Hygge* at Home

Holiday like the Danes with cottages.com and English Country Cottages

Like LEGO, Hans Christian Anderson and even Carlsberg before it, 'hygge' has fast become one of Denmark's biggest exports. As the latest trend to take over the world, more and more of us have begun to recognise the importance of cosiness in our day-to-day lives; so it follows that our holidays should trail a similar path.

But you needn't go all the way to Scandinavia to enjoy a 'hygge' holiday of your own. As the nights draw in and the temperature starts to fall, this is the perfect time of year to get together with friends or family, sit back in front of the fire and raise a glass to the good things in life. And with an abundance of cosy cottages around the UK, **cottages**.com and English Country Cottages are sure to have a property just right for you.

Escape to a traditional cottage...

Pilgrim Corner – Minehead

Property reference: EWQ







This beautiful thatched holiday cottage is quintessentially English and full of charm. With a beautifully themed interior and beams throughout, the property has everything you need for a cosy getaway. There is even a private cedar wood hot tub for you to warm up in – what more could you want?! The cottage's convenient location means that Minehead town centre is within walking distance and the dramatic coast and moorland countryside is in easy reach too. The station is also within walking distance so guests can enjoy the steam trains of the West Somerset Railway. Alternatively, the enchanting medieval Dunster Castle is a must see, and Watersmeet Gorge is also nearby.

PRICE: £647 (£20.22pppn)* for four nights' self-catered accommodation arriving 26th November 2016. Sleeps eight in four bedrooms with two pets welcome. Available through www.cottages.com / 0345 498 6900.

Rose Cottage - Westington, Chipping Campden

Property reference: NVU







Set in one of the most sought-after parts of Chipping Campden, this charming thatched cottage dates to the 18th-century and has its own garden high up from the road. The property is within walking distance from the town with it old buildings, interesting shops, inns and restaurants and in a prime location to explore the Cotswolds. Stratford-upon-Avon is close by and Cheltenham is a short drive away with a host of historic houses, interesting museums and welcoming pubs on the way. Return home to the open fire for a cosy night in.

PRICE: £447 (£15.96pppn)* for seven nights' self-catered accommodation arriving 2nd December 2016. Sleeps four in two bedrooms. Available through www.english-country-cottages.co.uk / 0345 268 0785.

Relax by the fire...

Brewery House Cottage -Bishop Middleham, nr. Durham

Property reference: UKC618







Like many traditional country houses, the fire lies at the heart of this home and is the crowning glory of this property. Located in the village of Bishop Middleham in Country Durham, guests can admire its old-world charm and take advantage of the many footpaths and cycle paths that offer a great means of seeing the local area. After a few days of exploring the open countryside, Durham offers an exciting day out with its cathedral and many shopping opportunities.

PRICE: £310 (£11.07pppn)* for seven nights' self-catered accommodation arriving 4th November 2016. Sleeps four in two bedrooms with two pets welcome. Available through www.english-country-cottages.co.uk / 0345 268 0785.

<u>The Girnal – Littleferry, Golspie</u>

Property reference: CC511416







A large, period property on the shores of Loch Fleet this is the perfect property for a 'hygge' holiday with the whole family or group of friends. You can lie in bed and listen to the waters of Loch Fleet lapping its shores, relax by the open fire or wrap up warm to explore the local areas nearby. Located in a designated Nature Reserve, guests might be lucky to spot the seals that a regularly seen on the short outside the house, and the variety of birdlife, roe deer, red squirrels and pine marten that call the woodland home. During a visit, Dornoch Cathedral and Golspie's fairytale Dunrobin Castle with its formal gardens are a must-see. The many beaches in the surrounding area offer a relaxing spot to wander.

PRICE: £1,383 (£19.76pppn)* for seven nights' self-catered accommodation arriving 13th November 2016. Sleeps ten in five bedrooms with one pet welcome. Available through cottages.com / 0345 498 6900.

Retire to a cosy cottage bedroom...

Waterfall Wood Cottage - Glenridding, nr. Keswick

Property reference: UKC802







Nestled within the Lake District, Waterfall Wood Cottage is positioned amongst woodland next to a waterfall. The property is on one of the main walking routes to Helvellyn and enjoys fantastic views from the garden, which, when paired with the serene sound of the nearby waterfall, provides the perfect hygge setting! Ullswater and Keswick are close by and offer a range of activities including many lovely walks and cruises on the Ullswater Steamers. After a day out, the property's underfloor heating and wood burner give the property that welcome homely feel for you to retire to for the evening.

PRICE: £678 (£16.14pppn)* for seven nights' self-catered accommodation arriving 12th November 2016. Sleeps six in three bedrooms. Available through www.cottages.com / 0345 498 6900.

Scalby Lodge - The Barn - Scalby, Scarborough

Property reference: IXK







Situated in an idyllic clifftop setting near the seaside town of Scarborough, this stunning property is the perfect choice for a break with the whole family or group of friends. The bright, airy living room is stylishly presented and the wood-burning stove provides a lovely focal point, ensuring all guests are always warm and cosy even on the chilliest of evenings. The bedrooms all offer a relaxing space to rest in, getting you ready for adventures that follow the next day. What's more, with a private garden, play area for children and useful tourist information stored in the house, this property has something for everyone.

PRICE: £539 (£13.48pppn)* for four nights' self-catered accommodation arriving 14th November 2016. Sleeps ten in five bedrooms. Available through www.english-country-cottages.co.uk / 0345 268 0785.

*Hygge is creating a nice, warm atmosphere and enjoying the good things in life with good people around you.

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