

Pocket Friendly Ideas Things to do in Cornwall For around Ten Pound



Courtroom Experience, Bodmin ~ Tel 01208 76616 Be a part of the jury at the infamous trial of Matthew Weekes who was accused of murdering Charlotte Dymond in 1844. Adults £3.95, Concessions £2.95, Children £2.50 Family (2+3) £10.95

Dragon Leisure Centre, Bodmin ~ Tel 01208 75715. Swimming pool adults £3.70, child (4+) £2.50, mother and toddler duck pond session Tues and Thurs £4.50, Soft Play Mon, Wed and Fri £2.50

Gardens ~ Cornwall has gardens in abundance, many of them just a few pounds for entry and some even free. Try – Pinsla at Cardinham Northwood at St Neot, Pencarrow at Washaway and Pinetum Park, incorporating Pinelodge Gardens, at Holmbush are lesser known and near Bodmin. Pick up a copy of the Cornwall Gardens Guide and the NGS leaflet for more ideas and gardens further afield.

Garden Centres ~ There are three excellent centres close to by, Bodmin Herb & Plant Nursery, The Duchy of Cornwall Nursery near Lostwithiel and Trelawney Garden Centre at Sladesbridge. Wonderful places for

younger visitors, the park also offers the ideal place to let off steam, with an excellent children's play area. Admission £3.00 adults, £2.00 concessions, under 18s FREE, ADMISSION FREE ON SATURDAYS

Polperro Museum of Smuggling and Fishing ~

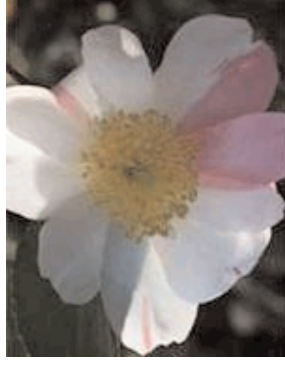
www.polperro.org/museum Tel 01503 272423 Located in 'The Warren' in an old pitchard factory the museum houses a remarkable collection of exhibits and photos from the 18th & 19th centuries; it vividly brings to life the story of this Cornish fishing village's extraordinary history and many of the people who featured in it. Opening hours are 10.30am to 5.30pm, March to October adults £1.75, children .50p under 5's free.

Roskilly's Ice Cream and Farm, St Keverne, the Lizard ~

www.roskillys.co.uk Tel 01326 280479. Bring all the family for a free visit to try a taste of life on a working, organic, Cornish Farm that has been certified as fully organic since 1995. The range of ice creams is amazing with over 40 different flavours including the likes of Banoffee, Blackcurrant Cheesecake, Chocolate Brownie & Marshmallow along with the old favourites. Charges for ice creams apply.

Seasonal Events ~ Look at our 'what's on' A frames, 'Arts' section

and monthly event listing for local carnivals, exhibitions, galleries, farmers markets etc. which are normally either free or reasonably priced. Don't be afraid to ask a member of our friendly team for different ideas, we have a wide range of interests, on and off the beaten track...!



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Not for the faint hearted. Open Easter-Halloween, Mon-Sat10.30am

6.00pm Sun11.30am-6.00pm adults £4.00, children £3.00

Minack Visitor Centre, Porthcurno ~ www.minack.com Tel 01736 810181. Visit this incredible open air theatre built into the cliffs. The inspiration of Rowena Cade, it has stunning views over Porthcurno beach and out to sea, an absolute must. Adults £3.50, seniors £2.50, Children (12-16) £1.40, (up to 3 under 12's Free with each paying adult) Theatre goers will find prices advertised for seasonal productions.

National Lobster Hatchery, Padstow ~ www.nationallobsterhatchery.co.uk Tel 01841 533877 The hatchery was established with a view to conserving wild populations by releasing babies back into the wild after being raised through their most vulnerable stages. Come and see the babies before they are released. Adults £3.50, Seniors £2.00, children £1.50 family (2+2) £7.50

Padstow to Rock Ferry ~ Take the Black Tor ferry from Padstow across the Camel estuary, arguably Cornwall's finest, to Rock, which leaves at regular intervals and spend some time ambling through the dunes towards Daymer Bay or visit St Enodoc Church where the well loved Poet Laureate John Betjeman is buried. Regular ferries children £2.00, dogs £1.00 (at ferryman's discretion). Bicycles £3.00 Tel 01841 532239

Penlee House, Gallery and Museum, Penzance ~ www.penlee-house.org.uk Tel 01736 363625 Penlee is best known for its permanent collection of paintings from the 'Newlyn School' and Lamorna group of artists but the exhibits also include archaeology, costumes, textiles, photography, social and local history. The Orangery Cafe is a great place for good coffee and a slice of cake or a tasty lunch, taken on the veranda if weather allows. Penlee Park, which surrounds the building, contains dramatic sub-tropical plants and beautiful mature trees, with the tranquil Memorial Garden and charming Sensory Garden offering places for quiet enjoyment. For the

gardeners and plant lovers alike to wonder and pick up ideas.

Land's End – Drive to the far west of the county, park at Sennen and walk along the coastal path to the iconic and infamous Land's End, the most westerly point in Britain. If you're lucky, you may see dolphins or seals playing off shore.

Lizard Point – Journey to the southernmost point on the UK mainland, considered to be one of the most beautiful parts of the county, to take a stroll along the coastal path (the walk to Cadgwith Cove and then back across the fields is a good walk). Find your way back to Lizard village and treat yourself to a pasty at Anne's famous pasty shop, reputed to sell the best pasties in Cornwall. Alternatively, visit The Lizard Lighthouse Heritage Centre (check at the VIC for opening times)

Mevagissey Model Railway ~ www.model-railway.co.uk, Tel 01726 842457 A great visit for adults and children, the main exhibition has over 30 trains travelling through varied landscapes with interactive buttons which let you bring the models to life with lights, sound and action. The Garden Railway is indoors and has Thomas for the children. Adults £4.20, children(6-16) £3.20 and infants 9"-5) £2.20. **Ask one of the VIC staff for a 10% discount voucher.**

Cornwall's Regimental Museum, Bodmin ~ Tel 01208 72810. One for the boys... the museum covers military history from 1702 until 1959 based on The Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry. Also permanently on display are Harry Patch's, the last 'Tommy' in the UK, medals. Adults £4.00, children £2.00 and family's (2+2) £10.00

Trevathan Farm, St Endellion www.trevathanfarm.com Tel 10208 880164. Trevathan puts on seasonal activities for all the family, tractor/trailer rides, play area, diggers and sand, zip wire and fishing. There is also a farm shop and tea rooms. Contact for events and prices. Open March-October

Museum of Witchcraft, Boscastle ~ www.museumofwitchcraft.com Tel 01840 250111 Located near the harbour, the museum houses the world's largest collection of witchcraft related artefacts.