

FALMOUTH PORT

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HELFORD PASSAGE >

The Helford River Wends its way to the sea between The Lizard and Falmouth. It is one of the most picturesque estuaries in Cornwall, situated in a naturally beautiful area favoured by walkers, wildlife fans and boat lovers alike. You can find beaches at low tide as well as the 300-year-old Ferry Boat Inn where you can sit back and enjoy a cold drink and watch the children play just yard's away from the pub. On the north side of the estuary is where the ferry crosses the river from Helford Passage to Helford. The South West Coast Path passes nearby with a wonderful walk westward up the estuary towards the village of Gweek and strolling inland just a mile away are the sub-tropical gardens at Glendurgan.

BEACHES ∨

Maenporth Beach is a beautiful sloping sandy beach. This Beach offers great views across Falmouth Bay towards Pendennis Castle and some superb coastal walking opportunities onwards towards the Helford river area. Maenporth is 2 miles from Falmouth town centre and is approximately 45-60 min walk from Falmouth town centre via the South West Coast Path.

Swanpool Beach is on the west side of Falmouth, proud of its friendly, fun and welcoming environment. It is a delightful swimming cove with adjoining Swanpool Lake Nature Reserve where you can feed the ducks and the swans. There's a large carpark, crazy golf course, beach cafe, hire kayaks, or simply relax on the beach.

Gillyngvase Beach is the one of the most popular and largest beach in Falmouth, a Blue Flag status beach, with its wide arc of golden sand and inviting sea. It is less than 10 minutes walk from Falmouth Docks and Town Centre. Gylly Beach Cafe is built over the beach and offers fantastic views from its sun drenched terrace and is open all year round.



PENDENNIS CASTLE >

Situated on a headland overlooking the bustling town of Falmouth, Pendennis is one of Henry VIII's finest seaside castles. The castle has defended Cornwall since Tudor times and played a vital role protecting the coast during the two World Wars. The Castle is a coastal fortress with unmissable views. Travel back to wartime Cornwall, climb to the top of the castle keep, and enjoy acres of green space at this historic gem. This destination is popular with families, the castle keep is a great place to explore and let imaginations run wild.



ST ANTHONY'S HEAD >

St Anthony Head is a National Trust property situated at the western tip of the Roseland Peninsula. It overlooks the entrance to the Carrick Roads and the estuary of River Fal, said to be one of the world's three largest natural harbours.

Here you will find the former St Anthony Battery, built in 1895-97 to defend the mouth of the River Fal. It was used during both World Wars before being decommissioned in 1956. Most of the buildings remain and can be walked around, the path below the walls leading to a bird hide overlooking a hidden cove.



ST MAWES CASTLE >v

Beautifully positioned overlooking the Fal Estuary, St Mawes Castle is among the best-preserved of Henry VIII's seaside fortresses - and the most elaborately decorated of them all. For 450 years, St Mawes protected the port of Falmouth against invasion, alongside its sister fortress - Pendennis Castle. It was one of the Tudor forts commissioned by the King to counter the threat from Catholic Europe. Today, displays and exhibits give a deeper insight into life inside the castle, and a children's trail highlights its stories for younger visitors.



CARRICK ROADS

Carrick Roads is the estuary of the River Fal on the South coast of Cornwall. This area is favoured by ornithologists for birdwatching especially the waders and water birds that visit in autumn and winter.



FALMOUTH CRUISE SHIP AMBASSADORS >

Who are the Falmouth Cruise Ambassadors?

Established in 2006 by a local group of just six residents, seventeen years later we are now thirty-three strong and have proudly gained a worldwide reputation. Our volunteer group consists of mainly retired men & women all with a passion for Falmouth and Cornwall and keen to share the beautiful region we live in with the thousands of cruise ship passengers who visit each year.

In December 2016 Falmouth was judged to be the Best Coastal Community Town in the Great British High Street awards - a highly prestigious national accolade which the town was absolutely delighted to receive. And in March 2017 the town was deemed by the Times newspaper to be one of the 'coolest' places to live and furthermore also topped a poll by readers of the influential Sunday Times to be the best place to live in the whole of the U.K. Is it any wonder that we're all so very proud of our marvellous town!

