

The Best Road Trips & Destinations

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THE BEST ROAD TRIPS



The A3055, Isle of Wight: This road is known to locals as "The Military Road". Dating back to the mid-18th century as part of the military infrastructure, this road was not available to the public until the 1930s. Starting in Chale and ending in Freshwater Bay, the road runs along cliffs and has a beautiful view of the ocean.



Hutton-Le-Hole, North Yorks: A picture perfect village with vibrant greens and a tiny stream running through the center. Come visit to escape and enjoy the peace and quiet.



A470 From Conwy to Merthyr Tydfil: This is an absolutely beautiful drive you won't regret. The Cambrian Mountains stretch the length of Wales. Remember to have your camera ready.



Dartmoor National Park: Driving over Dartmoor is amazing. You will see one of the best views of the country. Located right outside of Princetown, this park is not far from the beach and camping.



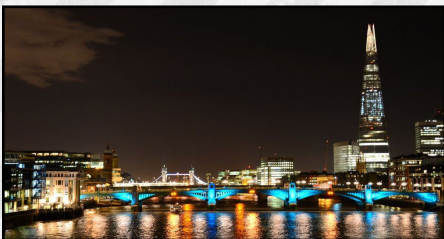
Cheddar to Ashwick: B3135 is a road worth traveling. Start in the charming village of Cheddar and travel into the scenic countryside. It is an exciting drive with twists and turns throughout the route.



The Lake District: The Lake District is in North West England. It is England's largest National Park and is famous for its gorgeous lakes. The park goes through many towns such as Kendal, Keswick, Grasmere and Glenridding.



Cornwall Drive: This 13-mile drive starts on the B3306 from St. Just to St. Lves along the coastline. Drive straight through the entire route or stop along the way for hiking and beaches. There are four beaches on the route, and each one is stunning.



Late-Night London, England: During the day this road is cramped with cars, but at night it is deserted. It is the perfect way to see the capital, as you can drive by all the iconic sights such as The National Theatre, Parliament and the London Eye. Even better, it is beautiful when lit up in the night's sky.



The Evo Triangle: This road doesn't need much explaining. Located in Wales from A543 and A5, it is about 20 miles long and in the shape of a triangle. The road has become popular for many driving enthusiasts with tight bends and beautiful views. If you are a fan of exciting driving be sure to take this trip at least once.



Ribblehead Viaduct: Within the Yorkshire Dales is the Ribblehead Viaduct on the B6255. The Viaduct is a man-made construction from 1870 and is classified as a scheduled ancient monument. Even though it's been around for quite some time, it is best known from its appearance in the Harry Potter films.

THE BEST DESTINATIONS



West Midland Safari and Leisure Park: Located right on A456 in Bewdley, Worcestershire, this park was voted one of the best attractions in the Midlands. There are about 600 animals within a self-driving five-mile safari. You can also take a train within the area to the amusement park where there are over 30 different rides.



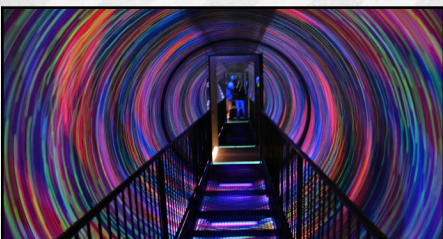
Warwick Castle: The castle is an original wooden structure built by William the Conqueror in 1068. It was later rebuilt in the 12th century in stone. Named one of Britain's 'Top 10 Historic Houses and Monuments', it is also one of the top attractions in England. Along with the beauty of the military architecture, there are daily shows, interactive walk-throughs, tours in secret towers & passageways and a few restaurants.



Shakespeare's Globe Theatre: The famous Globe theatre is located in London, England. It was rebuilt in 1997 but is styled to accommodate a 'back-in-time entertainment' featuring plays by Sir William Shakespeare. Most guests visiting the historic venue say it is extremely unique and a once in a lifetime experience.



ZSL Whipsnade Zoo: Within Whipsnade, England is the ZSL Whipsnade Zoo, formerly known as Whipsnade Wild Animal Park. ZSL stands for the Zoological Society of London, which owns one other zoo in England. However, this zoo also allows you to bring your car onto the grounds.



Camera Obscura and World of Illusions: This attraction is a must-see! The destination was created in 1835 and located in Edinburgh. There are five floors of interactive hands-on optical illusions and tricks including the famous vortex tunnel, a mirror maze and a shrinking room. Voted the 'Best Family Attraction in Britain', come and have fun at a destination that cannot be found anywhere else.



The British Museum: Located in London, England is the British Museum. It features exhibits from all around the world. Some of the highlighted exhibits are the Rosetta Stone, Parthenon sculptures and Egyptian mummies. The size of the museum is enormous and there is so much to see.



The Museum of Liverpool: This five-floor museum is all about Liverpool and its contribution to society. Admission is completely free. Beatles fans should visit at least once. There is an exhibit of the stage where John Lennon and Paul McCartney first met, a film about the band and a whole section dedicated to band memorabilia. There are also exhibits featuring Ford Production Lines, Football, City Soldiers, Boxing Clever and more.



The Bloody Tour of York: Within England is the 1900 year old town called York. There are guided ghost tours through the town every Thursday-Saturday at 6 pm and 8 pm. Your 90-minute tour is guided by Mad Alice, who tells stories of kings and queens, criminals and even a couple murder stories. It is an exciting tour unlike any other!



Tower of London: Established in 1066, the Tower of London is one of the most famous landmarks in England. It houses the Crown Jewels, the prison cell for Sir Walter Raleigh, Royal Armories and so much more. Be sure to wear comfortable shoes as the tower is huge.



Coca-Cola London Eye: This is Europe's tallest observation wheel located in the heart of London. It was launched in 2000 and has won 85 awards, including the national and international tourism award and the outstanding architectural quality award. From this view, you can see countless landmarks such as Big Ben, Tower Bridge and St. Paul's Cathedral.

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