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The best holiday cottages in Suffolk, the glorious county that inspired Constable











Just 90 minutes from London by car, Suffolk offers everything one could need for a family holiday: long, sandy beaches, lively towns packed with fun things to do, a fine selection of pubs and restaurants and, of course, a good choice of picturesque cottages and holiday lets to stay in. It's often referred to as 'Constable Country', owing to its string of bucolic villages straddling the Essex border that were famously painted by the English landscape painter, John Constable. Whether it's the charming seaside towns of Southwold or Aldeburgh, or the bigskied Broads that straddle the border with neighbouring Norfolk, chances are there's a cottage here that fits your every need. After visiting dozens of countryside and coastal cottages around the country, here's our pick of the best self-catering properties in Suffolk, featuring locations in and around Southwold, Aldeburgh, Ipswitch and more.

Found Tower, Woodbridge

This superb and imaginatively designed conversion of a brick-built, early 19th-century circular tower is in a dramatic position overlooking the wild, shingle coastline. The coastal footpath runs directly past the tower, making it a great base for walkers, anglers, kite-flyers and birdwatchers. Inside, cutting-edge design combines with 200-year-old craftsmanship. The best feature of this self-catering Suffolk bolthole is the uninterrupted glass window which provides a 360-degree view of land and sea from the rooftop living and dining space. On the lowest level are three double bedrooms cocooned within three-metre thick brick walls.

Three nights from £1,650; sleeps up to six (uniquehomestays.com)



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