Nearby villages and towns

Abbotsbury

A charming thatched village on the Dorset Jurassic Coast with a wonderful Swannery. There are lots of places to visit, in and around the village, including St. Catherine's Chapel, St. Nicholas Church, Chesil Beach, Abbotsbury Swannery, the Sub-tropical Gardens, the children's playground and also the children's farm in the old Abbey Tithe Barn. Or if you are feeling energetic, a walk up the hill to Abbotsbury Castle, the Iron Age hillfort, where the panoramic views are simply amazing.

Postcode: DT3 4JT

Blandford Forum

A market town with pleasant shopping facilities and museums. Blandford is notable for its Georgian architecture, the result of rebuilding after the majority of the town was destroyed by a fire in 1731.

Postcode: DT11 7EB

Cerne Abbas

Picturesque village with Abbey ruins and the famous 'Cerne Giant' a 180 ft. high ancient chalk figure carved out into the steep sloping hillside above the village, DT2 7AL.

Postcode: DT2 7LA

Corfe Castle

Historic village nestling beneath the outstanding ruins of its Castle of the same name, perched on a hill between the Purbeck Ridge.

Postcode: BH20 5HH

Dorchester

Good shopping facilities, restaurants, cafes, bars and bistros, museums, attractions, glorious gardens, river walks and a Roman Town House, you'll find plenty to see and do in Dorset's county town. Brewery Square is a vibrant and stylish regeneration in the heart of Dorchester which currently boasts a variety of shops, eateries and leisure facilities.

Head to Poundbury, 1 mile to the west, to see the eco-friendly 'model' village that was built on the principles of architecture and urban planning as advocated by The Prince of Wales in 'A Vision of Britain'. Last, but not least, Dorchester is also world famous for its strong connection with the writer and poet Thomas Hardy (see Attractions).

Postcode: DT1 1EE

Lyme Regis

Breath-taking scenery with narrow streets tumbling down to the iconic Cobb harbour. Nicknamed "The Pearl of Dorset".

Postcode: DT7 3QD

Milton Abbas

Milton Abbas is a picturesque thatched village well worth a visit during your stay at Luccombe. You can find the 15th Century Milton Abbey, a post office, pub and farm shop.

Postcode: DT11 0BW

Lisle of Portland

Explorer's 'Island' joined to Weymouth by natures wonder – Chesil Beach. There is rock climbing, abseiling, diving, kayaking and walking for the sporty and museums, castles, lighthouses and sculptures for those looking to discover a bit of history and heritage.

Postcode: DT5 1LZ

Shaftesbury

Historic Saxon hill top town with spectacular views. Shaftesbury is quintessential Dorset, with thatched cottages, quaint tea shops and small independent shops in one of the oldest and highest towns in England. Be energetic and hike up Gold Hill or sit and enjoy coffee and cake, a breath of fresh air and the magnificent views over the Blackmore Vale.

Postcode: SP7 8AP

Sherborne

With its abundance of ancient and beautiful buildings, superb Abbey, picturesque Almshouse and two Castles (one built by Sir Walter Raleigh), Sherborne's many attractions make for a captivating visit.

Postcode: DT9 3FE

Wareham

Pretty, riverside town and the gateway to the Purbecks, Wareham is a walled Saxon town with riverside restaurants.

Postcode: BH20 4NX

Weymouth

Traditional regency period seaside resort and picturesque harbour, you will never be short of things to do in Weymouth, with an abundance of natural and themed attractions.

Postcode: DT4 7DQ