

Days out

BOAT TRIPS

Sail away with these adventures

WEYMOUTH BAY RIB CHARTERS DORSET

The 20-minute adrenaline packed ride hits speeds of up to 40mph and takes you through Weymouth's stunning harbour into the Bay. Opt for a seat at the front if you're feeling brave and don't mind getting wet. Sign up at The Kings Arms. **Adults £10, children £9, weymouthbayribcharters.co.uk**



WINDERMERE LAKE CRUISES CUMBRIA

Lake Windermere offers a range of boat tours that vary in length. You can explore the whole of Windermere and enjoy a full day out with a Freedom of the Lake ticket, which is valid on all scheduled sailings for 24 hours. **Adults £20.40, children £10.40, windermere-lakecruises.co.uk**



PUFFIN ISLAND CRUISE ANGLESEY

There aren't usually many puffins on Puffin Island, but plenty of other seabirds through there. Seacoast Safaris runs a guided cruise around the island from Beaumaris Pier. For engineering fans, there are trips along the Menai Strait to admire its bridges. **Adults £10.95, children £7.95, seacoastsafaris.co.uk**



THE YORKSHIRE BELLE YORKSHIRE

Bridlington's famous pleasure cruiser, the Yorkshire Belle, is one of the best ways to see Yorkshire's coast. Take in the spectacular coastline and Bempton Bird sanctuary. The two-and-a-half-hour cruise sails from Easter to the end of October. **Adults £13, children £9, yorkshire-belle.co.uk**



MARINE DISCOVERY PENZANCE CORNWALL

Discover Penwith's wonderful wildlife, panoramic coastline, historic sites and lighthouses. You could see grey seals, dolphins, porpoises, minke whales, humpback whales, basking sharks and even leatherback turtles. Runs March to November. **Adults £35, children £25, marinediscovery.co.uk**



SCOTLAND DOLPHIN SPIRIT INVERNESS

This boat tour, which sets off from Inverness, takes you around the Moray Firth, home to some of the most northerly bottlenose dolphins in the world. To the east there's Chanonry Point with its iconic lighthouse and views over to Fort George. **Adults £18.50, children £12, dolphinspirit.co.uk**



JURASSIC COAST CRUISE DEVON

Stuart Line Cruises take you from Exmouth along the oldest cliffs on the coast of Dorset and East Devon. The two-to-three hour cruise takes in the oldest section, known as the Triassic Era, with the red cliffs that contain fossils dating back over 185 million years. Sailing dates vary but boats run throughout the winter months, weather permitting. **Adults £10, children £8, stuartlinecruises.co.uk/jurassic-coast**

CAMBRIDGE PUNTING TOURS CAMBRIDGESHIRE

The ultimate way to see University colleges, exclusive bridges and pristine gardens, many of which are only visible from the river. During the 50-minute tour you will also get to see some of the local wildlife - predominantly ducks and swans. **Adults £15, children £6, rutherfordspunting.com**



SKYE FERRY KYLERHEA

Sail over the sea to Skye on board the traditional Glenelg Ferry, the last manually operated turntable ferry in Scotland. Passengers often spot seals and herons, perhaps even an otter and - if you're really lucky - the island's local sea eagle. **Car with up to four passengers £22 return, skyeferry.co.uk**



BRECON AND MONMOUTHSHIRE CANAL TRIPS BRECON

From March to October you can board a brightly painted narrowboat near Theatr Brycheiniog in Brecon for a leisurely 2.5-hour return trip along the canal to Brynich. Big windows allow everyone to take in the view. **Adults £7.80, children £4.50, dragonfly-cruises.co.uk**



BASS ROCK CRUISES NORTH BERWICK

Cruise on board *Sula II* to the Bass Rock, the largest single rock colony of Atlantic gannets in the world. The colony is now estimated at 150,000 birds - which return each year to lay their single egg. You can also expect to see puffins and guillemots. Departs from North Berwick Harbour. **Adults £18, children £11, sulaboattrips.co.uk**



Look ahead

DERBY'S FESTÉ DERBYSHIRE

One of the biggest and best annual street-fest celebrations in the UK, Derby Festé brings three days of music, dance, world-class performances, street art and sideshows to Derby. On Saturday, the streets will burst to life from 11am, with a circus procession through St Peter's Quarter and the Cathedral Quarter. **27-29 Sep, free, derbyfeste.com**

APPLE DAY HAMPSHIRE

Houghton Lodge Gardens is hosting a celebration of their heritage apples. Learn about fruit tree growing, cultivating and pruning and taste the many varieties. Children can take part in the Apple Trail around the gardens, to see who has stolen the golden apple. **30 Sep, adults £6, children £3, houghtonlodge.co.uk**



3 DAYS OF FAT LONDON

The 'fatberg' - a floating island of fat suspended within its own tank - will be grown at King's College London's Arcade at Bush House and used as a focus for themed experiments, performances and discussions. **10-12 Oct, free, kcl.ac.uk/culture**