@fenfarm.co.uk www.fenfarm.co.uk Open Mid March - End Oct for Touring and Prices from £18 per night. Family run since 1923, the site caters for tents, trailer tents, touring caravans and motor homes of any size and has a laundry, toilet and shower block with solar powered water heating, separate wheelchair accessible toilets and showers. Dog Friendly beach, all season.

# **Kelling Heath**

Weybourne, Holt, Norfolk NR25 7HW Tel: 01263 588181

Turn north at park sign at Bodham or turn south off A149 at Weybourne Church 300 acres of woodland and open heathland with magnificent views of the coastline. A range of facilities and environmental activities Dates open: 10th Feb 2017 - 2nd Jan 2018. Max: £46.95 - Min £19.80

Bookings are acceptable, advisable and

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# **Quiet Waters Caravan Park**

Hemingford Abbots, Huntingdon, Cambridgeshire PE28 9AJ Tel: 01480 463 405 Junction 25 off A14, 13 miles from Cambridge, 5 miles from Huntingdon 5 acres of level ground, Adjacent to River Ouse, Middle of village, hard standing pitches. Open from 1st April - 31st October, Restriction on motorhomes that are over 6.5 metres in length. Free WiFi throughout the park. From

Bookings are accepted and necessary

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# **Holly Farm Park**

Tattershall Bridge, Lincoln LN44JP Tel: 01526 342385 Half a mile from the Tattershall Bridge near the River Witham. The park accompdates tourers. static and lodges on our 400 acre farm. Open April-November. Bookings necessary. # Proba

# Rickels Caravan & Camping Park

The Rickels, Bircham Road, Stanhoe, King's Lynn, Norfolk PE31 8PU Tel: 01485 518671

From King's Lynn, take A148. Turn left to B1153 Great Bircham Fork right on to B1155 to crossroads straight over park 100 yards on left. The Rickels is a quiet adult only, friendly, high quality, family run park in which you can enjoy a pleasant and restful holiday with 30 pitches. Open all year. Max: £16, Min: £14. bookings accepted and advisable.

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# **Run Cottage Touring Park**

Alderton Road, Hollesley, Woodbridge, Suffolk IP12 3RQ

Tel: 01394 411309

Email: info@runcottage.co.uk Turn right off the A12 (Ipswich-Saxmundham) at Melton onto A1152 (sp Bawdsey, Orford) within 1.5 miles turn right at roundabout onto B1083 (sp Bawdsey, Hollesley) within 0.75 miles fork left (sp Hollesley 5 miles) (not straight on) you arrive into Hollesley on Duck corner Cross Roads. Turn right into 'The Street' continue through village down a small hill over Red brick Bridge, the site is on the left, 100 yards past the bridge. 4.5 acres with 45 touring pitches in a quiet parkland setting. Open all year. Price: Max: £20, Min: £16, based on two adults sharing. Bookings necessary.

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# Waldegraves Holiday Park

Waldegraves Lane, Mersea Island, Colchester, Essex C05 8SE. Tel: 01206 382898 Email: holidays@waldegraves.co.uk Follow B1025 to Mersea Island, cross the

Strood Channel and take the left hand fork and follow the brown tourists signs. A large grassy site with pitches for caravans, tents and motorhomes, private beach and holiday homes for hire and sale. Open from March to November. Price Max: £35, Min: £20. Bookings necessary.

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# Woodhill Park, Cromer Road

East Runton, Cromer, Norfork NR29 9PX Tel: 01263 512 242

Bookings are accepted and advisable

On coast side of A149, between East and West Runton. Three touring areas with views of coast and countryside. A range of quality washing facilities available.

Dates open: 3rd of March - 30th November 2017 Price: Max: £27.65, Min: £17

#### **Woodhall Country Park**

Stixwould Road, Woodhall Spa, Lincolnshire LN10 6UJ

Tel: 01526 353710

www.woodhallcountrypark.co.uk Email: info@woodhallcountrypark.co.uk From Woodhall Spa, turn at the roundabout towards Stixwould, site is a mile down the road on the right-hand side, 80 acres of woods and park land with 3 fishing lakes. Open 01/03 to 30/11 2017. Max: £29, Min: £21. Bookings accepted and advisable.

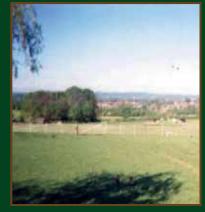
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# **High Meadow Farm**

Caravan Park Barrow upon Soar, Loughborough, Leicestershire, LE12 8HX







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You can relax in your touring caravan or tent, enjoy walking over the open countryside and see the magnificent views. If golf is your game – courses are within a short drive.

> Open:- from :- 1st March to 31st October 2017 Telphone: 01509 412719/414013

Website www.Highmeadowspark.co.uk Email: bill@highmeadowsbarrow.co.uk

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# **Heart of** England

IT'S NOT A traditional destination for touring, but those who don't make a visit to the heart of England are missing out - there's a wide variety of scenery and attractions to enjoy here. It's also a really easy area to access due to the number of motorways that run through it.

It's probably the Peak District that's the biggest draw to the region, and with very good reason: it offers stunning scenery, pretty towns and fascinating historic properties for you to visit. Fortunately, a number of this year's Top 100 Sites are well-placed for allowing you to explore this famous National Park.

Don't limit your visit to one area, though: with the cities of Birmingham, Oxford and Manchester here, and much more besides, there should be more than enough to keep you occupied for a lifetime!



# **Arrow Bank Holiday Park**



Address Arrow Bank, Eardisland, Leominster, Herefordshire HR6 9BG Tel 01544 388 312 Web www.arrowbank.co.uk Open 1 March 2017-2 January 2018 Touring pitches 39 Pitch+2+hook-up £17-£29



## We say...

Arrow Bank Holiday Park was bought by the current owners in 2012: since then they have worked hard to provide their guests with a comfortable and relaxing stay. There are 30 fully serviced pitches, as well as a number of other hardstanding and grass plots. The washrooms are in top-notch condition, and laundry and washing-up facilities are available. You can drop a line for free into the River Arrow, which runs adjacent to the site, and there's even a book and DVD swap if you're bored with those that you've brought with you!

You can take a five-minute walk to the village pub, where you'll be able to enjoy food and drink, or you can head into Ludlow or Leominster, both of which offer a good range of restaurants and shops.

- 🕻 It was so well-spaced-out. The washing facilities are very impressive: not huge, but clean and pleasant. We booked last-minute and could not have found anywhere better to stay. There was no need for levelling blocks – the pitches were flat and well-laid."
- What a beautiful, well-kept park! The large touring pitches are fully serviced, with grey-waste disposal, a night light and TV connection – what more could you ask for? We will most likely make this our main site from now on."

# **Callow Top Holiday Park**



Address Buxton Road, Sandybrook, Ashbourne DE6 2AQ Tel 01335 344 020 Web www.callowtop.co.uk Open 31 March-5 November 2017 Touring pitches 100 Pitch+2+hook-up £18-£32.95

# We say...

Callow Top is a fantastic and family-friendly holiday park located to the south of the popular Peak District National Park, so it's ideal for those who enjoy walking or cycling. It's close to the town of Ashbourne, too, with its attractive selection of restaurants, pubs and shops.

That's supposing you'll want to leave the site, because there's a huge amount to do there - not least visit the heated outdoor pool, amusement arcade, the games field, play area, a pub/restaurant, and peak-season entertainment at Arnold's Café Bar. Practical amenities include the trio of washrooms (20p charge for using the showers), a shop, a washing-up area and a cashpoint.

# You say...

- " From the moment that you book to arriving at the campsite you are made welcome. The site is perfectly maintained and the facilities make for an enjoyable stay, as do the lovely countryside and fantastic walks."
- "Booking in was quick and professional. Strict visitor rules mean the site never gets noisy. Great amenities."
- " Immaculate, with clean toilets and well-presented lawns. The staff have an excellent attitude. Both restaurants  $serve\ delicious\ food,\ there \verb"s" a\ great\ outdoor\ pool\ and$ the disco is incredible. Would like to go back every year. It's the highest-standard site I have been to."



# **Clover Fields Touring Park**



Address 1 Heath View, Harpur Hill, Buxton, Derbyshire SK17 9PU Tel 01298 212 474 Web www.cloverfieldstouringpark.co.uk Open 1 March 2017-2 January 2018 Touring pitches 36 Pitch+2+hook-up £25.50



## We say...

Clover Fields is a regular in our Top 100 Sites Guide, and is a finalist again for 2017. The facilities at this adultsonly site are superb, with 25 touring pitches (all parthardstanding) featuring 16A electric hook-up and private bins. The washrooms are modern and warm, there's a dedicated motorhome service point, and a fishing lake is available for those who enjoy angling (charges apply). The site's Teapots Café serves good food and drink, and a well-stocked shop can supply the basics.

For exploring off-site, a bus stop is just 10 minutes' walk away, where the service will take you to nearby Buxton.

- "The shower facilities were the best we've seen on any site spotless and well-cared-for. The setting was first-class, with beautiful views. The owners and staff are friendly and accommodating, and the food and service were excellent. We felt like we'd had a weekend in a hotel rather than a site."
- " It's very peaceful: I love children but it's nice not to have them running around. Great private pitches and there are fab toilet and shower facilities, with music when you walk into the toilet or showers and underfloor heating that really works! There's a good shop and tearoom where you can also have an evening meal. Fantastic place, love it! Lovely people who run it, too."



# **Lincoln Farm Park**







Address High Street, Standlake, Oxon OX29 7RH Tel 01865 300 239 Web www.lincolnfarmpark.co.uk Open 3 February-5 November 2017 Touring pitches 90 Pitch+2+hook-up £19.50-£28.90



# We say...

There is little chance of being bored at Lincoln Farm Park: the facilities here are excellent, with something for all ages. Wi-Fi availability throughout the park is good, there's a games room with a pool table and table football, a play area, plus a giant chess and draughts board. The highlight is the site's leisure centre, featuring a pair of indoor pools, spas, saunas, a fitness suite and a solarium. You can use the facilities in the usual way, or hire them out privately for you and your family (prices start at £19 per hour). A steak van visits the site on Fridays, or you can walk to the Black Horse pub for a drink. Local attractions include Highclere Castle and Blenheim Palace.

# You say...

- " I love the indoor pool and Jacuzzi that, if you are going straight from work on a Friday, makes for a great and relaxing start to the weekend. The site is clean, and even when busy doesn't feel too crowded. The staff are helpful and, with the bus stop right outside, access to Witney and Oxford is easy. The icing on the cake is that you can hire the pool and Jacuzzi by the hour just for yourselves. Wow!"
- "The bus stop just outside the site has regular buses for visiting the nearby towns. Timetables are available at reception and the staff are happy to suggest places to visit. We will definitely return."

# **Poston Mill Park**









Address Poston Mill, Peterchurch, Golden Valley, Herefordshire HR2 OSF Tel 01981 550 225 Web www.postonmill.co.uk Open All year Touring pitches 35 Pitch+2+hook-up £21-£29

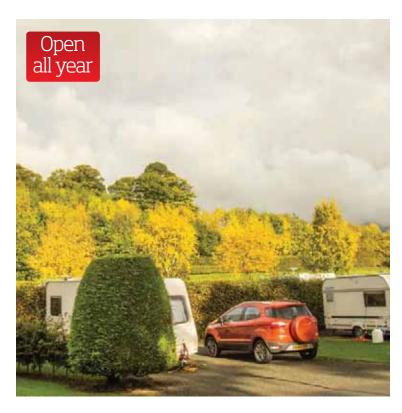
## We say...

Enjoy a relaxing break in the heart of Herefordshire at Poston Mill, sister site to finalists Arrow Bank Country Holiday Park (p55) and Smithy Caravan Park (p20). The touring fields at Poston Mill are open all year, and you can choose from a variety of pitches, depending on your requirements.

The site will particularly suit you if you love walking, because there are plenty of trails to explore across the park's 35 acres; other outdoor activities to enjoy here are pitch-and-putt, pétanque and badminton. If you'd prefer to explore the surrounding area via public transport, you'll find that you can catch a bus from outside the site to the popular book town of Hay-on-Wye.

On site, the Mill Tearoom serves hot drinks, snacks and full meals from Wednesdays to Sundays.

- " Everything was clean, the owners were friendly, and the place was well-organised. The attentionto-detail was good, too. There is a lovely dog-walking facility that was very well-kept."
- We really loved the layout of the site, as well as the cleanliness of the toilet and shower facilities. The pitch amenities were very good, too. The staff were friendly and the leisure facilities were excellent."



# 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 Pitch+2+hook-up £20-£26



# We say...

Somers Wood Caravan Park is an open-all-year, adultsonly site that's particularly popular with those planning to visit the annual leisure-vehicle shows at the NEC in Birmingham: it's very well-located for the exhibition centre and the many other attractions in this part of Warwickshire. It's also adjacent to fishing lakes and a golf course: ideal for spending a relaxing day off-site.

Back at the park you'll find 48 touring pitches, including four that are suitable for RVs, plus laundry facilities, clean washrooms, a tourist-information point with details of things to do in the vicinity, a dog-walking area and undercover dishwashing sinks.

# You say...

- "This site is well-run, with excellent facilities. Its location makes it an excellent place to stay for a peaceful break. The birds and other wildlife add to a wonderful experience. I have always found the staff and owners to be very helpful and friendly; in fact, I will be spending Christmas here at this site for the second time. This site is worth a visit at any time of the year."
- " Very well-maintained site: very clean! Great staff and all the info you need for local attractions. We had a relaxed, comfortable holiday because of this site."
- "Everything is perfect. Can't wait to go for New Year!"

# What to see in the Heart of England

Why not take a trip to one of these great events while you're staying at a *Top 100* site?

# **6 May-14 May 2017** Chesterfield Area Walking Festival Chesterfield and surroundings

Lace up your walking boots and get active at this yearly festival, which encompasses a variety of guided rambles, suitable for all abilities. Some are combined with other events, too, such as boat trips or informative talks. Many are free of charge; see the website for full details. Web www.chesterfieldwalkingfestival.co.uk

# 16 June-2 July 2017

# Ashbourne Festival

Ashbourne, Derbyshire

Each June and July, pretty Ashbourne in Derbyshire comes alive with a fabulous festival, which brings fantastic classical and contemporary arts to the town. The full line-up had yet to be announced as we went to press, but you can expect to see a wide range of entertainment for the duration. Web www.ashbournefestival.org

# 10 September 2017

# World Black Pudding Throwing Championships The Oaks Pub, Ramsbottom

Watch one of Britain's quirkier competitions at the annual Black Pudding Throwing Championships, which date back to the 1980s. Competitors must knock down as many Yorkshire Puddings as possible, by throwing Black Puddings under-arm. Web www.visitmanchester.com

# 17-22 October 2017

# Motorhome & Caravan Show 2017 (pictured) NEC, Birmingham

This regular event is a must-visit if you're a fan of touring or camping: you'll be able to see the very latest 2018 caravan and motorhome models all under one roof at the NEC in Birmingham. As always, there will be hundreds of trade stands to visit, talks and demonstrations to watch, gadgets to buy, experts to chat to and much more besides. Web www.motorhomeandcaravanshow.co.uk





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# **Westbrook Country Holiday Park**







Address Little Hereford, Ludlow, Shropshire SY8 4AU Tel 01584 711 280 Web www.westbrookpark.co.uk Open 1 March-30 November Touring pitches 50 Pitch+2+hook-up £25-£28

# We say...

You'll receive a warm welcome at the family-run Westbrook Country Holiday Park, which caters for those in tourers and tents; the touring pitches are all fully serviced and are set in a level field. There's a tidy, heated and recently upgraded facilities block for guests to use, and a dog-walk area and Wi-Fi connection also feature at the park.

