

Looking for the perfect school residential trip?

You've found it!
Welcome to the Isle of Wight...



Why the Isle of Wight?

It's the **OVERSEAS ADVENTURE** without the hassles of going abroad!

EASY to get to, SAFE, great climate, SCORES of fascinating activities, WORLD-FAMOUS attractions, BEAUTIFUL beaches, OUTSTANDING hospitality and FANTASTIC value for money!





Why book with Education Destination?

We're actually **BASED** on the Isle of Wight and we specialise in arranging 100% bespoke trips to our island for school groups. We don't do anything else.

We'll arrange **EVERYTHING** you need, at a cost comparable to doing the legwork yourself - taking hassle away from your busy schedule and delivering a <u>MEMORABLE</u> trip that will be cherished for a lifetime!



WHY THE ISLE OF WIGHT?

The overseas adventure without the hassle!

- No port, tunnel or airport chaos
- No passports or visas
- No security queues or baggage limits
- No Covid certificates to manage
- No currency exchanges
- No language barrier
- No repatriation difficulties
- Known, fixed costs with no surprises





Easy to get to!

- Just over an hour from London
- Hop on our coach at school
- Relax on your journey to the port
- Toilet breaks scheduled for longer trips
- Drive onto the next available ferry
- Enjoy the sailing experience
- Arrive on the Island in no time
- Let the fun (and learning) begin!

Outstanding hospitality!

- Wide choice of accommodation types
- Hotels, dorms, camping, lodges ...
- Thousands of bed spaces
- Keen off-season pricing

- Most properties close to the beach
- Available for your exclusive use
- Full board meals basis
- Experienced, welcoming hosts





Massive choice of activities!

- Many FREE or low-cost activities
- Themed adventure parks
- Outdoor adventure & watersports
- Museums and historical buildings
- Natural wonders
- Seaside fun
- Sporting adventures
- Educational trails

World-famous visitor attractions!

- Osborne House
- Carisbrooke Castle
- The Needles rocks & lighthouse
- Alum Bay

- Blackgang Chine
- Compton Bay fossil grounds
- Dinosaur Isle
- ... and many more!





Incredible range of quality teaching / learning resources!

- Choice of over 750 resources
- Compiled by local teachers
- Curriculum-relevant in all subjects
- Differentiated by ability / key stage
- Pre/Post visit and on-site worksheets
- Detailed teacher notes
- Sample lesson plans
- FREE for Education Destination clients

Unprecedented support!

- Single point of contact
- Safety reports & risk assessments
- Pre-visit inspections arranged
- Everything booked on your behal
- Information and day-by-day guides
- Online access to all documents
- 24/7 telephone support during trip
- Low initial deposit





Great value!

- Cheaper term-time accommodation
- Visitor attraction off-peak deals
- Many free or low-cost activities
- Plenty of beaches and public spaces
- Save on passports, visas, currency
- Our bulk buying power = savings
- We save your time, therefore money!



ACCOMMODATION

Resort Hotels

- Vast choice of locations and sizes
- Close to the beach and other amenities
- Can be exclusively hired for your own private use
- Comfortable, en-suite rooms
- Serviced mealtimes
- Full board meals breakfast, packed lunch, dinner
- Students typically 2-5 to a room
- Adults 1-2 to a room





Student Accommodation

- Good choice of locations and sizes
- Private grounds with facilities and activities
- Hire exclusively or share with other schools
- En-suite or dormitory-style rooms
- Serviced mealtimes
- Full board meals breakfast, packed lunch, dinner
- Students typically 5-10 to a room
- Adults 1-4 to a room

Glamping

- Growing choice of locations and sizes
- Private grounds with facilities and activities
- Can be exclusively hired for your own private use
- Indoor or outdoor facilities (site dependent)
- Serviced mealtimes
- Full board meals breakfast, packed lunch, dinner
- Students typically 4-6 to a room
- Adults 1-4 to a room





