Idyllic country cottages to rent in the UK

15 of the prettiest chocolate box cottages that you can rent for a heavenly holiday

Inkwell Cottage

Made from the same honey stone that characterises the prettiest cottages in the Cotswolds, this two bedroom abode is a delight. It's within the village of Burford in the area's AONB and is surrounded by lovely walks, pretty villages and plenty of things to keep you entertained in Burford itself.

Where: Burford, Oxfordshire

Sleeps: 2 guests

Price: From £995 per week, £750 per short break

This cottage is a perfect mix of old and new, with modern appliances in the kitchen and bathroom and chintz curtains throughout. Located in a hamlet, it's a few miles inland from Crantock, Porth and Newquay for seaside days out.

Where: Kestle Mill, Crantock, Cornwall

Sleeps: Up to 2 guests

Sweetpea Cottage

Price: from £795 per week, £595 per short break

Faerie Door Cottage

Faerie Door Cottage appears to be plucked straight from the pages of a book. The village of West Overton provides an idyllic village setting but really, you won't want to leave once you've lit the fire or soaked in the roll top bath. If you do though, there's a wonderful pub two miles away that serves a cracking roast.

Where: West Overton, Wiltshire

Sleeps: Up to 4 guests

Price: From £995 per week, £795 per short break

This two bedroom house sits on the picturesque village green of North Bovey in Dartmoor and is certainly one of the nicest of the thatched cottages in the village. Moors, glades and sheep-strewn fields surround it, with the village pub just across the green.

Where: Dartmoor, Devon

The Riddle

Sleeps: Up to 4 guests

Price: From £1,495 per week, £1,095 per short break