

Magical Breaks for Muggles

This month marks 20 years since the world was introduced to Harry Potter, with the Philosopher's Stone hitting shelves on 26th June 1997. It's hard to think about the books without the enchanting film saga that followed – and the magical filming locations that featured within!

cottages.com and its family of brands have almost 700 properties within a ten mile radius from some of the most iconic filming locations seen in the movies, each providing the perfect base to explore and fall in love with the wizarding world all over again. Why not pack your bags and retrace the steps you've seen on screen? There isn't a better time for it.

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Alnwick, Northumberland

Perhaps the best place to start on your search for Harry Potter heaven is a trip to Northumberland. The iconic Alnwick Castle, home to Hogwarts and the setting for Madame Hooch's memorable flying lesson is located here and a visit is any must for wannabe wizards.

[Sea View – Shilbottle, near Alnwick](#)

Property reference: UK3034



An attractive stone-built terraced cottage, Sea View has open views across fields towards the sea on the horizon. Less than four miles away from the historic market town of Alnwick, the property is perfectly placed for all Potter fans that wish to explore Alnwick Castle. Though we can't promise any

flying lessons, a day at this castle is sure to enchant the whole family. After a day of exploring, return to the lovely and cosy ambiance of this charming cottage.

PRICE: £470 (£23.52pppn)** for four nights' self-catered accommodation arriving 21st July 2017. Sleeps five in three bedrooms. To book, visit www.cottages.com or call 0345 498 6900.

Durham, County Durham

Home to many Hogwarts scenes, a walk through Durham Cathedral will transport you smack into the heart of the Harry Potter films, re-living scenes such as Harry setting pet owl Hedwig flying in Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone, Ron's slug vomiting and Professor McGonagall teaching the young wizards to turn animals into water goblets in the Chamber of Secrets.

[Tithe Barn Cottages, The Hayloft – Easington Village, near Durham](#)

Property reference: UKC1938



Situated on a working farm, The Hayloft at Tithe Barn Cottages provides stunning holiday accommodation just outside of Durham. With an open plan layout that retains original Saxon features, guests will be blown away by this gorgeous hideaway - but when you can tempt yourself away, Durham Cathedral is just a short drive away. Once your Harry Potter fix has been gained, why not explore Easington Village or spend a day at the coast.

PRICE: £547 (£34.20pppn)** for four nights' self-catered accommodation arriving 10th July 2017. Sleeps four in two bedrooms. To book, visit www.english-country-cottages.co.uk or call 0345 268 0785.

Fort William, Scottish Highlands

Harry Potter fans should head to the Scottish Highlands for a real treat. Ideally located to explore the wild lands of wizardry that feature throughout the films, why not take a journey on The Jacobite Steam Train to experience what riding the Hogwarts Express is really like. Travelling over the Glenfinnan viaduct, seen in the film, it'll take a pinch to bring you back to real life.

[Fyvie Cottage, Fort William, Highlands](#)

Property Reference: W40411



Located in the heart of Britain's outdoor capital, Fyvie cottage enjoys superb uninterrupted views to Ben Nevis and the ski slopes of Aonach Mor. This is a well-equipped, bright and spacious detached holiday cottages and offers all the comforts of home and is close to the departure station for The Jacobite Steam Train.

PRICE: £600.00 (£21.42ppn)** for seven nights' self-catered accommodation arriving 15th July 2017. Sleeps four. To book, visit www.welcomecottages.com or call 0345 268 0816.

ENDS:

*Measured in June 2017.

***All per person per night prices are based on maximum occupancy.*

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