Holiday Cottages and Chalets

- Choice of locations and building types
- Cottages, chalets, cabins, caravans
- Kitchen equipment removed or disabled for safety
- Indoor or outdoor facilities (site dependent)
- Serviced mealtimes
- Full board meals breakfast, packed lunch, dinner
- Students typically 2-5 to a room
- Adults typically 1-2 to a room



TRANSPORT

Island-based Coach Operators

- Used for short mainland journeys typically < 3 hours
- No overnight parking concerns
- No driver accommodation costs or safeguarding issues
- Local area experts = free knowledgeable tour guides!
- Lots of experience with Island venues and roads
- Access to spare vehicles on Island in case of breakdown
- Ability to split group over multiple vehicles once here
- Known, trusted drivers who work for us regularly





Mainland-based Coach Operators

- Used for longer mainland journeys / to add capacity
- Fuel and environmental impact savings
- Wider choice of vehicle sizes including minibuses and disabled-equipped
- More options in case of breakdown on mainland legs
- Fewer ferry crossings involved improves reliability
- Regular Island visitors, familiar with attractions
- All drivers DBS checked

Vehicle Ferry Crossings

Choice of three routes:

- Southampton <> East Cowes with Red Funnel ideal for Midlands visitors or those studying geography
- Portsmouth <> Fishbourne with Wightlink ideal for London / South East visitors or those studing history
- Lymington <> Yarmouth with Wightlink ideal for western / Welsh visitors or those studying geography





Passenger Ferry Crossings

Choice of three routes:

- Southampton <> Cowes in under 30 minutes
- Portsmouth <> Ryde Pier in under 30 minutes
- Southsea <> Ryde Beach in under 10 minutes
- Coaches can follow on afterwards by vehicle ferry allowing you to get to your first activities more quickly





BLACKGANG CHINE - Land of Imagination

A fertile base for activity play and learning - suspend disbelief and enjoy all the quirks as you experience the UK's oldest theme park. From nursery rhyme characters to pirates, cowboys, fairies and dinosaurs - <u>a</u>dd in thrill rides and you have the perfect mix for a fun day out!





ROBIN HILL COUNTRY PARK

88 acres of country park gives plenty of room for your group to run free and let off some steam. With a big mix of features and attractions, Robin Hill makes a great day out and excellent value for money. Why not try the giant hillside toboggan run?





TAPNELL FARM PARK

The perfect place for indoor and outdoor fun, connecting with and learning about domestic and exotic animals whilst going wild on the many activities such as soft play, jumping pillows, pedal go-karts, zipwires, giant hay bale climbing frames and much more!





THE NEEDLES: LANDMARK ATTRACTION

Home to the world-famous Alum Bay coloured sands and the birthplace of ship-to-shore radio, the Needles Attraction is a seaside fun attraction where you can also see the glassmaking process from end to end and find out how confectionery is made!





GOODLEAF TREE CLIMBING

Students will learn how to (safely!) climb a huge oak tree giving far-reaching views across the Solent back to the mainland. Sessions are delivered by mature instructors who encourage independent learning and foster a sense of self-belief in a fun and safe environment.





ISLE OF WIGHT AQUA PARK

The Island's bounciest and wettest attraction with over 20 massive obstacles to tackle, plenty of free-fall slides and fun but challenging elements to explore. Great fun for water confident students aged 8+. Wetsuits and buoyancy aids are provided as is expert supervision.





iSurf SURF SCHOOL

Taking place in the safe, sheltered waters of Sandown Bay, iSurf offers surfing and paddleboarding introductory lessons for ages 8+. Qualified instructors will ensure that beginners as well as more experienced students get the very most from their time here!





TACKT-ISLE ADVENTURES

Tackt-Isle have all the kit, skills and experience to help even complete beginners make the Island their playground - have a go at sailing, kayaking, stand-up paddleboarding, windsurfing or land-based activities including archery and bushcraft.





