

Dartmouth

Explore the beauty of this picturesque town, situated on the South Devon coastline



DARTMOUTH
MAYFLOWER
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Port Details

PORT - Dartmouth

Address: Dart Harbour & Navigation Authority (DHNA), 6 Oxford Street, Dartmouth, TQ6 9AL

Tel +44 (0)1803 832337

VHF Channel: 11

Call Sign: Dartnav

Captain Mark Cooper
info@dartharbour.org

Maximum berth length (LOA): 230 metres

Dartmouth guided history tours

Walking tours of Dartmouth presented by Dartmouth Mayflower & Dartmouth Heritage: Lez and Liz Ellis – Costumed Town Crier and Consort of Dartmouth



Guided tours by Dartmouth Mayflower Town guides.

All bookings taken at the Visitor Centre:
Tel: +44 (0)1803 834224
E: holidays@discoverdartmouth.com

An Introduction to Dartmouth

Having departed from Southampton, the Mayflower and Speedwell didn't get far before the Speedwell began to take on water again.

They arrived in Dartmouth on 23rd August and, according to passengers, the Speedwell was leaking heavily and required urgent attention.

There were several shipyards on the river at this time, with skilled shipwrights on hand to make the repairs to the Speedwell. Both ships would have anchored in the river near Bayards Cove, which is the old harbour quay.

While much has changed on the waterfront, the Tudor Bayards Cove Fort, Agincourt House now Bayards Cove Inn, houses on Lower Street and Smith Street - the medieval centre of town - are well preserved, and it is easy to imagine what the town would have looked like in 1620.

It took around a week for the shipwrights to rectify the damage before they headed out into the English Channel again, bound for the North Atlantic.



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Half Day Suggested Itinerary

Dartmouth Castle (1.5 hour approx.)

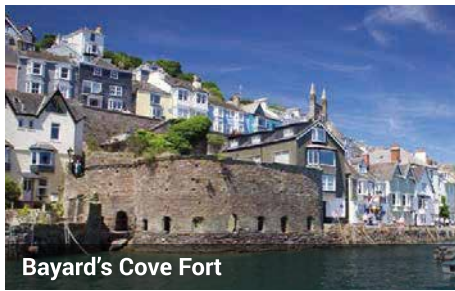
One of the most beautifully located fortresses in England. For over 600 years Dartmouth Castle has guarded the narrow entrance to the Dart Estuary and the busy, vibrant port of Dartmouth. It offers stunning views of the estuary and out to sea and offers a great family day out, whatever the weather.

This fascinating complex of defences was begun in 1388 by John Hawley, privateering Mayor of Dartmouth and the prototype of the flamboyant 'Shipman' in Chaucer's Canterbury Tales. Climb to the top for breathtaking views across the estuary and see how it could be blocked in wartime by a heavy chain.



Dartmouth Castle

There is plenty to do inside the castle and if the weather is fine, you can make it a full day out with a river boat trip from the town quay up to the castle, landing you a minute's walk away from the castle entrance. After you have explored the castle, you can visit a riverside tea room for light lunches and snacks. Walkers will love the coastal and woodland walks around the castle where you can spot plenty of wildlife and birds.



Bayard's Cove Fort

Bayards Cove Fort

(30 mins approx.)

This Tudor fort, built between 1522 and 1536, contained heavy guns to protect Dartmouth harbour town from attack. The fort sits in Bayards Cove, the site where The Mayflower and The Speedwell departed Dartmouth. It was the last line of defence against enemy ships that had eluded Dartmouth and Kingswear castles.

Dartmouth Museum

(2 hours approx.)

Dartmouth Museum is a small fascinating Museum, offering an insight into Dartmouth's intriguing history. Housed in the historic Butterwalk building, the collections are wide ranging, everything from the maritime history of Dartmouth, to its physical development throughout the years.



Dartmouth Museum

Things to do

Dartmouth Castle

A 600 year old castle that guards the mouth of the Dart Estuary, offering stunning views of the estuary and out to sea.



