

## 17 of the best holiday cottages in Cornwall

With sea views and smart interiors



Unique Homestays

## 4. The Limit, Hollywell Bay

Just a couple of miles south of Newquay – but a million miles away from its raucous atmosphere – is Holywell, a village whose main charms are a 13th-century thatched pub, the Treguth Inn, and Holywell Bay beach, backed by huge dunes. At the end of the village is The Limit, which was rescued from brambly overgrowth and renovated by local couple Rebecca and Steve Peck.

Accommodation is in two 1930s clapboard beach huts – one for living in, the other for sleeping. Painted in pretty pastel colours, they have just enough space for two people and a refreshing lack of hi-tech wizardry. The huts are linked by a lovely deck with a hot tub and a fire pit overlooking the dunes.

The area's wildlife makes it a Site of Special Scientific Interest, and there are binoculars on hand if you fancy twitching. You have to go outside to get from one hut to the other, so inclement weather might put paid to cups of tea in bed; but the quirkiness and secluded setting are a major part of The Limit's appeal.

Address: The Limit, Hollywell Bay

**Price:** From £1,395 per week, £1,095 per short break (sleeps two)

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## 11. Ukiyo, Coverack

Drive on for about half an hour and you'll head straight into the sea at Lizard Point – the most southerly spot on mainland Britain. The long journey to sweet little cliffside village Coverack is worth it, not only to experience its time-capsule shops and restaurants, kooky nearby Terence Coventry Sculpture Park and salty air, but for Ukiyo, one of the finest modern houses in the UK.

Originally a blocky Sixties family home, the building has been entirely revamped, with all but the upstairs floorboards torn apart, replaced and reworked. Now it's an arresting, open-plan and eco-friendly ode to the view before it, designed to enable guests to stare out thoughtfully from almost every corner – including the bath and walk-in shower. Filled with locally crafted furniture and quirky artifacts (a coffee table shaped like an alligator, Bulgarian milking stools), it has personality in spades while remaining pared back and airy. Plus it feels like home – albeit in your wildest dreams.

Step through a sliding door to the palm-tree-lined side garden, framed by romantic pampas grass swaying in the sea breeze, to dip into the cedar hot tub or curl up on a chair in front of the firepit, keeping watch for dolphins, seals and swooping birds on the horizon. *Becky Lucas* 

Address: Ukiyo, Sunny Corner, Coverack, Cornwall

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**Price:** From £1,450 per three nights (sleeps four)

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