

# Things to See & Do

Tavistock is home to a number of attractions that will ensure your trip is one to remember.

The Guildhall Gateway Centre offers a fascinating insight into the history of the town and is free to visit. Formerly a courtroom and police station, it is now an interactive museum where you can also visit the former police cells.

Established by Royal Charter in 1105, a market has been held continuously in Tavistock for over 900 years. Today the Pannier Market is home to themed markets Tues-Sat.



The beautiful parish church of St. Eustachius was consecrated in 1318 and is a spectacular building with a tower of 10 bells. Look out for the window designed by William Morris.

Located adjacent to Grade I listed 'Court Gate' – an original entrance to the Abbey – Tavistock Museum provides an insight into town life across the centuries.

Discover many remains of the medieval Abbey around the town, such as the Still Tower and the Cloister Arches.

Spot wildlife on the River Tavy and enjoy a walk along the historic canal to Crowndale Farm, birthplace of Sir Francis Drake.

Take time out for a swim or take the kids to a 'Wet & Wild' session at Meadowlands. If that seems a little too energetic, catch a film or music at The Wharf Arts Centre. The kids will also enjoy playing in 'The Meadows' - the perfect spot for ice-cream or a picnic on the grass.

Take the adventure further with Tree Surfing and cycling at the Tamar Trails Centre, riding on Dartmoor with Cholwell Riding Stables, a mine train adventure at Morwellham Quay.

Tavistock is a dog-friendly town too. Many of the cafés and restaurants welcome dogs, as do accommodation providers like the Bedford Hotel and Cornish Arms.

Time your visit to coincide with the famous Goose Fair or atmospheric Dickensian Evening.



# Visit Tavistock

Tavistock is an ideal base to explore Devon. You can even visit us without bringing a car!

FOR ALL YOUR TRAVEL NEEDS IN DEVON, VISIT WWW.TRAVELDEVON.INFO

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£4 all day parking for cars and vans in Bedford & Brook St Car Parks.  
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The official guide to this vibrant World Heritage Town, the ultimate countryside getaway and base for exploring Dartmoor & Cornwall.

# Visit Tavistock

Devon's World Heritage Town



**BY BUS & COACH**  
Tavistock is served by many bus routes, connecting us to Plymouth, Dartmoor, Tamar Valley and the Coast:  
• #1 Plymouth to Tavistock (Stagecoach)  
• #79 Gunnislake to Tavistock (Plymouth Citibus)  
• #118 Okehampton to Tavistock (Dartline)

**BY ROAD**  
Tavistock is on the A386 - 20 minutes from the A30, the main route into Cornwall, and 15 miles from Plymouth.

