

The Dartmoor Centres



Pixie's Holt



**Dartmeet, Dartmoor
Accommodation for groups of
up to 42
Fully catered**

Located in the small hamlet of Dartmeet. A beautiful moorland location with steep wooded valleys, open moorland and high dominating tors. Accommodation is warm and comfortable in bedrooms of 4-6 beds with en-suite hand basins. We offer a large common room with small kitchenette for group use, a separate dining room and modern toilet and shower facilities. Set in approximately two acres of private grounds there is a pond and a mixture of Dartmoor fauna and flora. There is ample parking for cars and minibuses. We offer a range of Outdoor Learning programmes and activities including moorland exploration, bushcraft, night walks, climbing, caving, orienteering, archery and mountain biking. Pixie's Holt is also an ideal base for a wide range of other interests and pursuits, such as personal development, field studies and the arts.

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Dartmoor Training Centre



**Two Bridges, Dartmoor
Accommodation for groups of
up to 50
Self catered or fully catered**

The Dartmoor Training Centre is situated on the banks of the West Dart River in the heart of the Dartmoor National Park. The Centre lies in a tranquil, secluded valley with easy access to the open moor making it a popular base for exploring this unique landscape. We offer a range of Outdoor Learning programmes and activities including moorland exploration, bushcraft, night walks, climbing, caving, orienteering, archery and mountain biking. The Dartmoor Training Centre is also an ideal base for a wide range of other interests and pursuits such as personal development, field studies and the arts.

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Activities



Bushcraft and Shelter Building (half-day)

Learn some of the skills of our Dartmoor ancestors! Fire lighting and shelter building form the core subject areas of this exciting and engaging session. Projects will depend on group size, age and conditions.

Outdoor Cooking (half-day)

Fire bread and nettle tea (or perhaps hot chocolate!) are just some of the tasty morsels on the menu during this session. Best combined with the previous session for a full-day bushcraft experience.

Archery (half-day)

A much-enjoyed activity, delivered by our own qualified tutors. Archery sessions reinforce the teaching of safe practice, using firm guidelines and codes of behaviour, as well as developing listening and sequencing skills, whilst of course indulging in a universally engaging activity.



Moorland Exploration (day or half-day)

See the sights and sounds of Dartmoor as we head out into the open moors to experience the wildlife, history and spirit of this unique landscape. Either a half-day circular walk from the Centre or a whole day reaching deeper into the moors taking our necessary provisions with us.

Orienteering (half-day)

Participants learn map reading and navigation skills and are then challenged in small groups to put their skills and teamwork to the test! We have a simple course in the grounds of the Centre and we have also established a much larger course in a nearby forest. This is a popular and rich learning experience offering the opportunity for safe remote supervision where appropriate.

Working Well Together (half day)

A series of tasks and challenges designed to explore the skills and benefits of good teamwork. Based in the Centre grounds using simple props, this session is a good kick-start for a residential programme.

Mountain Biking (half-day)

Explore forest trails with a qualified mountain bike leader. Route options vary according to the ability of the riders making this session inclusive to all but non-riders, inexperienced or recent beginners.

Caving (half-day)

The Dartmoor fringe is home to some extensive and nationally important cave systems. The caves at Pridhamsleigh offer a great opportunity for new and experienced cavers to explore the underground world. Sessions are led by qualified cave leaders and we supply caving suits, helmets and head torches.

Climbing/Scrambling/Weaselling/Abseiling – all things rock! (day or half-day)

This is a chance for groups to get up-close-and-personal with the very stuff that Dartmoor is made from: 'gripping granite'! This can be a half- or whole-day session and may include any of the tags mentioned above depending on preference, weather and group size and ability.

Search and Rescue (day)

There's an emergency on the moor! Can the group come together and use their skills and teamwork to save the day? Skills practised include search techniques, communications, basic casualty care and improvised stretcher building.

Night Walk (evening)

A crepuscular creep down local paths on the lookout for nocturnal encounters, or we'll head out onto the open moor for a taste of Dartmoor after dark.



Outdoor Learning

"When planned and implemented well, learning outside the classroom contributed significantly to raising standards and improving pupils' personal, social and emotional development"
Learning Outside the Classroom Ofsted 2008

Babcock LDP Outdoor Learning offers a wealth of Leadership and Continuing Professional Development courses including:

- First Aid for the Outdoors
- MTE Walking Group Leader training and assessment
- South West Mountain and Moorland Leader Training Scheme
- Outdoor Learning staff training to suit your needs

Training for Off Site Activities

In addition we can now offer Educational Visit Leader Training accredited by the Outdoor Education Advisers' Panel. This one-day course provides teachers and leaders with essential information and training in safe group management away from schools and settings including safe practice at the water's edge and on roads.

The Dartmoor Centres have over 30 years of experience of offering high quality, safe and accessible outdoor and residential education opportunities. We believe passionately in the value of outdoor learning within a wider school and youth work curriculum and endorse the comment made by Ofsted.

The Babcock LDP Outdoor Learning Centres each have a unique setting and appeal. Working closely with group leaders we are able to design and deliver the right programme to meet your needs, from adventurous activities to PSHE to creative writing and the sciences. For more details about what each centre can offer programmes and prices, please contact the Centre Manager.



CPD Courses

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