

Explore the Roseland's historic sights

The Roseland Peninsula has been designated part of Cornwall's Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty for the quality of its landscape and unrivaled coastal scenery. Here you will find secluded coves, delightful creeks, wooded countryside, pretty fishing and rural villages, tranquil beaches and scenic cliffs and headlands. The Roseland is also blessed with many historic sights to enjoy.



Take the passenger ferry from St Mawes to Falmouth

There has been a ferry running between St. Mawes and Falmouth since 1886. The latest vessel – the Duchess of Cornwall – was launched in 2008 when the Duke of Cornwall, HRH Prince Charles skippered her across the water. Connecting the old world fishing harbour of St Mawes with the bustling port of Falmouth, the route takes you on a magical journey along the Carrick Roads passing the impressive medieval castles of St Mawes & Pendennis, built by Henry VIII to protect Falmouth from invasion.

Photograph St Just-in-Roseland Church

St Just-in-Roseland has a very special 13th century church that boasts a 6th Century Celtic heritage. Set in unique, semi-tropical gardens bordering the tidal creek of the Percuil River it is also a photographer's dream. Legend has it that Joseph of Arimathea brought Jesus ashore here, and whether true or not many people do feel the presence of God when visiting — just as others have through the centuries.



Visit Caerhays Castle

Caerhays Castle has been owned by the Williams family since 1855 and they remain in residence today. Located in a sheltered valley overlooking beautiful Porthluney Cove, the estate is easily reached from The Nare. Home to the National Collection of Magnolias, the gardens draw much attention from horticultural enthusiasts in springtime, when they are open to the public for a limited time. Tours of the house are possible by prior arrangement only.







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Smugglers Cottage at Tolverne

Enjoying spectacular views of the river Fal River, Smugglers Cottage is one of the most beautiful landmarks in Cornwall. Overlooked by Tregothnan house, guests can sample the only tea grown in England in sight of the plantation itself! Perhaps its most famous guest visited in 1944 when General Eisenhower used the cottage to address thousands of US troops. Today we still fly the American flag to commemorate those servicemen who left this tranquil spot in Cornwall for Omaha beach, many of whom would never return home.

Tregothnan Estate and Gardens

The largest private botanical garden in Britain owned by Lord Falmouth and open to visitors strictly by appointment only. Tregothnan is home to the country's oldest Camellias and various historic gardening artifacts, including the only surviving Wardian Case (travelling greenhouse) in the world. It is also the only tea plantation in Britain, with many, many varieties available to taste and purchase in the estate shop. Visits include morning coffee or afternoon tea in their delightful summerhouse and a personal tour with the head gardener.



Suggested Arrangements

Transportation can be arranged to any of these sights using The Nare's chauffeur service. Alternatively directions can be provided including charming places to stop on route. Some of the sights above have a cafe or The Nare's head chef has a range of tempting treats for picnic lunches. There are also traditional Cornish pubs locally that can be recommended for a lunch time stop.

