

# The best converted barns in the UK

*From old grain stores to abandoned cattle barns, exposed beam and ancient building techniques meet a new dawn at these one-off properties*



## Over Lemon River, Dartmoor, Devon

The wild heart of Devon, Dartmoor's vast moorland runs - untamed - through the South-west, playing home to free-wandering ponies, valleys with Neolithic tombs, Bronze Age stone circles and abandoned medieval farmhouses. One space decidedly un-abandoned though is the Over Lemon Retreat, sitting with an old working farm three miles from the charming Devon town of Ashburton. Following a life of labour, the bijou stone barn has undergone a Cinderella-style transformation into a luxury self-catering retreat for two, and makes an ideal retreat in all seasons. Underfloor heating and a woodburner encourages hunkering down in the winter, while the wood-fired hot tub and nearby activities like white water rafting will coax you out during the summer.

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## The Meadows, Cornwall

We tread carefully when using the word 'wow' to describe destinations and places to stay; the term can so quickly lose its gravitas. But The Meadows, a converted barn tucked away in a secret location seven miles inland from Crantock and Watergate Bay in rural north Cornwall, more than merits its use. This rustic stone retreat is been turned from an agricultural outbuilding into a romantic refuge with a pacifying whitewashed aesthetic, hot tub and a floating egg bath that overlooks the wildflower meadow. Bring your dogs, bring your books and bring your favourite tippie, but leave your troubles at the front door.

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