



Jurassic Jaunts



The best of the Isle of Purbeck

A Self-Drive Tour

A scenic journey around the sights and villages of the Isle of Purbeck. Some short walks will enhance the experience even further so take your time and a full day is recommended. There are also several attractions for the family and children in the area so please check details with your accommodation provider.

Distance: 40-50 miles/60-75 Km (depending on the MOD (Ministry of Defence) Ranges closures and choice of route)

Driving time: Approx. 2-3 hours , depending on Ferry. Some country roads in places.

- 1.** Leave the hotel and head down past the Pier, through the West Cliff area and proceed to the Sandbanks Ferry (Ferry Fee payable).
- 2.** After Leaving the ferry, continue on to Studland village. Here, if you park in the Middle Beach Car Park, just a short walk to Fort Henry, the bunker where the final D-day landing practice, Exercise Smash, took place and was the meeting place of Winston Churchill, President Eisenhower, Lord Mountbatten and King George VI to discuss final preparations.
- 3.** After Studland village, go past the Isle of Purbeck Golf Club to the View Point on the right – pull in here for a great view.
- 4.** Head back towards the ferry and after 500 metres, turn right down to Swanage. Bear Right at the next junction.
- 5.** Proceed into Swanage and along the sea front. Turn right into Victoria Road.
- 6.** Just out of Swanage, turn left for Langton Matravers.
- 7.** Along the ridge road to Kingston and down to the bendy main road to Corfe Castle.
- 8.** After Corfe Castle, turn left for Kimmeridge and through Church Knowle.
- 9.** A mile after Church Knowle, turn left and follow through to Kimmeridge Bay (Toll fee). Here you can visit the Steve Etches (MBE) Collection (Fee payable) and see the 'Sea Monster' jaw (TV programme – David Attenborough and The Sea Monster) plus many more fossils found in the Kimmeridgian period (Approx. 150 million years ago).

- 10.** Return from Kimmeridge back to main road and turn left.
- 11.** Up to the 180 degree bend, go left if Ranges are open or follow around to the right if not.
- 12.** If left, follow through to East Lulworth. If right, follow the road to the Wareham bypass and then go left, left and left again, heading towards East Lulworth.
- 13.** After East Lulworth, turn left for Lulworth Cove.
- 14.** Down through West Lulworth to the Cove (Parking Fee – ticket also covers Durdle Door car park so allow for both visits) – short walk to the Cove and Stair Hole and the ‘Lulworth Crumple’.
- 15.** Coming back from Lulworth Cove, turn left for Durdle Door. At the top of the hill turn left into Durdle Door.
- 16.** Follow through the caravan/camping site to the car park (Parking Fee) – a 200 metre flat walk out of the far right end gate of the car park to view Durdle Door from the Ridgeway (after gate, walk for 200 metres along the grassy path then go left at the fence/stile). This avoids the track down-up from The Door but that is an option from the car park if required.
- 17.** Returning, turn right out of Durdle Door, turn left through West Lulworth and follow signs for Wareham.
- 18.** If returning via the main road and Poole, follow the signs for Poole and Bournemouth.
- 19.** If returning by ferry, head for Corfe Castle and turn left just before Corfe village for Studland and the ferry.

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