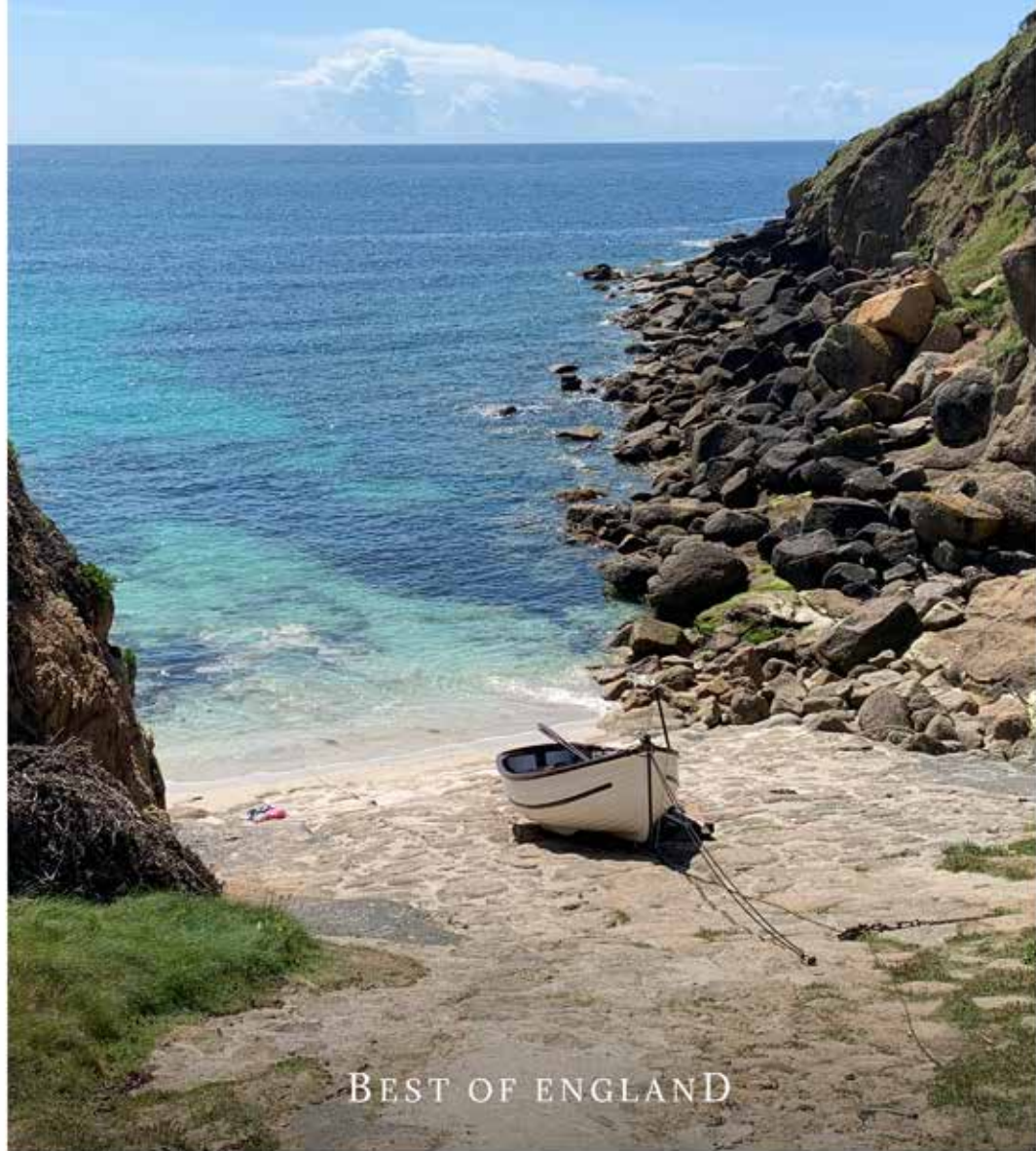


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The Minack Theatre

EDITOR'S PICK | SEE P44 FOR MORE INFO

Perched in a vertiginous position above the Atlantic and carved into the rising cliffs, the views from the Minack Theatre are world-renowned. The theatre was created by Rowena Cade and the first performance was staged here in August 1932.



Durdle Door

EDITOR'S PICK | SEE P143 FOR MORE INFO

The magnificent geological wonder, Durdle Door is a limestone arch along the Jurassic Coast rising out of the aquamarine water at 200ft high. Within the World Heritage Site, the arch is also part of the Lulworth Estate and a short walk from Lulworth Cove.



Eden Project

EDITOR'S PICK | SEE P17 FOR MORE INFO

Environmental conservation, sustainability and inspirational education are the core values of the world-renowned Eden Project. Carefully developed over many years, the geodesic domes house the world's largest indoor rainforest and a Mediterranean microclimate showcasing plants from many different habitats.



Porthminster Café

EDITOR'S PICK | SEE P99 FOR MORE INFO

Porthminster beach is a short walk from St. Ives Harbour and at this prime location is the award-winning Porthminster Café. Great for snacks, lunch or dinner, the café is renowned for its fresh and sustainable fish dishes and is a go-to place for those in the know.



Riverford Field Kitchen

EDITOR'S PICK | SEE P184 FOR MORE INFO

Riverford Field Kitchen is surrounded by acres of organic fruit and veg and a busy working farm. An open barn blends into the countryside, filled with long tables and a mass of colour on the walls from drying flowers.



Blackpool Sands

EDITOR'S PICK | SEE P135 FOR MORE INFO

Situated in a sheltered bay enveloped with evergreens and pines, is the Blue Flag awarded Blackpool Sands, in an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. The beach is renowned for its sparkling, crystal clear water and it is often commented that the beach looks more Mediterranean or Aegean in appearance.



Dartmouth

EDITOR'S PICK | SEE P142 FOR MORE INFO

Dartmouth is set on the western bank of the estuary of the River Dart, which is a long narrow tidal river that runs inland as far as Totnes. Historic streets sit alongside the scenic river bank and combine to make this one of Devon's most attractive towns.



Salcombe

EDITOR'S PICK | SEE P155 FOR MORE INFO

Salcombe is one of Devon's most picturesque harbour towns, with views over the crystal clear water. Dolphins and a multitude of fishing boats call this scenic location home. Houses in an array of pastel tones form the backdrop, which sits close to the mouth of the sparkling Salcombe-Kingsbridge Estuary.



The Ferry Inn

EDITOR'S PICK | SEE P171 FOR MORE INFO

The Ferry Inn is an unpretentious pub which enjoys exceptional views over the sparkling water of Salcombe harbour. On a sunny day, the terrace makes for one of the finest spots in England to enjoy a cask ale or a chilled glass of rosé.



The Pandora Inn

EDITOR'S PICK | SEE P74 FOR MORE INFO

Few pubs can claim to serve fish fresh from the boat, but Falmouth's 13th-century Pandora Inn does. But that's not the only thing that makes this inn special. Home to a cosy, character bar and restaurant, you can hunker down on a blustery day and enjoy food by the fire.