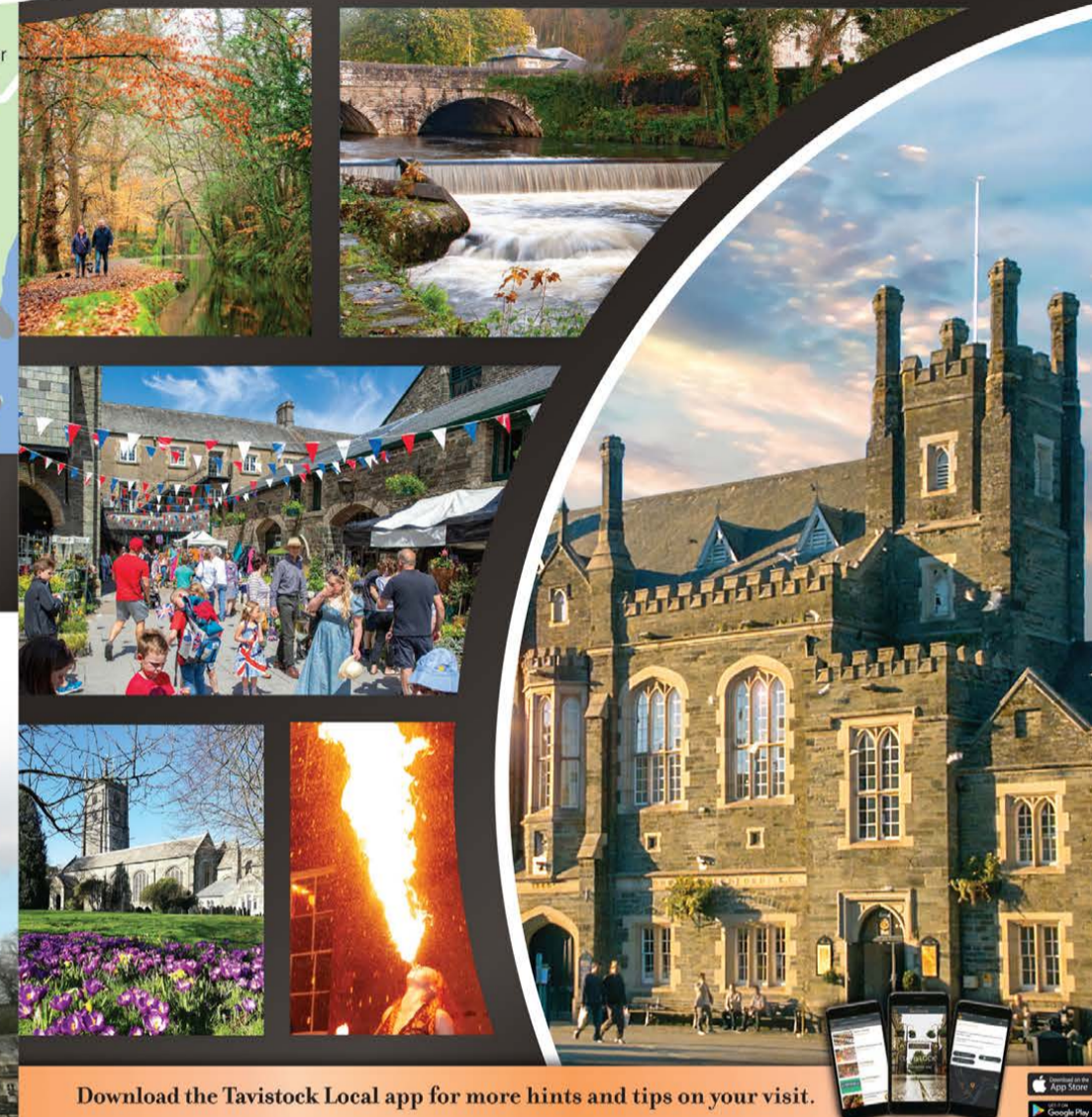
**BY BIKE (AND FOOT)**  
Tavistock is on Cycle Route NCN27 and the Dartmoor Way. The town is bicycle friendly with plenty of parking for your bike. Most of the town is step free - pick up or download the walkable Tavistock path map.

**BY RAIL**  
The nearest train station is Okehampton, served by the GWR Dartmoor Line from Exeter St. Davids mainline. The #118 is an easy, direct bus service from outside the station to Tavistock. From Cornwall, change at Plymouth for the branch line to Gunnislake and the #79 bus.

Find out everything you need for a trip to Tavistock by scanning this QR code



**39 Dartmoor Holidays by the River Tavy**  
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Peter Tavy, Tavistock, Devon PL19 9LS t: 01822 810349  
[www.harfordbridge.co.uk](http://www.harfordbridge.co.uk)  
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Download the Tavistock Local app for more hints and tips on your visit.

# Welcome to Tavistock

An ancient stannary town and Home of the Cream Tea, Tavistock is the only town in Devon to hold UNESCO World Heritage status.

Whether you are coming on a day trip, a short 'staycation' or even an extended holiday, Tavistock has something for everyone - at any time of the year.

Nestled on the Western edge of the Dartmoor National Park and a stone's throw from the Tamar Valley National Landscape, Tavistock today is a thriving market town - the largest in West Devon - with a population of around 14,000.

