

Dart to Devon

The River Dart, Totnes & Kingswear



Walk 6.5hrs (20km)



Total Ascent 729 m



Highest Point 133 m

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DART TO DEVON

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Getting There



Train

The direct train from London to Totnes takes 2 hours and 45 minutes, while from Exeter, it takes 30 minutes.



By Car

Driving to Totnes from London takes around 4 hours. There are good parking options at Totnes station (TQ9 5JR).

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Hike Summary

A river trail with outstanding natural beauty.

Devon's hidden gems are accessible with this curated Weekender hike, featuring a shorter option of the main Signature Hike and a suggested Day 2 stroll. Starting in Totnes, the route follows the Dart Valley Trail to Dittisham, showcasing vineyards, villages, seafood pubs, and stunning views. From Dittisham, take a ferry to Greenway or hike to Kingswear. If stopping, enjoy a drink at the Ferry Boat Inn and ferry to Dartmouth. We recommend an overnight stay in Dartmouth or Kingswear before heading back or enjoying a coastal walk on Sunday.



Points of interest

[Tap here](#) and find the waypoints in the OS map app.



TOTNES

Totnes is known for its vibrant, bohemian atmosphere, rich history and numerous listed buildings. It features a Norman castle and an Elizabethan Market on Tuesdays in Summer.



THE BRUTUS STONE

Legend has it that Brutus of Troy, Britain's mythical founder, first landed at Totnes. Visit the 'Brutus Stone' on Fore Street.



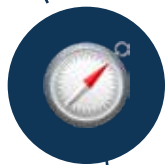
THE RIVER DART



Shrouded in myth and folklore, in part, due to its unpredictable nature of its powerful tides and currents.

SHARPHAM HOUSE & SANDRIDGE BARTON WINES

The thousand-year-old Sharpham Trust farm and vineyard produces award-winning wine and cheese.



DURANT ARMS

Offering a cosy atmosphere, traditional ales, and hearty grub, no wonder its a beloved spot for locals.



DITTISHAM

Sir Walter Raleigh is said to have smoked the first pipe of tobacco in the England here.



THE GREENWAY ESTATE

Agatha Christie's former estate includes a Grade II listed house, riverside gardens and the Barn Gallery.

Plan B
tap here!



VIEWS OF DARTMOUTH

This historic coastal town linked to the Mayflower, is home to Dartmouth Castle and its stunning sea views.



STEAM RAILWAY AND RIVER BOAT

The train runs for seven miles along the south Devon coast, into the Dart Valley.



KINGAWEAR

Be charmed by its colourful hillside cottages, stunning views of the River Dart, and historic steam railway connections.



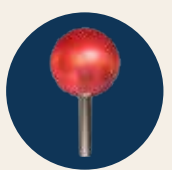
THE INSIDERS' GUIDE:

The River Dart



EAT

- ✕ The Bull Inn, Totnes
- ✕ Riverford Farm
- ✕ The Seahorse, Dartmouth
- ✕ Platform I, Dartmouth



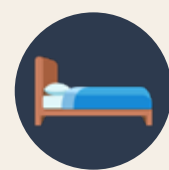
DO

- ✕ Round Robin Tour – train, ferry, boat and bus ride.
- ✕ Blackpool Sands Beach
- ✕ Sandridge Barton Vineyard
- ✕ Coleton Fishacre House & Gardens
- ✕ Greenway House, National Trust
- ✕ Buckfast Abbey



DRINK

- ✕ The Cherub Inn, Dartmouth
- ✕ Barrel House Ballroom, Totnes
- ✕ Steam Packet Inn, Dartmouth



SLEEP

- ✕ The Royal Castle Hotel, Dartmouth
- ✕ Café Alf Resco, Dartmouth
- ✕ The Bull Inn, Totnes
- ✕ Fantastic options on Airbnb

TAKING IT ALL IN

Sometimes, we can get so caught up in reaching our destination that we forget to take in our surroundings. When in fact, some of the best moments on a walk are the ones spent not walking. It is not until you stop and look a little closer, that you truly see the magic of where you are.

Our hikes are not about how fast you walk, but about how much you take in. We share these beautiful trails with an abundance of wildlife and there's always something to marvel at – so long as you take the time to look around.

Here are a few of our favourite bits of flora and fauna to look out for on this hike:

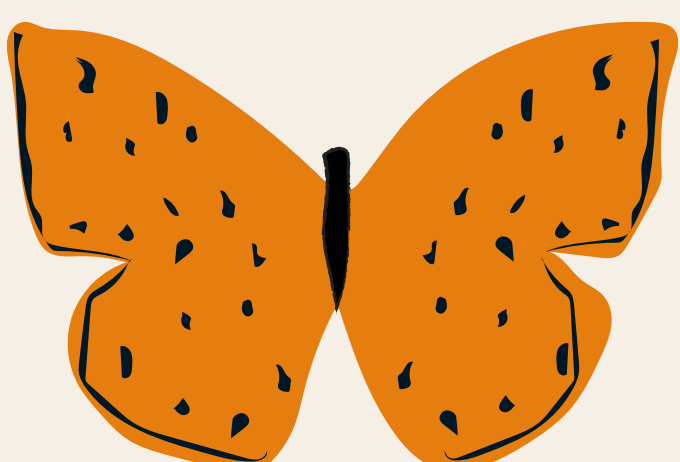


Peregrine Falcon

Look out for this distinctive bird of prey

Seals

They've been known to swim up the Dart



High Brown Fritillary

Britain's most threatened butterfly

Plan B

CALLING IT A DAY?

If you've decided that's quite enough for you, there's absolutely no shame in calling it a day.

If you wanted to cut the hike short, we recommend stopping at Dittisham and either getting a ferry to Dartmouth, or calling a taxi.

Totnes Taxis:

01803 868686

Darren's Taxi (Dartmouth):

07805 138850



Thank you

**WE HOPE YOU'VE ENJOYED YOUR WALK.
CREATED BY OUR LOCAL CURATOR, ALEX.**



What's next?

We hope you enjoyed your walk as much as we've enjoyed bringing it to you. And we've got plenty more where that came from!

Check out the full range of walk available to you on:
[link to their portal](#)

STAY IN TOUCH

We love hearing about your adventures, so please do get in touch with any feedback you have from your walk.

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