Outlaw's Fish Kitchen

EDITOR'S PICK | SEE P95 FOR MORE INFO

Outlaw's Fish Kitchen serves tapas-style plates of local fish and seafood and is the brainchild of Michelin-starred chef, Nathan Outlaw. This intimate, bustling little bistro is certainly towards the top of the list of any foodie visiting the area.



Port Isaac

EDITOR'S PICK | SEE P31 FOR MORE INFO

The word picturesque could have been coined for Port Isaac. The narrow winding streets are lined with whitewashed cottages, many of which are now listed due to their historical importance and pleasing aesthetic. Wander down to the harbour where you will find local fishermen landing their daily catch each morning.



Porthcurno

EDITOR'S PICK | SEE P33 FOR MORE INFO

In the sunshine, Porthcurno Beach is an oasis of beauty. Azure water, light golden sand and high cliffs on either side, create a tranquil paradise. The beauty of the beach can be spotted from the elevated Minack theatre, with many visitors discovering it from that vista.



2 Fore Street

EDITOR'S PICK | SEE P82 FOR MORE INFO

2 Fore Street is a chic Michelin-guide bistro restaurant in the little picturesque fishing village of Mousehole. This delightful find is located within the old lifeboat house. Serving all day, the courtyard and garden is a lovely spot for tea and cakes or the catch of the day.



The Gurnard's Head

EDITOR'S PICK | SEE P71 FOR MORE INFO

A landmark pub almost at the edge of England, the Gurnard's Head is your last stop for a pint and open fire before the Atlantic Ocean. Between St Just and Zennor, this is genuine Cornwall. Wild, mysterious and beautiful, the Gurnard's Head is an inn that transports you back to when travel was that little bit slower.



Corfe Castle

EDITOR'S PICK | SEE P211 FOR MORE INFO

Guarding the principal route through the Purbeck Hills, the 1000 year old Corfe Castle's dramatic remains stand in an elevated position as a representation of its colourful and significant history. The tumbledown, moss embellished walls and rugged beauty conceal its diverse and often turbulent past.



St Ives

PLACES TO VISIT | SEE P42 FOR MORE INFO

Renowned for its dazzling beaches, award-winning restaurants, vibrant art scene and historic cobbled streets, St Ives is one of Cornwall's most picturesque seaside towns. Its active fishing boats supply many of the region's finest restaurants.



Botallack Tin Mines

EDITOR'S PICK | SEE P52 FOR MORE INFO

The Botallack Tin Mines have been a part of The Unesco World Heritage site since 2006. The South West Coast Path passes along the cliff on which the mines sit, elevated above the stunning coastal landscape. Clinging to the jagged cliffs overlooking the Atlantic, the mines were used for extracting copper, tin and arsenic.



Tintagel

EDITOR'S PICK | SEE P51 FOR MORE INFO

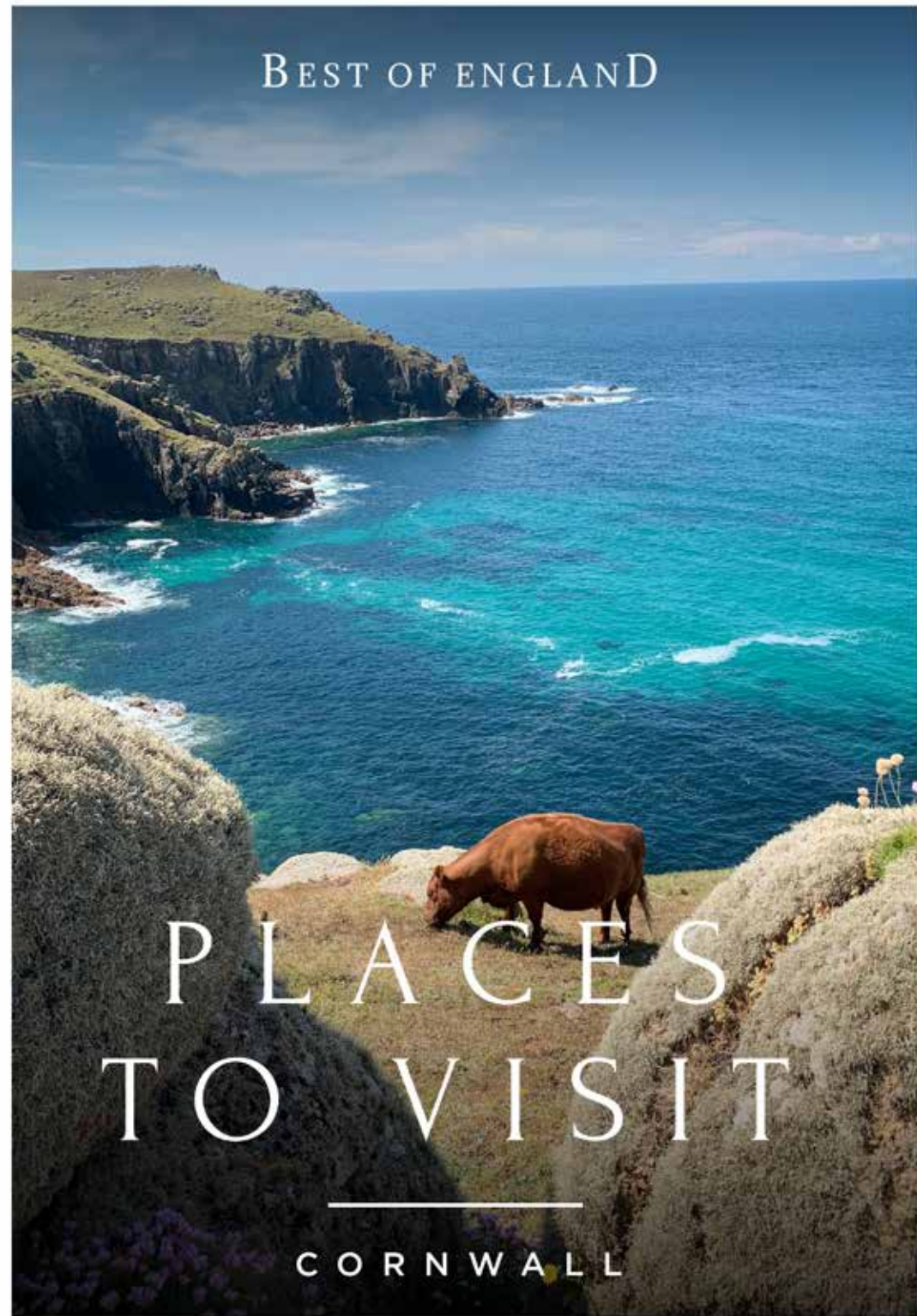
Precariously positioned on the rugged North coast of Cornwall, Tintagel's 13th-century castle has inspired writers and artists for centuries. The castle clings to the headland and the dramatic steps and bridges between the ruins are not for the faint-hearted.



St Michael's Mount

EDITOR'S PICK | SEE P58 FOR MORE INFO

Rising magnificently out of the sea, St Michael's Mount is a tidal island in Mount's Bay linked to the town of Marazion by a man-made causeway. A medieval castle and chapel which sit atop the mount have been home to the St Aubyn family since the 1650s. Originally the site of a Benedictine chapel, it is believed that the castle dates back to the 14th-century.



