

# Things to Do

## Take to the Water

During the season, passenger ferries leave Torquay harbour for Teignmouth, Paignton, Brixham and Dartmouth, allowing visitors to explore the beautiful South Devon coastline. And then there are evening cruises, speedboat trips, fishing trips – even banana boat rides! Buy your tickets at one of the harbourside offices.

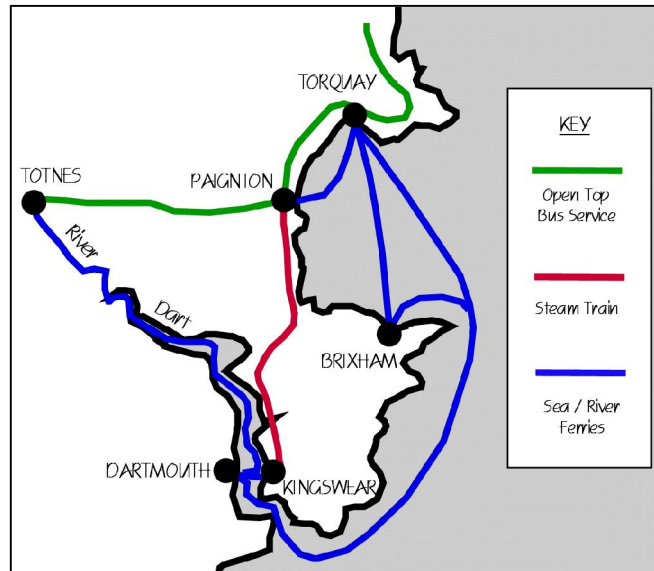
## Visit Dartmouth – and Totnes - Even Without a Car

As well as taking a ferry around the coast, there is also a steam train service between Paignton and Kingswear, which is just a short ferry hop across the river to beautiful Dartmouth. (The more organised might want to pre-book a table for lunch at the New Angel restaurant – run by the Michelin-starred chef John Burton Race, and featured on TV) Take a river boat up the Dart to the pretty town of Totnes and return to Paignton and Torquay on an open-top bus, and a very pleasant day can be spent without a car.

w: [www.riverlink.co.uk](http://www.riverlink.co.uk)

w: [www.paignton-steamrailway.co.uk](http://www.paignton-steamrailway.co.uk)

w: [www.thenewangel.co.uk](http://www.thenewangel.co.uk)  
(t: (01803) 839425)



## Explore Dartmoor

Buy a map, jump in the car, head across the A38 and explore the largest wilderness in southern England. Why not climb the original Hay Tor?

w: [www.dartmoor-npa.gov.uk](http://www.dartmoor-npa.gov.uk)

## The Eden Project

A two-hour drive away in Cornwall, the biodomes of the Eden Project are an easy day's trip from Torquay.

w: [www.edenproject.com](http://www.edenproject.com)

## Go to a Visitor Attraction

Torquay and the surrounding area has been attracting tourists since Victorian times. There are leaflets in the hotel porch for the following places – all of which are open year round - plus many more.

### Babbacombe Model Village

Hampton Avenue, Torquay TQ1 3LA  
w: [www.babbacombeModelVillage.co.uk](http://www.babbacombeModelVillage.co.uk)  
The world in 1/12 scale.

### Bygones Victorian Museum

Fore Street, Torquay, TQ1 4PR  
w: [www.bygones.co.uk](http://www.bygones.co.uk)  
Social History... or Nostalgia?

### Cockington Village

Cockington Lane, Torquay, TQ2 6XA  
[www.countryside-trust.org.uk/cockington.htm](http://www.countryside-trust.org.uk/cockington.htm)  
Thatched Cottages and Cream teas. Free.

### Kent's Cavern

Ilsham Road, Torquay TQ1 2JF  
w: [www.kents-cavern.co.uk](http://www.kents-cavern.co.uk)  
Take a fascinating tour through this prehistoric cave system.

### Living Coasts

Beacon Quay, Torquay TQ1 2BG  
w: [www.livingcoasts.org.uk](http://www.livingcoasts.org.uk)  
Penguins, Seals and underwater tunnels under the nets by the harbour

### Paignton Zoo

Totnes Road, Paignton TQ4 7EU  
w: [www.paigntonzoo.org.uk](http://www.paigntonzoo.org.uk)  
You can easily spend a day in this really good zoo / environmental park..