Westbrook is situated alongside the River Teme, and keen anglers are welcome to fish here. The Temeside Inn is also located right by the site: it has extensive gardens to enjoy during the summer, and serves good food and drink. If you'd prefer to head further afield, you'll find the towns of Tenbury Wells and Ludlow within easy reach.

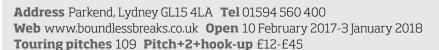


- Wery generous and well-equipped pitches; a fantastic and idyllic site by the river. Owned and staffed by friendly, cheerful and caring people. Would I go again? I wouldn't go anywhere else!"
- "The site is quiet even in school-holiday time; the children here are well-behaved, unlike on some sites we have visited. Lovely Ludlow is minutes away, and several National Trust properties and similar attractions are within a short distance by car. We are regular visitors from the Wirral."





# Whitemead Forest Park









## We say...

Set in the heart of the Forest of Dean, Whitemead Forest Park is a full-facility site that offers a huge amount to do for those of all ages. There are so many amenities that you probably won't want to leave, but if you do, you'll find Clearwell Caves, vineyards and various museums within easy reach.

The accommodation at Whitemead is primarily focused towards the rentable holiday units, but there are still more than 100 pitches for tourers and tents all tourer pitches have 16A electric hook-up. No matter where you stay, your fee includes use of the extensive leisure facilities, including a fantastic indoor pool, a gym, children's entertainment and free Wi-Fi.

- "Though it's quite a big site, Whitemead Forest Park is very welcoming, both from the point of view of the staff and the other visitors to be found. There are so many activities and facilities for all the members of a family to enjoy, from the youngest to the oldest, and it's in an incredibly beautiful location."
- General Facilities are clean and modern. The grounds are stunning. There are lovely places for kids to play. It's a quiet and peaceful site, and there's a great bar and restaurant, too. There's also a fantastic pool."

# **Eye Kettleby Lakes**



Address Melton Mowbray, Leicestershire LE14 2TN Tel 01664 565 900 Web www.eyekettlebylakes.com Open All year Touring pitches 61 Pitch+2+hook-up £19.50-£25

# We say

A host of upgrades over the past 12 months - including the building of a new fishing lake, and improvements to the washroom floors – is sure to have helped Eye Kettleby Lakes take this regional win, but they've only really made a



great park even better: each year you tell us how much you love this site. The 61 pitches at this adults-only park are spacious and well-maintained, the washrooms are spotless and have underfloor heating, a laundry room offers washing-up facilities, and there's a fantastic clubhouse where you can buy food, including breakfast.

The site takes its name from the eight coarse-fishing lakes here (seven are open to those staying on the touring pitches), and you can even take angling lessons if you need a little instruction. Those who don't have a tourer or tent can choose to stay in one of the 12 luxury lodges at Eye Kettleby, or one of the comfortable wooden glamping pods.

## You say...

" We have stayed numerous times in our caravan ever since it opened. We cannot fault the site. There's good entertainment in the clubhouse on certain nights, too. It is also nice to be able to go for breakfast or lunch if you don't feel like cooking... the meals are good. Our only moan? Everyone else who visits love it, too, so it is often fully booked! They really have got it right here."

"The site is super and quiet: superb clubhouse, great Sunday lunches, breakfasts and afternoon teas, and the personal washrooms are out of this world. The seven fishing lakes impress the anglers. The new pods and log cabins are the best I've seen for people that don't have tourers."











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#### Callow Top Holiday Park Buxton Road, Ashbourne,

Derbyshire BE6 2AQ Tel: 01335 344020 Half mile North of Ashbourne on A515. 36

acres, three touring fields, three camping fields, all electric pitches, hard standing. Open from 18th March to 6th November. Cost per night Max: £29.95, Min: £22.50. Bookings accepted and necessary

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#### Greenhill Leisure Park

Greenhill Farm, Station Road, Bletchingdon, Oxford OX5 3BQ Tel: 01869 351600

Email: info@greenhill-leisure-park.co.uk From Jct 9 M40 onto A34 South, after 3 miles turn left onto B4027 Blechingdon, go through village site is on the left. 9 Acres site set in the heart of the Oxfordshire countryside on Working farm. 3 modern toilet blocks, farmshop, cafe, gamesroom, fishing lakes and lots of farm animals.

Open 2 January to 23 December. £16 to £19 per night. Bookings Accepted.

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#### Lickpenny Caravan Park

Lickpenny Lane, Tansley, Matlock, Derbyshire

Tel: 01629 583 040

Email: enquiries@lickpennycaravanpark.co.uk Brief directions to site From M1 Junction 28 turn onto A38 (signposted Matlock) to Alfreton,, turn left onto A615 (8 miles) Turn right onto Lickpenny Lane

Set in the Derbyshire dales Lickpenny is a 16 acre site, all pitches are hardstanding and generous in size. There are 2 utility blocks on this 4 star rated park with shower rooms disabled facilities, laundry rooms, veg prep rooms, children's play area and dog walking

2017 dates open: Open all Year 2017 cost per night: Min: £19, Max £31. Bookings are Advisable

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#### Golden Valley Caravan Park

Coach Road, Golden Valley, Nr Alfreton, Derbyshire DB55 4ES Tel: 01773 513881

M1 junction 26 onto A610 to Colnor turn. Right at the light and then right 100 yds onto Alfreton Road park in 1m. 30 acres of woodland with fishing, bar/cafe. Open from 1/1/17 to 31/12/17.

Min: £15, Max: £35. Bookings advisable J:/U

#### **Ludlow Touring Park**

Overton Road, Ludlow, Shropshire SY8 4AD Tel: 01584 878 788 Situated just off the A49. Take turning onto

B4361, following signs for Ludlow Touring Park. From Birmingham head west on the A456 through Kidderminster. From the M5 leave at junction 3, from the North, and continue on the A456 or junction 6 from the south and dollow the A449 and A456. The landscaped park sits on the banks of the River Teme, overlooking the rolling hills of the  $% \left\{ 1,2,...,n\right\}$ idyllic Shropshire countryside. It is conveniently located just 2 miles out of the Ludlow Town Centre. High quality facilities and 115 pitches including Adult only pitches and supersized pitches for larger RV's.

Open all year round, Prices: £25.10 - £30.90

Bookings are advisable **▲₽₽₽₽**₽₽▲⋒₽**⋞**₹₺₼

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#### **Beech Croft Farm Caravan & Camping** Park

Blackwell In The Peak, Nr. Buxton, Derbyshire SK17 9TQ

Tel: 01298 853300, Mrs Julie Gregory. Email: mail@beechcroftfarm.co.uk www.beechcroftfarm.co.uk Directions: Just off A6 between Buxton and Bakewell, next to B6049 is the turning for Beech Croft Farm. 30 hardstanding pitches with EHU, water & TV aerial, separate camping area. Heart of the Peak District, close to Monsal Trail. Bookings: Advisable. Open all year. Cost per night: Min: £22, Max: £25

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# Oxon Hall - Morris Leisure

Oxon Hall Touring Park, Welshpool Road, Shrewsbury, Shropshire SY3 5FB Tel: 01743 340868.

Located off the A458 Welshpool Road on the North-Western side of Shrewsbury - follow signs for Oxon Touring Park from Welshpool Island on the A5 Shrewsbury bypass. An attractive parkland setting yet only a short bus ride from Shrewsbury town centre. High quality facilities and 100 pitches including adult-only pitches and Supersized pitches for larger RV's. Open all year. Cost per night min: £25.10 to max £30.90. Bookings advisable.

#### **Red Lion Caravan and Camping Park**

Wainlode Hill, Norton, Gloucester, Gloucestershire GL2 9LW Telephone: 01452731810

Visit: www.redlioncaravancampingpark.co.uk. Take A38 from Tewkesbury towards Gloucester take sign for Wainlode Hill follow sign to River Severn. 10 acre flat site, next to red lion pub and river Severn. Open all year.

# Swiss Farm Touring and Camping

Marlow Road, Henley On Thames, Oxon RG9 2HY Tel-01491 573419 www.swissfarmcamping.co.uk 200 yard northbound up A4155 from Henley lefter after Rugby Club. 22 acres landscaped touring areas with all weather serviced pitches. All modern facilities incl swimming pool. Open 1st March- 30th November. Price £17.00 to £33.50

# Stanmore Hall Touring Park Shropshire

West Midlands, Bridgnorth, Shropshire WV15 6DT Tel-01746 761761

Located on the A458 Stourbridge Road, a short distance from Bridgnorth The 12.6 acre park stands in the impressive

lawned grounds of Stanmore Hall. 131 pitches are situated around the lake with a wide variety of wildlife. Open all year round, £25.10 - £30.90 per night, Bookings are advisable.

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# **Tall Trees Touring Park**

Old Mill Lane, Forest Town, Mansfield, Nottinghamshire NG19 OJP Tel: 01623 626503

Email: info@talltreestouringpark.co.uk 1 mile north of Mansfield town centre on A60, turn right at crossroad into Old Mill lane, continue past Maun Valley park, Tall Trees is on your left. 37 pitches with 16 amp hook ups, showers, toilets with disabled access, laundrette, childrens play area, carp fishing on site, seasonal pitches available. Open from 1st of January to 31st of December. Prices: £15 to £26 for 2 adults. Bookings necessary.

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# South-East **England**

SO MANY PEOPLE motor straight through this region simply to get to the ferry ports that you'll find here, but it's definitely worth pausing for a while to take in some of the many sights - and sites - to be found. Lots of the beaches along the south coast are known for being safe and sandy, and you definitely shouldn't miss a visit to the New Forest: this historic area is beautiful and features plenty of activities for young and old. The South Downs National Park is another draw here, and you can't miss a trip to London - taking a train into the capital is easy and often good value! Other towns and cities to see are Southampton, Brighton and Dover.

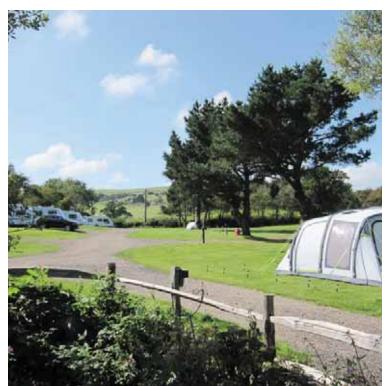
This year we're pleased that a trio of great Isle of Wight sites have made it into our guide: what greater reason do you need to visit this wonderful island, with its rolling hills and pretty beaches?



# **Appuldurcombe Gardens Holiday Park**



Address Wroxall, Ventnor, Isle of Wight P038 3EP Tel 01983 852 597 Web www.appuldurcombegardens.co.uk Open March-1 November 2017 Touring pitches 130 Pitch+2+hook-up £18.40-£30.70



## We say...

Located within an Area of Outstanding Natural beauty, Appuldurcombe Gardens features 130 touring pitches in a sheltered position, with 40 static caravans available for hire in a traffic-free orchard. Beach lovers will appreciate the site's proximity to some of the Isle of Wight's most beautiful shores, including those at Shanklin, Sandown and Ventnor; the number 3 bus stops close to the park, taking you to those nearby towns.

The site's shop (open from April to October) stocks the basics; there's also a café that's open during the high season. A bar, games room, outdoor pool, play parks and more are available for guests to enjoy, too.

- "Friendly, family-run site that really cares about its guests. Fantastic facilities; we would never stay anywhere else. Pitches are a generous size. Great pool and patio area, and lovely food served in the café. Shop stocks everyday essentials and the bread is lovely. Can't wait to revisit."
- "The layout here is well thought-out, and we found everything to be clean; the facilities were well-designed for the volume of use that they received. The staff were friendly during our booking and during our stay. It is well-maintained year after year, and we have had many happy holidays at this site."

# **Canterbury Camping and Caravanning Club Site**



Address Bekesbourne Lane, Canterbury, Kent CT3 4AB Tel 01227 463 216 Web www.campingandcaravanningclub.co.uk Open All year Touring pitches 200 Pitch+2+hook-up £12.90-£21.90



This popular Camping and Caravanning Club site makes a great place to stop if you're heading for a cross-Channel ferry, but it's also worth staying a while to see everything that this lovely area of Kent has to offer. The campsite is a couple of miles from the historic city of Canterbury, and you can hire a bike from reception to cycle there if you fancy getting active! There's also a bus stop right by the entrance.

The facilities are as good as you'd expect from one of the C&CC's network of sites, and include Wi-Fi, a play area for youngsters, well-manicured pitches, an attractive dog-walking section, and sparklingclean washrooms. Members and non-members of the Camping and Caravanning Club are all welcome here at the site.

## You say...

- " We found everything at this site to be very clean and well-maintained."
- "This is a large(ish) site on the outskirts of Canterbury, with a mixture of grass and hardstanding pitches. There are good facilities, all of which are clean and tidy. We received  $a\ warm\ and\ friendly\ welcome\ from\ managers\ and\ their$ assistants. There's a bus stop a short walk from site, and the site is close to many other Kent tourist attractions."

# **Concierge Camping**



Address Ratham House, Ratham Lane, West Ashling, Chichester, West Sussex P018 8DL Tel 01243 573 118 **Web** www.conciergecamping.co.uk **Open** 9 February 2017-3 January 2018 Touring pitches 15 Pitch+2+hook-up £28-£55

## We say...

This fantastic site - located on the historic Ratham Estate in West Sussex - only opened in 2015, but since then it's garnered a solid reputation for the quality of its facilities and the attractiveness of its landscaping; in 2016 it was even named the AA's South-East Campsite of the Year. For 2017, it's also made it as one of our Top 100 Sites finalists.

It's a truly luxurious place to pitch: there are only 15 touring pitches, but each is beautifully landscaped and features hedging for privacy, as well as either 16A or 32A electric hook-up and fast Wi-Fi. The on-site washrooms look like something that you'd find in a boutique hotel, there's a fully equipped laundry, and the shop here offers delicious and locally produced food and drink. If you fancy staying in something a little different, the Safari tents will allow you to camp in style.

- "The shower and toilet facilities here at Concierge Camping are simply amazing, and the site's landscaping is immaculate. It's a dog-friendly place, and there's a great team here, too. It's just perfect!"
- " We loved so many things about this site, in particular the staff here, the layout of the park, the quality of the facilities and the size of our pitch."





# **The Orchards Holiday Park**



Address Main Road, Newbridge, Yarmouth, Isle of Wight PO41 OTS Tel 01983 531 331 Web www.orchards-holiday-park.co.uk Open 31 March-28 October 2017 Touring pitches 164 Pitch+2+hook-up £19-£35



# We say...

The Orchards Holiday Park took our overall Top 100 Sites award in both 2015 and 2016, and this year hundreds of you cast your votes for it to appear in our guide once again. It's a fantastic site that's a brilliant place to stay if you're touring with a family on the beautiful Isle of Wight. The facilities here are topnotch, and include two heated swimming pools (one indoor, one outdoor), a dedicated area for ball games, a large shop and a takeaway bar where you can grab some food to save you having to cook!

