



# BEST DAYS OUT CORNWALL

**Group Visits at  
Cornwall's top attractions**



**Cornwall  
Association of  
Tourist  
Attractions**

# Days of discovery, years of memories

Many of Cornwall's top visitor attractions are happy to welcome group visits – whether you're travelling here on holiday, organising a school trip or coming with your community group.

Discover what's on offer at some of our member attractions when you visit as a group.

## Our attractions are the best in Cornwall

From country houses and castles to mines and museums, gardens and galleries to theme parks and railways – Cornwall has a wealth of attractions to choose from. Whether you're visiting for a short break or happy to call this place home, make each day a discovery.

Be curious and explore the best our beautiful county has to offer. Uncover the stories behind some of our most impressive and intriguing gardens and houses, be excited at our attractions and theme parks, and learn more about Cornish heritage, culture and art. Find out what some of our members are doing to ensure conservation of important species, and what steps others are taking to raise awareness of plastic pollution and sustainability issues. There's so much to discover!

We work with Cornwall's best tourist attractions to offer great days out, whatever the weather. Come rain or shine, you can be sure that a visit to a CATA-affiliated attraction will give you one of the best days out in Cornwall!

## Cornwall Association of Tourist Attractions

Cornwall Association of Tourist Attractions (CATA) is a collective of almost 40 top attractions. We've been creating Cornwall's best visitor experiences since 1974, working together to meet and raise industry standards.

We're passionate about Cornwall, and love inspiring visitors with ideas for new and varied experiences. Our aim is clear: to create quality days out that you'll remember for years to come.

**Combine your trip to  
a tourist attraction with  
a visit to nearby beaches,  
landmarks or picturesque  
Cornish villages.**





## Bodmin Jail

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Renowned for its award-winning immersive history, Bodmin Jail is a world-class experience

for all the family, from history lovers, the criminally curious and to those who like a touch of darkness.

Cornwall's fascinating heritage is showcased within the Jail's Grade II listed walls, where visitors will journey into the past and experience the sights, sounds and smells of over two hundred and fifty years of history.

- Groups must be a minimum of 10 people
- Prices from £9.50 per person
- Guided Heritage Tour groups require two weeks notice when booking

## Bodmin Railway

☎ 01208 73555 ✉ [enquiries@bodminrailway.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@bodminrailway.co.uk)



Discover the nostalgia of steam travel with a journey on Cornwall's leading full-size railway operated by steam locomotives. Relax in style and enjoy a leisurely 13-mile round trip,

taking in the sights, sounds and smells of a bygone age, as the era of a Cornish branch line in the 1950s is revealed.

To travel on both branch lines for groups of over 20 costs £14 per person. For groups of 8–20 costs £15 per person. To travel on one branch line, the cost is £10 per person.

- Discount on all group travel, as well as cream tea special trains and event trains
- Free entry for guides and drivers
- Reserved coach parking
- Last minute bookings can be taken

## Camel Creek Family Theme Park

☎ 01841 540 276 ✉ [hello@camelcreek.co.uk](mailto:hello@camelcreek.co.uk)



With adventure around every corner, Camel Creek offers excitement for the whole family — from thrill rides and adrenalin rushes to animal handling sessions and junior zookeeper experiences.

Famous for their events schedule, the Wadebridge theme park often plays host to much-loved children's characters.

With fun rides suitable for all ages, both indoors and out, this world of adventure will give you all something to enjoy on your day out.

And with a huge variety of animals to meet — from fascinating reptiles to creepy crawlies, from majestic horses to cute little meerkats — every path leads to new experiences.

- Group rate from £14.95 per person
- No minimum/maximum group sizes
- One weeks notice would be ideal but not essential.

## Cornish Seal Sanctuary

☎ 01326 221361 ✉ [seals@sealifetrust.co.uk](mailto:seals@sealifetrust.co.uk)



Take the family to the Cornish Seal Sanctuary and learn about its work to ensure the safety and wellbeing of seals around Cornwall's coastline.

Based in Gweek, commanding panoramic views of the Helford River, the sanctuary is dedicated to seal rescue, rehabilitation and release, as well as raising awareness of how plastic pollution has affected our marine life in Cornwall. It also provides a forever home to animals needing permanent specialist care from the experts.

Meet the rescued seal pups going through rehabilitation during pup season in the winter, before being returned to the wild. See and hear about the resident animals and learn about their stories.

- Groups must be a minimum of 10 people
- Please call to discuss larger group bookings
- Discounts available for more than 10 people

## Cornwall FootballGolf

📞 01726 68952 ✉ [info@cornwallfootballgolf.co.uk](mailto:info@cornwallfootballgolf.co.uk)



Cornwall Football Golf Park is the first ever of its type in the UK. Think crazy or adventure golf

but supersized, with hazards and obstacles along the way helping make the game fun and enjoyable for everyone.

