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Enjoy All-Weather Family Adventure this February Half-Term in the English Riviera

This February half-term, the English Riviera is proving that it doesn't need to be summer to have an unforgettable family holiday. From the depths of ancient caves to the warmth of tropical zoo houses and dog-friendly coastal bistros, the region has a line-up of action-packed, weatherproof activities designed to keep every family member entertained—including the four-legged ones.

Weather-Proof Adventure

[Kents Cavern](#), the UK's most important prehistoric cave, remains a constant 14 degrees celsius all year round, making it the perfect escape from the winter chill. Children can unearth their own treasures in the Stone Age Zone and follow the Woodland Trail to crack the code for a tribal sticker.

At [Paignton Zoo](#), the adventure continues indoors within exotic animal houses. Families can go behind the scenes and enjoy a [Junior Keeper Experience](#) or get eye-to-eye with giants during a Giraffe or Giant Tortoise encounter.

For a whimsical change of pace, [Babbacombe Model Village](#) is a half-term essential. Explore four acres of award-winning gardens featuring hundreds of hand-crafted miniature scenes and famous landmarks. From bustling tiny towns to the village's signature humorous twists, there are countless hidden stories waiting to capture the imagination of the whole family.

The [Golden Hind](#) offers families the opportunity to come aboard one of the most iconic ships from the age of exploration. No matter the weather, this iconic landmark offers both educational indoor displays and wide open decks for visitors to enjoy the views of Brixham harbour.

And for a more nostalgic journey, hop aboard the [Dartmouth Steam Railway](#) from Paignton to enjoy breathtaking coastal views from the cosy comfort of a vintage carriage. And for those still looking for further inspiration indoors, [Torre Abbey](#) and [Torquay Museum](#) offer a wealth of interactive activities for curious minds of all ages.

Dog-Friendly Shores

With 22 miles of spectacular coastline, and a uniquely mild microclimate, families can enjoy the [South West Coast Path](#), where dramatic cliffside views meet hidden coves. During February, the region's award-winning beaches welcome dogs, meaning families with four-legged companions can enjoy the vast stretches of sand and clean, safe waters together - for exploring, paddleboarding, kayaking or simply some rock-pooling fun.

Beyond the shoreline, visitors are invited to discover the quintessential charm of [Cockington Village and Country Park](#). This 450-acre estate is a dog-friendly haven, featuring sweeping parkland, ornamental lakes, and wooded trails that lead to a historic manor house and craft centre.

For those seeking wilder heights, [Berry Head Nature Reserve](#) guards the southern half of the English Riviera and offers a dramatic clifftop experience. One of the main gateways to the English Riviera

Global Geopark, it is an internationally acclaimed heritage site, home to a fascinating variety of wildlife and history, with Napoleonic War fortifications.

Live Entertainment for All

Families can also enjoy a fantastic lineup of live entertainment this February half-term in the English Riviera including [Celebration at Babbacombe Theatre in Torquay](#). Starting on the 17th of February, this premier variety show combines showstopping illusions with hits from the West End, Broadway, and Oscar-winning soundtracks. Directed by Colin Matthews, it pairs high-energy music with classic comedic gems.

On the 18th of February, fans can experience the 'Ultimate Tribute' to the global K-pop movement - [K-Pop Live at Arena Torquay](#). This high-octane show features the choreography and anthems of superstars like BTS and BLACKPINK, with both matinee and evening performances.

And finally, rounding off the week on February the 19th, Paignton's Palace Theatre will host an enchanting musical production of [Rapunzel](#). Packed with magic, puppets, and laughs, this show is designed as the perfect outing for families.

Carolyn Custerson, CEO of the English Riviera BID Company, said: "Whether you're exploring the family-friendly delights of our destination's best attractions, taking the dog for a run on our award-winning winter beaches, or enjoying world-class live music, the English Riviera offers a seamless blend of indoor comfort and outdoor discovery. It's a place where every family member, including the four-legged ones, can create memories that last a lifetime."

The destination also offers an impressive selection of accommodation to suit all budgets and group sizes - friendly, family-run B&Bs, action-packed holiday parks, self-catering, seafront hotels. English Riviera's visitors will also come across a wide variety of food and drink offerings to ensure every member of the family is catered for. For more information, visit <https://www.englishriviera.co.uk/>

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About the English Riviera

The English Riviera Business Improvement District (BID) Company is a collaborative effort between over 1000 local businesses, authorities, and stakeholders dedicated to enhancing the tourism experience and promoting sustainable economic growth for Torbay.

With 22 miles of stunning coastline the English Riviera covers Torquay, Paignton and Brixham. Torquay is the birthplace of Agatha Christie, the world's greatest crime writer, and the resort offers a vast array of culture, history, water activities, spas, festivals, entertainment and food and drink experiences.

As a designated UNESCO Global Geopark, the English Riviera has gained international recognition for its 400 million years of geological heritage and is promoted as one 'Earth's Extraordinary Places.' The resort is also an international cruise port.

For more information for consumers visit www.englishriviera.co.uk and for businesses visit www.englishriviera.co.uk/bid.

