

Course description

Our programme combines an intensive General English course, taught in classes of 6 students maximum, with engaging excursions around the UK's most varied, beautiful and evocative region.

Improve your English in the morning, and in the afternoon enjoy activities and excursions around some of the places and attractions that have made Devon so famous. Your fellow travellers will be of a similar age, background and interests.

Many of our students have forged new life-long friendships on this course.



Course Facts

Minimum Age: 50
Maximum 6 students per class
Tuition: 15 hours of English classes and a full programme of activities
Level: Elementary and above

Aims and objectives

Students gain confidence in using English in a functional and practical way, while enjoying a sample of what life in Devon has to offer.

Progression routes

Some students use this as a springboard on to one of our General English or MAX4 courses, at an appropriate level.

What is included

- Networking lunch with fellow students and a member of staff (Monday-Thursday)
- Full programme of organised activities
- Pre-course placement
- End-of-course Report
- Certification of studied level
- Course materials
- Private car (with driver) transfer on arrival from any London Airports and Bristol/Exeter

Networking lunch

Students are invited to join a member of staff and their fellow students for lunch in a local restaurant or café every day, Monday to Thursday.

Menus for pre-ordering will be available at Reception.



Start dates

13 March 2023 – 24 March 2023

April 2023 – Start any Monday

May 2023 – Start any Monday

June 2023 – Start any Monday

July 2023 – Start any Monday

August 2023 – Start any Monday

September 2023 – Start any Monday

October 2023 – Start any Monday



Sample week 1 activity programme

Social Programme



Monday

08:45 - 12:00
English Lesson

12:15 - 13:15

Networking Lunch at the Royal Carvery

13:30 - 15:30

Discover Torquay Tour

Take a relaxing walk around the English Riviera with our guide who will show you all that Torquay has to offer.

Tuesday

08:45 - 12:00
English Lesson

12:15 - 13:15

Networking Lunch at Me & Mrs Jones

13:30 - 17:00

Boat Trip to Brixham

Explore the bustling fishing town of Brixham. Sometimes we also spot seals, dolphins and even whales!

Wednesday

08:45 - 12:00
English Lesson

12:15 - 13:15

Networking Lunch at Three Degrees West

13:30 - 16:30

Coastal Walk

Today we head along one of the many beautiful coastal paths beside the Bay. Stunning views are guaranteed - bring your camera!

18:30 - 21:30

Country Pub Tour

A guided tour to a selection of pubs in the heart of the Devon countryside.

Thursday

08:45 - 12:00
English Lesson

12:15 - 13:15

Networking Lunch at Amici's

13:30 - 17:00

Greenway

The holiday home of internationally famous crime writer, Agatha Christie.

Friday

08:45 - 12:00
English Lesson

12:15 - 13:15

Lunch not included on Friday

13:30 - 16:30

Free afternoon

Saturday

08:00 - 18:00

South Hams and Burgh Island

Full-day trip to the South Hams and Burgh Island, the inspiration for 'And Then There Were None' by Agatha Christie.

Sample week 2 activity programme

Social Programme



Monday

08:45 - 12:00
English Lesson

12:15 - 13:15

Networking Lunch at the Kents

13:30 - 17:30

Exeter and shopping

Explore the Cathedral city of Exeter with its fine architecture, historic old quayside and excellent shopping.

Tuesday

08:45 - 12:00
English Lesson

12:15 - 13:15

Networking Lunch at the Devon Dumpling

13:30 - 17:30

Sandridge Barton Vineyard

Explore this historic vineyard and sample their award-winning cheeses and wine.

Wednesday

08:45 - 12:00
English Lesson

12:15 - 13:15

Networking Lunch at Rockfish

13:30 - 17:30

Coleton Fishacre

Travel into the Jazz Age at the country home of the D'Oyly Carte family. You can lose yourself in the RHS - accredited garden, which provides some incredible viewpoints.

18:30 - 21:30

Live Music at The Hole in the Wall

Join the great cheer and cosy feel of The Hole in the Wall, one of Torquay's oldest and finest pubs.

Thursday

08:45 - 12:00
English Lesson

12:15 - 13:15

Networking Lunch at Bistrot Pierre

13:30 - 16:30

Cream tea afternoon

Enjoy a traditional speciality of Devon - an afternoon tea light meal.

Friday

08:45 - 12:00
English Lesson

12:15 - 13:15

Lunch not included on Friday

13:30 - 16:30

Free afternoon

Saturday

08:00 - 18:00

Dartmoor National Park

Dartmoor is one of the U.K.'s National Parks, which means it is so special it is protected by law. With our expert guide, you will explore a small part of Dartmoor today and hopefully fall in love with it and come back for more.