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www.english-heritage.org.uk/visit/places/dartmouth-castle

Bayards Cove Fort

Tudor fort situated in the cove where the Mayflower pilgrims departed Dartmouth.



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www.english-heritage.org.uk/visit/places/bayards-cove-fort

Dartmouth Museum

Small but fascinating museum in the heart of the town offering an insight into the Dartmouth's intriguing history.



Group contact:

+44 (0)1803 832923

dartmouth@devonmuseums.net
www.dartmouthmuseum.org

Britannia Royal Naval College

The only remaining naval college in the country, with a heritage spanning over 150 years.



Group contact:

+44 (0)1803 677565

www.britanniaassociation.org.uk/tours

Greenway House

Agatha Christie's glorious former home now owned by the National Trust.



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+44 (0)1803 842382.

greenway@nationaltrust.org.uk
www.nationaltrust.org.uk/greenway

Coleton Fishacre

A 1920's Jazz Age country retreat with stunning coastal gardens.



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coletonfishacre@nationaltrust.org.uk
www.nationaltrust.org.uk/coleton-fishacre

Newcomen Engine

Designed by Dartmouth inventor Thomas Newcomen, it's the oldest working preserved atmospheric steam engine in the world and recently received a prestigious heritage award from the Institution of Mechanical Engineers. Admission is free.



Group contact:

www.discoverdartmouth.com

Things to do

Start Point Lighthouse

The 150 year old Start Point Light House sits on one of the most southerly points in Devon. It provides stunning views of the coastline.



Group contact:

+44 (0)1803 771803

info@startpointdevon.co.uk
www.startpointdevon.co.uk

River Cruise & Steam Train

Enjoy a day out on a steam train, boat trip or paddle steamer along the glorious South Devon coastline.



Group contact:

+44 (0)1803 555872

bookings@dsrrb.co.uk
www.dartmouthtrailriver.co.uk

KEY:



Group Friendly



Coach Parking

Lunch and Evening Meals

The Grill Room, Royal Castle Hotel

Our award-winning AA rosette restaurant serves a fantastic lunch and dinner menu with the best local produce available.



+44 (0)1803 833033
www.royalcastle.co.uk/food-drink

Bayards Cove Inn

A charming Tudor mansion in the old town area of Dartmouth.



+44 (0)1803 839278
www.bayardscoveinn.co.uk/cafe-bar-restaurant

Dart Marina Hotel

The Dart Marina Hotel & Spa is situated on the banks of the River Dart and offers unpretentious style, impeccable facilities and immense warmth.



+44 (0)1803 832580
www.dartmarina.com/Dining

The Cherub Inn

Dating from 1380 The Cherub Inn still retains many of its original features, including some old ship timbers,



+44 (0)1803 832571
www.the-cherub.co.uk

Kendricks

Set in the heart of this historic port, Kendrick's opened in 2000 and has quickly gained a solid reputation for excellent food at good value using locally sourced ingredients wherever possible.



+44 (0)1803 832 328
www.kendricksrestaurant.co.uk

The Seahorse

Our restaurant specializes in seafood and is situated on the banks of the River Dart in Dartmouth.



+44 (0)1803 835147
www.seahorserestaurant.co.uk

Full Day Suggested Itinerary

Greenway – Steam train / boat (2 hours approx.)

You could visit Greenway House and Garden, former home of famed mystery author Agatha Christie, take a nostalgic trip and arrive the way Agatha used to - by steam train (and shuttle bus should you prefer not to walk)!

Take a glimpse into her life in this relaxed and atmospheric house set in the 1950s, when Agatha and her family would spend summers and Christmases here.



Greenway House

Dartmouth Town (2 hours approx.)

Enjoy the delights of the range of independent shops and cafes selling superb quality wares and local produce.



