



**Sun's out, two bank holidays, half term - beach? Yes, please! May's the best month to embrace the longer days and head to the coast.**

And why not explore a new stretch? With its huge skies and wide beaches, Lincolnshire offers the best of both worlds, fun-filled family entertainment at Skegness, Cleethorpes or Mablethorpe or quieter beaches at Anderby Creek and Sutton on Sea, plus migrating birds and grey seals at Gibraltar Point. What's more, with plenty of holiday parks, comfy hotels and campsites, there's a place to stay whatever your budget, read more in our blog below.

This month don't miss your chance to [win a stay](#) in Bournemouth, enjoy a cruise from Poole Harbour and explore Highcliffe Castle and Russell-Cotes Art Gallery and Museum.

**Hire a beach hut, dine al fresco, take your first dip, make this the month to feel that fresh sea air!**

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## Cool, creative vibes in Folkestone

From street food at Harbour Arm to shopping in the Creative Quarter or relaxing on Sunny Sands beach, a trip to Folkestone is packed with coastal charm and cultural experiences.

Explore art on the Triennial trail, 82 contemporary pieces in the Creative Folkestone Artworks collection, countryside walks around Hythe or a jeep safari at Romney Marsh, with 12 beaches to choose from, enjoy this area's urban chic with a laid-back vibe.

[Plan where to go here](#)

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## Coast and castles in Cumbria

If you're after secluded beaches, majestic castles, hidden lakes and towering mountains, head to the Cumbrian coast. Stay at Whitehaven, Maryport or Silloth and uncover a history of smugglers, the spice trade and Romans, each brought to life at The Beacon Museum, The Rum Story and Senhouse Roman Museum.

For a great bank holiday day out visit the Lake District Coast Aquarium in Maryport or Muncaster Castle, home to a Medieval weapons hall and an amazing hawk and owl centre, then jump on the steam train at nearby Ravenglass & Eskdale Railway.

**Our top places to visit**

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## Family fun in East Yorkshire

From Spurn Point to Bempton Cliffs, East Yorkshire offers 53 miles of amazing coastal vistas and landscapes, take the family to the white sandy beaches of Bridlington or Hornsea or explore the wildlife at Flamborough Head and Bempton.

Bridlington boasts two award-winning beaches, Bridlington Animal Park and nearby Sewerby Hall and Gardens while Hornsea offers plenty of amusements, Hornsea Mere and bargain shopping at Hornsea Freeport or visit the golden sands and rare inland lighthouse of Withernsea.

[Explore East Yorkshire](#)





### Win an unbeatable break to the glittering south coast!

Fifteen miles of golden sandy beaches, water sports galore and three fascinating resorts – a trip to the south coast resorts of Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole guarantees a fun-filled escape any time of year and here's your chance to visit in style!

You'll win a two-night stay for two at the four-star [Marsham Court Hotel](#), a Jurassic Coast cruise from stunning Poole Harbour, entry to the glorious treasures of the [Russell-Cotes Gallery and Museum](#) plus a visit to award-winning [Highcliffe Castle](#)!

Stay at the Marsham Court Hotel with its sparkling views across Bournemouth Bay, take a dip in the outdoor pool, then explore Bournemouth's gardens, pier and buzzing attractions, all within easy reach. The hotel sits opposite the opulent Russell-Cotes Art Gallery and Museum, stroll its lavish rooms, filled with gorgeous paintings, statues and global collections and perhaps pause for afternoon tea.

Set sail from historic Poole Harbour on a [Coastal Cruises](#) Jurassic Cruise, basking in the outstanding views of Sandbanks, Brownsea Island and nature of this famous UNESCO World Heritage Site. Just beyond Christchurch, Highcliffe Castle is an impressive Grade 1 listed example of Romantic architecture with three floors to explore as well as acres of manicured lawns, woodland walks, all within easy access of Highcliffe beach.

Don't miss your chance to win this amazing trip.

**Enter Now!**

The Marsham Court Hotel: 2-night stay for 2 people in a standard room, bed and breakfast. Subject to availability, valid to 30 June 2027. Excludes 23 December '2026 to 2 January 2027.  
Coastal Cruises Poole: Jurassic Cruise for 2 people, valid to 30 June 2027, cruises run 1 April – 30 October.  
Russell-Cotes Art Gallery and Museum: free admission for two people. Closed January 2027.  
Highcliffe Castle: Admission for 2 adults, vouchers valid to 30th June 2027, excludes entry to events.



From fluffy swans in Dorset to a new Playground Festival in Thanet, England's coast is crammed with events and activities for kids. Read our new blog for family-friendly inspiration.

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