For the shopper, the town boasts a wealth of local independent shops and a famous Pannier Market. For the adventurer and families, Tavistock makes the perfect base with direct access to Dartmoor - which is magical for walking, cycling and riding. For the historian, Tavistock's rich and varied heritage is clearly visible in the fabric and culture of the modern town - on display and ready to be explored... 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

And when you are done, kick back and enjoy our plentiful cafés, pubs and restaurants.



## HIGHLIGHTS NOT TO MISS

- Learn about Tavistock as a World Heritage Town at the Guildhall Gateway Centre.
- Visit the famous Pannier Market for a unique shopping experience.
- Fill up with tasty local delights from award-winning shops and eateries.
- Explore our green spaces with a stroll down the River Tavy and historic canal.
- Enjoy a Cream Tea!



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# Our Great Outdoors

Tavistock is surrounded by beauty and has plenty of green spaces to enjoy. Scan the QR code to find out more on our website.



**CANAL WALK — EASY/FLAT**  
4 ½ MILES / ROUND TRIP  
This walk follows the River Tavy past the walls of the town's medieval abbey onto the canal, built in the early 1800's as a link to transport copper to Morwellham Quay. Walk past Crowndale Farm, birthplace of Sir Francis Drake, to the aqueduct over the River Lumburn. The route returns the same way, and you can turn back at any point.

**DRAKE'S TRAIL TO GEM BRIDGE**  
APPROX. 3 MILES  
Part of the National Cycle Network Route 27, Drake's Trail runs southwards for 21 miles to Plymouth, much of it using an old railway track. From the town, it is easy to reach Grenofen Tunnel, built by the famous Victorian engineer Isambard Kingdom Brunel, and Gem Bridge, the stunning new crossing over the River Walkham. There are opportunities for refreshments near the tunnel and at Yelverton.



**WHITCHURCH DOWN — MOSTLY FLAT**  
2 ¼ MILES / ROUND TRIP  
This area of open common land is situated on the edge of town and, unusually for Dartmoor, is relatively flat. Following the perimeter of Tavistock's golf course, it offers a splendid glimpse of the moor. It features two medieval crosses, part of the Abbot's Way between the Abbeys of Tavistock and Buckfast, and the Grade II listed 'Pimple' built by Sir Edwin Lutyns.

# Take The Adventure Further

**DARTMOOR**  
Tavistock is perfectly situated for exploring the Western Moor and beyond. With rivers for swimming, dramatic tors for climbing and ancient settlements to explore. Dartmoor is one big adventure playground with something for everyone.

**BRENTOR**  
An historic 12th century church perched on a rock, with fabulous views over the countryside.

**LYDFORD GORGE**  
A wonderful walk through the deepest gorge in the South West with a 30ft waterfall.

**BURRATOR**  
Breath-taking scenery and wonderful walks around a huge reservoir. The historic village of Meavy with an oak tree reckoned to be 1000 years old is close by.

**TAMAR TRAILS**  
An activity centre that boasts a 25km network of trails to explore on bike or foot and outdoor activities like tree surfing or canoeing.

**BELLEVER FOREST**  
Explore this fascinating forest with a wealth of wildlife and archeology. Try the History Hunters trail and then enjoy a paddle in the River Dart.

**CHOLWELL RIDING STABLES**  
Experience the thrill of Dartmoor on horseback, riding straight out onto the moor from this family-owned stable.

**BUCKLAND ABBEY**  
National Trust owned home of Sir Francis Drake.

**THE GARDEN HOUSE**  
Where luxuriant, brilliant colour creates unforgettable panoramas. One of the finest gardens in England.

**THE NORTH CORNWALL COAST**  
Stunning scenery and beaches are just an hour away!



# Tickle Those Taste Buds

Tavistock is renowned as being a foodie destination - with a wealth of local food available to enjoy here in town or take home with you.

We boast a specialist cheese shop, three quality butchers, three delicatessens, two wholefood shops and award-winning flapjack and gin... the list goes on and the possibilities are endless.