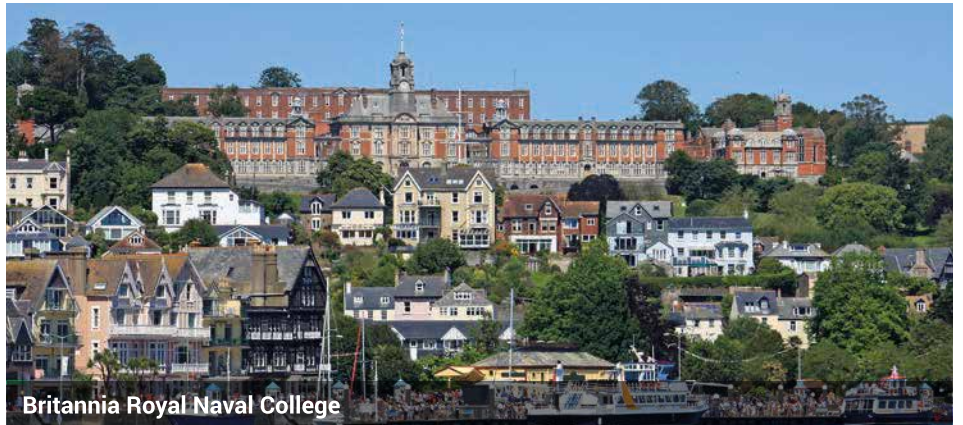
Dart Marina Hotel

Dart Marina Hotel (1.5 hours approx.)

Dart Marina is set in a simply breathtaking spot by the River Dart. With an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty wrapped around the Hotel.

Britannia Royal Naval College (1.5 hours approx.)

With a heritage spanning over 150 years, Britannia Royal Naval College at Dartmouth is an essential place to visit for any visitor with an interest in British history. Tour guides reveal voyage from past glories to the present day. You will be taken into the heart of the College, from the elegant Chapel, through to areas including the Quarterdeck, Parade Ground, Senior Gun Room and Britannia Heritage Museum. Since 1863, Dartmouth and the River Dart have been the home of initial Naval Officer training in the UK. Today, it is the only remaining Naval College in the country, fulfilling a vital role in training Naval cadets not only from Britain but those from the Commonwealth and all over the world.



Britannia Royal Naval College

Food and Drink Experiences

South Devon Chilli Farm

A 10 acre farm, established in 2001, creating unique chilli sauces, preserves & chocolates.



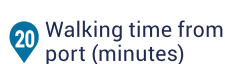
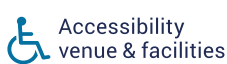
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www.southdevonchillifarm.co.uk

Sharpham Wine & Cheese

Simple dishes from local and organic produce at seasonal, al fresco, vineyard cafe with river views.



+44 (0)1803 732203
www.sharpham.com



Annual Events

Dartmouth makes a stunning stage and to make the most of it's beautiful setting, there are lots of events scheduled throughout the year including for example:

May	Dart Music Festival	Nov - Dec	Candlelit Dartmouth
July-Aug	Shakespeare Week	July	Rockfish crab party
Aug	Royal Regatta	May &	Dartmouth
Oct	Dartmouth Food Festival	Oct	Galleries week