Suitable for anyone 5 years old to 80 years old, there are two courses to suit all ages and abilities.

Set in 18 acres of beautiful surroundings with wonderful sea views just outside St Austell, if you enjoy outdoor games and fun, come and try a game.

Groups of 10 or more should call in advance to book – smaller groups can turn up and play.

## Cotehele – National Trust

📞 01579 351346 ✉ [cotehele@nationaltrust.org.uk](mailto:cotehele@nationaltrust.org.uk)



This rambling granite and slate-stone home, high above the River Tamar, was built by the

Edgcumbes and remained in their family for near 600 years.

Time has stood still. The hall, with its ancient timber roof and displays of weaponry, and the warren of tapestry-clad rooms beyond have changed little since Tudor times.

The 12-acre garden features historic daffodils in the spring, terraces, ponds and orchards with over 125 local apple varieties.

- Groups of 15 or more are eligible for a discounted admission price
- Groups must be booked in advance

## Eden Project

📞 01726 811941 ✉ [groupbookings@EdenProject.com](mailto:groupbookings@EdenProject.com)



Our home in Cornwall used to be a barren landscape – a former clay mine with no soil or plants. We transformed this huge crater into a beautiful global garden, which sets the stage

for an extraordinary day out where you'll rediscover the natural world as you've never experienced it before.

Explore massive covered Biomes to trek through the world's largest indoor rainforest and immerse yourself in the calm fragrance of the Mediterranean Biome. Enjoy extensive Outdoor Gardens, contemporary artworks, performance and storytelling. Discover places to rest, play and eat, and pick up inspiring ideas to take home on how to care for the planet that cares for you.

We are an educational charity and social enterprise. Our global mission is to create a movement that builds relationships between people and the natural world.

## Glendurgan – National Trust

📞 01326 252020 ✉ [glendurgan@nationaltrust.org.uk](mailto:glendurgan@nationaltrust.org.uk)



Stroll down through the peaceful, exotic and playful valley to a sheltered beach at the bottom. There are three valleys of Glendurgan to lose yourself in – full of fun, informality, natural beauty and amazing plants.

Wandering through the garden leads down to the unspoilt hamlet of Durgan on the Helford River: a place to watch birds and boats, skim stones and build sandcastles.

- We offer 15% group discount (any National Trust members within your group enter for free)
- If your group is over 100 visitors or 2+ coaches we may be able to open Glendurgan Garden early to provide your group with exclusive access
- Minimum two weeks notice for group bookings
- Requests for specialist tours considered on individual request
- During our normal opening times we cannot welcome more than two coaches



## Hangloose Adventure

📞 01726 812724 ✉ [info@hanglooseadventure.com](mailto:info@hanglooseadventure.com)



Whether you're flying at speeds of up to 60mph down England's longest zipwire, clambering at great heights on high ropes or taking a leap of

faith on a base jump – if you're in pursuit of an adrenaline buzz, you can test your limits on one of the exciting activities Hangloose Adventure has to offer.

Situated in the heart of Cornwall within the idyllic setting of the Eden Project, this outdoor adventure centre is perfect for thrill seekers.

- Discounts available from 5–15%, dependent on group size
- Group visits must be booked in advance, allowing one month's notice in peak season

Our groups booking number is open 9am–5pm Monday to Friday

## Lappa Valley

📞 01872 510317 ✉ [info@lappavalley.co.uk](mailto:info@lappavalley.co.uk)



Discover the only attraction in Cornwall that transports families on an exciting nostalgic steam train ride into a secret world of traditional fun, family adventures and mining heritage.

Children will delight in the thrill of trains and boats, explore nature, let off steam in our outdoor and indoor spaces before refuelling in comfort at the café.

- Group discounts available - please contact us for full details and pricing
- There is scope to offer prebooked food and drink packages for guests – please contact Lappa Valley for further information and pricing
- Minimum group size: 10
- Please see the website for details of train departure times as they vary during the year.

## National Lobster Hatchery

📞 01841 533877 ✉ [info@nationallobsterhatchery.co.uk](mailto:info@nationallobsterhatchery.co.uk)



Situated right on the water's edge only a stone's throw from the start of the camel trail

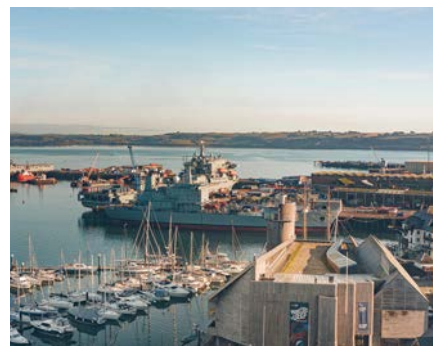
in Padstow, the National Lobster Hatchery offers visitors the unique opportunity to see an amazing conservation project in action and meet the experts.