The number 7 bus stops right outside the entrance; it can take you to Yarmouth, Newport and Freshwater.

# You say...

- 44 A giant, friendly welcome and the staff couldn't do more to settle us in. Great facilities – lovely and clean – and surrounded by wonderful views and sunshine at the end of October. This will be the first of many more visits."
- Warm and spacious toilet and shower facilties that were very clean and well-maintained, while providing unlimited hot water! These facilities were also never closed for cleaning, because the work was done very early each morning, and around the customers if necessary. It also has an excellent takeaway-food restaurant that doesn't do fast food, but cooked great food fast."

# **What to see in South-East England**

# 2 April 2017

# The Cancer Research UK Boat Races River Thames (Putney to Mortlake), London

This is the 163rd time that the Men's University Boat Race will be run; the tally currently stands at 79-82 to Cambridge, and the Oxford crew will certainly be doing their best to close the gap this year. The 72nd Women's Boat Race takes place on the same day; be sure to get to the Thames early to secure your spot. Web http://theboatraces.org/

# 6-28 May 2017

# Brighton Festival (pictured)

Various locations, Brighton

There is a huge number of events planned for this year's Brighton Festival, which promises to bring the very best cultural and artistic performances, installations, workshops and more to the south coast. Visit the website for full details. Web http://brightonfestival.org/

# 29 June-2 July 2017

# Goodwood Festival of Speed

Goodwood, West Sussex

A number of motorsport events take place at Goodwood each year, all of them thrilling, but perhaps the most iconic is the annual Festival of Speed. You'll get the opportunity to see some of the world's best drivers take rare and glamorous cars up the hill; there's a host of other events to enjoy at the festival, too. Web www.goodwood.com

# 5-9 July 2017

# New Forest Folk Festival

Plaitford, Hampshire

If you enjoy folk music, be sure to put this popular festival into your diary - it's held at Powells Farm, in the beautiful New Forest, and is a family-run affair. A number of great folk artists will appear on the main stage, and there's also a fringe stage and workshop where you can learn to play the guitar, songwriting, leathercraft and much more. You can visit for a day, or pitch your motorhome, caravan or tent and stay for the weekend. Web www.newforestfolkfestival.co.uk



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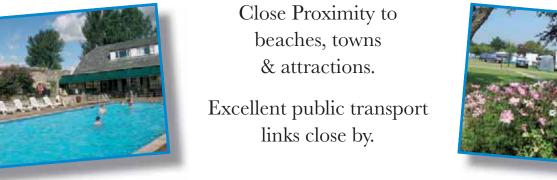


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# **Thriftwood Holiday Park**



Address Plaxdale Green Road, Stansted, Sevenoaks, Kent TN15 7PB Tel 01732 822 261 Web http://thriftwoodholidaypark.com Open All year Touring pitches 115 Pitch+2+hook-up £25-£30



# We say...

The Kentish North Downs are the setting for the fantastic Thriftwood Holiday Park, a 20-acre site that offers a warm welcome, great facilities, and peace and quiet. The space is divided between touring pitches, camping spots and holiday caravans; all guests can make use of the extensive facilities, which include a heated outdoor swimming pool, free Wi-Fi connection, a licensed bar, a shop and a games room.

History lovers will find plenty to keep them busy in the local area, with Leeds Castle, Belmont House and Canterbury Cathedral all within easy reach. It's also simple to access London by public transport from Canterbury.

# You say...

- "Thriftwood was the first trip in our new caravan. We are keen walkers and were recommended it by friends because of its country walks. The site is set in the beautiful village of Stansted. The games room and park kept our two boys busy. Evenings were just as enjoyable: the clubhouse had entertainment for all the family. Staff were helpful and accommodating. Showering facilities are lovely."
- I visited the park with my family a couple of weeks ago; I enjoyed my stay and so did the children. The staff were very friendly. The facilities were all very clean and remained at this level throughout our stay."

# Warner Farm, Bunn Leisure



Address Warner Lane, Selsey, Chichester, West Sussex PO20 9EL Tel 01243 604 499 Web www.warnerfarm.co.uk Open 1 March 2017-3 January 2018 Touring pitches 247 Pitch+2+hook-up £32.50-£55

## We say...

Warner Farm is part of the Bunn Leisure group of sites; most feature static caravans, but Warner Farm also accepts touring units and tents. As at all of Bunn Leisure's parks, the facilities here are extensive and of a high quality: from the fabulous swimming pool complex and health suite, to the bars with enjoyable entertainment and kids' clubs, there really is something here for everyone. All of the activities and amenities are included within your pitch fee, so there's no need to worry about incurring additional costs.

A choice of pitches is available, so you can pick the right one for your needs: they range from unmarked spots in the grassy camping field to full-connection hardstanding spaces.

- " I liked how clean all the facilities were, it's a big factor for me; also the very friendly and helpful staff. We will be using this site a lot in the future."
- 🕻 Everything about Bunn Leisure is fantastic, from camping to caravans. Always a great time had by all!"
- There's something for everyone here! It's a really nice park by the beach with good facilities. We really liked the swimming pools and the kids' clubs, and famous pop acts provided the evening entertainment."



# **Whitefield Forest Touring Park**







**Address** Brading, Ryde PO33 1QL **Tel** 01983 617 069 Web www.whitefieldforest.co.uk Open 31 March-8 October 2017 Touring pitches 90 Pitch+2+hook-up £17.50-£26

# We say...

Whitefield Forest Touring Park, on the Isle of Wight, is a regular in our *Top* 100 *Sites Guide* – it even won our overall award in 2014 - so it's great to see that it remains hugely popular with its guests. It's a family-run business operated



by the Glovers, and is situated between Ryde and Sandown; there are bus stops just outside the park gates from where you can take public transport towards either.

The facilities at Whitefield Forest are some of the best on the island, and include spotless washrooms, welldrained and well-manicured pitches, washing-up areas, a shop where you can buy basic groceries and even borrow a book, and a motorhome service point.

The environment is very much at the forefront of the site, which was developed with assistance from the Forestry Commission and the Isle of Wight Conservation Partnership. As a result, you're likely to spot native wildlife, including red squirrels, during your stay!

- "The best amenities block that we have come across in 10 years of touring. There is an excellent nature trail/ dog walk with the opportunity to see red squirrels! The friendly staff go the extra mile."
- "The site is beautifully set out with good-sized pitches. The setting in the forest is lovely, the toilet block is super and everywhere is very neat, tidy and clean. Staff were friendly and helpful. I would highly recommend it!"
- <sup>44</sup> The site is in a lovely setting with very spacious pitches. It has first-class, immaculate facilities. It's very convenient for the ferry at Ryde and access to the site is easy. A very friendly, hard-working team."











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Email:

hillcottagefarmcampingandcaravanpark.co.uk Set in 40 Acres, 35 serviced hardstanding pitches, large camping and touring field. Open 1st March to 31st November. Costs from £16.00 to £30.00. Top 100 parks, winning park in 2012. Right on the edge of the new

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#### Lee Valley Leisure Trust

Lee Valley Caravan Park, Dobbs Weir, Charlton Meadows, Essex Road, Hoddesdon, Hertfordshire EN11 OAS Tel: 0300 003 0619

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 situated on a bend of the River Lee. Hard standing and grass pitches with electrical hook-up, glamping, tents and wigwams with dedicated

BBQ area. Open from March to January. Cost per night (based on two adults, plus unit) Max: £22.50 Min: £14.50. Bookings advisable.

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# Stubcroft Farm Caravan Park

Stubcroft Lane, East Wittering, Chichester, West Sussex P020 8PT Tel: 01243 671469.

From the A27 Chichester bypass turn south on the A286 to Bracklesham and the Witterings After 4 miles at Birdham turn left onto B2198. In 1/2 mile after Bell pub turn into Barn Lane. Stubcroft is a secluded environmentally friendly site on a working farm. Close to some of the South's best sandy beaches and dunes. Level fields, modern facilities, camp fires. For open dates and prices visit www.stubcroft.

com. Bookings accepted and advisable.

#### Lee Valley Leisure Trust

Lee Valley Campsite, Sewardstone, Sewardstone Road, Chingford, London E4 7RA Tel: 020 8529 5689

Situated on the A112 South of the M25 at J26 and follow signs. A picturesque site with a miture of fully serviced, hardstanding and grass pitches with electric hook-up. Site also has a range of cocoons and cabins. Open from March to January. Cost per night (based on two adults, plus units) Max £22.50 Min: 14.50.

Bookings advisable. **ム却の神中でP**本係を含む米[]ひ

#### Lee Valley Leisure Trust

Lee Valley Camping & Caravan Park, Meridian Way, Edmonton, London, N9 OAR Tel: 020 8803 6900

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 motorhomes both with electric hook-up. Site also has a range of cocoons and cabins. Open Jan to Dec. Cost per night: Max: £22.50 Min: 14.50. Bookings advisable.

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# Wicks Farm Caravan Park

Wicks Farm Holiday Park, Redlands Lane, West Wittering, Chichester, West Sussex P020 80F

Tel: 01243513116

Email: office@wicksfarm.co.uk From A27 at Chichester, take the A286/ B2179 to West Wittering, for 6 miles. We are second on the right after the Lambs Pub. 14 Acres of land with 73 static holiday homes, 40 tent and motoring pitches and 10 camping pods.

Statics are open all year whereas the camp site is open from March to November 2017. Bookings accepted and advisable.

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# **Horam Manor Touring Park**

A267, Horam, Nr Heathfield, East Sussex TN21 OYD.

Tel: 01435813662

www.horam-manor.co.uk

Email: camping@horam-manor.co.uk An excellent, family-run park in a parkland setting within an AONB. Tranquil and relaxing feel but with plently to do. Nature Trails, Fishing, Horse Riding, Tennis, Licensed cafe all on the estate. Perfectly placed for Cuckoo Trail cycling/walking, South Downs national park, Kent gardens, and the Eastbourne coast. 95 spacious pitches across two fields - allweather and grass, most with electric hook-up. Two well-equipped, heated toilet blocks with free showers. Motorhome service point. Full disabled wet room, and laundry with dryer. Free WiFi across the park. Children's play area. Dogs welcome. Open from March 1st to October 31st. Cost per night (based on two adults, plus unit) range from £11.50 to £30.00. Bookings advisable

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# **Whitefield Forest Touring Park**

Whitefield Forest Touring Park, Brading Road, Ryde, Isle of Wight PO33 1QJ Tel: 01983 617069

Approximately 2 miles outside or Ryde on A3055 towards Brading. An award winning friendly family run site set in tranquil forest surroundings, 23 acres.

Open from 31st March to 8th October. Min: £17.50 Max: £26. Bookings advisable.

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# **Motorhome**

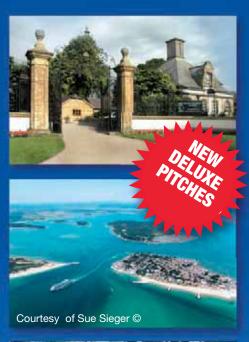
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# Dorset

ONE OF BRITAIN'S prettiest counties is waiting to be explored in 2017, and what better way to do so than in a caravan, motorhome or tent? When you make your visit to Dorset, be sure to stay at one of our fantastic Top 100 sites: despite being a relatively small county, this year there are eight to discover here.

If you're a beach lover, head to the south of the region where you'll find the sandy shores of Weymouth and Bournemouth; walking the shingle of Chesil Beach and the rest of the Jurassic Coast also makes for a wild and wonderful day out.

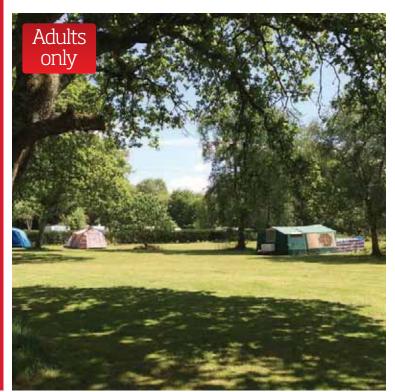
Dorset is known for its picturepostcard villages, of course, and it's really easy to head off the beaten track to find them. Welcoming and pretty towns in the region, meanwhile, include Sherborne, Blandford and Gillingham.



# **Back of Beyond Tranquil Touring & Camping Park**



Address 234a Ringwood Road, East Moors Lane, St Leonards BH24 2SB Tel 01202 876 968 Web www.backofbeyondtouringpark.co.uk Open 1 March-31 October 2017 Touring pitches 80 Pitch+2+hook-up £27-£32



## We say...

Set in 30 acres of glorious Dorset countryside close to the New Forest, Back of Beyond lives up to its name it's a fantastic place to relax among some of the UK's most beautiful natural scenery. The 80 touring pitches are set over 30 acres, so the site never feels crowded.

There's a pair of lakes here in which you can fish, and a nine-hole pitch-and-putt course to be enjoyed. It's not just human visitors who will feel welcome: dogs are well catered for, thanks to the large and secure walking area, and information on other suitable paths – as well as dog-friendly ice creams - is available at reception.

- "The staff were friendly and helpful from the beginning. We were given a guided tour and our choice of multiple pitches. The site was quiet and peaceful, which was exactly what we needed for a relaxing weekend. The washing facilities were also excellent."
- The owners and staff are very friendly. The site is quiet and beautifully kept. We have been visiting for five years and the new owners have improved it considerably. We love it there."
- "Tranquility, beauty and surrounded by nature, on a site that has everything I want or need. I love this site, which is cared for by wonderful owners and friendly, helpful staff. Back of Beyond is where I like to be as much as I am able."

# **Bagwell Farm Touring Park**



Address Chickerell, Weymouth DT3 4EA Tel 01305 782 575 Web www.bagwellfarm.co.uk Open All year Touring pitches 320 Pitch+2+hook-up £16.50-£30.50

# We say...

Dorset's beautiful Jurassic Coast is the location for the open-all-year Bagwell Farm Touring Park, which offers tremendous views out across the sea. The popular town of Weymouth and its safe, sandy beach are just a few miles away, and it's also easy to get out and explore the surrounding rolling countryside on foot: the South-West Coast Path runs very close by.

The touring park's facilities include clean and tidy washrooms, an off-licence and grocery shop, and play areas for children. If you don't fancy cooking, take a visit to the on-site Red Barn Bar and Grill, which is open during the high season and at selected other times; it also offers a takeaway service.

# You say...

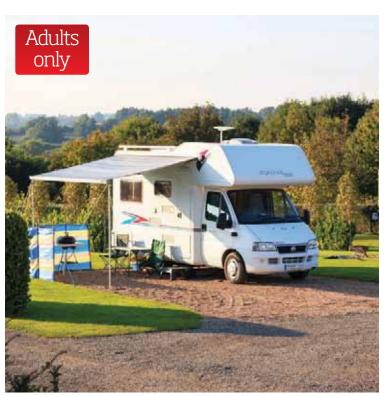
- 😘 For a large site it was well managed, clean, and not noisy late at night. It has a well-stocked shop, a lovely, friendly atmosphere and a great location near Weymouth."
- $\ensuremath{\textbf{``}}$  We have been staying at Bagwell Farm on and off since 1980. It's run by lovely people, and the location and views are perfect with the Fleet Lagoon close by. Have stayed here in a campervan and a tent: both were brilliant. The facilities are always clean and tidy, as is the whole site. We will always use the site to visit Dorset, and fully recommend Bagwell Farm."



