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Coastal Escapes – A day trip to remember from Edinburgh or the North East of England



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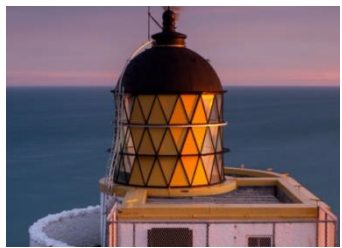
The Berwickshire Coast is the one area where Scotland truly starts. Only 1 hour from Edinburgh, 10 minutes from Berwick-Upon-Tweed and 80 minutes from Newcastle, this is the ideal location for a day away from it all.

It is a true hidden gem: an area rich in history, culture, special landscapes, and breath-taking views. With a rich mix of unspoiled countryside and coastline to explore, a remarkable past to discover and a huge choice of activities, you might well wish you were staying longer – and you'll certainly want to return again and again!

Depart from Edinburgh / North East of England or where you are staying and head for Eyemouth on the Berwickshire coast. The picture-perfect harbour at [Eyemouth](#) is the largest on East Berwickshire's dramatic coastline. A beautiful market town with local shops and eateries and an abundance to do.

Their vibrant fishing communities' heritage and culture have captured the imagination of many for generations. With the sneaky smugglers at Gunsgreen House, Eyemouth Fort, which was once English and then French, the strength of Willie Spears to fight the fishing levies and the defining geological discovery by James Hutton at Siccar Point, there is much to discover!

First stop, head to visit [Gunsgreen House](#) – John Nisbet's Smuggling Haven stands across from the town on the harbour. Whilst he presented himself as a local merchant, Nisbet's designed Gunsgreen House to aide his smuggling needs with a tea chute and large cellars for direct access to the sea for tobacco, tea, and brandy deliveries. There is a museum in the lower entrance which setting the scene of his smuggling ways. Why not book a tour and food & drink experience exclusively with [Scottish Food and drink trails](#)



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It is an active fishing harbour – and a fresh catch always means fantastic fish and chips. You can also pick up the freshest fish and seafood to take home. Why not pop into Giacopazzis for award winning fish & chips, it is also home to the most delicious ice-cream. Upstairs from the ‘Chippie’ you find their restaurant called [Oblo](#), serving the freshest of seafood platters.

Whilst in this area you may wish to take a private rib trip out to see with [Eyemouth Rib Trips](#), take a walk along the beaches and harbours.

If you are looking for more on the historical side - The Fishing Disaster of 1881 occurred after a severe storm stuck on October 14th which resulted in the deaths of 189 fishermen thus leaving their families behind. There are a total of four emotive memorials found at Burnmouth, Eyemouth, St Abbs and Cove each representing the families left behind.

If you love shellfish, the nearby village of [St Abbs](#) is home to six lobster boats. Their daily hauls also include the local edible crabs – they are known as Poos, but do not let that put you off! Head straight to [Ebbcarrs café](#) for an fabulous crab roll – it’s right on the harbour at St Abbs. St Abbs had a starring role in the new Avenger film which was released at the end of last month as the Thor’s town, New Asgard.

Whilst at [St Abbs](#) - The waters off the Berwickshire coast have long been considered special by marine biologists as they contain a fantastic abundance and diversity of marine life. Add to this clear waters and spectacular underwater scenery and it is not surprising that divers have been coming to the area for decades.

For those preferring to stay on terra firma, visit and walk in the [St Abb’s National Nature Reserve](#) and enjoy breath taking coastal headland with dramatic cliffs, famed for its seabird colonies and admire the stunning St Abbs Lighthouse. Whilst the lighthouse is not open to the public you can admire it as you walk through the nature reserve or you can even stay in the lighthouse cottages for an incredibly unique experience! Click [here](#) to find out more!

Don't leave before buying or trying a [Jarvis Pickle Pie](#) or [Lefffield Kombucha](#) also home to Eyemouth. If you are looking for somewhere to stay given there is so much to do in the area why not move inland slightly by about 20 minutes to Allanton where you can stay at the charming coaching inn – [The Allanton Inn](#)

If you like any of the above, you may also like the below suggestions:



[Burnmouth](#)



[St Abbs National Nature Reserve](#)



[Aytoun Castle](#)



[Cove](#)



[Coldingham Sands](#)



[Eat Sleep Ride](#)



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