

# Dawlish

## COAST & CASTLE IN SOUTH DEVON

## ABOUT

Dawlish is a traditional seaside town home to famous black swans, with a wonderful golden sand beach on its doorstep. The town offers a range of amusements and is centred around The Lawn and Brook, which is home to the famous black swans.

Dawlish is a fantastic destination for group visits as there is plenty to do here with an abundance of local independent shops, cafes, pubs and local takeaways. Dawlish has some great self guided trails on offer if heritage is your thing – We have a Brunel Heritage Trail as the railway plays a key role in the town and a local history trail which takes you around the town and is self guided.

Just a few miles down the road is **Dawlish Warren**, a beautiful nature reserve with a blue flag beach. Or, if you like walking, you can walk along the sea wall from Dawlish and take in the sea views and keep an eye on the trains passing by.

We are also very lucky to have the beautiful Powderham Castle, home to the Earl of Devon, on our doorstep.

Nestled in the heart of the Devon countryside, step into history at Powderham Castle, the magnificent 600-year-old family home set against the stunning backdrop of the Exe Estuary.



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A group visit to Powderham promises an immersive and engaging experience, with expert-led guided tours, opportunities to explore the beautiful gardens and deer park, and the chance to soak in the castle's rich history and cultural heritage.

Whether you're a history enthusiast, a garden lover, or simply looking for a memorable day out, Powderham offers something special for everyone. With dedicated group packages, special catering options, and exclusive access to hidden gems within the estate, the team at Powderham ensure a seamless and enjoyable experience tailored to your needs. Come and discover Powderham - where history and adventure meet.



Step into history with a guided tour of Powderham Castle. Expert guides will bring the fascinating stories of the Courtenay family to life while unveiling the hidden secrets within the castle walls.

**60 minute Highlights Tour: £12.70 per person for group sizes over 15+:**

- **Explore the grand State Rooms on the ground**
- **Gain exclusive insights into the rich history of Powderham**
- **Group Benefits:**
  - **Special rate for groups of 15 or more**
  - **Complimentary admission for the Group Organiser and Coach Driver**
  - **Access to the Castle and Grounds**

To book a group visit at Powderham please contact - [bookings@powderham.co.uk](mailto:bookings@powderham.co.uk)

## COACH PARKING

Coach parking at Powderham is convenient and well-equipped, with plenty of space available for full-size coaches. Designated coach bays ensure easy parking, and drop-off is allowed at the top of the viaduct to assist visitors with mobility issues. As a token of appreciation, coach drivers are welcome to enjoy a complimentary hot drink from the Welcome Centre.



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## Why Choose Dawlish for Group Visits?

### Scenic Coastal Beauty

Dawlish is famous for its picturesque coastline, red sandstone cliffs and classic British seaside charm. The Dawlish Water stream running through the town is home to the iconic black swans, making it a unique photo stop for groups.

### Dawlish Warren

A nearby Blue Flag beach and nature reserve, ideal for birdwatching, beach games and picnics. There are public toilets, cafes, amusements and plenty of space—perfect for large groups!

### Group-Friendly Attractions:

- Dawlish Museum: Local history and exhibitions. Often open to private group tours by prior arrangement. Home to the famous D-Day Bagpipes, which were played by Piper Bill Millin on Sword Beach during the Normandy landings
- Nature Reserve: Ideal for eco-tourism and school groups with an interest in wildlife.
- Ditto Trail – The Dittos are tiny magical beings who live in Dawlish! There are over 60 Ditto houses to see on the trail.

### Easy Access

Dawlish is easily accessible by train (right along the scenic Great Western main line) and coach. The town is also close to Exeter, Teignmouth and Torquay, making it ideal for day trips and base stays.



It's strongly advised that you pre-book your visits to discover the best discounts & availability!





## WALKING & GROUP TRAILS

The South West Coast Path runs through Dawlish, offering stunning walks for active groups with various difficulty levels.

## ACCOMMODATION FOR GROUPS

There are several hotels, B&Bs, and holiday parks that welcome group bookings:

- **Welcome Family Holiday Park**
- **Langstone Cliff Hotel**
- **Cofton Holidays:** These often offer group discounts, entertainment, and flexible catering.

## DINING FOR GROUPS

Many pubs, cafes and fish & chip shops can accommodate larger groups or offer takeaway options for beachside picnics. Booking ahead is recommended for groups of 8-10+ people.



For more information on Group and travel trade for Dawlish please visit:

[www.visitsouthdevon/grouptravel](http://www.visitsouthdevon/grouptravel)