UKSA - The UK Sailing Academy

Offering young people of all abilities a range of water-based activities to learn skills for life in an aspirational and safe environment. Bespoke programmes are designed to build confidence and encourage teamwork using watersports as a catalyst for positive outcomes.





WIGHTWATER WATERSPORTS

Wightwater specialise in introducing school groups to the fun and excitement of watersports, in a safe and friendly learning environment. "Splash Sessions" are popular water confidence courses and can include sailing, surfing, windsurfing, paddleboarding and kayaking.





AMAZON WORLD

Amazon World is no ordinary zoo - it is packed with a huge range of unusual rare and exotic animals - around 200 different species spanning the entire animal kingdom. Learn about conservation and rainforests, and come face-to-face with the most endangered creatures.





HAVEN FALCONRY

Displays include various birds of prey including owls, Harris hawks, eagles, falcons and vultures. Take your seats at the woodland stage or show field and the knowledgeable falconers





Animals

ISLE OF WIGHT DEER FARM

334 acres of stunning scenery and woodland where visitors can take in the sights of beautiful deer as well as learning all about them. Walk through a planned route with the farm director to experience close-ups with these fascinating animals.





ISLE OF WIGHT DONKEY SANCTUARY

A registered charity providing a secure, peaceful and happy home for donkeys, horses and ponies which have been neglected, abandoned or are in need of lifetime care. Hands-on sessions mean you can get up close and personal with these lovely creatures!



THE ISLE OF WIGHT REPTILARIUM

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Marvel at the amazing reptiles and invertebrates - from snakes and lizards to snails, frogs and cockroaches. The Isle of Wight Reptilarium and Terrapin Sanctuary offers four different themed rooms filled with over 30 species to be discovered.



monkeyhaven primate - rescue - centre

MONKEY HAVEN

A rescue centre and sanctuary for primates and birds of prey who are in desperate need of care and attention. The animals housed here have had troubled pasts and would not be able to fend for themselves in the wild. Regular keeper talks take place throughout the visit.



WEST WIGHT ALPACAS AND LLAMAS

West Wight Alpacas is a trekking alpaca and llama stud farm set within 23 acres of picturesque countryside in the village of Wellow, and is home to a wonderful herd of unique Suri alpacas and wooly and Suri llamas.



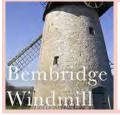


WILDHEART TRUST

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Long known simply as Isle of Wight Zoo, The Wildheart Trust is a wildlife centre built within the ruins of a Victorian fort on Sandown seafront. The trust is committed to providing a lifelong, loving home to rescued big cats, lemurs, primates and other animal residents.





BEMBRIDGE WINDMILL (NT)

Originally built around 1700, this is the only surviving windmill on the Island and has most of its original machinery intact over four floors accessed by steep steps. It was in operation throughout the Victorian period and only stopped producing in 1913.





BRADING ROMAN VILLA

The award-winning visitor centre and museum offers a unique insight into Roman life in Britain, from beautifully preserved mosaic floors to an extensive collection of Roman archaeology. Dedicated tour guides mean your group will get the most from their visit.





Historic

CALBOURNE WATER MILL

Set in 35 acres of stunning rural landscape, Calbourne Water Mill contains one of the oldest working water mills in the country, dating back to the Domesday Book. Watch milling demonstrations, visit the World War and Victorian museums and play adventure golf!





CARISBROOKE CASTLE

Sitting proud at the heart of the Isle of Wight, Carisbrooke Castle has been an artillery fortress, king's prison and royal summer residence. Climb the high walls or wander the moat, Discover Charles I's bowling green or Princess Beatrice's garden. Meet the donkeys.

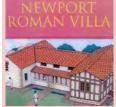




NEEDLES OLD BATTERY AND NEEDLES NEW BATTERY (NT)

Come and visit this diametric attraction - on one hand a Victorian coastal defence fort, and on the other a secret rocket testing site perched high above the world-famous Needles rocks! Find out how artillerymen lived and worked in this inhospitable place.