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Boscastle

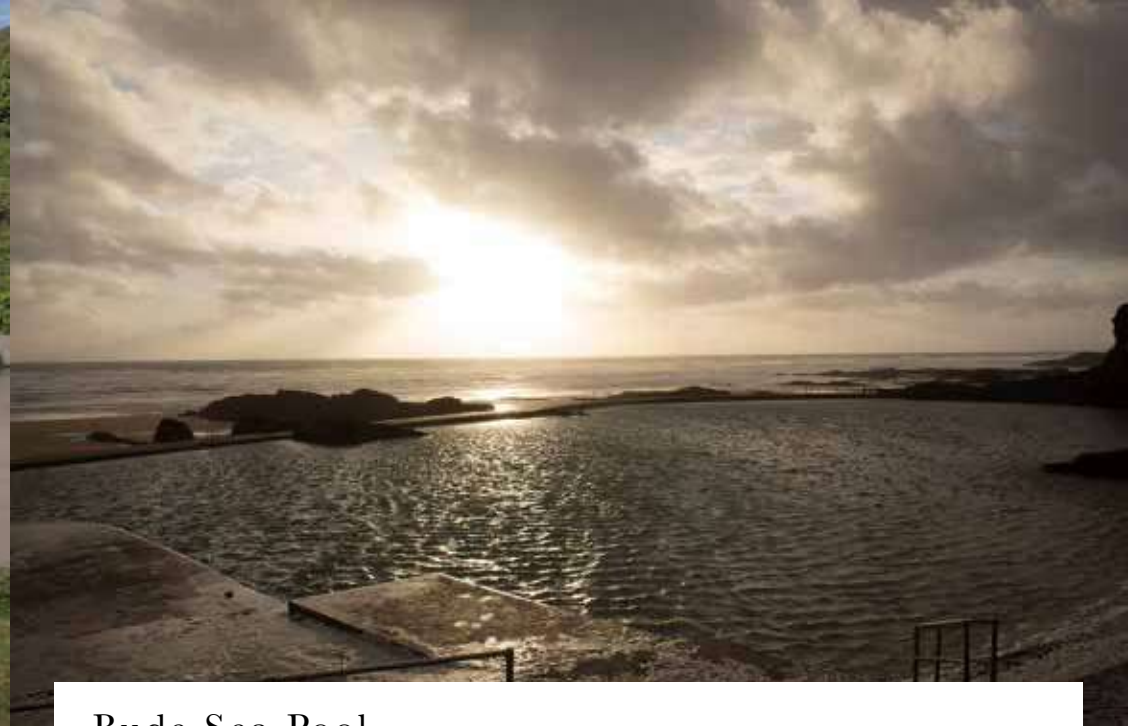
PLACES TO VISIT | BOSCASTLE | PL35 0HD

The romantic and picturesque village of Boscastle on the north coast of Cornwall was once home to both busy fishing and stoneworking trades. The village sits high above the harbour and is flanked by a breathtaking rugged and rocky coastline, perfect creative inspiration for numerous artists and writers.

In addition to the stunning natural beauty, Boscastle has a plethora of galleries, potteries, pubs and even a museum of witchcraft. An ideal base for walking and a fascinating link with times past, Boscastle is an essential stop-off for any visit to the West Country.

ADDRESS

New Road, Boscastle
PL35 0HD
01840 250010



Bude Sea Pool

PLACES TO VISIT | BUDE | EX23 8HN

Created in the 1930s to provide safe and comfortable swimming, Bude Sea Pool is a great community facility and totally free of charge. The semi-natural pool was created under the curve of the cliff and provides a lovely spot to swim sheltered from the often extreme Atlantic Ocean.

Now administered by the independent Friends of Bude Sea Pool Charity, it is a focal point on the Bude section of the coast. At 88 metres long and 43 metres wide, the pool makes a great place for a workout. The facilities are constantly improving and the care and devotion of the charity mean it is well worth supporting.

ADDRESS

Sea Pool, Bude
EX23 8HN
01288 354240





Carbis Bay

PLACES TO VISIT | ST IVES | TR26 2NP

Carbis Bay is one of Cornwall's most scenic beaches. The clarity of the water (Blue Flag 2019) and the sweeping soft golden sand, make this one of the best beaches in Britain. Approximately one mile from popular St.Ives, the beach is owned by the beautiful award-winning beach Carbis Bay Hotel.

The luxurious Carbis Bay Hotel is a coastal retreat offering delicious food, spa facilities a heated pool and breathtaking views across the bay. Surrounded by nature and brilliant facilities, families come from far and wide to spend time here.

ADDRESS

Carbis Bay, St Ives
TR26 2NP



Eden Project

PLACES TO VISIT | BODELVA | PL24 2SG

Environmental conservation, sustainability and inspirational education are the core values of the world-renowned Eden Project. Carefully developed over many years, the geodesic domes house the world's largest indoor rainforest and a Mediterranean microclimate showcasing plants from many different habitats.

The walks and trails of the Eden Project enable you to discover the secrets of the rainforest and experience the climate that sustains the abundant life there. The Project promotes global citizenship through community initiatives and conservation schemes. Their café is a welcome treat with fine local foods. Not to be missed.

ADDRESS

Eden Project, Bodelva, Par
PL24 2SG
01726 811911





Enys Dodnan Arch

PLACES TO VISIT | PENZANCE | TR19 7AA

Just off the tip of Lands End, The Enys Dodnan Arch is a vista which many professional and aspiring landscape photographers flock to shoot. This impressive granite archway can be seen from the cliff tops.

The dramatic coastal scenery in this area is popular with seascape artists and photographers. The fierce Atlantic crashes around the rocks and cliffs during the colder months whilst spectacular sunsets during the Summer paint the sky.

ADDRESS

Celtic Sea, Penzance
TR19 7AA



Fistral Beach

PLACES TO VISIT | NEWQUAY | TR7 1HY

One of the world's top surfing destinations, eager surfers flock to Fistral for the big waves and surf scene. Many of the UK's biggest surf competitions take place here and whether you are a pro or a beginner, Fistral is ideal as the two headlands funnel in the big waves while providing more manageable surf between.

Bodhi's Beach Café offers a range of drinks and snacks throughout the main holiday seasons and the imposing grandeur of the Headland Hotel looks out over the beach. Onshore there are plenty of opportunities to book surf lessons or hire gear and a number of takeaways including Rick Stein's popular fish and chip shop.

ADDRESS

Fistral Beach, Headland Road,
Newquay
TR7 1HY
01637 838516





Fowey Harbour

PLACES TO VISIT | FOWEY | PL23 1AJ

Fowey Harbour is nestled on the South Cornish coast between Plymouth and Falmouth. The harbour is situated on the western side of the Fowey River and bound by other towns and villages including Golant and Lostwithiel. Locals say the port is “littered with sunken boats bought by drunk amateurs”.

The large natural harbour has always been an important maritime access point and is part of the southern Cornish area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. Fishing, sailing and other water sports are all popular here and the harbour and its surrounds are great places to explore by foot, car or boat.

ADDRESS

Albert Quay, Fowey
PL23 1AJ
01726 832471



Gwynver Beach

PLACES TO VISIT | PENZANCE | TR19 7BB

Close to Sennen Cove, Gwynver beach reportedly gets its name from Guinevere, wife of the legendary Cornish King Arthur. Accessible from a steep path from above, the beach is rarely too crowded. Steep granite cliffs rise from behind.