# **Bingham Grange Touring and Camping Park**



Address Melplash, Bridport DT6 3TT Tel 01308 488 234 Web www.binghamgrange.co.uk Open 22 March-25 October 2017 Touring pitches 111 Pitch+2+hook-up £21.50-£30



## We say...

This superb adults-only touring park makes an ideal base for exploring the beautiful Dorset countryside: it's situated near West Bay, where popular TV series Broadchurch was filmed. There's also plenty of great shopping nearby, thanks to its proximity to the towns of Bridport and Dorchester.

The park's primary amenities are housed in a stone building in the centre of the site: here you'll find clean washrooms, reception and a shop. Other amenities include a motorhome-service point and an all-weather dog walk. The on-site Buzzards restaurant, serving local food and drinks at reasonable prices, is popular with guests.

- " It is situated in an idyllic part of the country and offers such tranquility. Staff are extremely friendly and welcoming. The facilities are exceptional, with fantastic shower and toilet blocks. There's a well-stocked shop and an excellent restaurant, which also provides takeaways. We had the most tremendous holiday here and will make every effort to return. Well done, Bingham Grange!"
- "There is a lovely restaurant on site, which serves beautiful food and plenty of it. It's very well-kept and some of the generous-sized pitches are secluded. There is a bus stop at the end of the lane for transport into Bridport."



# **Charmouth Camping and Caravanning Club Site**





Address Monkton Wyld Farm, Scotts Lane, Charmouth DT6 6DB Tel 01297 32 965 **Web** www.campingandcaravanningclub.co.uk **Open** 17 March-30 October 2017 Touring pitches 150 Pitch+2+hook-up £16.20-£27.30



Keen fossil-hunters should be sure to put the Charmouth Camping and Caranning Club Site - which is open to both members and non-members - at the top of their must-visit list: the Jurassic coast beaches here are known for their potential for geological finds. If that doesn't appeal, you'll still find plenty to occupy yourself in this beautiful region of Dorset, including visits to the handsome towns of Bridport, Dorchester or Weymouth.

The facilities at the site are great quality and include a variety of touring pitches to suit your requirements, laundry amenities, clean and tidy washrooms, a shop, battery-charging facilities and more.

#### You say...

- " It's quiet, well-laid-out and maintained, with very helpful and friendly staff. Shower rooms are clean and well-thoughtout, with chairs provided in the showers so that you don't have to balance on one leg to dry your feet! The chemicaldisposal point is practical: one of the best we have seen. Drinking and grey-water points are good and plentiful."
- " Reception is warm, friendly and helpful and the shop is well-stocked. Very quiet, and nice conservation areas. The dog walks are very good. The washblock is clean, modern and well-laid-out. This is a lovely site and one that we will definitely return to."

# **East Fleet Farm Touring Park**



Address Chickerell, Weymouth DT3 4DW Tel 01305 785 768 **Web** www.eastfleet.co.uk **Open** 17 March-31 October 2017 Touring pitches 397 Pitch+2+hook-up £20-£33.50

#### We say...

East Fleet Farm Touring Park occupies an enviable location overlooking Chesil Beach, one of Dorset's most popular attractions. It's just three miles from the bustling town of Weymouth, too, where you'll find plenty of places to eat and drink, as well as good shopping opportunities.

The facilities are of a high standard and include a trio of amenities blocks; an amazingly well-stocked shop, which features a huge range of camping accessories, as well as basic groceries; and The Old Barn family bar, which is open from Easter for the season. A pair of comfortable self-catering cottages are for hire if you're visiting the site with non-touring family or friends.

- "This site has everything for couples and families alike. It is kept very clean – the toilets and showers are spotless. There are play areas for tiny tots to teenagers. The staff and owners are absolutely great. There is nothing to complain about with East Fleet Farm!"
- "This is a well-managed and staffed site: we had a fully serviced pitch, and used the extremely wellstocked shop and tidy amenities. A definite 10/10 site."
- **46** Amazing location, top-notch facilities that are always spotless, and the staff are fantastic."







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Newlands Holiday Park, The Street, Nr. Stonebarrow Lane, Charmouth, Bridport, Dorset DT6 6RB

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Email: enq@newlandsholidays.co.uk We're just off the A35 between Bridgort & Axminster 3 miles east of Lyme Regis. Family run park with countryside views set in 23 acres of landscaped grounds below Stonebarrow National Trust. 3/4 mile from beach 1/4 from village. Ideal for visiting Dorset or Devon. Open from 10/03/17 to 30/10/17. Max: £46 to Min: £14. Bookings advisable.

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#### **Toms Field Camping Site**

Tom's Field Campsite & Shop, Toms Field Road, Langton Matravers, Swanage, Dorset BH19 3HN.

Tel: 01929 427110

Email: tomsfield@hotmail.com.

www.tomsfieldcamping.co.uk. B3069, 2.5 miles from Swanage. 4.5 acres, tents and motorhomes only. Dates open from March to the end of October. Cost per night min: £18 to max: approximately £25. Partial

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# South Lytchett Manor C & C Park - Best of

South Lytchett Manor, Dorchester Rd, Lytchett Minster, Poole, Dorset BH16 6JB. Tel: 01202622577.

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# **Monkton Wyld Farm**







Address Scott's Lane, Charmouth DT6 6DB Tel 01297 808 804 Web www.monktonwyld.co.uk Open 17 March-30 October 2017 Touring pitches 189 Pitch+2+hook-up £12.25-£18.80





#### We say...

The stunning Jurassic coastline is the base for Monkton Wyld Farm, which is set in 25 acres of beautiful grounds. The touring pitches here are mostly hardstanding with electric hook-up, and are set around a couple of shower blocks and a reception area; there are also a couple of play areas for children to enjoy, a dog walk and an on-site shop. If you don't fancy cooking dinner one evening, you'll appreciate the food vans that visit four times a week! A motorhome service point is a handy addition, too.

There's a bus stop within a 20-minute walk, and timetables are available from reception.

#### You say...

- "The site was beautifully laid-out, with plenty of room between pitches. The shower and toilet block was spotless, with loads of space in which to dry yourself and dress after a shower, without having to perform gymnastics to avoid getting your clean clothes wet!"
- Very helpful staff; this is a well-kept and clean site. Good facilities for children and pets. The toilet block is very good and very clean."
- " We were given a very warm welcome and clear instructions about all of the amenities on site. This truly is a five-star park."

#### **Wood Farm Caravan Park**



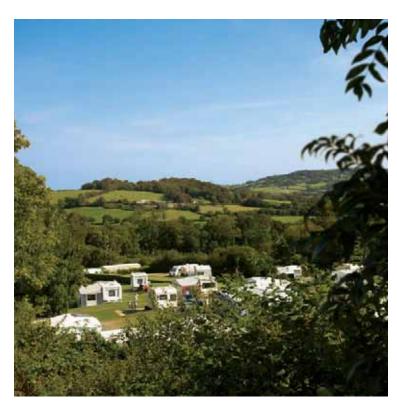
Address Axminster Road, Charmouth, Bridport DT6 6BT Tel 01297 560 697 Web www.woodfarm.co.uk Open 23 March-31 October 2017 Touring pitches 175 Pitch+2+hook-up £7.50-£20

#### We say...

There are numerous caravan parks along Dorset's stretch of Jurassic Coast, but Wood Farm certainly stands out for its high level of facilities, including a 17m indoor heated swimming pool (£2.50 entry fee), a tennis court (£5 per hour), an outdoor draughts game and a dog-free play area for children. Those who enjoy dropping a line will appreciate the coarse-fishing lakes, where they can try to catch carp, rudd, tench and more; a permit costs £3 per day.

Some of the touring pitches (note that motorhomes of more than 8m in length are not accepted on site) have wonderful views out over the sea, and there's an attractive and level field for those with a tent.

- 😘 Beautiful, fantastic views, well-laid-out with an open and sunny aspect. Peaceful and very relaxing. An excellent location close to local shops and pubs. Walks nearby, and ideally located for exploring both east Devon and west Dorset. The friendly and helpful staff go that extra mile to please you. We have just returned from our fourth visit to this site and we will definitely return in future."
- \*\* The facilities are excellent, and the staff are friendly and helpful. The site is very well-kept and very clean. You really don't need to leave the site: there's so much to do here."



# South Lytchett Manor Caravan and Camping Park



Address Dorchester Road, Lytchett Minster, Poole BH16 6JB Tel 01202 622 577 Web www.southlytchettmanor.co.uk Open 1 March 2017-2 January 2018 Touring pitches 150 Pitch+2+hook-up £18.25-£39

#### We say

Fancy a relaxing break in comfort at a top touring park in Dorset? Look no further than South Lytchett Manor Caravan and Camping Park in the east of the county; it's just nine miles from Bournemouth and is a handy



base for exploring both the local area and the New Forest. It's won numerous awards over the years including category wins in our Top 100 Sites Guide, and the AA's Campsite of the Year title for 2016 - and it snatches our regional win once more for 2017. It's also our Best Site for Caravans, Motorhomes and Camping.

Whether you're in a tourer, a tent or are planning to 'glamp' in the fabulous on-site Romany Caravan, you're sure to love your stay here. The on-site facilities are extensive and uniformly excellent; they include beautiful washrooms, free Wi-Fi across the park, seasonal treasure hunts to keep children occupied, a motorhome service point and much more. Two local bus services stop at the main gates, and you can hire bikes from reception.

- \*\* The staff were welcoming and helpful: nothing was too much trouble. The site is well laid-out, immaculately maintained and the facilities are excellent. I would highly recommend this site to others visiting the area."
- " The showers and toilet facilities are always so clean, and the pitches are well-maintained. There is a bus stop outside the gates, to Poole or Swanage."
- " We have been coming to South Lytchett for the past five years in our various tents, and now our caravan. We just love the atmosphere, the facilities are second-tonone, and the location is perfect for exploring the area."









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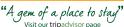
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# Somerset, **Avon & Wilts**

OF THE COUNTIES that make up this region, Somerset is probably the most popular touring destination, and that's primarily for one good reason: it offers a tremendous diversity of landscape, from the rolling hills of Exmoor to the rugged coastline, with attractive beaches and crashing waves. There are also lots of tourist attractions to explore: Wookey Hole and Cheddar Gorge should certainly be on your must-visit list, as should the towns of Wells, Taunton and Glastonbury.

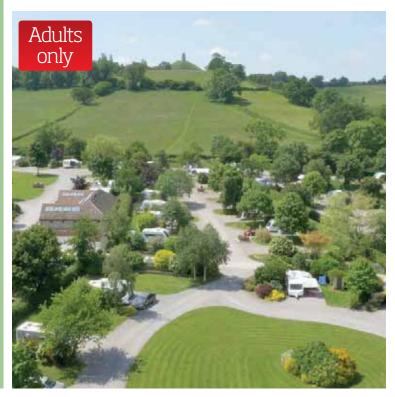
Wiltshire, meanwhile, is well known for its historic sights: why not take a driving tour of the many white horses that you'll find carved into the hillsides here? Then, of course, there are Stonehenge and Avebury, both of which should not be missed.

Complete your tour of this region by taking a trip to buzzing Bristol and handsome Bath.



# **Old Oaks Touring Park**

Address Wick Farm, Wick Lane, Glastonbury BA6 8|S Tel 01458 831 437 Web www.theoldoaks.co.uk Open 1 March-20 November 2017 Touring pitches 88 Pitch+2+hook-up £21-£33



#### We say...

Historic and mysterious Glastonbury is the location for the adults-only Old Oaks Touring Park; it's situated in beautiful countryside a short drive from the town, which can also be accessed on foot. The touring pitches here are large and set across a number of paddocks, so the site never feels too crowded even when busy. You'll be amazed by the cleanliness of the sparkling washrooms, and a lot of attention to detail has gone into the other amenities here: among them are a large dog-exercise area with hot dog shower, a coarse-fishing lake, a number of takeaway delivery services available each week, a licensed shop stocking local produce, and even a payon-the-day minibus service to take you out and about.

- " It deserves every one of its five stars. It's family-run, has large pitches in a beautiful spot and is impeccably clean."
- \*\* The facilities were first-rate and immaculate, the pitches were large and beautifully landscaped, and the staff were super-helpful and friendly. The site was dog-friendly."
- "The staff are friendly and helpful. It's spotlessly clean, with five-star facilities. They offer a dog shower, and their takeaway service is a great idea – place your order at reception and the local takeaway delivers to the site. They also have a minibus service to various locations."

# **Plough Lane Caravan Site**



Address Kington Langley, Chippenham SN15 5PS Tel 01249 750 146 **Web** www.ploughlane.co.uk **Open** 13 March-29 October 2017 Touring pitches 53 Pitch+2+hook-up £24



#### We say...

This impressive adults-only site offers so much to visitors; it's no surprise, then, that it's collected a host of awards over the years – and it's featured in every *Top 100 Sites* Guide for more than a decade! All of the touring pitches here are half-grass, half-hardstanding and feature electric hook-up and free Wi-Fi. Your essential chores will be catered for by the laundry and dishwashing facilities, while the tourist-information area, dog-exercise field and library will keep you entertained.

There are a couple of decent pubs within walking distance, and you can drive to Swindon or Bath with ease.

#### You say...

- "One of the best sites we've stayed at. The pitches are a generous size and the toilets are better than any hotel. Everything about the site is excellent, including easy access from the M4. We give this site 10/10."
- "The staff are great and the site is well set-out. The toilet block was clean and well-maintained. The best site I've stayed at."
- It's always beautifully maintained, safe and secure; friendly and highly competent staff give a most reassuring service. I find it a relaxing site to stay at, with lovely walks nearby and so many interesting places to visit in Wiltshire. Plough Lane has become a significant part of my life. I simply love it."

# Stonehenge Campsite and Glamping Pods



Address Berwick Road, Winterbourne Stoke, Salisbury SP3 4TQ Tel 07786 734 732 Web www.stonehengecampsite.co.uk Open 10 February-27 October 2017 Touring pitches 47 Pitch+2+hook-up £16-£30

#### We say...

Stonehenge Campsite was our Top Site for Camping in 2016, and it continued to attract a large number of votes for our 2017 Top 100 Sites Guide, including many from those with a motorhome or caravan, too. It's an attractively landscaped site in a semi-woodland setting, and is ideal if you're planning to visit Stonehenge and the area's many other attractions, including Cranborne Chase, Longleat House, Shaftesbury and Salisbury.

The touring pitches here have 16V electric hook-up, and there's even one pitch that's big enough for a large RV. Amenities include a new reception office, sparkling and heated washrooms, a campers' kitchen and more.

- "The campsite is very clean and the wardens are very helpful. We come every year for the Summer Solstice festival and would not stay anywhere else. The site has great facilities and fantastic energy – everyone is so nice - plus you can sit and have a beer and watch the horses. I love this place."
- " We loved the friendliness of the site managers and the cleanliness throughout, plus the relaxed feel to the site. The hardstanding pitches and the glamping pods are not set out in 'lines', so you feel that you have your own space and privacy."







