

A Norfolk Guide

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WELLS-NEXT-THE-SEA



Just a stone's throw away from the harbour town of Wells-next-the-Sea, this beach is excellent for families. Providing a perfect bucket and spade sandy beach. The pay and display car park is a short walk from the beach. There is usually an ice cream van parked right by the steps to the beach and there is a café at the other end of the car park. Its ease of access means that it is one of the busier beaches but given its ample size this isn't usually an issue. At the height of summer you may want to get to the car park early.

Approx. 25 mins drive

HOLKHAM



Holkham beach is a widely recognised as being one of the finest beaches in Norfolk. The beach itself is a vast expanse of unspoilt golden sand which seem to stretch on for ever. It can, in fact, be a fair stroll to the water's edge at low tide. Even in the summer you will be able to find a peaceful spot at Holkham. If you are a dog walker, please note that there are now seasonal restrictions in some areas of the beach where dogs must be kept on leads. There is a pay and display car park. The Victoria Pub is a short walk from the beach car park.

Approx. 25 mins drive

BRANCASTER



Brancaster beach is part of the Brancaster Estate which is now owned by the National Trust. This iconic stretch of coast is designated an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. Unlike quite a few beaches in Norfolk, at Brancaster you can park up right by the beach, meaning that it is particularly good for people travelling with children. The beach is also a favourite amongst dog walkers. There is a pay and display car park, and the Brancaster Beach Kiosk providing snacks and toilets.

Approx. 40 mins drive

BURNHAM OVERY STAITHE



Burnham Overy Staithe beach is yet another wonderful, secluded Norfolk beach, largely because it is reached by just over a one-mile walk. It is well worth the walk, once you step over the dunes, you're met with the most wonderful expanse of sandy beach stretching from West to East as far as you can see - you can walk all the way to Wells if you choose. Parking is free. Most people park on large flat piece of land on the harbour. However, if there is a high spring tide, this completely floods so you do need to make sure of tide times. You can also park along the verge of the harbour, but this does fill up quickly. The village has a great pub called the Hero and there is often an ice cream van on the harbour.

Approx. 30 mins drive

HORSEY

HorseY beach is a wild, unspoilt sandy beach where nature abounds. Backed by one of the largest sand dune systems on the east coast. The main attraction at HorseY though are the seals. From November to January Grey Seals take to the beach to give birth. Throughout the rest of the year, you can see the seals bobbing around in the waters off the beach. Whilst dogs are allowed it is best not to bring them on the beach during the winter as they will disturb the seals. There is a National Trust pay and display car park.

Approx. 1 hr drive

