




E. Cornwall & W. Devon

May 7 - 7 nights

YOUR HOLIDAY AT A GLANCE

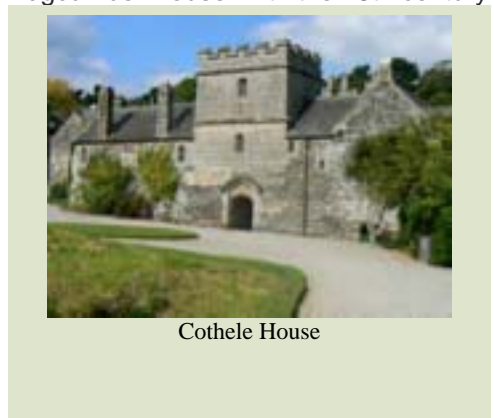
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| Guest Houses : | Based : | Prices : | Contact : | Address: |
| Hurdon & Withnoe Farms who will share preparation of the evening meals | Launceston on the border of the two counties | £1015 per person with en-suite or private bathroom £925 per person with shared bathroom | Telephone: 01904 704620 Mobile: 0773 443 2589 E-Mail: bywayholidays@btinternet.com | 21 Hallcroft Lane Copmanthorpe York YO23 3UG |
| |  |  | Train Meeting : From Exeter St. Davids |  |

Itinerary

An established perennial Byway favourite, we are delighted to return for our 7th year to this lovely part of the country to stay at our two wonderful houses of Hurdon and Withnoe that have proved so rightly popular over all those previous seasons! Our location at Launceston, just over the border from Devon into Cornwall, is centrally positioned for our touring plans in both counties including fascinating visits to both the north and south coasts and for the splendid varied countryside in between. We stay mostly with our very own successful itinerary from 2009 (although as always expect a little change or two to appear!), again this year combining elements of previous holidays to form one glorious week of interest and surprise and to take in a lovely mix of private gardens, historic houses and exciting coastline with some delightful pastoral and moorland scenery added to provide the finishing touches! So, our itinerary for 2010 hopes to visit the following 'small' gardens - The extraordinary Docton Mill situated in a stunning valley near the Devon coast; 'Headland' set in one of the most idyllic situations in Britain with spectacular views over open sea to Gribbin Head, and Dodman Point; and 'Ken-Caro', one of Cornwall's hidden gems with

outstanding views into the Lynher Valley. Grand houses will be represented by Lanhydrock, a magnificent late Victorian house with extensive servants' quarters, wonderful kitchens and a large expanse of woodland gar-

den that we would hope to be at its best for our Spring visit; Cothele House built between 1485 and 1627 and remarkably unchanged is, as a great medieval building, a strong contender for the title of 'Cornwall's most beautiful stately home' with lush gardens descending the valley in terraces to the Quay on the River Tamar; and Mount Edgcumbe House with the 18th century



Cothele House

Earl's Garden and Country Park enjoying a magnificent setting overlooking Plymouth Sound and also offering extensive coastal access. The house was built in the 16th century by Sir Richard Edgcumbe of Cothele as his new home. Miraculously the walls survived a direct 1941 bomb hit, and it was restored between 1958 and 1964. We will visit the dramatic coastline and spectacular cliffs at Hartland Quay in North West Devon with its contorted rock layers; the South Cornwall coast through Portwrinkle to Seaton; and the wild and beautiful North Cornish coast from Port Isaac through Boscastle and Crackington Haven to Widemouth Bay. Other 'natural' delights will include the wildlife haven of Lower Tamar Lake, Siblyback & Fernworthy Reservoir. A

visit to the Tamar Otter Sanctuary is also planned. We shall explore the now peaceful quays of the Tamar that were once the economic and social hub of the communities along this beautiful river as we travel from Cothele to Calstock and on to Morwellham. We will also take in St. Nons Church at Altarnun known as the 'Cathedral of The Moors' and featuring a unique collection of early 16th century carved bench ends. We pay a visit to the pretty village of Chagford on a day spent wandering in delightful and remote Dartmoor scenery. Bodmin Moor's lovely lanes will not be forgotten either nor will the tiny byways and 'hidden' creeks of the Fowey Estuary which we will also cross by ferry.

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