

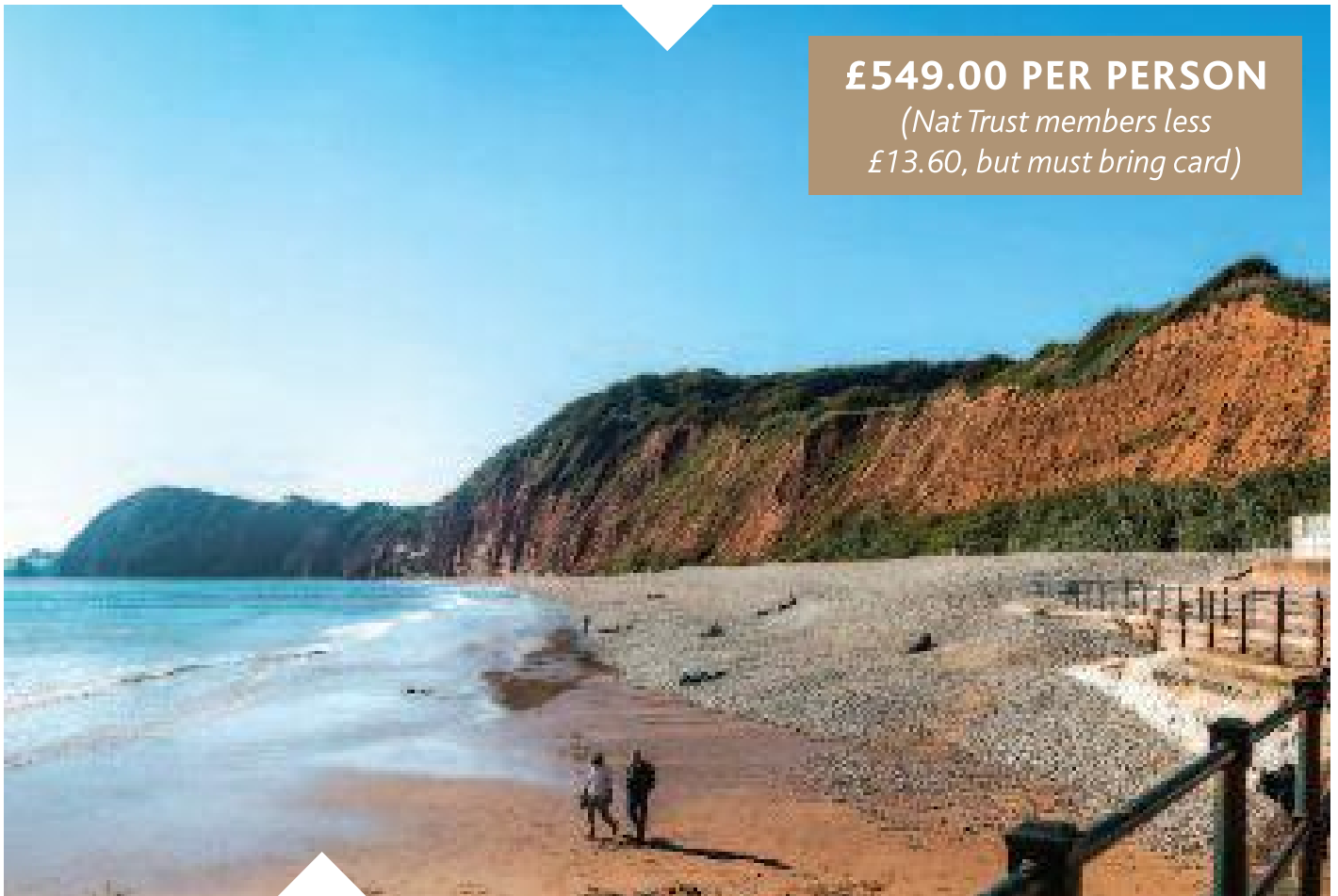
# Sidmouth

14th to 18th June

*The picturesque town of Sidmouth on the south Devon Coast, is charming and unspoilt and a sanctuary from the excesses of modern day tourism. Famed for its wealth of fine architecture, the town centre offers an excellent range of individual shops and is a pleasure to browse.*