NEWPORT ROMAN VILLA

A Romano-British farmhouse constructed in 280AD and rediscovered only in 1926 when the owners of a nearby house went to build a garage! Extensive remains of a well-preserved farmhouse provide a fascinating insight into country life in third century Britain.



OSBORNE (House)

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Bring history to life and get a real insight into the private lives of Queen Victoria, Prince Albert and their children by visiting their Isle of Wight summer residence. Get hands-on with a Discovery Visit - become a servant and learn about life "below stairs"!





YARMOUTH CASTLE

A Tudor artillery fort built in 1547 by Henry VIII to protect Yarmouth Harbour from the threat of French attack. This small castle was initially equipped with 15 artillery guns and a garrison of 20 men. Today it sits nestled within the popular seaside town of Yarmouth.



Carisbrooke Castle

CARISBROOKE CASTLE MUSEUM

A local history museum set within the grounds of Carisbrooke Castle containing over 35,000 artefacts from social history, medieval history, King Charles I, ecclesiastical history, costume and military history, including photographs, paintings and decorative art.





DINOSAUR EXPEDITIONS

A field centre on the south coast of the Island displaying fossils predominantly recovered from local beaches, cliffs and fields. Expert-led beach fossil hunting expeditions are arranged from the centre on nearby beaches, some of the best locations in Europe.





Museums

DINOSAUR ISLE

A purpose-built interactive dinosaur and fossil museum showcasing the rich collection of artefacts discovered primarily on the Island. Students will engage with materials teaching about the formation of rocks, rock cycles and coastal erosion. Fossil-hunting beach trips.





ISLE OF WIGHT STEAM RAILWAY

A living, working museum with a heritage steam railway passing through 5.5 miles of unspoilt countryside. Step back in time to a bygone age! The Train Story interpretative museum has lots of hands-on exhibits for the group to try before their train ride.





MUSEUM OF ISLAND HISTORY

Discover the Island from pre-historic past to the present day with touch screen computers, hands-on exhibits, quizzes, games and microscopic exploration. Housed in Newport's Guildhall, designed by John Nash and built in 1816.





NATIONAL POO MUSEUM

The National Poo Museum exists to safely explore the amazing world of poo! Quirky, family-friendly humour helps break through the poo taboo to engage, entertain and inform visitors to help change how they think about this most astonishing substance!



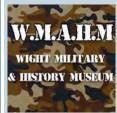




SHIPWRECK CENTRE & MARITIME MUSEUM

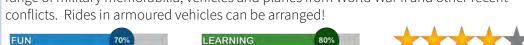
Bursting at the seams with thousands of objects recovered from shipwrecks, antique diving equipment, Spanish gold and silver, ship models and prehistoric objects. The centre facilitates sessions for schools and groups in a variety of maritime topics.

FUN 60% LEARNING 80%



WIGHT MILITARY & HERITAGE MUSEUM

The Wight Military & Heritage Museum is a charitable trust dedicated to preserving a wide range of military memorabilia, vehicles and planes from World War II and other recent conflicts. Rides in armoured vehicles can be arranged!





ISLAND PLANETARIUM

A fulldome virtual reality planetarium housed in a disused Victorian military fort. Run by local astronomy enthusiasts, a selection of four different shows are rotated daily, including "Space Cadets" which is especially aimed at KS2 ages.





SHANKLIN CHINE

Carved by mother nature's hands over thousands of years, the stunning tree-lined gorge that is Shanklin Chine cuts its mark from the Old Village down to the sandy beach and esplanade below. There are few places that can boast such a tranquil and picturesque location.

