

## **EXETER QUAY**

ONEDIN LINE (1971) – The BBC filmed the series in Dartmouth and Exeter so that they could use the Devon based 3 masted boat ‘The Charlotte Rhodes.’ The Quay in Exeter was used for ships unloading alongside large warehouses.

## **HIGH STREET**

BEATLES - The ABC Cinema once stood on and near the current site of Boots and Waterstones and it was here that The Beatles performed on October 28<sup>th</sup> 1964.

## **EXETER UNIVERSITY**

Former students of the University include:

MARK LABETT – Famous as ‘The Beast’ on ITV Quiz show ‘The Chase’ he gained a Post Graduate Certificate of Education (PGCE) from the University. He was born in 1965 in nearby Tiverton.

PETER PHILLIPS – Went to Exeter University and graduated with a Sports Science degree. He also played for Exeter University Rugby team.

ZARA PHILLIPS – Qualified as a physiotherapist specialising in Equine Physiotherapy at Exeter University.

JK ROWLING – Author of the Harry Potter books studied French, Greek and German at Exeter University. She graduated in 1986 with a 2.2.

THOM YORKE – Of the band Radiohead studied English and Fine Art at the University. He was a DJ at The Lemon Grove and helped to set up The Cavern Club, two well known music venues in Exeter.

WILL YOUNG – Studied Politics and gained a 2.2 from the University in 2001. He took part in University productions at The Northcott Theatre which is on the campus.

## **FORD ROAD, OFF WILLEY’S AVENUE AT THE BACK OF HAVEN BANKS**

TOMMY COOPER (1922-1984) - Tommy’s mother, Gertrude was born in Stoke Canon and the family moved to Exeter when Tommy was 3 years old and lived at 3, Ford Road. Tommy’s parents ran several businesses including an ice-cream van which sold ice-creams at Fairgrounds. Tommy also helped to sell ice-creams from the front window of their house. At the age of 8 his Auntie gave him a magic set. His father was keen on gambling and in the end the house was lost and they moved to near Southampton in 1930.

## **WHITE HART HOTEL, SOUTH STREET**

MONTY PYTHON’S FLYING CIRCUS - Actors stayed at this hotel in 1974 whilst filming Part 4 of the series (their last). They filmed at the Old Eastgate House, Lloyds Bank in the High Street, Cowick Street, Thornton Hill and Higher Kings Avenue.

## **OTHER FAMOUS PEOPLE ASSOCIATED WITH EXETER:**

JANE AUSTEN (1775- 1817) – Took a holiday near to Exeter and set ‘Sense and Sensibility’ (1811) in the village of Upton Pyne, which is just north of Exeter. The characters Elinor Dashwood and Edward Ferrars are married in the village church.

THOMAS HARDY – Used Exeter, which he called Exonbury in 4 novels – Jude The Obscure, The Trumpet Major, The Woodlanders and A Pair of Blue Eyes. He often visited nearby Topsham where a friend was buried. He also had many connections with Devon and his first wife, Emma came from Plymouth.

DANNY LA RUE – After being evacuated to Kennford during the London Blitz he worked in Exeter at Colson’s Bakery when 15 and then worked for Huttons as a Window Dresser and Milliner’s Assitant. Huttons was located on the corner of The High Street and Queen Street.

CHRIS MARTIN – Of Coldplay was born in Exeter in 1977 and has 4 brothers and sisters. His parents live in the Exeter area (his father is a Chartered Accountant and his mother a teacher). Chris was initially educated at the Preparatory Stage of Exeter Cathedral School. His grandfather founded Martins Caravans which is located near Clyst St George on the outskirts of Exeter. Coldplay initially played a few gigs at The Cavern Club.

## **OTHER LOCATIONS IN EAST DEVON**

### **BUDLEIGH SALTERTON**

SIR JOHN EVERETT MILLAIS (PRA) - The famous artist stayed at The Octagon in Budleigh Salterton in 1870 whilst painting his famous picture ‘The Boyhood of Raleigh.’ The painting shows a young, wide-eyed Sir Walter Raleigh and his brother sitting on the beach at Budleigh Salterton listening to a story of life on the sea, told by an experienced sailor who points out to sea.

