

THE TOR TO TOR 50

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Highlights of the Tor to Tor 50

- ▶ A 50-mile, internationally acclaimed adventure ride involving three days in the saddle, covering large swathes of Dartmoor, with lunch served out on the open moor.
- ▶ A small intimate event of up to 18 international guests, riding in teams of no more than six (with one mounted guide accompanying each group).
- ▶ Relax in a charming, quintessential Devon lodge with hot-tub and plenty of areas to relax both indoors and outdoors.
- ▶ Enjoy all things Dartmoor with visiting local guest speakers.
- ▶ Gourmet cooking from top chefs using fresh, locally sourced ingredients.
- ▶ Meet Dartmoor hill farmers who's families have lived and worked on Dartmoor for generations.
- ▶ Option to bring your own horse! We've always loved welcoming riders who bring their own horses, but recommend you bring your own usual hard feeds and supplements with you.
- ▶ We can supply advice from a local specialist endurance vet on how to get your horse nicely fit for this sort of adventure, plus a suggested packing list which is very useful we find.
- ▶ We will organise for you, in your horse transporter, to be guided off the main dual carriage way and through the country lanes onto Dartmoor and to the stable yard if you bring your own horse
- ▶ Trip extensions (additional nights, warm up rides, autumn hunting, mounted falconry etc) are all easily arranged by our concierge team.



Itinerary

PLEASE NOTE: some details of the itinerary outlined below may vary as we adapt the plan to accommodate the specific requirements of each group. We often amend our routes to make the most of weather conditions etc. Rooming is based on two sharing and guests either book to share with a friend or are teamed up with another same sex individual.

Thursday:

Arrive at the venue from 5pm onwards. Meet your teammates, mounted guides and ground support crew. Settle your horse into our nearby stable yard (if you are bringing your own) and then enjoy some delicious nibbles and predrinks before dinner at 7.45pm.

Friday:

After a first-rate breakfast prepared by your LT chef team, your groundcrew will be ready to drive you to the ride start. You will mount up for a fabulous day of riding, covering some 15 miles typically, with a good dismounted stop for a coffee break and then lunch once the ride has finished. The Tor to Tor 50 makes the most of getting deep into the heart of the Moors, showing you some splendidly varied, remote and stunning country.

You'll climb to the top of tors giving you stupendous views, enjoy long, contour-hugging canters, cross rivers and wind through disused tin mines.

There are plenty of long, fast canters but this is not a race, and there is plenty of time for photographs and to learn from your guide about the National Park's wildlife, legends, ponies and more. Your ground support crew will carry (and relieve you of) spare clothes, besides providing regular refreshments and taking great photos of you on the hoof.



At the end of each ride, the horses will be collected, and a luxury safari style picnic lunch will be served in a remote location with stunning views, to be enjoyed whilst you unwind from an exciting day of riding with all the teams and guides.

You will then be taken back to the Lodge, where you can either relax in the hot-tub, stretch your legs or simply put your feet up in a quiet spot before dinner, which is once again served in house by our local top chef. Relax with a glass of wine or coffee by the fire or outside under the fairy lights before heading to bed for day 2!

Saturday:

Another fun, fast day in the saddle covering another 15+ miles on horseback, after a super breakfast prepared by our chefs.

Once again, your ride will take in tors, standing stones, native pony herds, skylarks and buzzards. Toast the ride's end with lunch, cake and some bubbly as you dismount. You will have earned it! Dinner will be back at the Lodge, after you've had a leg stretch, or a wild swim, or retired with a book to read in the garden. There is also the option to book a post-ride massage to loosen tight muscles or simply just relax the body after many miles in the saddle.

Sunday:

The same as your first two ride days, covering yet another part of the moor where you can experience different scenery, wildlife, rock formations and marshland (from a safe distance!)



Once back at the house, you will have the chance to listen to a local guest speaker who will share with you everything you would like to know about Dartmoor, including myths, tales and the answers to any of your questions you may have about anything you have seen or ridden past throughout your rides! This will be followed by a final 3 course supper and toast to celebrate a fabulous event and long-lasting friendships made!

Monday:

After a relaxing final breakfast in the house, guests depart. Many guests opt to extend their stay further, with a rest day then some falconry or a guided tour of Dartmoor towns and villages, or a trip to Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly staying in a top hotel. Please enquire if you'd like to do this.

Accommodation and meals

The country Lodge is set in the heart of Dartmoor with far reaching views of the landscape. It is of historical interest and was once an example of Georgian opulence but would now be considered as faded grandeur. It is in a quiet setting, surrounded by hill farming and comes with its own set of unique quirks and idiosyncrasies which add to its distinct character. You'll enjoy attentive, personable, high-quality 'chalet style' service with restaurant quality dinners, and fresh, healthy breakfast options. All meals bier one are prepared in house by a leading chef team who use fresh local ingredients to create nourishing and carefully thought through meals for the duration of your stay. On one evening, you'll be driven to a Dartmoor Inn to indulge in another excellent 3-course meal with locally sourced food and drink.



What previous Tor to Tor 50 guests have said:

'The Tor To Tor 50 is truly an amazing experience. The horses are the best, the guides are enthusiastic and extremely knowledgeable, and the food and scenery is spectacular. This was an adventure I will never forget.'

'I've ridden in Africa, France, Ireland, Italy and through many places in the US but this without question is the best organised... If I could have only one lifetime riding experience in beautiful country, with exceptional food and accommodations, I would choose this.'

'A top-level luxury riding holiday. Amazing staff, quality and responsive horses as well as restaurant quality food. Highly recommend, having been 5 times so far, I can't wait until next year!'"

'One of the best weekends of my life. I couldn't recommend it more.'

'Just brilliant. A riding safari experience for the UK.'



The package includes:

- ▶ Four nights in a double occupancy room
- ▶ All breakfasts and dinners, including pre-dinner drinks and one night dining off site at local gastropub
- ▶ Three picnic lunches served out on the open moor
 - ▶ Three days in the saddle on a hired horse **OR** livery for four nights for your horse with hay and bedding included.
- ▶ Dartmoor mounted guides
- ▶ Ground support crew.
- ▶ Transfers to/from Exeter Train Station or Airport
- ▶ Photos taken by our ground crew will be shared with anyone who would like them

Next Steps:

Please email us at enquiries@libertytrails.co.uk stating your preference for hired horse or livery for your own horse. We will confirm pricing and availability and send you a Rider Information Form.

To reserve your place, we ask each rider to complete and return the Rider Information Form along with a 30% deposit.

If your trip has to be re-arranged due to changes in Covid regulations it will be transferred to an identical or similar experience (in consultation with you) on another agreed date,

with no rearrangement fees. We are proud to have achieved 100% customer satisfaction with how we've handled this so far and intend to keep it that way.

Have a question?

Send a WhatsApp message to 07967 823674 requesting a call back to discuss The Tor to Tor 50.

Booking Conditions:

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