



# 48 HOURS IN...

## FOLKESTONE, HYTHE AND ROMNEY MARSH



Folkestone Harbour

A Victorian seaside resort in the midst of a cultural renaissance, charming market town with a rich history, and unique countryside coastline renowned for its unspoilt beauty. Welcome to the artistic, seaside chic of Folkestone, Hythe and Romney Marsh.

### DAY 1

#### Morning

Start your day in **Folkestone**, now known for its thriving Creative Quarter of artists' studios, laid back coffee shops, and internationally acclaimed Folkestone Artworks Collection. Explore The Old High Street and historic Bayle, and the stunning views from the Harbour Arm, before heading to **The Leas and Lower Leas Coastal Park**. Walk the mile-long clifftop promenade and descend the zig-zag path to the amphitheatre overlooking the sea and beaches.

[www.creativequarterfolkestone.org.uk](http://www.creativequarterfolkestone.org.uk)

### DAY 1

#### Afternoon

After lunch, head to the charming small town of **Hythe**, and take a stroll along The Royal Military Canal and the town's two-mile seafront promenade. If you fancy a quick climb, explore the 11<sup>th</sup> century church of St Leonards on a hill above the town.

End your afternoon with a visit to the outstanding **Port Lympe Hotel & Reserve**, 600-acre wild animal reserve with authentic safari experiences where more than 100 animals including zebra, giraffe and antelopes wander freely. The reserve is also home to big cats, black rhino, gorillas and much more!

[www.aspinallfoundation.org/port-lympne](http://www.aspinallfoundation.org/port-lympne)



Folkestone Creative Quarter



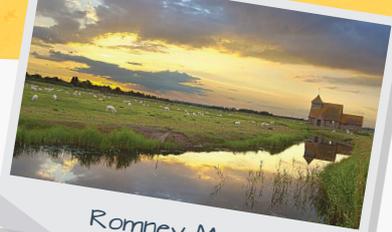
The Leas and Lower Leas Coastal Park



Port Lympe Hotel & Reserve

## DAY 2

### Morning



Romney Marsh

Start your second day with a bracing outdoor adventure along the unique coast and countryside of the **Romney Marsh**, where farmland is punctuated with historic churches and isolated villages. A great way to see the landscape is onboard the **Romney, Hythe and Dymchurch Railway** a 90 year old miniature railway that runs for 14 miles from Hythe to the shingle expanses at Dungeness.

 [www.rhdr.org.uk](http://www.rhdr.org.uk)

Jump off the train at **Dymchurch** and indulge in the traditional seaside fun of the fair with arcades, funfair rides, bucket and spades, and a long expanse of sandy beach at low tide.



Romney, Hythe & Dymchurch Railway

## DAY 2

### Afternoon



RSPB Reserve

Explore more of the Marsh and delve deeper into an iconic rural landscape that's inspired art, music, and literature for hundreds of years. Discover England's only desert at **Dungeness**, and explore the rugged beauty of the area at the RSPB Reserve. This striking, other-worldly landscape is as appealing to peaceful birdwatchers as it is to thrill-seeking kitesurfers!

 [www.visitromneymarsh.com](http://www.visitromneymarsh.com)

## WHERE TO EAT



**The Harbour Arm, Folkestone**  
[www.folkestoneharbourarm.co.uk](http://www.folkestoneharbourarm.co.uk)

**The Pullman, Folkestone**  
[www.thepullmanfolkestone.com](http://www.thepullmanfolkestone.com)

**Rocksalt, Folkestone**  
[www.rocksaltfolkestone.co.uk](http://www.rocksaltfolkestone.co.uk)

**Hythe Brasserie, Hythe**  
[www.hythebrasserie.com](http://www.hythebrasserie.com)

**Hythe Bay Seafood Restaurant, Hythe**  
[www.hythebay.co.uk](http://www.hythebay.co.uk)

**Beach 48, Dymchurch**  
[www.beach48.co.uk](http://www.beach48.co.uk)

**The Pilot, Dungeness**  
[www.thepilotdungeness.co.uk](http://www.thepilotdungeness.co.uk)

**The Snack Shack, Dungeness**  
[www.dungenesssnackshack.net](http://www.dungenesssnackshack.net)

**Woolpack Inn, Brookland**  
[www.thewoolpackinn.org/about-us](http://www.thewoolpackinn.org/about-us)



The Harbour Arm



Rocksalt

## WHERE TO STAY



### BUDGET £

**The Grand Burstin Hotel, Folkestone**  
[www.britanniahotels.com](http://www.britanniahotels.com)

### FOUR STAR ££-£££

**Best Western Plus Burlington Hotel**  
[www.theburlingtonhotel.com](http://www.theburlingtonhotel.com)

**Hythe Imperial, Hythe**  
[www.hytheimperial.co.uk](http://www.hytheimperial.co.uk)

**The View, Folkestone**  
[www.viewhotelfolkestone.co.uk](http://www.viewhotelfolkestone.co.uk)

### SPECIAL TREAT ££££

**Tiger Lodge**  
**Port Lympne Hotel & Reserve**  
[www.aspinallfoundation.org/port-lympne](http://www.aspinallfoundation.org/port-lympne)



The Burlington Hotel



Port Lympne Tiger Lodge



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