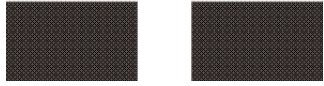


# Pocket Friendly Ideas Free Places to visit in

## Cornwall



**The Cornwall Wildlife Trust** ~ [www.cornwallwildlifetrust.org.uk](http://www.cornwallwildlifetrust.org.uk) The Trust look after more than 50 nature reserves. There are often way marked trails and information boards to help you make the most of your visit. Check out their website to plan a day out.

**The Lizard Peninsula** ~ TR12 7NT Cornwall at its rugged best, the air is crisp, clear and unpolluted by industry. The rocks and cliffs of the coastline offer shelter to the tiny, very individual, fishing villages huddled into their coves, looking now much as they did centuries ago. Take your pick, Coverack, Mullion, Manaccan, Cadgwith, Lizard village itself, we don't think you'll be disappointed.

**Boscaste Visitor Centre** ~ PL35 0HD Learn about the history of this charming fishing village, once self-contained with the only supplies coming in through the harbour and of the devastating flood of 2004. Open daily Mar-Oct 10.00am-5.00pm Nov-Feb 10.30am-4.00pm

**Carruan Farm, nr Polzeath** ~ PL27 6QW Visit a working farm offering something for all the family with tours around the farm, animals to get to know and children's play area. Entrance is free although there is a charge for tractor and trailer rides. Open Mon-Sun 7.30am-8.30pm

**Callington mural trail, Town Hall, New Road** ~ PL17 7BD An eclectic mix of colourful murals adorn some of the walls of this town. They are the work of local artists, students and schoolchildren. Pick up a trail guide and see if you can spot any murals not mentioned.

is a replica of a Cornish kitchen. Open April to October Mon-Fri 10.30-4.30, Sat 11.00-1.00.

**Penhallow, Cornish Cyder Farm** ~ TR4 9LW this 100 acre working farm produces over 40 different varieties of fruit products including strong traditional scrumpys, sparkling ciders, country wines, jams, preserves, brandy and spirits. Visit the cyder museum, press house, bottery and jam kitchen. Why not take a tractor ride through our acres of beautiful fruit and apple orchards in the valley below. Open 7 days a week from April to December. Check at the VIC desk for winter opening

**St Cleer, Golitha Falls, Bodmin Moor** ~ PL14 6RY Designated National Nature Reserve known locally as Golitha Falls, the reserve is an area of ancient woodland occupying a steep-sided valley gorge, with the River Fowey flowing through it in a series of spectacular cascades, a great place to see Bluebells if you're here in the spring. As you wander, you will find many features relating to the industrial past. Car park opposite the reserve with toilets and, if you're lucky, an ice-cream van...

**Cremyll, Mount Edgcombe Country Park** ~ PL10 1HZ Over 800 acres of stunning parkland criss-crossed by footpaths on the Rame Peninsula, includes the National Camellia Collection, formal gardens, Deer Park and the Orangery Restaurant. Admission free but charge for House and Earl's Garden. Open year round, daily from 8am to dusk.

**Truro, The Royal Cornwall Museum** ~ TR1 2SJ Cornwall's largest museum with permanent displays on the county's history, plus a diverse range of further artefacts and a full programme of temporary exhibitions. Look out for family events. Open Jan-March Mon-Sat, April onwards Tues-Sat from 10.00am-4.45pm. Closed Bank Holidays.



**Callington, Kit Hill country park** ~ PL17 8HW A wild rugged granite hill top famous for its fine views and fascinating history. Kit Hill is a 400 acre Country Park at the highest point in the Tamar Valley. Stunning views over the valley and across to Dartmoor and Bodmin Moor. Lots of opportunities for walking. Rich in archaeology with signs of thousands of years of human activity - from a Neolithic long barrow to 19th Century mining remains. Free access. Guided walks and events throughout the year.

**Camborne, Tehidy country park** ~TR14 0HA Once part of a great estate belonging to the Basset tin mining family, visitors may stroll around the lake, explore leafy glades or wilder areas of woodland or be immersed in the rich flora and fauna. With a different type of beauty for every season, Tehidy is an enchanting place to visit all year round.