# **Stonehenge Touring Park**







Address Orcheston, Salisbury SP3 4SH Tel 01980 620 304 Web www.stonehengetouringpark.com Open All year Touring pitches 30 Pitch+2+hook-up £15-£21

#### We say...

This is the sixth year in a row that Stonehenge Touring Park has made it into our *Top 100 Sites Guide*; it just keeps getting better as time goes on. It's run by Julie Young and her family, and is located in the historic village of Orcheston; given its name, it's not surprising to learn that it makes a great base for exploring Stonehenge and its surrounding attractions!

The facilities here are all aimed at making your stay comfortable, and include 20 electric hook-ups, a wastewater point for motorhomes, a launderette and a dishwashing area. A small shop stocks the basics.

#### You say...

- 🕻 It was very clean and well laid-out, with spotless facilities and a well-stocked shop. The staff were very friendly and helpful, and the site was peaceful and tranquil – there was plenty of space between pitches."
- ${oldsymbol{arphi}}$  I love the site because the owners are so friendly and helpful. My child can play freely and we also take our dog with us. The site is well-maintained, clean and tidy."
- "The owners were extremely friendly; nothing was too much trouble. It's a beautiful site, very clean, with excellent facilities – fire pits and a chimenea are available to hire. Really impressed with it. The owners were knowledgeable about the area. I would strongly recommend it."



# What to see in Somerset, Avon and Wilts

#### 19-28 May 2017

#### The Bath Festival

Various locations, Bath

This is a new event, which promises to bring some of the biggest names in literature, music and more to the streets of beautiful Bath; a comprehensive programme of events will take place over the 10 days. Already confirmed are Simon Callow, Colm Tóibín, Sophie Hannah and Jim Al-Khalili. Web http://bathfestivals.org.uk/the-bath-festival/

#### **6 August 2017**

#### Wessex Country Fair Wilton House Estate, Wilton

The Wessex Country Fair represents a fantastic family day out, with lots to see and do for those of any age. In addition to bars and music, and trade stands to browse, you'll be able to watch gun-dog and falconry displays, see the fun dog show, have a go at archery and even meet the dressage camels! Web www.wessexcountryfair.co.uk

#### 10-13 August 2017

#### Bristol International Balloon Fiesta (pictured) Ashton Court Estate, Bristol

Europe's largest meeting of hot-air balloons is a hugely colourful extravaganza. See all the fantastic balloons before visiting the trade stands, and ride the fairground! Entry to the event is free, although a charge is made for parking. Web www.bristolballoonfiesta.co.uk

#### 13-21 October 2017

# The Two Moors Festival

Exmoor and Dartmoor

As suggested by its name, this is one of a pair of fantastic classical-musical festivals that will be taking place in two beautiful locations: Exmoor and Dartmoor (Devon). The 2017 line-up had yet to be confirmed as we went to press, but you can expect to see some of the genre's brightest stars performing during the week, at a variety of locations. Visit the website for full details and ticket prices. Web www.thetwomoorsfestival.co.uk



### **Warren Farm Holiday Centre**



Address Warren Road, Brean, Burnham-on-Sea TA8 2RP Tel 01278 751 227 Web www.warren-farm.co.uk Open 31 March-29 October 2017 Touring pitches 400 Pitch+2+hook-up £14-24.50



#### We say...

Warren Farm has been owned by the same family for five generations, and it continues to offer a warm welcome to those of all ages. This is a full-facility park that has something for every one of its guests, from a fishing lake and pets corner to entertainment in the cabaret bar. There are numerous shops on site, and even places to get takeaways including fish and chips, pizza, burgers and much more! Accommodation at Warren Farm is in tourers or tents, or in one of the deluxe holiday caravans that are available for hire.

If you fancy exploring off-site, you'll be able to enjoy five miles of sandy shore at Brean; footpaths from the park lead to the beach.

#### You say...

- "The site has great facilities, such as two clubhouses one for kids and one for adults - takeaways, a shop and a play centre among many more. It has a great atmosphere, and is good value-for-money."
- 44 A well-laid-out, clean and tidy site with very friendly staff. It has everything you need: a shop, a café, a clubhouse that serves reasonably priced food and has good (free) entertainment and a separate indoor play and entertainment area for the kids, plus plenty of fishing lakes for everyone to enjoy."

#### **Waterrow Caravan Park**



Address Waterrow, Wiveliscombe, Taunton TA4 2AZ Tel 01984 623 464 Web www.waterrowpark.co.uk Open All year Touring pitches 43 Pitch+2+hook-up £19-£36

#### We say...

Exclusively for adults, Waterrow Caravan Park is a beautiful site set in a pretty Somerset valley with a sparkling river below. The pitches are located among tidy landscaping, and each features a 16A electric hook-up and TV-booster connection point. A tidy barn houses the washroom facilities, which are heated, and there's a library, coffee machine, washing-up area, laundry and microwave for guests to make use of, too. Note that tent pitches are available by appointment only; contact the park for details.

There's much to do in the local area - including visits to the towns of Wiveliscombe and Bampton but if you fancy brushing up on your watercolour skills, don't miss the regular courses offered at Waterrow!

- $\begin{tabular}{l} \textbf{``} Waterrow is a family-run site, owned by Jamie and Lynette \\ \end{tabular}$ Cook, for whom nothing is too much trouble. You are made so welcome and shown to your pitch by Jamie or Lynette. The facilities are spotless and a lot of hard work is put into keeping the park tidy. We would recommend Waterrow."
- " Upon arrival we had such a friendly greeting and were personally informed by the owners about the facilities. We fell in love with the site as soon as we had parked the car - it is peaceful and relaxing."





# **Bath Chew Valley Caravan Park**



Address Ham Lane, Bishop Sutton BS39 5TZ Tel 01275 332 127 Web www.bathchewvalley.co.uk Open All year Touring pitches 45 Pitch+2+hook-up £21-£35

#### We say...

Bath Chew Valley Caravan Park fares extraordinarily well in our Top 100 Sites Guide each and every year; the visitors to this adults-only, open-all-year site are, almost without exception, delighted by what they find here. It's



the attention-to-detail that really impresses the most: the washrooms feature individual 'suites', there's a large lending library for you to browse, free ironing and freezer facilities are available, a motorhome service point is provided, and there's even the opportunity to hire out the site's Citroën C2 if you don't want to take your own vehicle off site. A bus stop close by has services to Bristol, Weston-super-Mare, Wells and Bath.

- "The separate parking area for cars made the site look very calm and tidy, and with no cars driving around it was very peaceful – which was also down to there being no children! We liked the individual bathrooms, which were warm and clean. We received a warm and professional welcome from the staff. There's a nice stroll around the lake close by, as well as a pub and restaurant within walking distance."
- 😘 It is a really well-kept site: very clean and tidy. The toilet/ shower block was the best we have ever seen. It was like having individual en suites. The staff were very friendly: they even positioned our caravan on the pitch for us."
- Wery friendly and helpful staff, and in a lovely location with easy access to a plethora of days out in famous locations such as Wells, Bath, Westonsuper-Mare, Wookey Hole, Cheddar Gorge and so on. The peace and tranquility were wonderful following a busy year to date in the office."











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# Devon

THIS YEAR, 13 superb Devonian sites are among our 100 finalists, each one representing a fantastic base from which to explore this popular county. The vast majority are located to the south of the region: stay at one and you'll easily be able to explore the sandy shores of the beautiful beaches here, as well as the vibrant cities of Plymouth and Exeter, and the traditional towns of Brixham, Salcombe and Torquay. You'll also be able to enjoy the rolling vistas of Dartmoor, and see the famous ponies.

The remainder of this year's Devon regional finalists are situated in the north of the county: the landscape here is very different to the south, with a rugged and windswept coastline. No matter which part of this stunning region you choose to stay at, though, you're sure to enjoy a holiday to remember.



# **Beverley Park**

Address Goodrington Road, Paignton TQ47 [E Tel 01803 843 887 Web www.beverley-holidays.co.uk Open 31 March-30 October 2017 Touring pitches 180 Pitch+2+hook-up £19.60-£34.60



#### We say...

Beverley Park describes itself as 'all-action', and you and your family certainly won't want for something to keep you occupied here: the emphasis is on entertainment and fun. Facilities include attractive indoor and outdoor pools, a bar, restaurants, takeaways, a sauna, steam room and much more besides; guests can also make use of the amenities of sister site Beverley Bay, located nearby.

Accommodation is either in one of the well-specified holiday caravans or in your own tourer or tent. Many of the pitches for the latter have fantastic views across the sea to picturesque Torbay. New for 2017 are dog-friendly holiday caravans, as well as a number with hot-tubs.

- Great for a weekend away with the kids perfect in every way! Good kids' clubs and activities, loved the pools and the entertainment was brilliant. Nice and clean site, too."
- 😘 Absolutely outstanding. Very clean and the staff are lovely. Great entertainment and the food is terrific. We were so impressed, we have just bought a caravan on this site and are looking forward to making fantastic memories."
- Wery clean and tidy. Staff are friendly and helpful. Great facilities such as the heated outdoor and indoor pools. Brilliant entertainment for kids and adults during the evening. There's a large shop on site, too."

# **Cofton Country Holiday Park**



Address Cofton Lane, Starcross, Exeter EX6 8RP Tel 01626 890 111 Web www.coftonholidays.co.uk Open All year Touring pitches 450 Pitch+2+hook-up £19.50-£41



#### We say...

Cofton Country Holiday Park is set in 80 acres of lovely Devon countryside; you can stay here in your tourer or tent, in one of the smart holiday caravans, attractive cottages or well-specified luxury apartments - ideal if you're visiting with family or friends who don't have their own caravan or motorhome.

There's plenty to keep you occupied, too, including the fantastic, modern leisure complex called Ashburn Springs: it features an indoor pool and spa, as well as a range of gym equipment and a fitness studio with classes. Other amenities include an amusement arcade and playground, a shop, five fishing lakes, plenty of places to eat and drink, and a Wi-Fi network that covers almost all of the site.

#### You say...

- "This was our second visit here. The site is very clean and well-kept. Super shower block. Brilliant staff. Fantastic location and dog-friendly. We just love it here."
- " We loved how clean the toilets and showers are, the new leisure centre and activities, fishing lakes, restaurant, café and shop, and the friendliness of the management and staff, not forgetting the dog field and walks in the forest."
- " Great site, amenities, staff, cleanliness and location. Absolutely fantastic park."

#### **Dornafield**



Address Dornafield Farm, Newton Abbot TQ12 6DD Tel 01803 812 732 Web www.dornafield.com Open 16 March-9 November 2017 Touring pitches 135 Pitch+2+hook-up £20-£33

#### We say...

There are 119 fully serviced, all-weather pitches at beautiful Dornafield, which has won a host of awards over the years and made multiple appearances in our Top 100 Sites Guide. Stay here and you'll understand why: the park is beautifully landscaped, and the facilities - including tidy washrooms, a games room, a pair of laundries, a licensed shop and a motorhome service point - are of great quality.

The site is a couple of miles from Newton Abbot, and close to Torbay, putting some of the area's most attractive beaches within easy reach. For more urban exploration, you're close to the towns of Totnes and Dartmouth, as well as the cities of Plymouth and Exeter.

- "Everything is immaculate, and the grounds are very wellkept throughout. Toilets and showers are the cleanest we have encountered. You can order papers for the next day, too."
- ${f ``}$  A superb site in every way, whatever the weather. It is like a home from home in glorious countryside."
- "The campsite grounds are beautiful and interesting in that the pitches aren't just in a straight line in a field. The facilities are kept immaculate at all times. The area around the site is stunning and you are within easy reach of many attractions, seaside towns and the surrounding countryside."





# **Harford Bridge Park**



Address Peter Tavy, Tavistock PL19 9LS Tel 01822 810 349 **Web** www.harfordbridge.co.uk **Open** 15 March-31 October 2017 Touring pitches 120 Pitch+2+hook-up £20-£23.45



#### We say...

There have been numerous improvements at Harford Bridge Park over the past year, and it's now better than ever: among the upgrades are the heated washrooms and the play area, plus a cycle storage shed with e-bike charging facility was added. The changes continue into 2017, with pop-up catering facilities arriving this year.

The touring pitches are spacious and nicely spread out, including some right alongside the river. If you don't have a touring unit or a tent, you can choose to stay in the comfortable Shepherd's Hut, which even has a woodburning stove. Self-catering accommodation is also available in the range of holiday caravans that can be hired out for weekends or longer.

#### You say...

- "This is the third time we have camped at this site; the first time was when our son was two-years old. The staff are fantastic, friendly and helpful. Each time the facilities have been clean and tidy. We are looking to book again next year, although we may book a caravan this time because we will have another son by then. It deserves to be at the top!"
- "Flat pitches, beautiful surroundings, a plethora of washing-up facilities inside and out and spotless high-end washblock facilities. The TV room is great if it is raining, and the owners are very friendly and helpful."

# What to see in Devon

Why not take a trip to one of these great events while you're staying at a Top 100 site?

#### 29 April-1 May 2017

#### Exeter Festival of South-West Food and Drink Exeter Castle and Northernhay Gardens

Lovers of good food should make a note in their diaries to pay a visit to the Exeter Festival of South-West Food and Drink this year; there they will be able to see demos from top chefs, take part in workshops and - of course - taste lots of great produce. Web www.exeterfoodanddrinkfestival.co.uk

#### 18-20 May 2017

#### Devon County Show (pictured)

#### Westpoint, Exeter

This great three-day event is a firm favourite on the Devonian calendar, and features some of the UK's very best livestock and local producers. As well watching as the judging of the numerous competitions, visitors can also enjoy the showjumping, visit the many trade stands, watch the Grand Parade and more. Web www.devoncountyshow.co.uk

#### 22 July 2017

#### Lynmouth Raft Race

#### Lynmouth Harbour

This is a fantastic charity event that every year draws a huge amount of spectators, all keen to watch the riotous proceedings. Participants begin the race by taking part in a procession of the rafts; water and flour bombs are then thrown at them. You're guaranteed a laugh, and it's all done for a good cause! Web www.lyntonandlynmouth.org.uk

#### 5 November 2017

# Ottery St Mary Tar Barrels

Ottery St Mary

No one knows the exact history of the tar barrels of Ottery St Mary, but it's a tradition that dates back hundreds of years. Numerous towns have tar-barrel rolling, but Ottery goes one further - the participants carry them instead! It's an amazing spectacle (note that it's not suitable for small children due to the crowds); while you're visiting the town, do take a look at the enormous bonfire, too. Web www.tarbarrels.co.uk



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# **Hidden Valley Touring and Camping Park**



Address West Down, Ilfracombe EX34 8NU Tel 01271 813 837 Web www.hiddenvalleypark.com Open All year Touring pitches 120 Pitch+2+hook-up £11-£25

#### We say...

The touring pitches at Hidden Valley are separated into two areas, each quite distinct: Otter's Creek features mostly hardstandings, while Kingfisher Meadow is primarily grass and ideal for those staying in a tent. A small stream runs alongside the latter, which is perfect for paddling on a warm day. Facilities elsewhere on the campsite include a licensed shop, a restaurant and a reception area with lots of local information. You can even pre-order a grocery pack featuring essentials for £33, ready for your arrival.

If you'd prefer to leave your vehicle on site when getting out and about to explore, you're sure to appreciate the local bus service: there are stops right outside the park entrance, from where you can take public transport to towns such as Ilfracombe, Barnstaple and many more besides.