### **CLYST ST MARY**

MATTHEW GOODE - The English actor, born in Exeter in 1978 and brought up in Clyst St Mary has appeared in ‘The Imitation Game’, ‘A Single Man’, ‘Brideshead Revisited’, ‘My Family and Other Animals’, ‘Match Point’, ‘Bird Song’, ‘Dancing On The Edge’ and played Peter Lynley, brother of Inspector Lynley in ‘The Inspector Lynley Mysteries.

### **CREDITON**

HARRY AND LUKE TREADAWAY - These acting twin brothers were brought up in Sandford, near Crediton. Harry has appeared in the BBC series ‘Truckers’ (2013) and in the feature film ‘The Lone Ranger’ (2013) and in Sky’s Penny Dreadful. His brother Luke has appeared in the Sky Atlantic drama ‘Fortitude’ (2015.)

### **CULLOMPTON**

JOSS STONE - Was born in 1987 and attended Uffculme Comprehensive School where she made her first public appearance.

## **CHURSTON RAILWAY STATION OF THE DARTMOUTH STEAM RAILWAY**

([www.dartmouthrailriver.co.uk](http://www.dartmouthrailriver.co.uk)) This railway line running to Kingswear on the River Dart opened on 16<sup>th</sup> April 1864. Agatha alighted from the train at this station to go to her summer holiday home at Greenway and this was where she boarded a train on her trips to her publisher in London. One of her characters arrives at this station to investigate a murder in ABC Murders (Churston is used in the book as location 'C'.)

## **COLETON FISHACRE** ([www.nationaltrust.org.uk/coleton-fishacre/](http://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/coleton-fishacre/))

D'OYLY CARTE FAMILY - Coleton Fishacre was the family country home of the D'Oyly Carte family. Rupert and Lady Dorothy D'Oyly Carte were sailing along the South Devon Coast in the 1920's looking for a home in that location. The house was built in the Arts and Crafts style, with a 1920's elegance. The gardens are RHS accredited with enticing glimpses out to sea. Rupert was the son of Richard D'Oyly Carte, the impresario behind the operettas of Gilbert and Sullivan. He developed a business empire he inherited including The Savoy Hotel and Claridges.

## **BRIXHAM**

### **HARBOUR**

WILLIAM PRINCE OF ORANGE AND HIS WIFE MARY - They landed in Brixham on 5<sup>th</sup> November 1688, an invasion which led to William and Mary replacing her unpopular father, King James II on the throne. William spent his first night on a mattress on the floor of a fisherman's hut in Brixham. Four weeks later James abdicated and William III and Mary II became joint sovereigns. The event was known as 'The Glorious Revolution.

### **OLD FISH QUAY**

CHURCHILL: THE HOLLYWOOD YEARS (2004) - Some scenes for this film were shot on The Old Fish Quay.

## **BLACKPOOL SANDS**

HOWARDS END (1992) - Scenes for this film starring Anthony Hopkins, Vanessa Redgrave, Helena Bonham - Carter and Emma Thompson were shot in a country cottage at Blackpool Sands to which the character Margaret retreats.

## **SLAPTON SANDS**

D-DAY LANDINGS REHEARSALS APRIL 1944 - In late April 1944, Exercise Tiger/ Operation Tiger, the code names for a series of rehearsals for the D-Day Invasion of Normandy, took place on the beaches at Slapton. The rehearsal involved Force U, which were American forces tasked with landing on Utah Beach. Although veiled in secrecy it is thought that friendly fire and an attack by Nazi E-Boats, whilst the allied convoy was positioning itself, led to the death of 946 American Servicemen. A monument lies on Slapton Sands together with a tank from the Second World War in remembrance of this tragic event.

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