

# Get ready for a spring staycation: 25 great self-catering pads to book now

With minibreaks in England back from April 12, we pick the best properties that still have availability







Faerie Door Cottage, Wiltshire  
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## 9. Oak beams in Wiltshire

Faerie Door Cottage, West Overton, dates from the 17th century and, with its thatched roof, oak beams and terracotta floors, could easily have been plucked from a children's book. Downstairs there's a characterful kitchen-dining area and, up two narrow staircases, there are two bedrooms. The smart market town of Marlborough is close by and there are walks from the door.

**Details** Seven nights' self-catering for four from £1,395 ([uniquehomestays.com](https://www.uniquehomestays.com))



## 19. Ashdown Forest granary

This handsome historic former granary on the edge of Winnie the Pooh's Ashdown Forest in East Sussex was once, it's said, used by Henry VIII as a hunting lodge. Now it has a golf studio — so you can practise a different kind of shot — and a mesmerising rotating fireplace to keep everyone toasty warm.

**Details** Four nights' self-catering for six from £1,795 ([uniquehomestays.com](https://www.uniquehomestays.com))