Some of the best surfing conditions in Cornwall are found at Gwynver Beach which attracts experienced surfers, with its crashing Atlantic waves. On a clear day, the South West Coast Path above, which passes through the area, provide views over to the Isles of Scilly.

ADDRESS

S W Coast Path,
Penzance
TR19 7BB





Land's End

PLACES TO VISIT | PENZANCE | TR19 7AA

Land's End is the most Westerly point of England. The magnificent natural surroundings make the trip here worthwhile. The granite cliffs rise dramatically out of the Atlantic ocean and from the top, you can sometimes spot seals and dolphins.

This Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty offers diverse flora and fauna and stunning views over to the Isles of Scilly and to the Atlantic battered Longships Lighthouse. The Land's End sign pointing to New York (3147 miles) and John O'Groats (874 miles), is a favourite photographic spot for tourists.

ADDRESS

Land's End, Sennen,
Penzance
TR19 7AA



Levant Mine

PLACES TO VISIT | PENDEEN | TR19 7SX

Situated in a breathtaking position overlooking the Atlantic, The Levant Mine and Beam Engine are a surviving historical feature of Cornish Mining. The mine is part of the National Trust and the Cornish Mining World Heritage Site.

The 'Tin Coast' was a seven-mile stretch of the Cornish coast with a significant mining history. Learn about the life of a Cornish Miner and discover the Engine House, or simply take in the beautiful views.

ADDRESS

Levant Road,
Pendeen
TR19 7SX





Looe Harbour

PLACES TO VISIT | LOOE | PL13 1DX

Looe is one of the most picturesque fishing villages in Cornwall and has a bustling fishing port with fishermen bringing in their catches daily. The distinctive houses here traditionally had their living areas upstairs due to the very common floods in the town.

Boat excursions run to nearby Looe Island, a nature reserve which makes an excellent family day out. The steep-sided valley of the river Looe is the site of evidence of habitation going back to prehistoric times. Over the years Looe grew to become a major port by the 1400s.

ADDRESS

The Quay, Looe
PL13 1DX
01503 262839



Mevagissey

PLACES TO VISIT | ST. AUSTELL | PL26 6UQ

Mevagissey is an attractive village and fishing port five miles south of St. Austell. This was once the centre of Cornwall's pilchard fishery with boat building traditions dating back to 1745. The village still boasts a working harbour with local fisherman heading out each morning.

The name Mevagissey is derived from the names of two saints, St Meva and St Issey and dates back to 1313. From the top of Polkirt Hill there is a great view over the cobbled streets, the harbour and the yachting pool. Mevagissey is also ideally located for a visit to the nearby Lost Gardens of Heligan.

ADDRESS

The Harbour,
St. Austell
PL26 6UQ







Nanjizal Beach

PLACES TO VISIT | PENZANCE | TR19 6JJ

Nanjizal Beach is a pretty cove surrounded by boulders, clear water and lots of rock-pooling opportunities. It remains relatively uncrowded due to its inaccessibility. Walkers from the coastal path tend to be the main visitors.

Spot seals from the shore and view the fascinating natural stone sculptures and narrow vertical arch (reminiscent of an arrowslit on a castle), which allows the light to flood through. This secluded beach is about an hour's walk from the nearest road or car park.

ADDRESS

St Just, Penzance
TR19 6JJ



Padstow

PLACES TO VISIT | PADSTOW | PL28 8BY

Padstow is considered one of England's finest locations and often referred to as Cornwall's jewel in the crown. Soft golden sandy beaches and mesmerising seascapes surround this bustling fishing port. This is also a foodie haven and home to some of the country's most respected restaurants.

With plenty of activities in the area from boat rides to cycling The Camel Trail, Padstow is a firm family favourite. On a warm day, the clarity of the turquoise water and the powdery sand could fool you into thinking you are somewhere more exotic.

ADDRESS

Padstow,
Cornwall
PL28 8BY





Polperro

PLACES TO VISIT | POLPERRO | PL13 2QY

One of the most popular destinations in Cornwall, Polperro is a largely unspoilt fishing village on the southeast coast. The beach here is small and sandy and sports a fabulous little tidal pool ideal for first swimmers. Pretty cottages cling to the steep hillside of this quaint and picturesque harbour.

Free from traffic, Polperro is equally enjoyable for browsing, wandering and eating with its many independent shops, noteworthy seafood restaurants and galleries. The relaxed town is also a great starting point for cliff walks in both directions with fantastic views.

ADDRESS

Quay Road,
South Cornwall
PL13 2QY



Port Isaac

PLACES TO VISIT | PORT ISAAC | PL29 3SG

The word picturesque could have been coined for Port Isaac. The narrow winding streets are lined with whitewashed cottages, many of which are now listed due to their historical importance and pleasing aesthetic. Wander down to the harbour where you will find local fishermen landing their daily catch each morning.

Port Isaac is set amidst rugged and magnificent scenery on Cornwall's North coast from where you can begin stunning coastal walks, visit Polzeath Beach or head out on a boat trip. Port Isaac has become a popular stop off with fans of the TV series Doc Martin starring Martin Clunes which is filmed here.

ADDRESS

Fore Street,
North Cornwall
PL29 3SG





Porthgwarra Beach

PLACES TO VISIT | PENZANCE | TR19 6JR

Close to Porthcurno, this small secluded beach was once a thriving fishing cove but today is more famous for its film location status. The sparkling clear turquoise water on sunnier days makes this a pretty spot to visit.

Rock-pools and caves are interesting to explore here at low tide and swimming within the cove is appealing on warmer days (just be aware that there are no lifeguards). Colourful heather and gorse decorate the surrounding cliffs and bird watching is popular in the area.

ADDRESS

S W Coast Path,
St Levan,
Porthgwarra
TR19 6JR



Portscatho

PLACES TO VISIT | TRURO | TR2 5HH

Situated on the Roseland peninsula near to Truro on the edge of Gerrans Bay, Portscatho is a delightful part of Cornwall and a great area for walks around the harbour, the coastal path and the nearby beach. The steep slope down to the beach means that the views from the village itself are exceptional in all directions.

Portscatho is popular with foodies and is known for its outstanding food shops, restaurants and pubs. Portscatho is a great destination to spend an afternoon nurturing a pint of Cornish ale, a cream tea or a traditional pasty. The village also hosts a vibrant fish festival in August.

ADDRESS

Portscatho,
Truro
TR2 5HH





Readymoney Cove

PLACES TO VISIT | FOWEY | PL23 1JH

Readymoney Cove is a stunning and sheltered sandy beach located to the south of the harbour town of Fowey. On a sunny day, this is a magical spot with numerous rock pools to explore and tranquil calm waters for a family swim. The imposing St Catherine's Castle sits on the opposite side of the bay.

The cove is easily accessible via a footpath and the water is safe with gentle currents. Above the beach sits the former coach house which was once the home of renowned Cornish author Daphne du Maurier. The tiny hamlet offers various rentals and dogs are allowed on the beach in the quieter months.