#### You say...

- " My wife and I have a caravan stored here, and have been going to Hidden Valley for many years. We just love the peace and quiet, the friendly staff and the whole atmosphere."
- "This is a friendly, family-run site: nothing is too much trouble for them, and the team will always go out of their way to help you. If they are unable to solve your problem, they will find someone who can."



#### Hillhead Caravan Club Site







#### We say...

Located close to a pretty beach, Hillhead Caravan Club Site - which is open to members and non-members alike, including those with a tent - makes a great base for exploring the delights of the surrounding area. A large number of pitches benefit from glorious sea views, too.

As you'd expect from a Caravan Club site, the facilities here are excellent; they include a swimming pool, a bar, a drive-over motorhome service point, games and recreation fields for youngsters to play on, a dog-walking area, Wi-Fi (for a charge) and a restaurant. A late-night arrivals area is a handy addition if you turn up too late to pitch on the main site, and evening entertainment and themed activities during the main season will help keep all members of your party happy.

- "Dog-friendly and grandaughter-friendly! The restaurant and shop are both good value. Even when full and packed out during school holidays, it doesn't feel overcrowded."
- " We loved the facilities, the location, the entertainment, the pool, the bar, the food on offer – in fact, we loved everything about this site!"
- <sup>44</sup> It was the facilities, the cleanliness, the friendliness of the staff and the size of the pitches that impressed us most – just about everything!"

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# **Langstone Manor Holiday Park**



Address Moortown, Tavistock PL19 9|Z Tel 01822 613 371 Web www.langstonemanor.co.uk Open 18 March-11 November 2017 Touring pitches 40 Pitch+2+hook-up £20.50-£25.50

#### We say...

Located within the Dartmoor National Park, Langstone Manor is a fantastic place to simply get away from it all: there's a comfortable bar for guests to visit, along with a dining room - food is served every night in the high season, and at weekends during the rest of the year and a games room. If you fancy stretching your legs away from the site, you'll find miles of fantastic rambling opportunities across the moor.

As well as caravanners and motorcaravanners, tent campers are welcome at Langstone Manor, as are those who choose to stay in the static caravans (which sleep up to six people) or in one of the wooden camping pods. Everyone who stays can make use of the tidy, underfloorheated washrooms and buy supplies from reception; a motorhome service point is also available.

#### You say...

- "A brilliant location to use as a base for exploring Devon and Cornwall. All facilities are kept really clean and the site has a very friendly and helpful team."
- You can feel the love that the founders and people who work at Langstone Manor have put into the place. From the clean amenities, through to the plants and descriptions of how they help the local environment, this place is a perfect spot for any nature lover."



# **Parkers Farm Holiday Park**



Address Higher Mead Farm, Ashburton, Newton Abbot TQ137LJ Tel 01364 654 869 **Web** www.parkersfarmholidays.co.uk **Open** 30 March-29 October 2017 Touring pitches 100 Pitch+2+hook-up £15-£22



#### We say...

Colin and Sam Parker are the force behind this familyrun site where you're sure to receive a warm welcome: 'You are not just another statistic, you are part of the family,' claims the website. There is a variety of touring pitches to choose from, with varying levels of features: the super pitches include privacy from hedging, electric-, water- and waste-disposal connections, as well as great views. You'll also find a shop, ironing facilities, a postbox, a battery-charging service and a bar/restaurant with an extensive menu. In addition there are 16 static caravans for hire; they are situated away from the main touring areas and sleep from two to eight occupants.

- "The fantastic staff were really helpful and very friendly, the farm tour and tractor ride were brilliant, and the prices in the bar, restaurant and shop were very reasonable."
- "This is a lovely site for families with young children. Part of its charm is that it is not overdeveloped or commercialised. There were ducklings, chickens, pigs and alpacas. The restaurant, which serves excellent food, welcomes dogs – with an area set aside for dog owners to eat with their faithful friends. There is also a play and football area, and a dog-walk mapped out. There is a well-stocked shop and the staff are welcoming."



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#### We say...

Ross Park has appeared in our Top 100 Sites Guide on numerous occasions over the years, even winning the regional category a couple of times, so it's no surprise to see it among our finalists again for 2017. Every year you praise the high quality of the facilities, and the warmth of the welcome that you've received. While you're here you can enjoy a drink or meal in the bar/restaurant, or have a cup of coffee in the tropical conservatory. Wildlife is in abundance, thanks to the emphasis on environmental matters: around two-thirds of the park's 32 acres is made up of nature reserve, attracting all manner of fauna.

#### You say...

- "This is the best-managed site that we have ever stayed at. It is extremely dog-friendly, with a fantastic area for them to run around in (more of a park) and a restaurant – serving lovely food – where you can take dogs into the conservatory. Every pitch here is well-maintained."
- " I loved everything! I finally visited this site with my son and daughter-in-law; they have been to Ross Park for more than seven years, and always had great things to say about it. I did not appreciate how good the park was until I saw it for myself, and all I can say is wow! We visited the restaurant and this was also amazing. I will definitely be visiting again and again in future."



#### **Stowford Farm Meadows**



Address Combe Martin, Ilfracombe EX34 OPW Tel 01271 882 476 Web www.stowford.co.uk Open All year Touring pitches 700 Pitch+2+hook-up £15-£32.50



#### We say...

Stowford Farm Meadows was home to our annual Reader Rally for many years and, like us, many of you love it for its attractive combination of great facilities for all ages, and spacious pitches. Children are particularly well catered for, thanks to the indoor swimming pool, petting zoo and dedicated family entertainment, as well as the opportunity to horse-ride. The older members of the family won't feel left out, either: they can enjoy a drink in the site's bar, eat at the restaurant or get a takeaway when the family cook wants a day off. Your four-legged friends will be happy, too, with acres of woodland walks that start and finish at the park, plus a day kennel for when you want to visit a non-dog-friendly attraction. The on-site touring-caravan dealership – retailing new and used units - might also prove tempting.

- 44 Although a large site, it is split into several smaller fields. The facilities, shop, restaurant and leisure are all firstclass. There is a caravan sales and service dealership on site, plus storage. What more could anyone require?"
- We love how clean the site is the toilet blocks are the best I have ever seen. It is also a great site for all age groups; we go there twice a year because there are good deals available during the season."



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#### Berry Barton Caravan & Camping Park

Berry Barton, Branscombe, No 02 Seaton, Devon EX12 3BD Tel: 01297 680208

Leave A3052 at Gatedown Lane, at T Junction turn left. 20 metres turns right to T Junction. Turn left. Half mile on the right. Follow brown camping signs. Level site. Two static fields 18 acres. Open 15th March to 15th November. £14 to £16 per night. Bookings Accepted.

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#### **Dornafield Touring Park**

Newton Abbot, Devon TQ12 6DD Tel: 01803 812732

Email: enquireies@dornafield.com Easily accessible from the M5 via the A380 to Torquay or from Plymouth via the A38. Leave Newton Abbot by the A381 clearly signposted Totnes, after two miles you will find the Two Mile Oak Garage on your left and the Two Mile Oak Inn on your right. Turn right at the Inn and follow the road for half a mile to a crossroads signposted to Dornafield, Turn left and Dornafield is 100 yards down on the right. Beautiful 14th Century farmhouse located in 30 acres of glorious Devon. Fully serviced pitches with hard standings. Open from 16th March - 9th November 2017. Prices max £33 to min £20.

Bookings necessary.

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#### **Bridestowe Caravan Park**

Glebe Park, Bridestowe, Okehampton, Devon EX20 4ER

Tel: 01837 861261

e-mail: ali.young53@btinternet.com On A30, 3 miles west of Okehampton. Turn left, follow signs to Bridgestowe village and caravan park. Five and a half acres, touring and holiday caravan home areas. Open 1st March to 11th December. Touring £11.00 to £18.00. Static Caravans £110-£480. Dogs allowed on the touring pitches but not in the Static Caravans, Bookings accepted/advisable

#### **Harford Bridge Park**

Peter Tavy, Tavistock, Devon PL19 9LS Tel: 01822 810349

From the A386 Tayistock - Okehampton Road two and a half miles east of Tavistock, take road to Peter Tavy, Park 100m from turn off from A386. Four star holiday park offering diverse camping and self catering accommodation including shepherd's hut and luxury studio lodges. Open from 15th March to 14th November.

Bookings accepted.

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#### Hele Valley Holiday Park

Hele Bay, Ilfracombe, Devon EX34 9RD Tel: 01271 862460

One mile east of Ilfracombe town centre. Situated in a beautiful valley, we have 50 spacious pitches spread over two fields with modern toilet and shower facilities. Open from 1st April to 31st October, Max: £38.00 Min: £19.00. Bookings advisable.

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Lobb Fields Touring & Camping Park, Saunton Road, Braunton, Devon EX33 1HG Tel: 01271 812090

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#### **Langstone Manor Park**

Moortown, Tanstock, Devon PL19 9J2 Tel: 01822 613 371

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#### Springfield Holiday Park

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Castle Lane, Woodbury, Exeter EX5 1EA Tel: 01395 232276

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#### **Woodlands Grove Caravan & Camping** Park

Blackawton, Totnes, Devon TQ97DQ Tel: 01803 712598

From the M5 at Exeter, follow the A38 southbound towards Plymouth. Beware Sat Navs may try to send you on the A380 to Torquay which involves a ferry crossing. Take the Buckfastleigh/Totnes turnoff. Follow the brown tourist signs marked Woodlands Leisure Park. Through Totnes, take the Kingsbridge/ Dartmouth Road. Turn left at Halwell on the A3122 Dartmouth Road, Just over 2 miles down this road and Woodlands is on your right. Close to the picturesque waterside town of Dartmouth. Woodlands combines an award winning campsite with a large leisure park. The campsite offers excellent facilities, stays of 2 nights or more give you entry to the leisure park hidden in the valley below. With a wide range of indoor and outdoor rides, woodlands walks, falconry centre and zoo-farm it caters for all ages.

Open 18th March to 30th October. £15 to £34. Bookings advisable

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#### **Woolacombe Sands Holiday Park**

Beach Road, Woolacombe, Devon EX34 7AF Tel: 01271 870569

Email: bookings@woolacombe-sands.co.uk Web: www.woolacombe-sands.co.uk Closest Holiday Park to Woolacombe Beach Open from 24th of March to the 29th of October 2017. £10-£50 per night

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# **Widdicombe Farm Touring Park**



Address The Ring Road, Marldon, Paignton TQ3 1ST Tel 01803 558 325 Web www.widdicombefarm.co.uk Open 19 March-22 October 2017 Touring pitches 200 Pitch+2+hook-up £16-£26

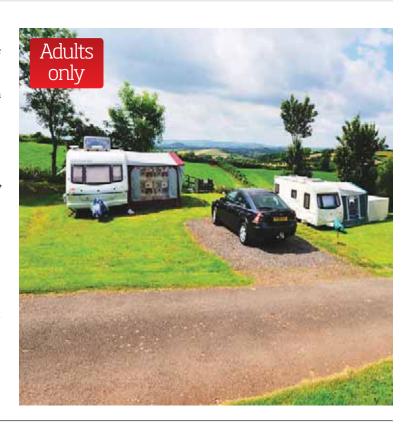
#### We say...

Those touring without children will be able to enjoy true peace and quiet at the adults-only Widdicombe Farm. All of the 200 touring pitches are level and spacious; you can choose between standard, fully serviced or premium pitches, depending on your requirements. Amenities include Wi-Fi across the park, a licensed restaurant and takeaway (open from Easter to October), a small shop, and entertainment during the high season.

The picturesque town of Torquay is within easy reach of the site and, with a bus stop just outside the park gates, you can use public transport to explore it. If all of your party is over the age of 60 you can receive a discount for advanced pitch bookings; contact the site for details.

#### You say...

- Wery well run by friendly and welcoming staff. The facilities are good and kept spotlessly clean – there's also a small restaurant and a bar with some entertainment."
- **46** A brilliant welcome from owners, staff and holidaymakers. Great, spotless facilities, lovely surroundings and easy accessibility. It's an adults-only site, so is peaceful, too."
- "Good-sized pitches, excellent toilets and showers, and a good bar and restaurant. Peaceful, yet only a short drive into Torquay. There's a bus service close by. Best of all, though, are the friendly, helpful staff."



# **Woodland Springs Touring Park**



Address Venton, Drewsteignton, Exeter EX6 6PG Tel 01647 231 695 Web www.woodlandsprings.co.uk Open All year Touring pitches 81 Pitch+2+hook-up £20.50-£23.50



#### We say...

The adults-only Woodland Springs Touring Park is open all year; as a result you'll be able to enjoy a peaceful, quiet break even during the school holidays. It's a tranquil place with excellent facilities, including Platinum Loo of the Year-award-winning washrooms, good-quality Wi-Fi (available for a charge), a freezer, a dog-exercise area and even a coffee machine for guests to use. Day kennels are also available if you want to to explore without your pet.

And there's certainly plenty to see and do close by: the park is located in the stunning Dartmoor National Park, so walkers and cyclists will be in their element here. Other attractions within a short drive are Castle Drogo, Dartmoor Prison Museum, and much more.

- "Tranquil and beautifully maintained. Owners are helpful and knowledgeable - nothing is too much trouble. Shower/toilet facilities are spotlessly clean, as is the dishwashing area."
- **&** Beautifully maintained and so peaceful. The owners are always on hand with help and advice – they work incredibly hard keeping the site as a haven of tranquility."
- " Friendly welcome by Chris and Jan. Very helpful with information and they always go the extra mile to help. Very clean shower block. Grounds are litter-free and tidy. It's very peaceful and a real pleasure to return to."

# **Woodovis Holiday Park**



Address Woodovis Park, Woodovis Cottages, Gulworthy, Tavistock PL19 8NY Tel 01822 832 968 Web www.woodovis.com Open 17 March-28 October 2017 Touring pitches 50 Pitch+2+hook-up £26-£38

#### We say...

Woodovis Park has taken the Devon category winner award twice in a row now, with its visitors once more telling us how much they loved the facilities, the welcome that they received, the care and attention that has gone into

**REGIONAL WINNER** 

the maintenance of the park, and the beauty of the surrounding area. No wonder so many guests return here time and time again!

You're given a choice of accommodation options here: you can pitch up in your tourer or tent, or stay in one of the wooden glamping pods, the holiday caravans set in three acres of woodland, or even in the self-catering cottage.

It may only be a small site, but that means that the extensive facilities never feel overcrowded: they include a heated swimming pool and spa, a children's playground and a dog-exercise area. There are lots of small touches to enjoy, too: keep an eye out for the hog-roast van on Monday and Friday evenings, electric-bike hire, horseand-carriage rides (during school holidays), archery and circus-skills sessions, and much more besides.