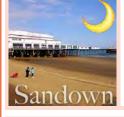




VENTNOR BOTANIC GARDEN

Nestling in the microclimate of the undercliff, this garden has a subtropical and exotic plant collection unlike any other in the UK. Britain's hottest garden, Ventnor Botanic is becoming increasingly relevant in the face of the climate emergency. Look out for wall lizards!





BEACH VISITS

The Isle of Wight is surrounded by stunning beaches, so it's no wonder that our groups like to take time out to explore and play. Our most popular outings are to the golden sandy shores of Sandown, Shanklin, Freshwater Bay and Totland Bay but we can arrange a trip anywhere.





DINO ISLANDS

A mini-golf adventure that takes players on a prehistoric journey into a forgotten land full of dinosaurs! Includes water features and life-sized models. This 18-hole course is suitable for all ages and includes sizzling volcanoes, rickety bridges and waterfall obstacles.





PIRATES COVE

An 18-hole pirate themed crazy golf course featuring waterfalls, caves, palm trees and a fully rigged pirate ship! On site you will also find other sideshows aimed at a younger audience such as mini go-karts, bumper boats, water zorbs, trampolines and a runaway train.

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Miscellaneous



ACTIVITIES



RYDE SUPERBOWL

A classic 10-pin bowling alley offering a popular indoor team building activity - makes a great evening out. The facility also offers a laser tag arena, and drinks, snacks etc. can be arranged in advance if required.









SWIMMING SESSIONS

We can arrange private hire swimming and pool play sessions in a number of locations across the Island, including Ryde's lido-style 25m pool with retractable roof for use on fair weather days. Qualified lifeguards always included.









WIGHT KARTING

Wight Karting offers the Isle of Wight's only all-weather outdoor karting track. This 520m floodlit facility offers unrivalled fun, excitement and safety for all ages 8+ using 4-stroke petrol karts in two sizes (age dependent).









WIGHT WARRIORS

Fancy something completely different on your next school trip? How about a thrilling evening of speedway (motorcycle dirt track racing)?! Every single group we have taken to Wight Warriors has had an amazing time meeting the riders and watching the action!



LEARNING







HOVERTRAVEL

Operating Europe's only commercial hovercraft service, Hovertravel runs crossings between Ryde and Southsea (Portsmouth) taking less than 10 minutes. A truly exciting but safe ride and a great alternative to the car ferry for thrill-seekers!



LEARNING







JR ZONE LASER ARENA

Imagine having a whole children's soft play area to yourself for an evening - darkened, full of atmospheric smoke and lighting effects, pumping music and two teams of 10 hurling themselves safely around the place with laser guns! Welcome to JR Zone...

FUN



LEARNING





NEEDLES PLEASURE CRUISES

Get up close and personal with the world-famous Needles! This short boat ride includes a detailed live commentary, which can be adapted to suit your age group or topic of interest. There's plenty of bird and marine life to observe too, including the occasional seal or dolphin!

FUN



LEARNING





QUARR ABBEY VISITOR CENTRE

Quarr is home to a small group of Benedictine monks who dedicate their lives to the glory of God. An unusual and sometimes puzzling place to visit, Quarr's visitor centre has been designed to show you what the abbey is as well as explain what the monks do, and why.













PROFESSIONAL DJ PARTY EVENING

We know that most schools want to host a memorable party evening before departing for home, so we work with a selection of the Island's best mobile DJs to ensure you will have a night to remember, for all the right reasons!









PROFESSIONAL STORYTELLER

The Isle of Wight is full of fascinating folklore, myths and legends. Our professional storytellers make for a perfect interactive evening with outrageous tales, props and costumes. All sessions are age-appropriate - no horror stories before bed!









RNLI LIFEBOATS BEMBRIDGE

A "Discover" RNLI station welcoming tour groups to educate them on the role of the RNLI in this rare behind-the-scenes opportunity. Students will learn about the types of situations the crews face on a regular basis, and pick up some great water safety tips.