ADDRESS

Readymoney Road
PL23 1JH
01726 833616



Rock

PLACES TO VISIT | ROCK | PL27 6LD

On the eastern shore of the Camel Estuary, the village of Rock has a reputation as an upmarket holiday destination for the yachting set. The beach is a long stretch of golden sand which follows the estuary to the coast. The sand dunes behind mask the renowned and prestigious St Enodoc golf course.

The beach is spacious enough for a spot to be found even in the height of summer, while the local area of Outstanding Natural Beauty is known for its waterfowl. Set opposite Padstow, Rock has been referred to as "Kensington on Sea" but actually all are welcome and it's a great beach.

ADDRESS

Rock Road,
Rock
PL27 6LD





Sennen Cove

PLACES TO VISIT | PENZANCE | TR19 7DG

Sennen Cove is a surfer's paradise with its stunning one mile of sweeping golden sand beach and dramatic rolling Atlantic waves. Houses cling to the steep hills rising above the beach and offer mesmerising panoramic views over the ocean, where the next stop is America and dolphins can often be seen playing in the surf.

Sennen is also still a fishing port and a sprinkle of seafront cafés, restaurants, galleries and pubs are popular with visitors in the warmer months. Sennen Surf School is a popular choice for surf lessons on this popular beach.

ADDRESS

Sennen Cove,
West Cornwall
TR19 7DG



Summerleaze Beach

PLACES TO VISIT | BUDE | EX23 8HN

Within easy walking distance of Bude, Summerleaze Beach never feels too crowded due to the huge expanse of golden sands. The unusual large breakwater protects the small harbour and the mouth of the Bude canal, with its bobbing fishing boats.

Given the location and the surf break, the beach is particularly popular with families and surfers. Not just a flat expanse, Summerleaze Beach has rock pools around the edges and is great for walking and dogs can be taken in the low season. A sea-water bathing pool on the opposite side of the beach makes for safe bathing in all conditions.

ADDRESS

Summerleaze Crescent,
Bude
EX23 8HN
01288 354240





St Ives

PLACES TO VISIT | ST IVES | TR26 1LG

Renowned for its dazzling beaches, award-winning restaurants, vibrant art scene and historic cobbled streets, St Ives is one of Cornwall's most picturesque seaside towns. Its active fishing boats supply many of the region's finest restaurants.

Regularly voted amongst Europe's top beaches, St Ives is surrounded by abundant marine life, flora and fauna. The Tate St Ives, overlooking the Atlantic Ocean also brings creativity to the town, alongside its other fine galleries. Sample some of the region's finest seafood whilst overlooking the glittering turquoise water.

ADDRESS

Harbour Beach,
St Ives
TR26 1LG



The Lost Gardens of Heligan

PLACES TO VISIT | ST. AUSTELL | PL26 6EN

The Lost Gardens of Heligan is world-renowned and one of the most popular botanical gardens in England. The gardens are typical of the 19th century Gardenesque style whose design encourages gardens to be recognisable as works of art.

Unveiled in 1992 from under decades of overgrowth, the 200 acres of the Lost Gardens were rediscovered having been devoured by the brambles. The Heligan Tea Room provides Cornish cream teas and home-cooked lunches, incorporating fresh seasonal produce from the gardens and estate. Well behaved dogs are welcome if kept on a lead.

ADDRESS

Pentewan,
St. Austell
PL26 6EN
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The Minack Theatre

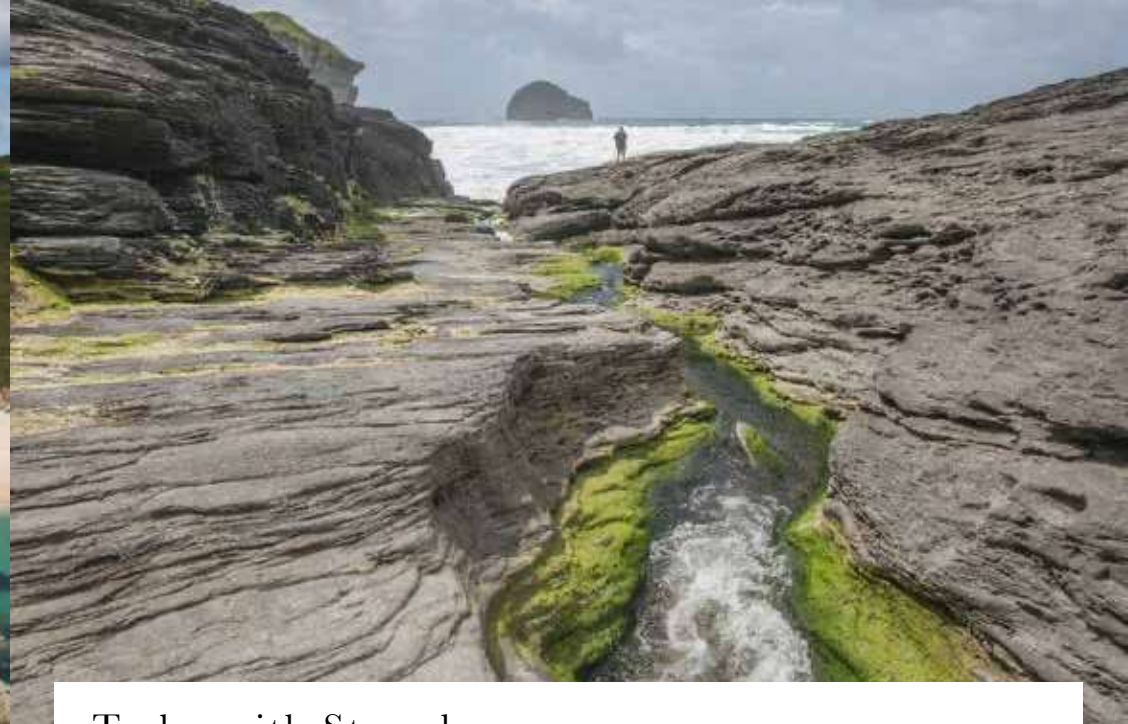
PLACES TO VISIT | PENZANCE | TR19 6JU

Perched in a vertiginous position above the Atlantic and carved into the rising cliffs, the views from the Minack Theatre are world renowned. The theatre was created by Rowena Cade and the first performance was staged here in August 1932.

The Minack is one of the most famous and ambient outdoor theatres in the world and people visit as much for the scenic experience as the production itself. The shimmering azure ocean below and dramatic far-reaching views make this one of the most photogenic spots in Cornwall.

ADDRESS

The Minack Theatre,
Porthcurno, Penzance
TR19 6JU
01736 810181



Trebarwith Strand

PLACES TO VISIT | TREBARWITH | PL34 0HB

Close to Tintagel, Trebarwith Strand is a coastal settlement and popular destination for both Cornish and Devonian folk. Perfect for swimmers of all ages and complete with rock pools, cliffy outcrops and shallows, Trebarwith Strand can easily fill your day even if the weather doesn't oblige.

The Strand Café up the hill stocks beachside staples such as ice-cream and tea. If you've some experience, the surf here is good but strong. Relaxing, picturesque and often quiet, Trebarwith Strand is the ideal Cornish sunset spot, especially enjoyable with a pint from the nearby Port William pub.