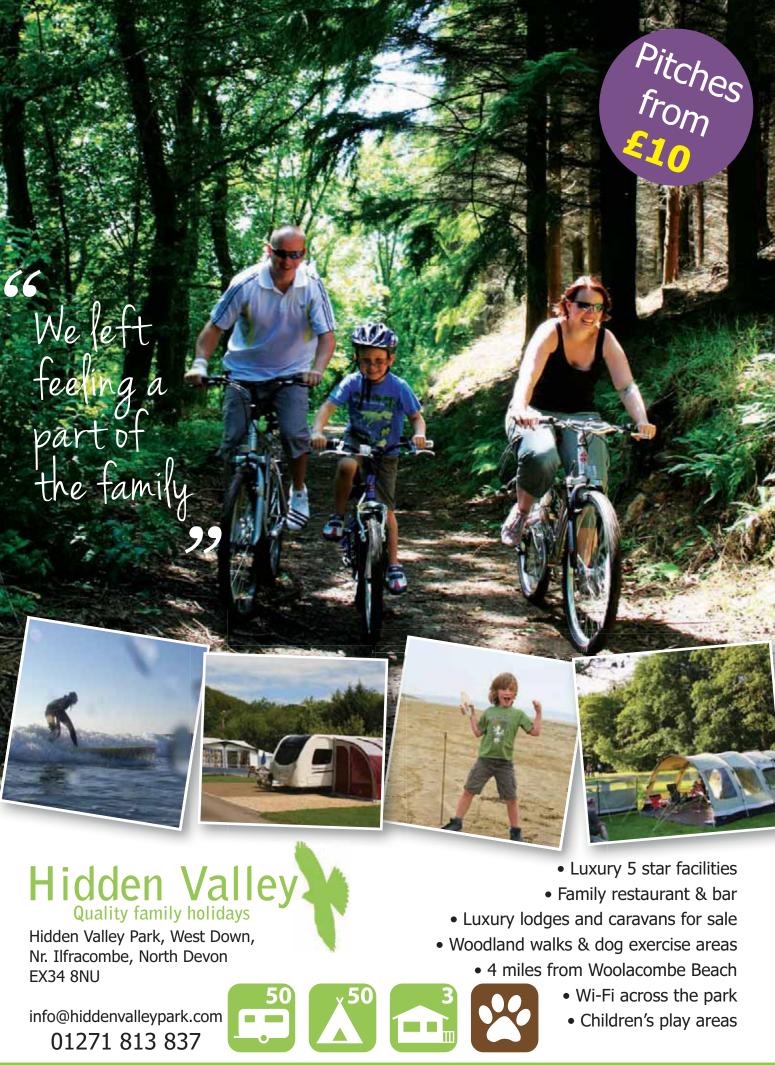
- "Our trip to Woodovis was wonderful. The staff were helpful and friendly. The facilities are well-looked-after and we liked how much was done to be eco-friendly. The setting is beautiful and it was lovely to find tucked-away seating to enjoy fantastic views and amazing sunsets."
- " We loved everything. It's well-run and very clean, and great if you have a dog – there's a lovely field where they can play. Good swimming pool and play area, plus friendly staff that make you feel welcome."











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# Cornwall

THE BEAUTIFUL CORNISH coast is your playground if you choose to stay at 12 of our 13 Top 100 regional finalists for this year - each one is located on or very near to the shoreline. All 13 are nicely spread out, though: to explore this county fully, why not pay a visit to more than one while you're in the area?

Cornwall is particularly popular with families, and for many good reasons: it's well-set-up for tourism, and as a result there are plenty of attractions for both young and old. The more mature members of the party are sure to love the historic highlights here - which include the Minack Theatre, Lanhydrock House and the Lost Gardens of Heligan while children will adore a trip to Screech Owl Sanctuary, the Tamar Otter and Wildlife Centre, and Flambards Theme Park in Helston.



# **Atlantic Coast Holiday Park**

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Address 53 Upton Towans, Hayle TR27 5BL Tel 01736 752 071 **Web** www.atlanticcoastpark.co.uk **Open** 1 March 2017-7 January 2018 Touring pitches 15 Pitch+2+hook-up £26-£40



#### We say...

You'll be able to enjoy a tour to beautiful Cornwall even during the colder winter months by visiting Atlantic Coast Holiday Park, which is open right through the Christmas period. No matter when you go, you'll be assured of a warm welcome at this popular site, which has its touring pitches located in a sheltered position among the sand dunes.

Handily, a pitch can be reserved online via the park's useful mobile booking service, and there's a small shop on site where you can stock up on the basics without having to leave - ideal if you're touring in a motorhome. Improvements over the past 12 months include a new games room.

The beautiful local beaches are the real draw here, but if you fancy exploring further afield, you'll find St Michael's Mount, the Minack Theatre and more close by.

- Atlantic Coast is ideal for visiting various places and it is also within walking distance of the beach."
- <sup>66</sup> It was spotless; our holiday home was perfect, the staff were so friendly and helpful and the location was just fantastic. We have booked again."
- We loved everything about our stay. The staff were friendly, there were clean facilities and the grounds were well-kept."

# **Budemeadows Touring Park**







Address Widemouth Bay, Bude Tel 01288 361 646 Web www.budemeadows.com Open All year Touring pitches 145 Pitch+2+hook-up £19-£31.50

#### We say...

The small and attractive seaside town of Bude is home to the appropriately named and open-all-year Budemeadows Touring Park; it's located around one mile from Widemouth Bay, which is popular with families thanks to its sandy shores and rock pools that are exposed at low tide. The South West coastal footpath also runs along this stretch, if you fancy taking in some of its stunning vistas.

Back at the touring park you'll find plenty to keep you occupied: included in your pitch price is use of the heated outdoor pool, a bar, a site shop, a takeaway and plenty of areas for little ones to play. If you were planning to stay in a tent, but fancy a little more luxury, you'll also be able to rent out the site's permanently pitched touring caravan.

#### You say...

- 😘 It's very clean and has all the facilities you need for your holiday. It's run by two very nice and helpful couples -I would recommend it to anyone."
- " We leave our touring caravan here for eight weeks during the summer. The site is kept very clean and tidy, and the owners are really nice and make you very welcome. We've been visiting for two years and try to make an excuse to stay here as often as we can."



#### **Dolbeare Park**

Address Landrake, Saltash PL12 5AF Tel 01752 851 332 Web www.dolbeare.co.uk Open All year Touring pitches 60 Pitch+2+hook-up £20-£26



#### We say...

The touring pitches at Dolbeare Park are of a good size; the hardstanding examples have 16A electric hook-up, and there's plenty of room to pitch your caravan's awning. Those touring in a motorhome will appreciate the dedicated service point, and there's no charge for an additional car towed on an A-frame, or a scooter/motorcycle trailer. If you fancy getting out and about off site without your vehicle, local buses will take you to Plymouth, Liskeard and more.

Other facilities at Dolbeare Park include a small licensed shop at reception, underfloor-heated washrooms, a launderette and a playground for children.

If you don't fancy cooking on site, you can make use of the takeaway. Alternatively the nearest pub, the Bullers Arms, is around a mile away: it offers good food and drink, as well as Sunday lunchtime roasts.

- 😘 Spotlessly clean, very pretty site with friendly staff. Feels like being part of a big family. Great facilities, even down to fresh flowers in the toilets! There's a nice little shop with homebaked goods and a very helpful information cabin, but staff are always on hand to help. We love it: total relaxation!"
- " We love the fact that you can usually pick your pitch, and the shower/toilet blocks are absolutely spotless."





# **Eden Valley Holiday Park**



**Address** Lanlivery PL30 5BU **Tel** 01208 872 277 **Web** www.edenvalleyholidaypark.co.uk **Open** 1 April-31 October 2017 Touring pitches 56 Pitch+2+hook-up £14-£19



#### We say...

Exploring Cornwall's stunning south coast is easy if you choose to make Eden Valley Holiday Park your base. The ancient town of Lostwithiel and its handsome architecture is close by, while you'll be able to enjoy great food in Fowey around six miles farther on. There are also plenty of walking and cycling opportunities on atmospheric Bodmin Moor.

There's no clubhouse at Eden Valley, so you're assured of a quiet, relaxing stay. Children are sure to enjoy the fantastic adventure playground, which features swings, slides and more, and there's an indoor games room for when the weather takes a turn. Meanwhile, those travelling with their dog will appreciate the dedicated paddock where they can walk their pet. No public transport is available within a mile of the site, but a list of taxis can be supplied.

#### You say...

44 A really friendly welcome by the owners. This site is so lovely and quiet. The toilets and showers were never busy and the showers are free, lovely and hot. Our pitch was in one of the fields, and was perfect for our group because we had a lot of young children and there was no road through it; the play park was amazing. The site is in a great position to allow you to go on day trips all over the county."

# **Hendra Holiday Park**



**Address** Newquay TR8 4NY **Tel** 01637 875 778 Web www.hendra-holidays.com Open 31 March-4 November 2017 Touring pitches 700 Pitch+2+hook-up £21.20-£36.40

#### We say...

The number of fully serviced pitches at Hendra has increased over the past 12 months; it's a huge place, and there are now an incredible 700 pitches for tourers. As you'd expect, the level and standard of facilities is also high at this all-singing, all-dancing park: there's a huge choice of places to eat, indoor amusements, an outdoor gym, swimming pools, a shop where you can hire towels, bikes and the like, a supermarket, a launderette and much more. The younger members of the family will love the facilities dedicated to them, too, which include a scooter park, a new-for-2017 soft-play area, activity and entertainment sessions and various playgrounds. If you fancy exploring further afield, you'll find a bus stop directly outside the park gates.

- " It's fantastic. Love the entertainment programme and the facilities for the family."
- " My husband, 19-year-old daughter and I intended to just use the site as a base for sightseeing, but the caravan was such a fantastic standard that it was like a home from home. We came back in the afternoons just to relax – it was spotlessly clean and so comfortable: just brilliant. We also used the on-site facilities such as the shop, takeaway and bar for a late drink. We will be here again in 2017 without a doubt."



# Mother Ivey's Bay Holiday Park



Address Trevose Head, Padstow PL28 8SL Tel 01841 520 990 Web www.motheriveysbay.com Open 1 April-31 October 2017 Touring pitches 100 Pitch+2+hook-up £21-£45

#### We say...

Tourers and tents are both welcome at the popular Mother Ivey's Bay Holiday Park; there's also a large number of static caravans, with three levels of facilities (Diamond, Gold and Silver). The touring and camping pitches are right at the heart of the site, close to the main reception building, with the permanent caravans further away. There's a good range of facilities across the site, with a launderette, shop and more located close to the park entrance.

There's plenty to see and do in the nearby area, including visiting the site's own private beach. Wildlife lovers will be in their element here, too, with five acres of nature reserve attracting all manner of fauna. There's a real emphasis on environmental matters at the park, including motion sensors that control the amenity lighting, and extensive recycling. To learn more about the natural environment, you can also visit the nearby Eden Project.

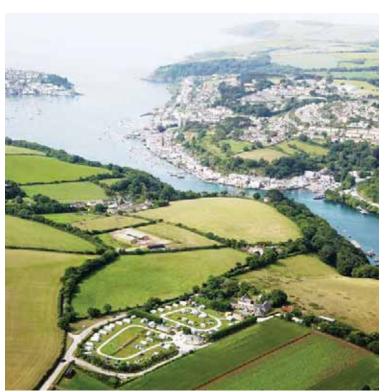
#### You say...

- " It's a lovely site with three cracking beaches nearby."
- " Love the location, views and excellent friendly staff nothing is too much trouble. Caravans are of a very high standard and clean. We will continue to visit!"
- "Have been staying since 1974. The sea views are stunning."



# Penmarlam Caravan & Camping Park





#### We say...

Penmarlam Caravan & Camping Park has been one of our Top 100 Sites Guide finalists every year since 2010, and it returns again for 2017: it's a fantastic site that proves hugely popular with visitors year after year. Part of the attraction is the way that the park is designed, with two separate areas, each offering a different feel: the first is more back-to-nature, while the second is manicured. There's also a great level of facilities, including spotless, award-winning washrooms, a shop, a launderette and electric hook-up as standard on every pitch. Those in a tent who would like to use their hook-up can hire the relevant cables (subject to availability) if they don't already have them.

- "The site is beautifully kept, with all the facilities you need for a week's camping. Despite being full during our stay it was reasonably quiet and had a 10pm noise curfew, which is great for young families. All holidaymakers were polite, wellbehaved and responsible, which is a credit to the clientele the site attracts. The staff were very polite and friendly and really couldn't do enough for us. The site is in a perfect position for visiting Fowey and the surrounding areas."
- The site is very clean and tidy and the toilet facilities are excellent. The lovely shop seems to stock everything."





# **Polruan Holidays**



Address Townsend, Polruan-by-Fowey PL231QH Tel 01726 870 263 Web www.polruanholidays.co.uk Open 1 April-31 September 2017 Touring pitches 32 Pitch+2+hook-up £19-£30

#### We say...

Polruan may be a small campsite, but it's a fantastic place to kick back and relax: pitch up your caravan, motorhome (up to 7.5m in length) or tent in the touring zones - the hardstanding pitches are for adults only and you'll be able to enjoy breathtaking views out across the sea from most areas. If you'd prefer, you can also hire out one of the site's trio of static holiday caravans, each of which sleeps up to four people. Use of the site showers and Wi-Fi is included in the price of your stay, no matter which type of accommodation you choose, as is free phone/camera charging, ice-pack loans and baby-changing facilities.

A number of interesting walks start and end at the campsite, during which you'll be able to see some of the area's many highlights, including Readymoney Cove and the beaches of Lansallos and Polkerris.

#### You say...

- " We really appreciated the welcome from the very helpful owners, as well as the excellent shop, which has all the products you might have forgotten to pack. There are also very clean facilities and appropriately spaced camping areas. All in all, this is an excellent site."
- " We visited Polruan in our motorhome and stayed for three nights; we loved the park's tremendous location."



# What to see in Cornwall

#### 8-10 June 2017

#### Royal Cornwall Show

#### Royal Cornwall Showground, Wadebridge

The county's biggest annual event is an extravaganza of all things food and farming; there's a huge amount to do for those of any age. You'll find hundreds of judged classes to watch, and stages come alive with music and song. Flower shows, rare-breed displays and much more are also among the events. Web www.royalcornwallshow.org

#### 22-28 July 2017

#### Charlestown Regatta Week

#### Charlestown

Charlestown is located on the South Cornish coast, close to St Austell; each year it hosts a fantastic regatta week featuring a range of events. No matter whether you go along to watch or take part, you're sure to have a fabulous time: a triathlon, water polo and a raft race are just some of the spectacles that you'll see. Web www.charlestownregatta.org

#### 8-10 September 2017

#### Newquay Fish Festival

#### Newquay (pictured)

Celebrate the delicious seafood from this town at the annual Fish Festival, which takes place at various locations. The focus is firmly on food, but other great events including concerts, choirs, talks and demonstrations are also part of proceedings. Web www.newquayfishfestival.co.uk

#### 7-10 December 2017

# Padstow Christmas Festival

#### Padstow

This wonderful festival attracts tens of thousands of visitors to the streets of lovely Padstow each year, and for good reason: there's a large number of local-food producers present, live performances to enjoy, great cuisine to sample and delicious beer to taste. While you're visiting, be sure to take a wander around the many trade stands to allow you to find the perfect Christmas gift for that tricky friend or relative! Web www.padstowchristmasfestival.co.uk











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Boswinger, St Austell, Cornwall, PL26 6LL. Telephone: 01726 843425 Email: holidays@seaviewinternational.com. Visit: www.seaviewinternational.com



# **Silver Sands Holiday Park**



Address Gwendreath, Helston TR12 7LZ Tel 01326 290 631 Web www.silversandsholidaypark.co.uk Open 25 March-28 October 2017 Touring pitches 16 Pitch+2+hook-up £15-£23.50

#### We say...

Fancy a relaxing touring or static-caravan holiday on the Lizard Peninsula? If so, Silver Sands Holiday Park will make a great base for you and your family to explore the many attractions you'll find in the local area. Among them are the historic fishing port of Porthleven, the Goonhilly Earth Station, Trelowarren Gardens, the stunning sandy shores of beautiful Kynance Cove and much more besides.

