

11 exquisite UK holiday homes still available to rent from April 12

A quintessential English manor house or a castle clock tower – snap up one of these luxurious homes for your first post-lockdown holiday

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The moment has finally come when individual households can, all being well, plan to go away to a self-contained, self-catering rental in England again for the first time in months.

Unsurprisingly, bookings for self-catering holidays from April 12, the date the government has permitting us to begin travelling again within England assuming the country meets all the 'road map' criteria, have gone through the roof. Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales are yet to confirm the equivalent date for lifting their restrictions.



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While many of the most popular houses have already been booked for that first week of freedom, some pretty spectacular homes remain available, especially if you're willing to pay for a bigger house than you need. Below are some of the best...

Atelier Rose, Leominster, Herefordshire



A bedroom at Atelier Rose in Herefordshire available through Unique Homestays CREDIT: @UNIQUE HOMESTAYS

This beautifully restored Medieval riverside cottage in the pretty village of Eardisland near Leominster, is owned by a sculptor and has boundless vintage charm. Ideal for a large household, it can sleep up to 12 in four double bedrooms and one triple.

Expect four poster beds, roll top baths and Murano glass chandeliers - and kids will love the cinema and pool table rooms. There's also an orangery with a giant tin hot tub, rather magical topiary gardens and private fishing rights for the River Arrow on your doorstep.

Unique Homestays offers a five-day break from Monday 12 to Friday stay for £3,295.