ADDRESS

Trebarwith Beach,
Tintagel
PL34 0HB





Charlestown

PLACES TO VISIT | ST. AUSTELL | PL25 3NT

Close to St.Austell, Charlestown is a beautiful example of a late Georgian working port. This would have been a bustling port throughout the 19th century. Today the village feels untouched and as if you have stepped back in time.

Charlestown is a popular film location and tourist destination. Home to a small fleet of tall ships, the village has an array of cafés, gift shops and a hotel. Tables at the Pier House Hotel next to the harbour are the perfect place to enjoy a sundowner.

ADDRESS

Charlestown,
Saint Austell
PL25 3NT



Mousehole

PLACES TO VISIT | PENZANCE | TR19 6PG

Mousehole (pronounced Mowzal) is one of Cornwall's most picturesque and charming fishing villages. This harbour-side location is a foodie heaven and local dishes often take inspiration from the sea, with shellfish in abundance.

Beautiful views over the harbour and the pretty fishing boats transport you back to a different, slower-paced time. Granite fishermen cottages line the narrow roads and invigorating walks in the surrounding countryside take in the coastal views.

ADDRESS

Fore Street,
Mousehole
TR19 6PG





Watergate Bay

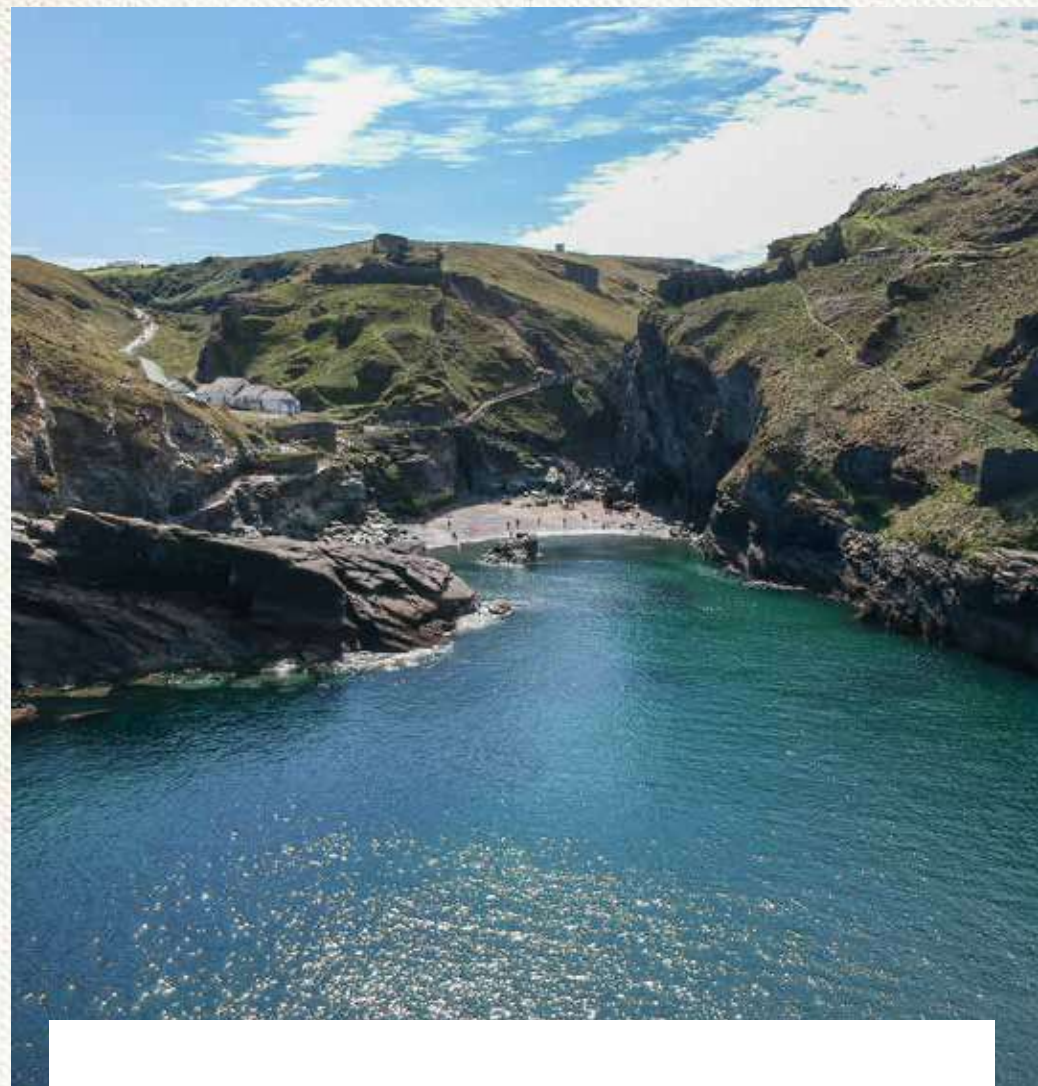
PLACES TO VISIT | NEWQUAY | TR8 4AA

Watergate Bay is a surfer's paradise. This dramatic, sandy, two mile beach (approx 3 miles from Newquay), offers a perfect family day out and the chance for all of the family to have a surf, or for the kids to paddle and spot crabs in the pretty rock-pools.

The Watergate Bay Hotel is a perfect spot for lunch, perched in elevated positions overlooking the impressive panorama of the bay. Watch the Atlantic roll in while sampling some of the delicious local seafood, or simply picnic on this breathtaking beach.