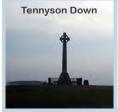




SPOTLIGHT THEATRE SCHOOL

Spotlight offers a range of educational workshops and a summer season of professional evening shows tailored to the 7-14 age group. Join a Whirlwind Workshop to look at lighting and audio technology, costume and make-up before making your singing or acting debut!





TENNYSON DOWN AND MONUMENT WALK

A popular excursion especially during the summer months, take the most scenic Island walk over Tennyson Down between Freshwater Bay and The Needles. This 4 mile coastal trek takes around 2 hours with a picnic stop.





THE MODEL VILLAGE, GODSHILL

Jam-packed full of meticulously and humourously crafted scale models of the local area in the early 20th century. Leave the hustle and bustle of modern life at the gate and keep your eyes peeled for little islanders at work and play!





Activities carrying the moon symbol can be arranged to take place in the evenings



The Top 10 symbol shows the most popular activities undertaken by our school groups



Full details for each activity are available at **www.edudest.uk** or call us on **01983 216220**

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ACTIVITIES

IW COASTAL TRAIL

A series of unique geography resources which can be used on a mix-and-match basis across 12 iconic Island locations ideal for teaching or self-led learning of key curriculum topics from KS2 to KS5.

Use them as a set to develop a focused field trip, or add to nearby attractions to include some useful learning or reinforcement into your itinerary.

All but one location are FREE to visit.





IW ARTS & LITERARY TRAIL

A series of 8 resources, ideas and topics designed for learners to engage with the rich arts, literary and historical heritage of the southern part of the Isle of Wight.

The resources act as prompts for ideas that students and teachers can explore either before, during or after their visit to the Island. It is teacher input that will make these crossover activities meaningful. Ideal for KS2 Upper.



IW CHURCH TRAIL

A series of 24 resources - 12 written for KS2 students and 12 for lifelong learners - exploring 1000 years of Christian history on the Isle of Wight in just 40 miles.

Each set features some of the Island's best loved and most ancient churches for you to visit. Perfect infill activities when visiting nearby attractions to include some useful learning or reinforcement into your itinerary.

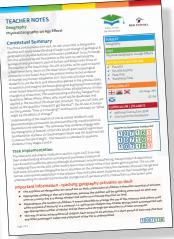




TEACHING RESOURCES











Choose from over 750 engaging, curriculum-relevant teaching resources developed by local qualified teachers with expert knowledge of Isle of Wight visitor attractions.

With a mixture of pre-visit, on-site and post-visit elements to integrate with your planned schemes of work and topics, each resource is paired with a detailed Teacher Note, Parent Note and in the case of classroom taught elements, sample Lesson Plans.

Resources are FREE of charge when booking your Isle of Wight residential with Education Destination!



ABOUT US

Education Destination is an Isle of Wight based business specialising in providing bespoke, curriculum-focused school trips to our lovely island.

We can provide a **full door-to-door service**, taking care of all of your requirements, or simply support you in making your own arrangements - organising **accommodation**, **transport**, venue **tickets** or curriculum support materials as you require.

We can ensure that your visit is **directly relevant to the key stage** of your student group and the curriculum subject(s), unit(s) and topic(s) that you are planning to teach.

Your whole trip is made **enjoyable and stress-free** because we help you design your perfect itinerary and provide all of the supporting materials you are likely to need.

We offer the **UK's most comprehensive collection** of unit-specific teaching resources along with unprecedented levels of support for trip organisers **FREE OF CHARGE** to our clients.

We've made it **easy** for you to create **outstanding** educationally relevant day trips and residential visits. Our comprehensive **Safety Management System** helps with the approvals process by ensuring that the service providers, attractions and venues in your itinerary are **regularly vetted** by a **qualified third party inspector**.

We work on a commission basis with all of our partners so that booking via Education Destination usually **costs no more** than booking direct. In fact, it can often be **cheaper**, AND you will benefit from unprecedented levels of support.

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We look forward to hearing from you!

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