

dates for breaks

BIRD & NATURE BREAKS

2 nights, see itinerary inside.

* Bargain Breaks!

11 January 2008	£140*
1 February 2008	£175
7 March 2008	£175
18 April 2008 - FULL	£175
16 May 2008	£175
27 June 2008	£180
(butterflies & wildflowers)	
18 July 2008	£200
(butterflies & wildflowers)	
19 September 2008	£180
24 October 2008	£180
14 November 2008	£150*

Sunday night special

Extend your stay to include Sunday night and benefit from between 20% and 50% discount for that night.

how to book

Select the date you would like to visit, then call the hotel to reserve your room/s. A non-refundable deposit of £50 per room is required at time of booking. Breaks are dependant upon numbers booked, and may be subject to cancellation if numbers are insufficient to run break — guests will be informed if cancellation is necessary.

We will send you a receipt, confirmation and details of your break. If you require more specific details of your break and the local area, please contact our guide Bob Ford by e-mail via our web site.



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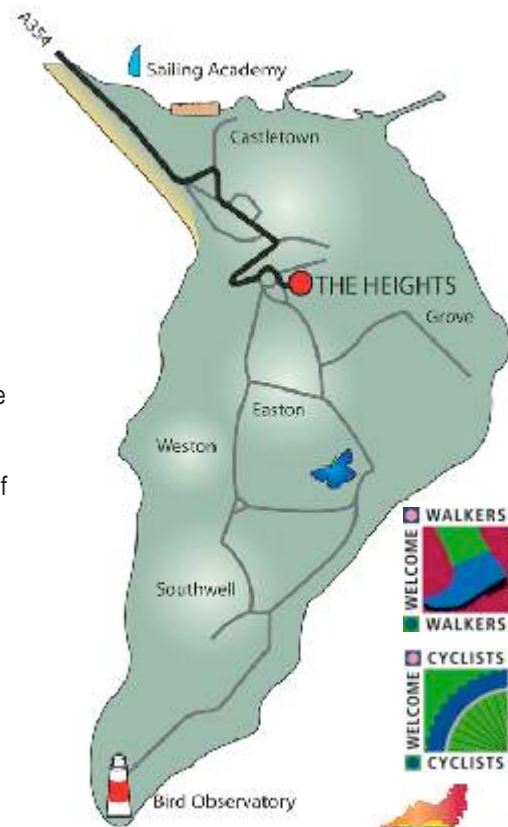
we welcome groups

We have welcomed many RSPB groups to the hotel and helped organise successful breaks for their members. If you have a group of 6 or more persons we are able to tailor make a break to suit your interest, or you can take over one of our advertised break dates!

Please call Jenny Eyles at the hotel for more information.



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FOR ALL OUR
GUESTS!



The Heights

Isle of Portland Hotel



Dorset bird & nature breaks



at the heart of the world heritage coastline

the Isle of Portland

The Isle of Portland is one of the best sites in Europe to witness the spectacle of bird migration. Each Spring and Autumn thousands of migrants break their journeys by resting on the Island. Offshore seabirds stream past the Bill on route to and from Arctic breeding areas. Some birds such as the puffin stop to breed on Portland's high cliffs along with a growing number of peregrine falcons. Nearby the sheltered waters of Portland harbour hold large numbers of wintering waterfowl and seabirds, including all seven species of Europe's divers and grebes. The RSPB reserves at Radipole and Lodmoor are close by and productive all year round. Our breaks also take in the RSPB Dorset reserve at Arne, with its breeding Dartford Warblers and huge wintering flocks of Avocet.



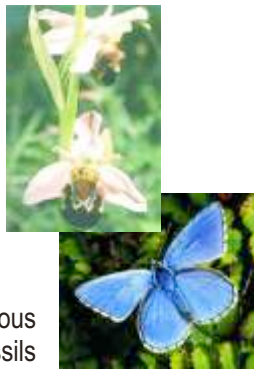
guided bird breaks

We have been running special interest breaks at the hotel for over 20 years and have a wealth of knowledge and local information to share with you on your break. Your guide, Bob Ford has lived on the Island all his life and knows all the best places to visit whatever the weather.

Our guided breaks commence on Friday evening with a welcome talk and an outline of the itinerary for the weekend. This is followed by Dinner in the Bistro. Saturday and Sunday start with a full English breakfast, then out and about all day in the minibus with your guide Bob, and a packed lunch. Dinner in the Bistro on Saturday, and a cream tea to finish off on Sunday afternoon before you depart. Dependant upon the weather we may fit in an early morning trip to the bird observatory at the Bill. After your break we will e-mail or post you a report on the sightings and areas we covered. SEE DATES OF BREAKS & DETAILS OF HOW TO BOOK ON THE BACK PAGE.

not just bird watching!

Don't forget to bring your binoculars (or enquire to loan our SWAROVSKI ones). Also bring your hand lens and wild flower guide, to identify all the different plants and insects we find in the Portland quarries. Whilst for most of the year birds are definitely our priority, in the summer months we will spend much of our time hunting out butterflies and flowers such as the Silver-studded Blue and Bee Orchid.



Many of the sites we visit for birds are on Dorset's famous Jurassic Coast and are also excellent places to find fossils and to examine the fascinating sequences of rocks that are so obvious here. Just let us know what your particular interests are at the introductory talk on the first evening and we will make sure that the weekend is planned accordingly.

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Panoramic image by Bob Ford

do your own thing!

If you are looking to extend your stay after one of our bird breaks, or prefer to come down to the hotel independently and do your own thing, please find below a selection of the many attractions that can fill your days during your stay:

- Guided walks around the Island with Bob Ford local guide (Wednesday mornings, or by arrangement only)
- Visit bird observatory at Portland Bill
- Fossil Hunting in nearby locations
- Explore the area by mountain bike (Bike hire available at Hotel)
- Jurassic Coast Bus Weymouth to Bournemouth or Exeter
- Badger Watching in the heart of Dorset (also bats and moths)
- Boat Trip along the Jurassic Coast
- Visit local RSPB reserves
- Abbotsbury sub tropical gardens & Swannery
- Local Country houses and gardens
- Portland Castle & Museum
- Portland Lighthouse and much more...



Special rates for room and breakfast are below. Please call Reception if you would like further information regarding any of the above attractions on: **01305 821361**

Dorset breaks - do your own thing!

Prices per person for room, English breakfast & VAT, sharing a twin or double room. Single supplements from £30.50 per night (**no single supplements on guided breaks**)

	GREAT ESCAPE BREAK October 07 - March 08	SUMMER SENSATIONS April - September 08
3 nights	£139.50	£165.00*
5 nights	£232.50	£262.50*
7 nights	£279.00	£350.00*

discount for RSPB and WWT members

On production of your membership card on check in, we offer 10% off our rates to all RSPB members and WWT members. Please quote your membership details when you reserve your room. * NOT VALID ON SUMMER SENSATIONS RATE.