ADDRESS

Watergate Bay,
Newquay
TR8 4AA

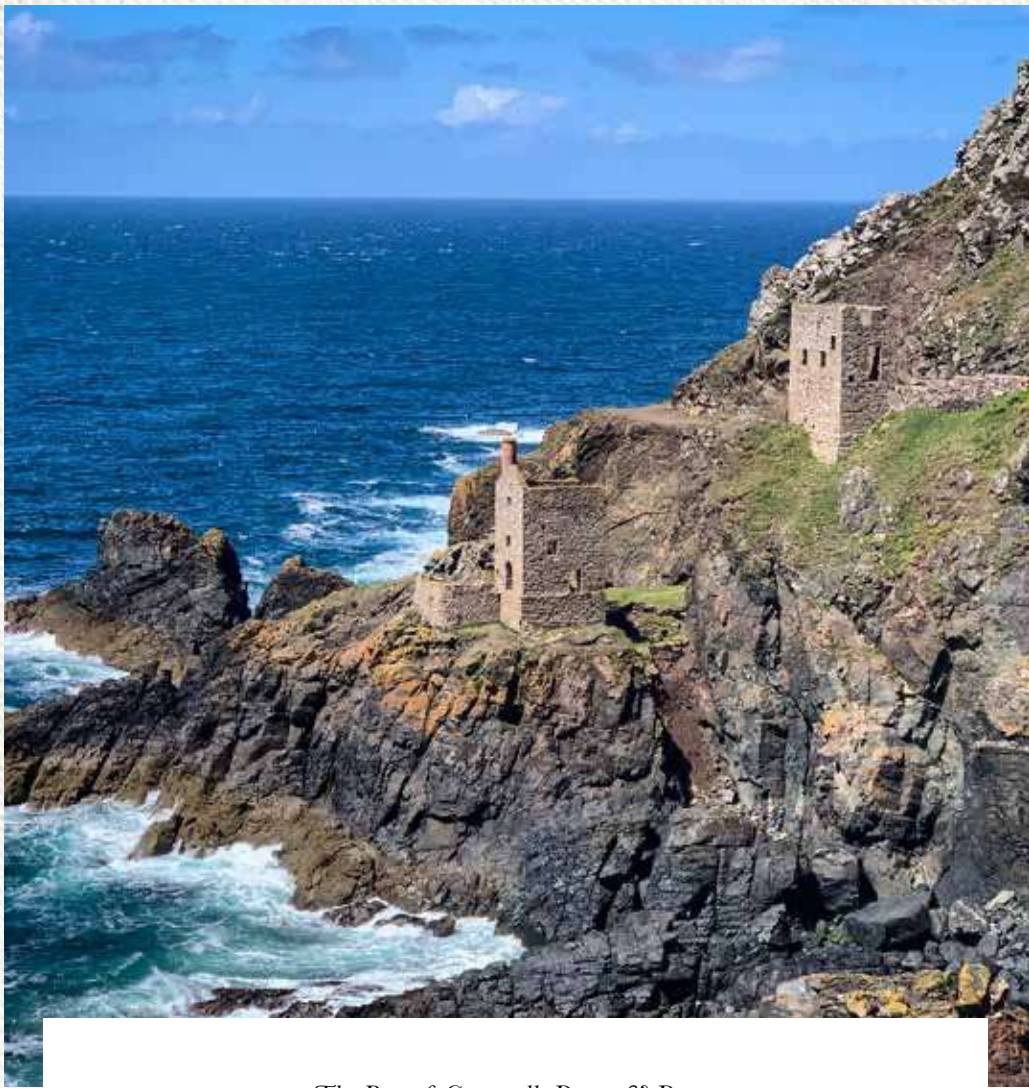


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Tintagel

Precariously positioned on the rugged North Coast of Cornwall, Tintagel's 13th-century castle has inspired writers and artists for centuries. The castle clings to the headland and the dramatic steps and bridges between the ruins are not for the faint-hearted. Learn about the regal connections to this important historic site whilst viewing the awe-inspiring landscape that surrounds it. Tintagel itself is a bustling village with gift shops, cafés and bakeries.





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Botallack Tin Mines

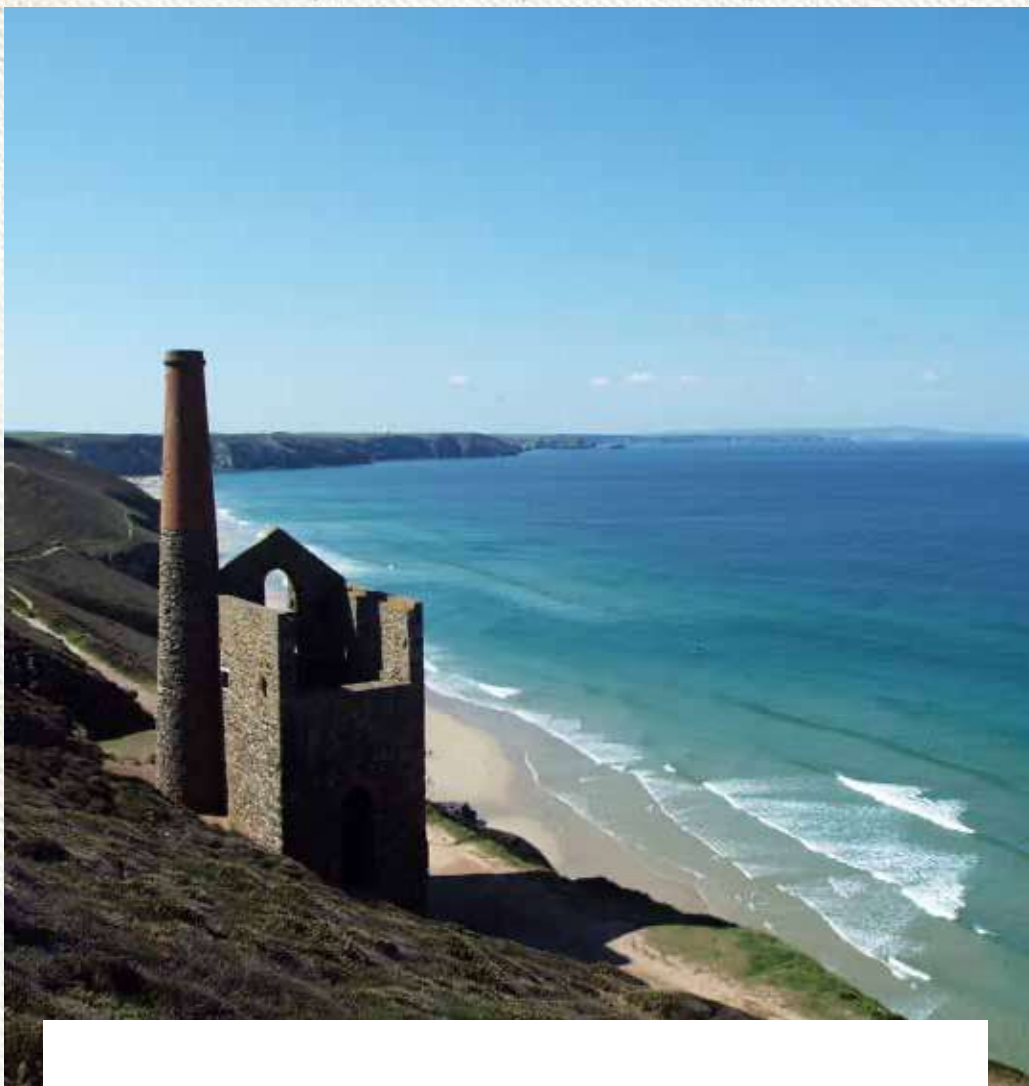
The Botallack Tin Mines have been a part of The Unesco World Heritage site since 2006. The South West Coast Path passes along the cliff on which the mines sit, elevated above the stunning coastal landscape. Clinging to the jagged cliffs overlooking the Atlantic, the mines were used for extracting copper, tin and arsenic. These mines are remnants of the area's industrial past however archaeological evidence suggests that mining at this site could date back to the Roman era or Bronze Age.



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Gallos, Tintagel

Inspired by the legend of King Arthur and the history of Tintagel Castle, Rubin Eynon's imposing bronze sculpture stands on the vertiginous cliffs of Tintagel above the wild Atlantic Ocean below. Gallos is the Cornish word for power and this statue is meant to represent the powerful royalty who inhabited this area and had connections to the late Roman and Byzantine empire. The statue was commissioned by English Heritage however some locals reportedly felt that the rich Cornish history of the area was being overridden by mythical tales of King Arthur to try and encourage tourists to visit.

