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Escape to the English Riviera this February Half Term – A Family Adventure Awaits!

Looking for the perfect escape this February half term? The English Riviera, South Devon’s stunning coastal gem, offers an unforgettable family getaway this February. With exciting attractions, natural wonders, and unique experiences, there’s something for everyone – no matter the weather!

Discover history, charm, and nature across the English Riviera. Step aboard the [Golden Hind](#) in Brixham’s picturesque harbour, a life-sized replica of Sir Francis Drake’s iconic ship that brings the age of exploration to life with indoor displays and open decks. Let your imagination run wild at [Babbacombe Model Village](#), where England’s past six decades are captured in intricate miniature, surrounded by four acres of stunning gardens, animated features, and even a fire-breathing dragon. For breathtaking views and a slice of history, visit [Berry Head National Nature Reserve](#) in Brixham, a UNESCO Global Geopark site with restored Napoleonic fortifications and local treats at the Guardhouse Café.



Photo caption: The Golden Hind at Brixham Harbour

This February half term, [Paignton Zoo](#) is teaming up with Sony’s hit TV series ‘Creature Cases’ for an exciting interactive adventure. Young detectives can join characters Kit Kacey and Sam Snow on a special mystery trail, solving clues while discovering the zoo’s incredible wildlife. Included with standard admission, this thrilling experience lets children put their sleuthing skills to the test.



Photo caption: Discover your inner explorer at Paignton Zoo

Step back in time and immerse yourself in the rich history of the English Riviera. Explore the awe-inspiring [Kents Cavern](#) in Torquay, one of Europe’s most fascinating prehistoric cave systems, where guided tours reveal chambers millions of years old and the stories of early humans and Ice Age creatures.

Fans of mystery can follow in the footsteps of [Agatha Christie](#), born in Torquay and inspired by the English Riviera’s stunning landscapes woven into her world-famous novels and, for a touch of nostalgia, hop aboard the [Dartmouth Steam Railway](#) in Paignton and enjoy a scenic journey along South Devon’s coastline and countryside, reopening on 15th February.

Whether you prefer seafront hotels, cosy B&B’s, action-packed holiday parks or self-catering retreats, the English Riviera has accommodation to suit every family. Relax in style at the [Mercure Paignton Hotel](#) or enjoy fun-filled facilities at [TLH Leisure Resorts](#) across Torquay. For a home-away-from-home, choose [Brixham’s charming cottages](#) and apartments, where stunning sea views and the freshest local cuisines await.

Carolyn Custerson, CEO of English Riviera BID, said:

“The English Riviera is the ultimate family destination this February half term. From world-class attractions and breathtaking natural beauty to unique experiences and exceptional hospitality, there’s something for everyone to enjoy.

Whether you’re exploring prehistoric caves, meeting exotic animals, or soaking up our rich history and culture, the English Riviera invites you to escape your everyday.”

With its blend of adventure, history, and relaxation, create lifelong memories in one of the UK’s most beautiful coastal regions – where sea, sand, and smiles are guaranteed.

For more information, visit <https://www.englishriviera.co.uk/whats-on/seasonal-events/february-half-term>

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About English Riviera

The English Riviera Business Improvement District (BID) Company is a collaborative effort between over 1000 local businesses, authorities, and stakeholders dedicated to enhancing the tourism experience and promoting sustainable economic growth for Torbay.

With 22 miles of stunning coastline the English Riviera covers Torquay, Paignton and Brixham. Torquay is the birthplace of Agatha Christie, the world's greatest crime writer, and the resort offers a vast array of culture, history, water activities, spas, festivals, entertainment and food and drink experiences.

As a designated UNESCO Global Geopark, the English Riviera has gained international recognition for its 400 million years of geological heritage and is promoted as one 'Earth's Extraordinary Places.' The resort is also an international cruise port.

For more information for consumers visit www.englishriviera.co.uk and for businesses visit www.englishriviera.co.uk/bid.