

UK Accommodation

From Cornwall to Caithness

Thousands more UK holiday cottages online
guardiancottages.co.uk



Cool cottages on ... the south-west coast

1 Shaldon Beach Huts Shaldon, Devon

Beach huts, yes, but not as you know them. Inside these newly built hideaways you'll find Neff kitchen appliances, travertine-tiled floors, kingsize beds, futons, underfloor heating and free Wi-Fi. Each hut also has its own little terrace, overlooking the sea. For eating out, the Clipper Cafe is next door and chef Tim Bouget's ODE restaurant a pebble's throw away. **01626 872314, coolrentalguide.com. From £90pn for two or £110pn for four**



2 The Beach House Chesil Beach, Dorset

This chic timber cottage is more like an adult-sized doll's house. While its three bedrooms officially sleep six, truckle beds and sleeping pods means there's room for two (or more) extra guests. Clean, Scandinavian-style interiors and a sunken hot tub add style. The Hive Beach Cafe is next door, or head to Lyme Regis for Newlyn hake at Hix Oyster and Fish House. **01242 235151, bigcottage.com. From £1,450 a week**



3 The Cottage Charlestown, Cornwall

A grade II-listed house in Charlestown, near St Austell, this elegant cottage sleeps four. There are two bedrooms, one with a kingsize bed and one with a cosy cabin double. Stroll to the village's two beaches, order seafood at the Pier



House or sit out in one of the cottage's courtyard gardens. The Eden Project and Lost Gardens of Heligan are around 10 minutes' drive away. **07967 104131, antoniaspearls.co.uk. From £895pw**

4 The Cob Pancrasweek, Devon

This large cob barn was converted a couple of years ago. One of two self-catering cottages on Venn Farm, a seven-acre smallholding near Bude, The Cob sleeps nine and has a large garden. It's brilliantly family-friendly - stairgates, sterilisers, high chairs, cots and games - and kids can help feed chickens and hide in the treehouse. **020 3603 1160, babyfriendlyboltholes.co.uk. From £1,150pw**



5 The Beach Hut near Holbeton, Devon

The trouble with beachside cottages is that you usually have to share the beach. Not this one, though. It's on a steep cliff path, in a private cove near Salcombe. And there's more climbing within: up a ladder to the hut's double bed. Enjoy beach barbecues, the sound of the waves and dips in a wood-fired hot tub. There's a woodburner, kitchen, toilet and a solar-powered shower but no electricity. **01752 830020, carswellcottages.com. From £295pw**

Rhiannon Batten

Pets allowed No kids