Known as the 'pale blues' due to the distinctive uniform we wear we're down on the quayside to meet and greet every cruise ship that calls offering help, information and directions. During our existence we've gained many national and local awards including a gold award from Enjoy England in 2008 for outstanding customer service and in March 2016 we were honoured to receive the Spirit of Falmouth award on the personal commendation of Falmouth Town Mayor Councillor John Body.

You can find more information on our website - <https://falmouthcsa.co.uk/index.shtml>

We look forward to welcoming passengers into Falmouth.



FALMOUTH DOCKS >

Home to one of the world's largest natural deep-water harbours, A&P's Falmouth facility is the largest ship-repair complex in the UK.

With three large graving docks and extensive alongside deep-water berthing providing capacity, A&P Falmouth provides a complete range of marine repair services. A&P Falmouth is also a busy working port, handling over 100,000 T of product annually. This helps to support a strong and local supply chain.

Our neighbours, Pendennis Shipyard, is one of the world's leading superyacht refit and custom build facilities renowned for its diverse sailing and motor yacht projects. Pendennis employs over 450 highly skilled tradespeople and has seen its people ethos rewarded with over 20 awards since its foundation.



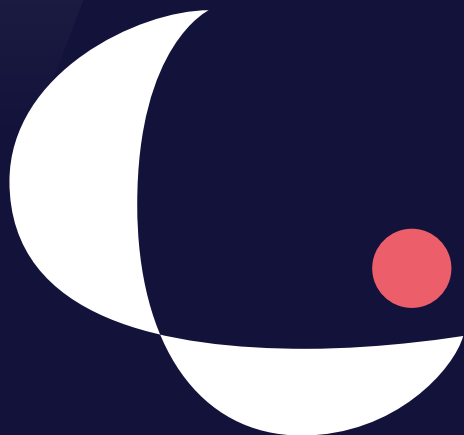
FLUSHING >

Flushing is a lovely green coastal village found opposite the busy port of Falmouth. The village is known for its yearly Regatta week in July. Entertainment and dining comes in the form of the Seven Stars, a riverside pub in Fal area and the well-considered seafood restaurant, the Waterside. Its small sandy Kiln beach is popular in the summer months. Flushing has a slightly different feel to it, perhaps because it was settled by a Dutch community in the 17th century, who hailed from Vlissingen in Holland, also known as Flushing. Various ships' captains also favoured this village and built themselves impressive Queen Anne style houses. Henry VIII intended to build a castle on Trefusis Point, to accompany those built at Pendennis and St. Mawes, but due to the expensive wars was unable to finance it.



NATIONAL MARITIME MUSEUM >

National Maritime Museum has over 15 galleries, a boatbuilding workshop, interactive exhibits and a collection that spans The National Small Boat collection, exciting temporary exhibitions, artworks, maps and charts, memorabilia and other objects there's plenty to explore. The lookout tower can be seen from the County Wharf.



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FALMOUTH ART GALLERY >v

About the Gallery

Award-winning Falmouth Art Gallery is one of the leading art galleries in the South West - located in the centre of the vibrant coastal town of Falmouth, a place shaped by stories of the sea and an up-and-coming cultural destination.

Family-friendly and free, the gallery stages an exciting and ambitious exhibition programme, regularly changing displays from its outstanding art collection and an innovative community engagement programme.

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About the exhibition

Falmouth Art Gallery will be home to a major touring exhibition this summer telling the story for the first time of the links between Arthurian legend and the Pre-Raphaelite artists - giving an exclusive opportunity to see the entire Lady of Shalott series of paintings by John William Waterhouse together for the first time.

The Legend of King Arthur: A Pre-Raphaelite Love Story traces the legend of King Arthur and signposts the various relics and landmarks across the country - creating a free-to-enter immersive experience allowing audiences to walk in Arthur's footsteps and seeing it through new eyes.

See the entire Lady of Shalott series of paintings by English painter John William Waterhouse. Painted over a twenty-year period, these have never been exhibited together in the UK.

Oil studies, drawings and sketchbooks from the series and Waterhouse's personal copy of 'Tennyson's Poems' with drawings and annotations will also be displayed.

Running from 17 June 2023 until 30 September 2023.

