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WEEKEND IDEAS

Idyllic coastal cottages to rent

From a picture-perfect pink cottage in Devon to a castle's ruins in Cornwall and a beach house on the dunes in Sussex



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There's few ways we'd rather spend the great British summertime than on a bucket-and-spades holiday by the sea. From fish and chips and cream teas on the rugged Cornish coast to picturesque pubs with sea views in Devon and remote fishing villages in Scotland, nothing quite beats a beach break in the UK. To help plan yours, we've rounded up the loveliest coastal cottages to rent (that are actually also great year-round)...



Ukiyo, Coverack, Cornwall

This eco-friendly home on the Cornish coast has some of the best views around and makes the most of them with uninterrupted windows and a terrace for watching the sun rise and set and the boats sail by into nearby Coverack. Inside, it's pure Scandi-chic and has two bedrooms.

Sleeps: 4

From: £1,250 per short break

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Herringbone, Mousehole, Cornwall

Owned by photographer Paul Massey, Herringbone cottage is situated on the water's edge in the characterful Cornish fishing village of Mousehole, looking out upon the bobbing boats in the harbour and St Michael's Mount beyond. The interiors are ridiculously pretty - all white-washed floorboards, wooden tabletops, soothing grey walls and maritime decoration, such as maps, shells and driftwood.

Sleeps: 2

From: £795 per week

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