**£549.00 PER PERSON**

*(Nat Trust members less  
£13.60, but must bring card)*



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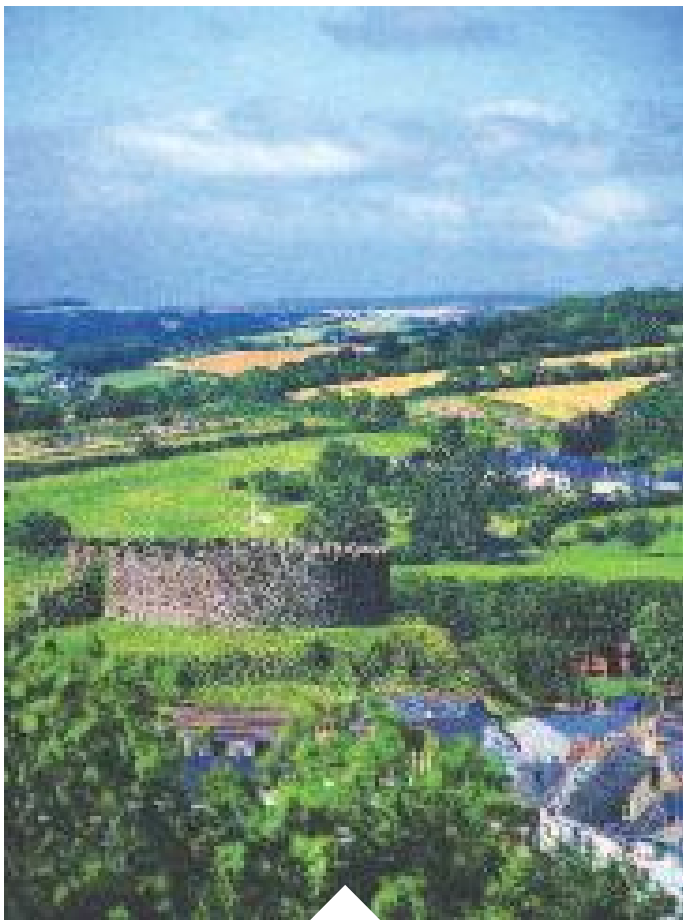
## What's Included

- ✓ 4 nights Dinner, Bed & Breakfast
- ✓ Afternoon Tea on arrival
- ✓ All bedrooms are en-suite with TV, telephone, WiFi & hospitality tray.
- ✓ Time to explore Lyndhurst, Sidmouth, Totnes & Exmouth
- ✓ Ride on South Devon Railway
- ✓ Boat ride along Jurassic Coast with sandwich lunch
- ✓ Entry to Stourhead House & Gardens

## ROYAL YORK & FAULKNER HOTEL Sidmouth

This magnificent Regency building, dating from 1810 enjoys an unrivalled position at the centre of Sidmouth's elegant Esplanade, adjacent to the picturesque town centre. Owned and personally run by the Hook family, resident proprietors for three generations, the hotel has earned a long standing reputation for hospitality and service.

**Wednesday 14 June** Departing from Oxted at 9.00am we make our way to Lyndhurst, known as the



capital of the New Forest, where we shall have time to find lunch and explore. Early afternoon we continue on to Sidmouth, arriving late afternoon at the Royal York & Faulkner Hotel, where we shall be greeted with afternoon tea.

**Thursday 15 June** After a leisurely breakfast we make our way to Buckfastleigh where we shall have time to find morning coffee and look around the South Devon Railway Museum before boarding our train to Totnes. The 30 minute train ride takes us along the former Great Western Line which hugs the River Dart for most of its length, offering outstanding vistas of beautiful, unspoilt countryside rich in wildlife. Following our train ride we shall have some time to explore and find lunch in Totnes before our drive back to Sidmouth.

**Friday 16 June** A day at leisure to explore this delightful seaside town.

**Saturday 17 June** Departing the hotel after breakfast we drive to Exmouth where we shall board a boat for a 3-hour cruise along the Jurassic coast\*. Our cruise takes in the oldest section, from the Triassic Era, famous for its deep red colour and we shall have a chance to see Sidmouth and our hotel from a different perspective. The skipper will give a live commentary during the cruise covering the changing history and appearance of the area as well as the wildlife and towns. Tides permitting, the vessel will sail in close to the cliffs for a detailed view and then sail further out to offer a panoramic view. During our cruise we shall have a sandwich lunch and tea/coffee. Following our cruise, we shall have some time to explore Exmouth before returning to our hotel.

**Sunday 18 June** Leaving the hotel after breakfast, we make our way to Stourhead House and Garden. Here we shall be free to explore the world-famous landscape garden with its towering trees, classical temples and mystical grottoes. The house, one of the first in the country to showcase Palladian architecture, has a unique Regency library, rare Chippendale furniture and inspirational paintings. Mid afternoon we continue our homeward journey, arriving early evening.

*\* Please note Should sailing conditions be unsuitable, we shall have a River Exe cruise instead*