We have eateries serving everything from a pasty, hot-drink and cake to a three-course meal. Or create your own picnic from the host of fresh, local ingredients on offer. There's a farmers' market on the 2nd & 4th Saturdays of the month.



Let's also not forget that Tavistock is the true Home of the Cream Tea, so here is the place to eat one (or two). Monks created a meal of bread, clotted cream and strawberry preserve for workers restoring the Abbey in the 10th Century. It proved so popular that the monks continued to serve them to passing travellers. The Devonshire Cream Tea was born.

**Don't Miss** - Enjoy a delicious meal at The Cornish Arms voted No. 2 in the 2024 Top 50 Gastro Pub Awards!

# Dig Into Our Heritage

Start your journey of discovery in Tavistock at the Guildhall Gateway Centre. Here you will learn about Tavistock's place in the Cornwall & West Devon Mining Landscape UNESCO World Heritage Site.

Take yourself on a self-guided tour of some of the town's most important landmarks with the Heritage Trail, exploring remains of the medieval Abbey, the architecture of the town centre and Tavistock Canal.

Discover the 28 'blue plaques' on places of interest throughout the town.

Enjoy the Heritage Quarter - including Tavistock Museum, the Subscription Library and the newly opened Museum of Policing Devon & Cornwall.

Visit Tavistock Guildhall Heritage Centre gateway to the Cornwall and West Devon Mining Landscape World Heritage Site

**TAVISTOCK GUILDHALL**

Open Tuesday to Saturday - 10am until 4pm  
[www.tavistockguildhall.org](http://www.tavistockguildhall.org)

Venue available to hire contact Tavistock Town Council for more info

# Up & Coming in Tavistock

From live music and performances to workshops and special events, head to our website to discover the most up-to-date What's On in Tavistock.



**FAMILY TOWN TRAILS**  
30th March - 13th April: Easter Trail  
26th October - 2nd November: Halloween Trail

**APRIL**  
20th: Street Food Festival  
21st: Eat:Tavistock Food & Drink Festival  
27th: Love Local Gift Market  
20th-4th (May): Tavi Music & Arts Festival

**MAY**  
1st-4th: Tavi Music & Arts Festival  
4th-6th: Inflatable Theme Park  
25th: Street Food Festival  
26th-27th: Tavistock Country Garden Show

**JUNE**  
2nd: Robey Trust Steam Fair & Beer Festival  
6th: D-Day Commemoration  
22nd-29th: Cream Tea Week  
29th: Street Food Festival  
30th: Cream Tea & Bubbles Festival

**JULY**  
6th: Tavistock Pride  
13th: Tavistock Fringe Festival  
14th-21st: Tavistock Carnival Week  
27th: Love Local Gift Market  
27th: Street Food Festival

**AUGUST**  
24th: Love Local Gift Market  
24th: Street Food Festival

**SEPTEMBER**  
6th-15th: Heritage Open Days  
17th-21st: Tavistock Art Exhibition

**OCTOBER**  
9th: Goose Fair  
12th: Love Local Gift Market

**NOVEMBER**  
2nd: Tavistock Firework Display  
16th: Festive Love Local Gift Market  
16th: Day of Morris Dancing  
30th: Festive Love Local Gift Market

**DECEMBER**  
6th: Dickensian Evening  
8th: Tavistock Christmas Festival

**REGULAR**  
Farmers' Market - on Bedford Square 2nd & 4th Saturdays of the month.  
Tavistock Arts Market - 1st Saturday of the month.  
Tavistock Pannier Market - Mondays throughout the summer from 15th July to 26th August.