Remain on site, though, and you'll find plenty to occupy those of all ages: facilities here include a small TV room, a public BBQ point, a dedicated play area for kids under the age of six, an open grass area for ball games and an information hut for holiday inspiration.

#### You say...

- "This site has such a family-friendly atmosphere. The warm welcome you are greeted with is out of this world. The site is beautifully maintained and is impeccably clean. The facilities for washing, cleaning pots and laundry are all five-star and above. The dog field is great and a waste bin is provided. The only noise after 9.30pm is the sound of the surf. I would highly recommend this site for anyone wishing to have a relaxing time."
- 44 Absolutely fabulous, we've been on site twice now and have booked for 2017."



# Sun Haven Valley Holiday Park



Address Mawgan Porth, Newquay TR8 4BQ Tel 01637 860 373 **Web** www.sunhavenvalley.com **Open** 8 April-31 October 2017 Touring pitches 109 Pitch+2+hook-up £29-£50.50



#### We say...

'No club, no bar - just peace and relaxation on a family-run park,' says the Sun Haven Valley website, and that's exactly what you'll find at this attractive place, located in stunning countryside on Cornwall's north coast. There's a children's play area plus games and TV rooms on site, but you'll be able to enjoy the night sky in absolute quiet thanks to the 10.30pm noise curfew. Wi-Fi is available across much of the site.

If you decide to leave your car or motorhome on site and take public transport, you can catch a bus to Padstow, Newquay and further afield from right outside the park gates. Alternatively, take the woodland walking path to Mawgan Porth Beach, a wonderfully sheltered bay with large stretches of sandy shore.

- " Lovely location, within walking distance of the gorgeous beach and village. Peaceful setting, dog- and child-friendly."
- "The grounds are well-kept and the extra facilities make camping even easier!"
- **W**e love the cleanliness, the facilities, the quietness and the location. It is a really well-organised site and very well-maintained. Excellent for families."
- "They clearly were doing everything possible to make my stay happy and trouble-free."





Higher Ayr, St. Ives, Cornwall TR26 1EJ Tel: 01736 795855

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 tourer per night £18 to £37. Bookings advisable

#### **Cosawes Park Homes**

Cosawes Park, Perranarworthal, Truro, Cornwall TR3 7QS

Tel: 01872 863724

Email: info@cosawes.com www.cosawes.co.uk

Half way between Truro and Falmouth on A39 Exceptionally pretty, rural, very quiet site, situated in sheltered valley. Open all year. Cost per night Min: £15, Max: £25. Bookings accepted and advisable.

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#### 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 31st October. Min: £14, Max: £19. Bookings advisable.

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#### Pentire Haven Holiday Park

Stibb Road, Kilkhampton, Bude, Cornwall EX23 9QY

Tel: 01288 321601

4 miles north of Bude just off A39. 22 acres, large level pitches. Holiday homes to hire & buy. Nearby beaches, indoor pool, bar, shop etc. Open all year. Cost per night (based on two adults, plus unit) range from £9.95 to £20.00. Bookings accepted and advisable.

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#### Polruan Holidays

Bookings advisable

Townsend, Polruan By Fowey, Cornwall PL23 10H Tel: 01726 870263 Email: Polholiday@aol.com From Plymouth A38 to Dobwalls take A390 turn left at East Taphouse B3359 turn right at Lanreath to Bodinnick turn left to Polruan. Small family park surrounded by sea and esturary, exceptionally clean and well maintained, peace and quiet. No overcrowding. Open from April - September. Cost per night - Max: £25, Min: £16.

#### Sun Haven Valley Country Holiday Park

Sun Haven Valley, Mawgan Porth, Newquay, Cornwall TR8 4BQ Tel: 01637 860373

Email: sunhaven@sunhavenvalley.com Follow A30 to Newquay airport on A3059. Turn right onto B3276 past petrol station following signs to Mawgan Path. Turn right at beachfront then Sun Haven Valley is 3/4 mile on the left of the road. Sun Haven Valley is a family friendly holiday park situated only 3/4 mile from Mawgan Path. Beach in a gorgeous secluded valley. No club or bar to disturb peace. Strict 10.30pm silence. Statics open all year. Open from Easter to Halloween. Price: Max: £140, Min: £14.

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#### Silver Sands Holiday Park

Gwendreath, Helston, Cornwall TR12 7LZ Tel: 01326 290631 www.silversandsholidaypark.co.uk Email:info@silversandsholidaypark.co.uk From Helston followings signs to Keverne, pass Goonhilly Satellite Station. At next crossroads sign turn right. Continue for 1.5 miles to the first turning on the left sign posted Gwendreath. Silver Sands Holiday Park is 1 mile down the single track lane. Wonderfully situated in a peaceful location only 1km away from the family sandy beaches of Kennack Sands, perfect for those seeking a tranquil setting on the Lizard Peninsula. Deluxe lodge, caravan homes, touring/ motorhomes, tenting pitches are spaciously separated by shrubs for privacy. Easy access to coastal path reaching enchanting villages of Cadgwith and Coverack and exploring beautiful coves. Dogs welcome. Open from March until

November. Prices; Max: £24, Min: £13. Bookings advisable. 

#### River Valley Holiday Park

London Apprentice, St Austell, Cornwall PL26 7AP Tel: 01726 73533 www.rivervalleyholidaypark.co.uk Email: mail@rivervalleyholidaypark.co.uk Follow the B3273 towards Mevagissey, as you enter London Apprentice we are the first

campsite on the left. 40 Static Caravans & 45 level touring pitches, all with electric and hard standing, indoor heated pool- no club house. Open from the 8th April to the 9th October Prices Max: £35, Min: £14, based on two adults. Bookings accepted/advisable.

#### Tencreek Holiday Park - Dolphin Holidays

Tencreek Holiday Park, Polperro Road, Looe, Cornwall PI 13 2 IR Tel:01503 262447 www.dolphinholidays.co.uk Email: reception@tencreek.co.uk 1 1/4 miles west of Looe on the Looe-Polperro Road (A387). Individual pitches for tourers and campers in 22 acres, modern facilities, including an indoor pool and clubhouse with entertainment. Open all year. Prices Max: £22, Min: £10. Bookings accepted and advisable.

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#### **Treveague Farm**

Gorran, St Austell, Cornwall PL26 6NY Tel: 01726 842295 Visit: www.treveaguefarm.co.uk Email: treveague@btconnect.com From St. Austell take the B3273 towards Mevagissey. Turn right towards lost gardens of Heligan. Follow signs for Sea View International then follow brown signs, 8 acres. 3 fields with a lot of breath taking sea views. Open from April 1st to 30th September. Prices: Max: £22, Min: £9. Bookings accepted and advisable

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# **Trethem Mill Touring Park**







Address St Just in Roseland, St Mawes, Truro TR2 5JF Tel 01872 580 504 Web www.trethem.com Open 1 April-8 October 2017 Touring pitches 84 Pitch+2+hook-up £20-£28

It's the small touches at Trethem Mill Touring Park that go towards making it so popular. The pitches are hedged, so you get a good amount of privacy, and all have 16A electric hook-up; there's also Wi-Fi available throughout the site (for a charge), the nature meadow is ideal for walking your dog, and there's even a herb garden from which you're welcome to pick ingredients for your meals.

If you'd rather get someone else to cook in the evening, there are numerous good pubs and restaurants within a short distance, or you can visit the mobile fish-and-chip van that you'll find on site on Saturday evenings (and busier Wednesdays), or the pizza van that attends on Fridays. A motorhome service point is also available here at Trethem Mill.

#### You say...

- "The site is well-laid-out and the owners are so polite and helpful. The surroundings are quiet and tranquil, and everything is clean, tidy and to a high standard."
- "Trethem Mill is exceptionally clean the facilities are fantastic. We love the dog walk area and wildlife. The owners and staff will do anything to make your stay a good one and will go the extra mile."
- " We have been coming for the past 20 years and keep our caravan at Trethem."



# **Wooda Farm Holiday Park**

Address Bude EX23 9HJ Tel 01288 352 069 Web www.wooda.co.uk Open 1 April-4 November 2017 Touring pitches 200 Pitch+2+hook-up £20-£32



#### We say...

The Colwill family are your hosts at Wooda Farm Holiday Park, located close to the town of Bude in Cornwall's north-eastern corner. Because it's so close to Devon, it's ideally located for exploring both beautiful counties; Dartmoor and Bodmin Moor are also relatively close by.

No matter whether you stay in a tourer, a tent or in one of the luxury static holiday caravans, you're sure to find plenty to do during your stay on site. Visit the Courtyard Bar and Grill to enjoy something tasty to eat, or grab a takeaway from The Lodge.

You can walk off your food by following the newfor-2017 woodland trail; there's also a new mountainbike trail for this season. A dog shower should prove handy if your pet gets muddy on your stroll.

- "Friendly, great facilities. Good restaurant on site, and a good-value takeaway. The shop is a real bonus."
- " It was all just perfect, clean and really well-run, with friendly staff. Everything was well-thought-out, with a microwave and freezer for the use of all on the park."
- "The facilities are excellent, the staff friendly and there is lots to do."
- **66** Beautifully clean, with well-tended lawns and flowerbeds. The excellent facilities were always clean and cared for."



# **Tehidy Holiday Park**



Address Harris Mill, Illogan, Redruth TR16 4JQ Tel 01209 213 555 Web www.tehidy.co.uk Open 1 April-8 October 2017 Touring pitches 28 Pitch+2+hook-up £17-£26

#### We say...

This is the fifth year in a row that Tehidy Holiday Park, situated near the bustling town of Redruth, has taken the top spot in our Cornwall category. Each year you continue to praise the warm welcome you receive here, as **REGIONAL WINNER** 

well as the consistently high quality of the facilities and the standard of care that goes into every aspect of the site's management.

There's a great range of accommodation options available: in addition to the carefully designed touringpitch areas, you'll also be able to choose from a selection of beautifully maintained rental caravans and cottages, and wooden glamping cabins that sleep up to five occupants. The touring areas are particularly well designed, with wooden picnic tables scattered around, spotless washrooms and plenty of water/ waste points. Elsewhere, you'll also find a small shop, a games room, a children's play area, site-wide Wi-Fi (for a charge) and much more besides.

Congratulations go to Tehidy Holiday for yet another well-deserved category win.

- ${f 4}$  A very clean site with excellent pitches. We came for only a couple of nights but didn't want to move on."
- 😘 We come here every year and it is wonderful to see the changes that have been made. It seems the site can't improve further, but it does."
- "The site and owners couldn't have been better. They should be proud of what they have achieved"
- We stopped for one night and stayed for nine, so we could see Cornwall. This is the best site we have ever stayed at."









# Atlantic Coast .::holiday park





Atlantic Coast Holiday Park is a quiet and peaceful park lying close to the sanddunes of beautiful St Ives Bay, near Hayle in Cornwall. Suitable for families and couples, this David Bellamy Gold Award Park is conveniently situated for touring Cornwall by car with its' close proximity to St Ives, Land's End and The Lizard.

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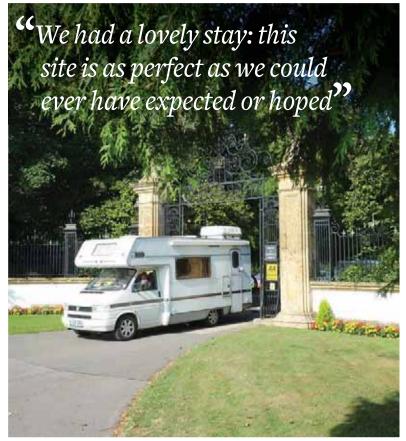
Memories begin with Bailey.



# Overall Winner







SOUTH LYTCHETT MANOR has made numerous appearances in our Top 100 Sites Guide over the past few years, and each and every season it just gets better and better. It was no surprise, then, when we counted up all of the votes to find that the fabulous Dorset park has taken our overall award for the very first time: many congratulations go to everyone involved at South Lytchett for all their hard work in making the site so popular.

This is a family-run park, and you can really feel it: you'll receive a warm welcome as soon as you enter the site, and hundreds of you praised the friendliness of the team here. You were also thrilled with the high level of facilities to be found, which include plenty for children to do: there's an area for ball games, an adventure playground, and a games room with pool table and a television. The adults are kept happy with the rest of the spotless amenities, including free Wi-Fi access across the park, washrooms with piped music, cycle hire at reception and a book-swap library. There's even a herb garden for guests to use, and a good pub within a 10-minute walk; pet owners are sure to appreciate the off-lead dog-walking field, too.

South Lytchett is located close to the lively towns of Bournemouth and Poole, and it's really easy to drive to either for a day out. If you fancy leaving your car or motorhome on site, you'll be pleased to learn that there's a bus stop at the park gates: from here you can take public transport to Swanage, Wareham, and Weymouth.

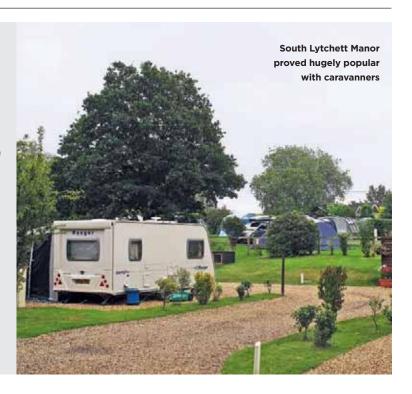
This might be the first time that South Lytchett has won our top award, but we're sure that it won't be the last. • For full details of the site, see p76

# Top 10 sites for...

Some parks scored better with visitors than others, depending on the type of accommodation that the voter stayed in. Here, we've listed the 10 most popular sites in each category - you can use it to help make your next tour even better!

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- Whitefield Forest Touring Park (p68)
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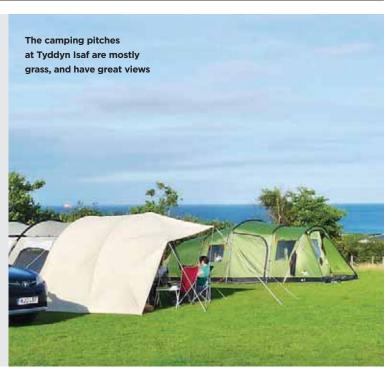




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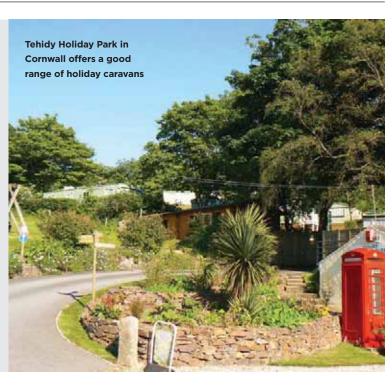
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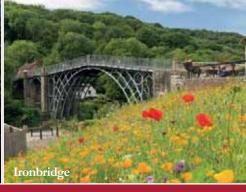


















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