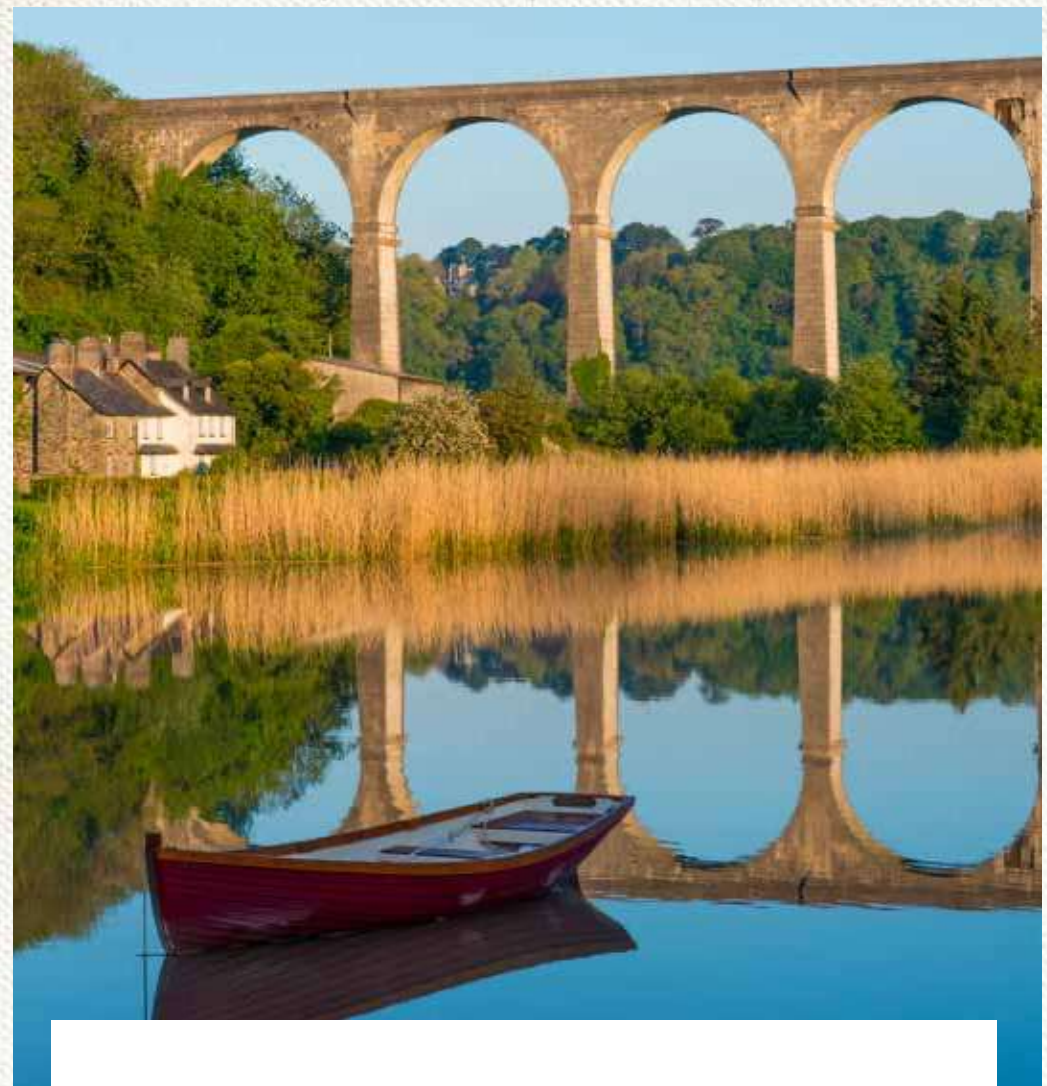


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Wheal Coates

Situated on the cliff tops between St Agnes and Porthtowan, the Wheal Coates mines are part of the Unesco World Heritage site and are managed by National Trust. The mine reportedly opened in 1802 and closed in 1889 when the price of tin fell, however, like other mines in the area, there is evidence of mining activity here from medieval times and earlier. The expansive, sweeping sands of Chapel Porth Beach sits below these historic structures.

Photo by Claire Morgan



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Calstock

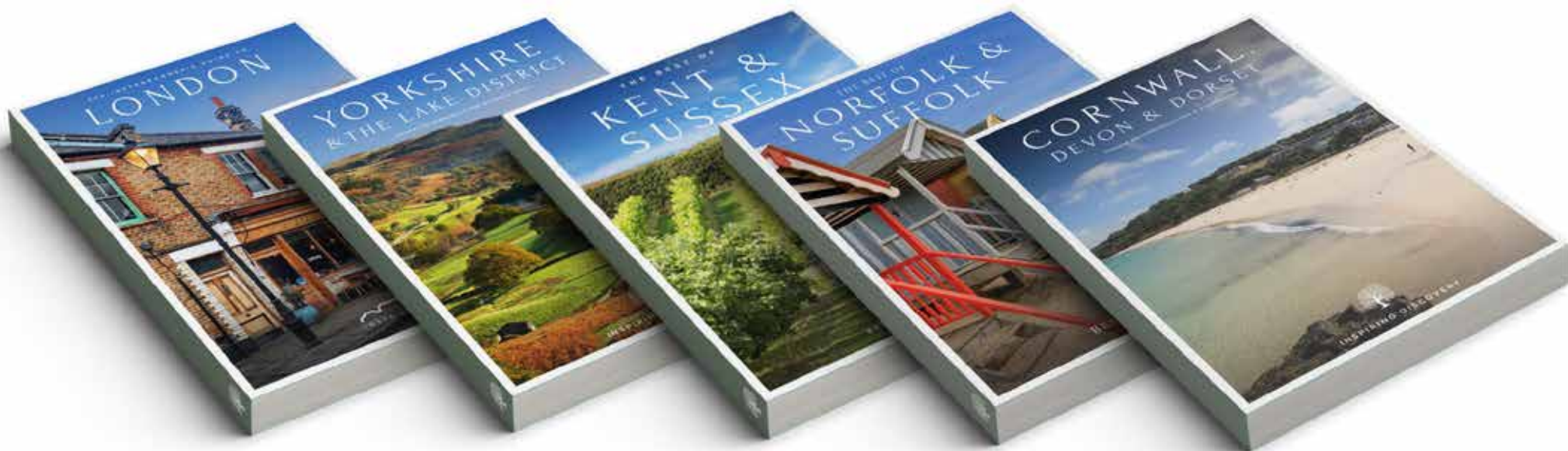
Situated on the River Tamar, the village of Calstock is a pretty, sleepy Cornish village with steep, narrow streets and cottages. Historically it is believed to have been a tin trading post in Roman times and a busy port during Saxon times. A magnificent viaduct was built in 1907 which enabled rail transport to flourish. The dramatic 120 ft high structure with 12 spectacular 60ft arches remains an iconic architectural landmark of the area.

Photo by Stuart Bailey



A few of our favourite
Delis & Farm Shops

Boscastle Farm Shop - Boscastle PL35 0HH
Lobbs Farm Shop - Saint Austell PL26 6EN
The Allotment Deli - Saint Ives TR26 1HE
The Arc Food Store - Wadebridge PL27 7LR
Duck's Farmshop - Weymouth DT3 4HG
Framptons - Bridport DT6 3LF
Stokeley Farm Shop - Kingsbridge TQ7 2SE
Trevilley Farm Shop - Newquay TR8 4PX
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Olives Et Al - Sturminster Newton DT10 2GA



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