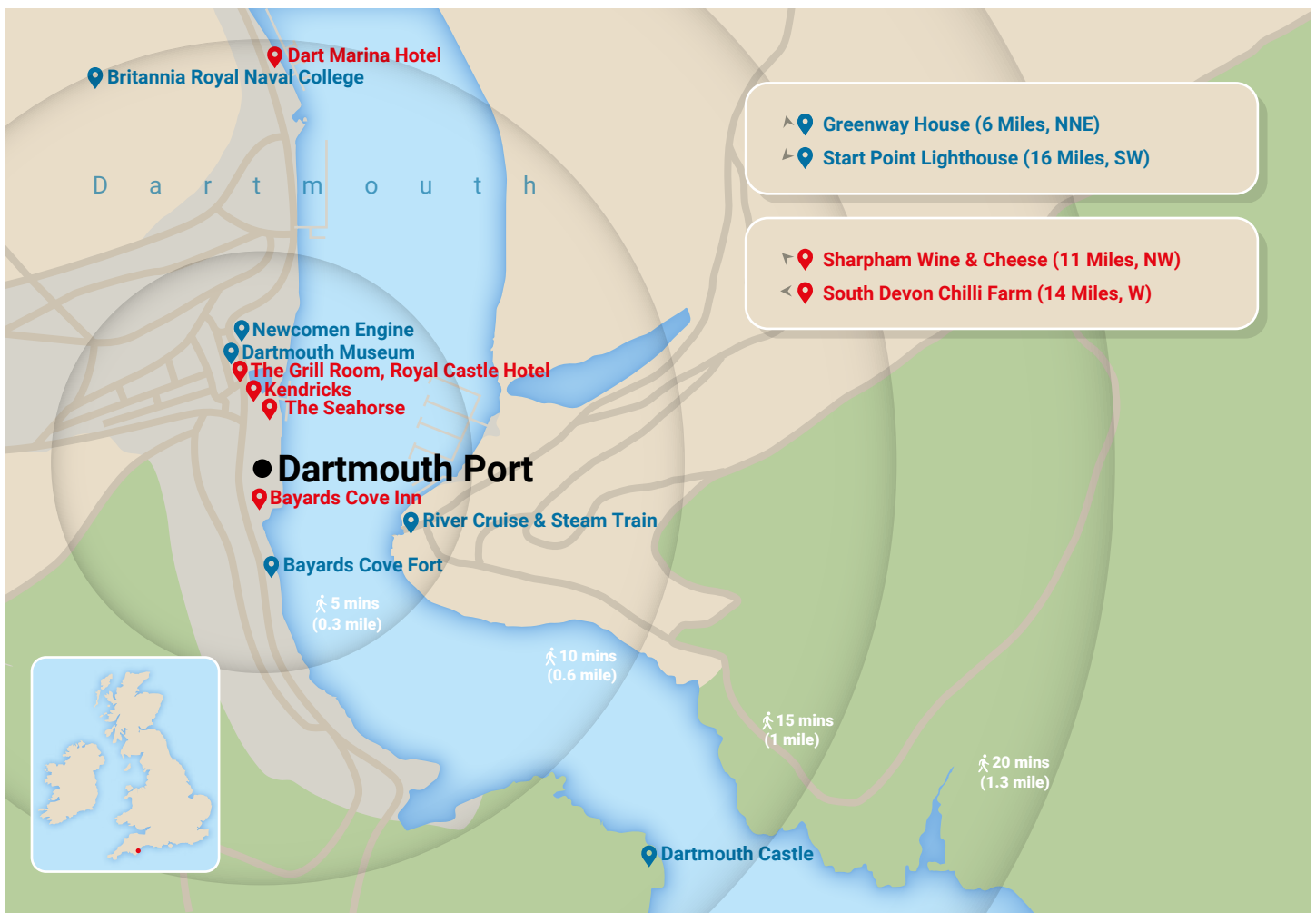
For the latest information on Dartmouth's spectacular annual programme of events, please go to www.dartmouthmayflower400.uk or www.discoverdartmouth.com

2020 Events

In addition to our annual events, visitors can look forward to a number of Mayflower related events in 2020 including:

29 Nov 2019	Mayflower Opening Event, Dartmouth's night of 400 Candles	30 Aug	The Grand Dart River Pageant	27-28 Nov	Mayflower Closing Event.
July, Aug, Sept	The Mayflower Art & Crafts Trail	30 Aug-5 Sept	Mayflower week. Visiting Warships & Tall Ships, Mayflower Replica		Dartmouth Candlelit
27-29 Aug	Royal Regatta		Music & performances		

For more details of the Dartmouth Mayflower 400 commemorations go to www.dartmouthmayflower400.uk



Map Key

- Location of attractions
- Food & drink establishments
- Approx walking time from port (minutes)

For more information

For more information about things to do, places to eat and events in Dartmouth, go to www.dartmouthmayflower400.uk and www.discoverdartmouth.com

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