



50 Things to do in the summer in Brixham and surrounding areas

1. Put on your bib and gorge yourself on the hot shellfish platter in our favourite Brixham fish restaurant, the Poopdeck. Can you finish it?
2. Walk to Berry Head, an area of outstanding natural beauty with great coastal views just a 20 minute walk away and stop off for a well deserved drink at Berry Head Hotel.
3. You're at the seaside so try Brixham's fish and chips, its best open, sitting by the harbour. Beware; the seagulls will expect to share.
4. Dress up and go to a show. There are always things going on at Palace Theatre, Paignton, Princess Theatre and Little Theatre, Torquay and Flavel centre, Dartmouth. You may even see your hosts at the Brixham Theatre.
5. The original Brixham ghostwalk is an entertaining 90 minutes of an evening, meet at the statue on the harbour front.
6. A kid at heart? Why not hit the arcades and have some fun. Our favourite is air hockey, have a go and reawaken your competitive instincts, but don't complain if it inflames your arthritis or you pull a muscle.
7. Green fingered and feeling adventurous? The Eden project and the Lost Gardens of Heligan are just a 2 hour drive away.
8. Cockington village, an oasis of calm within the bay, feed the ducks, have a stroll or a pub lunch.
9. Fancy a flutter on the fillies? Lose your shirt at Newton Abbot Racecourse.
10. Whatever the weather Devon ice cream still tastes great.
11. Feeling fit? Why not take an early morning jog along the breakwater just in time for a quick shower and a sit down for our delicious full English breakfast. You deserve it!



12. Relax and savour one of your favourite tipples in a Brixham pub.
13. Stroll out to sea along Brixham breakwater and admire the different aspects of the bay.
14. Addicted to Devon Cream Teas? There are many places to partake in Torbay. Angel café in Babbacombe is a favourite.
15. Take a stroll down memory lane and visit Bygones, St Marychurch. See how the Victorians lived and played under one roof.
16. Take a coastal drive to Kingsbridge passing Blackpool sands and stop off at Start Bay Inn and see if you finish their eye popping portions of fish and chips.
17. Discover Stoke Gabriel, only a 20 minute drive away and one of the prettiest villages in Devon.
18. Experience Paignton zoo, in our opinion the best zoo in the country. We love Monkey Heights.
19. Visit Britain's oldest home, Kent's Cavern. Remind yourself if stalactites or stalagmites go up.
20. Peace, contemplation, monks, honey and fruit wines all on the edge of Dartmoor at Buckfast Abbey.
21. Shop in historic Totnes and pop into the Dartington cider press centre- a hub of arts and crafts. Guaranteed you will be tempted.
22. Devour some Devon fudge; it's too good to share.
23. Amble for 3 hours to Broad sands passing secluded coves and stop off for a canvery or drink at Churston Court, an historic 12th century Inn.
24. Packed your swimming trunks? Dare the refreshing waters or do some pebble throwing or beachcombing and spot a crab or two under the rocks at the Breakwater beach.
25. Prefer to see your fish alive? Then visit the National Marine Aquarium at Plymouth, the biggest in the country.



26. At Trago Mills you always get a bargain so make sure you've got his wallet!

27. Take a 30 minute bus ride to Dartmouth and explore the art and crafts shops. We love the Cherub inn, one of the oldest pubs in Dartmouth.

28. Walk from quaint Galmpton village to Agatha Christie's holiday home, so travelling the green way to Greenway and take in the splendid scenery.

29. Crabbing in Brixham is the number one activity, so don't forget to bring your bucket, net, crab line and bacon. They love it.

30. Do your impression of Gulliver and visit Babbacombe Model village. Great fun for all ages and beautiful gardens too.

31. Be brave and have a swim in the cool sea. Eeeeeek!

32. Take a relaxing stroll at Bicton Park. A Nice place to go on a Sunday afternoon.

33. Discover Sir Francis Drake's home at Buckland Abbey and visit the Garden House afterwards.

34. Jump on a ferry to Torquay, Paignton or Dartmouth. If you're lucky the dolphins or porpoises may come and say hello.

35. Discover the deepest gorge in the South West and the 90 ft White Lady waterfall at Lydford Gorge.

36. Attempt the John Musgrave walking Trail, only 35 miles but you can do it in 4 sections and take in the varied landscapes.

37. Visit the best market town in Britain. Whatever you fancy -there is enormous choice at Tavistock and it's a lovely place to walk around as well.

38. Relax and promenade along Plymouth Hoe especially after all that shopping!

39. Discover one of the oldest cities in England, take a guided walk and uncover historic Exeter and make sure you pop in the cathedral afterwards.



40. See the largest selection of orchids in the UK at the Orchid Paradise centre, Newton Abbot.

41. Visit the Devon Guild of Craftsmen, the largest contemporary crafts centre in South West England at Bovey Tracey and view or even buy from the wide variety of contemporary crafts by the 240 designers/makers.

42. Explore Dartmoor. If wet and windy stay in the car or if bright and breezy get your boots on.

43. Take the bus or ferry to Torquay, enjoy the views on the top deck and visit the Agatha Christie exhibition at Torquay museum. We also love the Hole in the wall pub and it's got great food as well.

44. Walk with the penguins at Living Coast, Torquay and see how they live in their little burrows.

45. Take the circular walk from Dartmouth castle to little Dartmouth and explore the beautiful woodlands and coves on the way.

46. Keep the kids amused and take them to Woodlands theme park, fun for all the family whatever the weather.

47. Walk the coastal path to Kingswear only 10.8 miles away, you may want to take the bus back.

48. Wander around Dartmoor Otter Sanctuary and see the otters swim under water and learn more about these fascinating creatures.

49. Walk one of the dart valley trails, there are three to choose from and the scenery is lovely and peaceful.

50. Keep you and even the kids amused on a rainy day and enjoy bringing out your creative flair by painting all sorts of ceramic shapes at China Blue, Totnes.