Fun for all ages in any weather learn about the marine life off the Cornish shores, and experience their pioneering work raising and releasing baby lobsters.

A great feel-good addition to a day trip to the famous harbour town of Padstow, the National Lobster Hatchery is open all year round, seven days per week.

## National Maritime Museum Cornwall

📞 01326 313388 ✉ [enquiries@nmmc.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@nmmc.co.uk)



Learn about the unbreakable ties between the people of Cornwall and the briny blue. The exhibitions at this independent Falmouth museum unravel fascinating tales of life on the ocean, from plucky Packet Service crews to

modern-day national and international explorers. Celebrate the overwhelming influence of the sea on history and culture, exploring 15 galleries over five floors.

The Museum's groups rate is designed for groups of 10 or more plus a driver and/or tour guide, and includes the following:

- 10% off the admission price
- Free entry for the tour guide and driver.
- £5 voucher for the tour guide and driver to spend in the Waterside Café.
- Group visits can be accommodated by booking in advance – a minimum of 24 hours notice is needed.

## Newquay Zoo

📞 01637 873342 ✉️ [newquayzoo@wildplanettrust.org.uk](mailto:newquayzoo@wildplanettrust.org.uk)



Newquay Zoo is set within 13 acres of lush tropical gardens, just a short stroll from Newquay town centre. During your visit you can get close to dozen of the world's rarest and

endangered animals, whilst also learning about the conservation work carried out by the zoo.

Discover all your animal favourites big and small, including lemurs, otters, penguins, red pandas, lynx, armadillos, meerkats, plus a variety of different bird and reptile species.

To refuel during the day, there are plenty of tasty meal and snack options, hot and cold drinks and delicious ice creams to enjoy. Head through the gift shop on your way out, which is full of unique gifts, cuddly toys and branded souvenirs.

Group rates are available for groups of 10 or more paying visitors.

Please contact Newquay Zoo for further information and pricing.

## Pendennis Castle

📞 0370 333 0604 ✉️ [bookings@english-heritage.org.uk](mailto:bookings@english-heritage.org.uk)



Stir up your sense of adventure at Pendennis Castle, a coastal fortress with unmissable sea views.

Travel back to wartime Cornwall, climb to the top of the keep, and enjoy acres of green space at this historic gem.

Situated on a headland overlooking Falmouth, Pendennis is one of Henry VIII's finest seaside castles.

And despite its peaceful setting, it has a rich and poignant history. The castle has defended Cornwall since Tudor times and played a vital role during the two World Wars.

- Pre-booking essential
- Minimum 11 visitors to qualify for a group discount

## Pinetum Gardens

📞 01726 73500 ✉️ [hello@pinetumgardens.com](mailto:hello@pinetumgardens.com)



Pinetum Gardens contrasts areas of intimate tranquility with open parkland vistas.

Take time to discover the whole estate and its ten gardens, all linked by water – play hide and seek in the arboretum, relax and reflect in the Japanese garden and recharge out of season in the spectacular winter garden.

The largest modern garden created in Cornwall, Pinetum offers an experience with a personal touch rarely found in today's busy world.

- You can book your group visits on the day itself if needed
- We offer 10% discount on group bookings
- No minimum/maximum numbers

## Screech Owl Sanctuary

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Are you looking for somewhere a little different to take your group of holiday makers? Are they interested in wildlife and conservation, wanting to learn more about owls and other animals? Why not come and visit Screech Owl Sanctuary and Animal Park?

A family-owned business based on the edge of the Goss Moor Nature Reserve in mid Cornwall, the Sanctuary is home to over 70 owls from 32 different species from all over the world. Discover fascinating insights into the lives of these majestic birds of prey, watch them fly, learn about their key characteristics at the owl talks. There are also lemurs, meerkats, raccoons, red foxes, and storks to name but a few of the 18 other species at the park.

We can cater for groups of all ages and abilities and tailor activities to suit your group.

Group visits can be accommodated all year round. For further information & applicable rates please email or call us.



## Shipwreck Treasure Museum

📞 01726 69897 ✉ [info@shipwreckcharlestown.co.uk](mailto:info@shipwreckcharlestown.co.uk)



Bring your crew to explore with us at the award-winning Shipwreck Treasure Museum that overlooks the historic harbour at beautiful Charlestown on Cornwall's south coast.

Your group will weave their way through 8,000 finds from over 165 wrecks in our permanent museum collection, the largest of its kind in Europe!