**BH BUTCHERS HALL**  
THEMED MARKET & EVENTS VENUE

Located in the heart of Tavistock, within the market complex, Butchers Hall is home to a fantastic array of vibrant themed markets and events

**Events Coming Your Way In 2024**

8 March	Book Fair
18-20 April	Spring Fair
26-27 May	Nature Inspired Market
15 June	Food & Drink Fair
18-20 July	Summer Fair
15-17 August	Art & Craft Fair
26-28 September	Makers Market
9 October	Goose Fair Market (9am-6.30pm)
7-8 November	Makers Market
6 December	Dickensian Market (9am-8.00pm)
14-23 December	Christmas Markets

**MARKETS OPEN 9AM-4PM** (unless stated)  
FREE ENTRY AT ALL EVENTS  
Tavistock Arts Market First Saturday of each month

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**3 Café Liaison**  
Breakfast, Lunch & Cream Teas  
Daily Specials  
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Cakes, Milkshakes & Smoothies  
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Tel - 01822 612225  
3 Church Lane, Tavistock, Devon, PL19 8AA  
Open 9am until 5pm Monday to Saturday  
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5:00 - 10:30pm - Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday  
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**7 Purr St Coffee Lounge**  
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Dog friendly

**8 mime: eat well live well**  
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01822 612888  
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Toaster and Fries  
Cakes and snacks  
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Tavistock Meadows 11am to 4pm

**10 DUKES coffee house**  
THE PANNIER MARKET  
Let's do lunch

**Where to Eat**  
There is something for everyone when it comes to eating and drinking in Tavistock. Whatever your taste or tittle, whether you are on the go or want a relaxing meal, the choice is yours.

**11 ROBERTSON'S**  
FOOD • FAMILY • FRIENDS  
FOOD TO FEEL GOOD ABOUT  
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**17 Tavistock Country Cheeses**  
Country Cheeses are home to dependably delicious, full flavour artisan cheese. Made and matured by us and our cheesemaking buddies in and around the glorious Westcountry.  
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**The Map**  
The key below should show you everything you need. If in any doubt, just ask at the Information Centre

- Car Parks
- Public/Disabled Toilets
- Bus Station
- Taxi Rank
- Information Centre
- Guildhall Gateway Centre
- Church
- Post Office
- Museum
- Library
- Chemist
- Coach Drop Off Point
- Cycling Route 27
- Swimming Pool
- Skateboard Park

**The Categories**

- Places to Eat & Drink
- Places to Shop
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**THE MEADOWS (BELOW)**  
An expansive 'greenspace' filled with paths, trees and well-kept grass. A lovely place to stroll, play and relax in, and a springboard for longer walks and cycle rides.

**18 de la Torre's**  
Tavistock's Mediterranean Delicatessen  
30 The Market Tavistock  
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Open 10am to 4pm Tuesday to Saturday

**19 Howells**  
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**20 Heather Jane & Co**  
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Full to the brim with unique gifts created by more than 140 Southwest based craft makers and artists.

**For Real Shopping, Shop Local!**  
Tavistock is the perfect shopping destination. A world away from your typical high street, the wealth of unique shops on offer will make you never want to leave this beautiful market town.  
Fiercely proud of our many independent shops, we are committed to promoting the importance of shopping locally, supporting Fairtrade and sustainable living. If shopping is your thing, we have got you covered!

**21 Tavistock PANNIER MARKET**  
'Shopping heaven in the heart of Devon!'  
OPEN: Tuesday-Saturday 9am-4pm  
For more information on our Markets & Events visit:  
WWW.TAVISTOCK.GOV.UK  
01822 611003  
TavistockPannierMarket  
tavistockpanniemarket

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tavistockwharf

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sales@tavistockpetemporium.co.uk  
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Market Street  
Tavistock  
PL19 0DE

**Where to Stay**  
We know how important it is to choose the right accommodation for your holiday. Tavistock has a long history of quality hospitality as well as providing a unique base for your next adventure.

**27 Devon's Finest**  
Delicious dining every day, with the finest ingredients sourced from Devon.  
**THE BEDFORD HOTEL**  
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**28 Tavistock House Hotel**  
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**How Can We Help?**  
Services that may come in handy while you are here... you may need somewhere to repair that laptop to keep you online or somewhere to clean those muddy clothes after all those adventures.

**37 Tavistock Launderette**  
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