

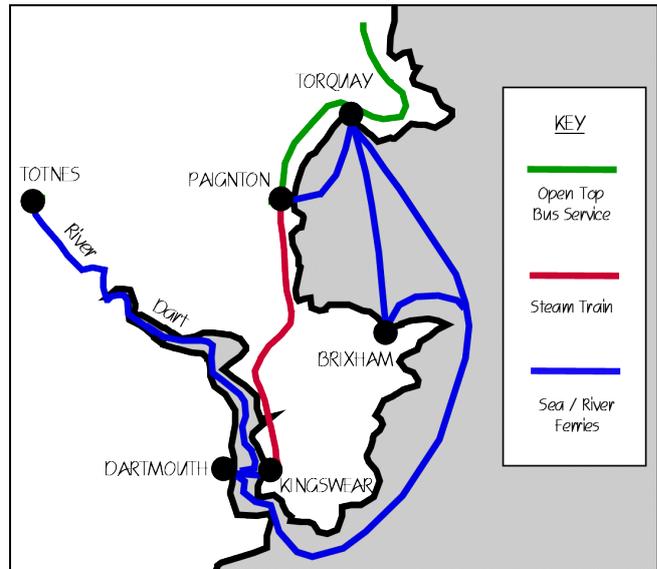
Things to Do

Take to the Water

A range of passenger ferries leave Torquay harbour for Teignmouth, Paignton, Brixham and Dartmouth (some are seasonal), allowing visitors to explore the beautiful South Devon coastline. And then there are evening cruises, speedboat trips, fishing trips! Buy your tickets at the English Riviera Tourist Information Centre on the right side of the Harbour or one of the harbourside booths.

Visit Brixham – Paignton - Dartmouth – Totnes – Buckfastleigh – & more - without a Car

As well as taking a ferry around the coast, there is a steam train service between Paignton and Kingswear, which is just a short ferry hop across the river to beautiful Dartmouth. Take a river boat up the Dart to the pretty town of Totnes, or take a coastal tour between Paignton and Babbacombe on an open-top bus. Another steam train service runs between Totnes and Buckfast. There is also a good selection of bus services available from the Harbour.



Explore Dartmoor

Ask us about the “Dartmoor and more” round trip by car, a comfortable day’s meander taking in the largest wilderness in southern England. Or just jump in the car, head north & explore. Why not climb Hay Tor? www.dartmoor-npa.gov.uk

Morewellham Quay

A 1½ hour drive away on the Devon/Cornwall border, this extensive living history working village, mine and craft centre is a fascinating day. Book tickets on line for discount entry. www.morwellham.org

The Eden Project

A 1¾ hour drive away in Cornwall, the biodomes of the Eden Project are an easy day’s trip from Torquay. Book tickets on line for discount entry. www.edenproject.com

A Taste of the Cornish Coast

Again a 1¾ hour drive and across the border, are the three coastal towns of Looe, Polperro, and Fowey (pronounced Foy), and if you take the Torpoint Ferry across the Tamar on the way down, you can also visit Antony House, a superb NT house and gardens.

Go to a Local Visitor Attraction

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

Babbacombe Model Village

Hampton Avenue, Torquay TQ1 3LA
www.babbacombe-modelvillage.co.uk
The world in 1/12 scale.

Kent’s Cavern

Ilsham Road, Torquay TQ1 2JF
www.kents-cavern.co.uk
Take a fascinating tour through this prehistoric cave system.

Dartington Hall Estate

Near Totnes TQ9 6EL
www.dartington.org
Listed gardens, walks, craft shops

Torre Abbey House & Gardens

The King’s Drive, Torquay TQ2 5JE
www.torre-abbey.org.uk
Beautifully restored Historic House and Gardens in the heart of Torquay.

Bygones Victorian Museum

Fore Street, Torquay, TQ1 4PR
www.bygones.co.uk
Social History... or Nostalgia?

Living Coasts

Beacon Quay, Torquay TQ1 2BG
www.livingcoasts.org.uk
Penguins, Seals and underwater tunnels under the nets by the harbour

Brixham Harbour

The other end of the Bay!
Working fishing harbour & town.
Get there by Car, Ferry, Bus

Agatha Christie Mile

Torquay Seafront
www.englishriviera.co.uk
A gentle walk in the author’s footsteps.
Find guide in the foyer or Tourist Info.

Cockington Country Park

Cockington Lane, Torquay, TQ2 6XA
www.countryside-trust.org.uk/cockington
Thatched village, Crafts, Cream teas.

Paignton Zoo

Totnes Road, Paignton TQ4 7EU
www.paigntonzoo.org.uk
You can easily spend a day in this really good zoo / environmental park.

Greenway

www.nationaltrust.org.uk/greenway
Agatha Christie’s home, stunning gardens.
Parking MUST be booked in advance.

Take in a Show

Paignton, Torquay, Babbacombe
There are a variety of Cinemas and Professional and Amateur Theatres.
See our listings section in this guide.