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23 exceptionally lovely cottages to book for your summer holiday this year

It's time to start thinking about your summer escape

UK cottages to rent this summer - in pictures



Spring has officially arrived, and we're more than ready for warmer weather.

Sunshine and mild weather have washed over London this week, as we cautiously bypass our winter coat in the morning in favour of our trusty light jacket.

While the weather may just be a warm spell, spring is here which means summer is around the corner – so now's the best time to start thinking about, and booking, your summer holiday.

Below is our edit of the best cottages to book this summer for a UK staycation .

The Coach House near Rock, Cornwall



(Latitiude50)

This Grade II-listed, Georgian-style building can be found within a 40-acre private estate. Bordering the Camel Estuary, this home is the perfect romantic escape or a chance to get away with the kids. Part of the Dinham Estate, The Coach House was originally built in the 1630s as a summer retreat and hunting lodge and now boasts a newly refurbished kitchen, farmhouse table and a private sun terrace and garden. The abode is just moments from the best beaches in North Cornwall and surrounded by woodland, perfect for an early morning stroll.

Sleeps: seven

A one-week stay this summer costs £1,145 for seven people, latitude50.co.uk/

Carn Mar on Polzeath Beach, Cornwall



With its beach front location and sun-soaked exterior, it's no surprise that Carn Mar has just won the title of the Best Self-Catering House in Cornwall at the Cornwall Tourism Awards. A dreamy backdrop of sand and sea is the USP for this property, but the interiors are just as lovely. With a calming colour palette, space for 14 guests, marble worktops and a sweeping staircase, this unique property is a peaceful coastal refuge primed for a summer escape.

Sleeps: 14

Stays this summer starts from £31 per person, per night, latitude50.co.uk/