**Cornish Camels, Rosnick Organic Farm, St Keverne** ~ TR12 6DZ Every-one is welcome to come to visit our camels free of charge. There is also an organic cafe, farm shop, gift shop with local crafts and children's toys among other things. The camel centre looks straight into the camel pen, so that the camels can be viewed and enjoyed rain or shine.

**Falmouth Art Gallery, Municipal Buildings, The Moor** ~ TR11 2RT. Family friendly gallery, which houses the towns permanent collection of 100 oils and 200 works on paper mainly donated from private collectors, it is one of the most important in Cornwall, and features works by major British artists plus seasonal exhibitions. Kiddies corner with toy chest and activities box. Open all year Mon-Sat 10.00am-5.00pm

**Helston, Coronation Park, off Porthleven Road** TR13 0SR. An excellent town park with large boating lake, play area and skateboard park. Nearby you will find the start of a walk (5 miles) through Penrose Estate (NT) to Porthleven via the Loe Pool with regular buses back.

**Helston (near), Roskilly's, Tregellast Barton, St Keverne** ~ TR12 6NX Watch the milking, explore the woodlands, feed the ducks on the ponds and look out for the giant rhubarb (Gunnera) on this working organic farm. Feb half term-Oct daily 10am-6pm, Nov-Dec Sat-Sun only 10am-5pm

**Herodfoot (near Liskeard) Deer Park/Forest** ~ PL14 4QY Taking the walk at a leisurely pace you will wind your way along the trail in a little over an hour. Make sure to keep a sharp eye out for the red and roe deer that live in and around this woodland valley. The trail is steep in places so please take sturdy shoes. Picnic area, open all year

**Lizard, Wireless Station (NT)** ~ TR12 7NT see the station as it would have looked in 1901 when Marconi received his record breaking wireless communication. Situated at Bass Point approx. 1.5 miles along the coastal path. Please telephone for opening details 01326 561407

**Loe, Kilmnorth Woods local Nature Reserve** ~ PL13 2AF Described some as 'the Lungs of Looe', Kilmnorth Woods is classified as ancient woodland. Explore the network of paths and tracks, one of which leads you to water's edge and offers good views up and down the estuary. Open all year. **Lostwithiel (near), St Winnow Barton Farm Museum, St Winnow** ~ PL10LF This barn in the Fowey Valley houses a charming collection of implements from a bygone age, both agriculture and domestic Open daily East October 10am-6pm

**Minions Village, Bodmin Moor** ~ PL14 5LE Cornish Mining World Heritage Site situated near Liskeard, Minions offers a fascinating day out. Old Mine Captains houses, Engine houses, ancient stone circles, impressive rock formations, plus fine views of the surrounding countryside (including Dartmoor, it's very clear). A pretty moorland village with a general store, tea-rooms and a hotel to quench your thirst or treat yourself to a cream tea or pasty after exploring the area.

**Mousehole, Wild Bird Hospital and Sanctuary** ~ TR19 6SR Establishes 1928 by two dedicated sisters, the hospital helps injured birds heal and if possible, return to the wild. If not, and they take kindly to captivity, they are given sanctuary for the rest of their lives. Open daily 10.30am-4.00pm. Donations always welcome no matter how small.

**Mullion, The Marconi Centre (NT), Poldhu** ~ TR12 7JB From little acorn that first transatlantic radio signal introduced everything from broadcasting satellite communications, mobile phones, broadband, the internet and the world wide web - and Poldhu was at the forefront of it all. There are short wave radios to listen to and visitors can watch a short video presentation showing the significance of Poldhu and Marconi's work and then gain further information from well-designed wall panels.

**Perranporth, Perranzabuloe Folk Museum** ~ TR6 0BW Find out about many years after it had crashed on the beach. The museum offers an insight into the social and industrial past of Perranporth and the surrounding villages. Displays include mining, farming, the railway and Cornish costume, and the