They can also immerse themselves in the incredible Shackleton exhibition, descending into our ice tunnels to get a real sense of what life was like for these brave pioneering explorers.

Koffi, our café, is the perfect place for visitors to refuel before exploring the rest of Charlestown that's right on our doorstep.

For more information and to book your group visit [shipwreckcharlestown.co.uk](http://shipwreckcharlestown.co.uk) or cast a line to our Captain on 01726 69897.

## The Lost Gardens of Heligan

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Thirty years ago The Lost Gardens of Heligan were rediscovered from the brambles of time. Today, Heligan remains one of the most loved and romantic gardens in the UK, appreciated as

much for their beauty and mystery, as for the ground-breaking restoration.

Over 200 acres await explorers, plant lovers and garden romantics.

- Discounted group rates for entry within our general garden opening times are available throughout the year
- Guided tours, catering vouchers and discounted guide books can also be included on request
- Discounted rates are available for groups of 10 or more paying visitors
- Group visits need to be booked at least seven days in advance

## Tintagel Castle

📞 0370 333 0604 ✉ [bookings@english-heritage.org.uk](mailto:bookings@english-heritage.org.uk)



Go on a legendary adventure at Tintagel – a Cornish castle with links to the tales of King Arthur.

Cross the spectacular bridge to take in views of the coast and explore the history-rich headland. Walk among the castle ruins that still cling to the cliffs, find early-medieval remains and meet Gallos – the life-size statue of an ancient king who keeps watch over the wild seas below.

Tintagel Castle has fired the imaginations of writers, royals, artists and poets for hundreds of years. Now it's your turn to be inspired.

To make a group booking, please call 0370 333 0604 or email [bookings@english-heritage.org.uk](mailto:bookings@english-heritage.org.uk).

## Trebah Garden

📞 01326 252200 ✉ [tracy@trebah-garden.co.uk](mailto:tracy@trebah-garden.co.uk)



Trebah Garden is a 26-acre award-winning valley garden with its own secluded private beach on the Helford River, offering a colourful year round experience. Created over 180 years ago and steeped in history, including plant hunters

and World War II, the garden is home to more than 5000 plants from around the world. The new addition of a Court Garden provides an accessible space, with an Amphitheatre in the main garden providing plentiful seating for groups to gather. Refreshments are available from Trebah Kitchen and a variety of gifts and plants are available from their shops.

- Group rates are available for 12 people or more
- Free entry for the tour leader and coach driver, including a catering voucher
- Free welcome talk or pre-booked guided tour available on request

For more information please visit [www.trebahgarden.co.uk/groups](http://www.trebahgarden.co.uk/groups)

## Trelissick – National Trust

📞 01872 862090 ✉ [trelissick@nationaltrust.org.uk](mailto:trelissick@nationaltrust.org.uk)



A welcoming garden set in an estate with stunning maritime views and lovely woodland walks. Trelissick is set on its own peninsula, with panoramic views over the Fal

estuary. You can explore the meandering paths through the garden, leading to exotic plants and herbaceous borders bursting with colour.

- We offer 15% group discount (any National Trust members within your group enter for free)
- If your group is over 100 visitors or 2+ coaches we may be able to open Trelissick garden early to provide your group with exclusive access
- Requests for specialist tours considered on individual request
- During our normal opening times we cannot welcome more than two coaches
- Minimum two weeks notice for group bookings

## Trerice – National Trust

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A delightful small Elizabethan manor house with fine interiors and delightful garden, Trerice is an architectural gem hidden away from the world in a web of narrow lanes and still somehow caught in the spirit of its age.

Trerice remains little changed by the advances in building fashions over the centuries.

- We offer 15% group discount (any National Trust members within your group enter for free)
- If your group is over 100 visitors or 2+ coaches we may be able to open Trerice early to provide your group with exclusive access
- Requests for specialist tours considered on individual request
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## Wheal Martyn

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Dig deep and discover the special ingredient in our everyday lives that still shapes Cornwall and our world today – china clay!

It hides in your toothpaste, mugs, paper, tyres and even your cosmetics.

A unique indoor and outdoor museum, Wheal Martyn tells the story of Cornwall's 'secret' billion pound industry, and the people who brought it to you, from the heart of Clay Country.

- Book a tour with knowledgeable guides who can give you a insight into the industry
- Maximum group size is 40 people
- Admission £10.50pp or groups of 10+ are £9.50 per person
- Group visits must be booked at least one week in advance



### Further Information

If you'd like to be connected with colleagues at any of the 40 Cornish tourist attractions we work with, please get in touch.

**[hello@bestdaysoutcornwall.co.uk](mailto:hello@bestdaysoutcornwall.co.uk)**

We can put you in touch with the right person to start a conversation about planning your group visit.







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