



Golden Horizon, Fowey, 2021

Fowey

Warm, friendly, a place where memories are made



Fowey, located on the south coast of Cornwall, is a deep-water port accessible in all weather and states of tide. The ship's mooring is just a stone's throw from the landing pontoon and passengers couldn't be closer to the heart of this beautiful Cornish town.

Fowey has a strong Celtic connection, maritime history and literary involvement with Daphne du Maurier, Rosamunde Pilcher and many more including the successful Poldark series. The picturesque town centre has a variety of shops and eateries to enjoy, all set amongst the historic buildings of Fowey.

As the ship becomes the centre of attraction you are assured of a proper Cornish welcome.

There is a diversity of wonderful gardens and exciting shore excursions to experience, from the world-famous Eden project and Lost Gardens of Heligan to stately homes and steam railways, all within a short distance of this historic port. We look forward to welcoming you to Fowey and helping to create special memories.

View our new virtual tour here

Top Five Facts about Fowey

1. Nestled within an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB), the Fowey Estuary is treasured for its unspoilt natural beauty. The creeks and coves are home to a diversity of wildlife which are protected by a Marine Conservation Zone.
2. Your ship will truly take centre stage on its mooring right in the heart of Fowey – passengers can immerse themselves in the Cornish lifestyle whilst the ship will be the ‘talk of the town’.
3. Fowey was the home of the famous writer Daphne Du Maurier and you’ll live and breathe the inspiration for her novels. Fowey also has literary links to Rosamunde Pilcher and the Poldark series.
4. The world-famous Eden Project and Lost Gardens of Heligan are just nearby. Enjoy the sub-tropical paradise of these gardens which thrive in our mild Cornish climate.
5. Steeped in maritime history, the buildings of Fowey tell the tales of its past. The ancient castles at the deep-water entrance once guarded the harbour from Spanish fleets and, in the heart of the town, the towers of the 14th-century St. Fimabrrus Church and 15th-century Place House stand proud.

Experience Fowey

Eden Project

Just 7 miles from Fowey, the Eden Project is nestled in a huge crater. Here, massive biomes house the largest rainforest in captivity, stunning plants, exhibitions and stories serve as a backdrop to the striking contemporary gardens, summer concerts and exciting year-round family events.

Link: <https://www.edenproject.com/>

Lost Gardens of Heligan

The award-winning Lost Gardens of Heligan extend to some eighty acres of superb pleasure grounds together with a magnificent complex of walled gardens and a huge, productive vegetable garden. Lying at the heart of one of the most mysterious estates in England, Heligan, the former seat of the Tremayne family, is now the site of the largest garden restoration in Europe.

Link: <https://www.heligan.com/>

Lanhydrock House

One of the most fascinating and complete late 19th-century houses in England, Lanhydrock is full of period atmosphere. The garden has a stunning collection of magnolias, rhododendrons and camellias, and offers fine colours right through into autumn. All this is set in a glorious estate of 364ha (900 acres) of woods and parkland running down to the River Fowey, with an extensive network of footpaths.

Link: <https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/lanhydrock>

Bodmin & Wenford Railway

This heritage railway is the only full-size railway in Cornwall where you can see and ride steam hauled trains. The 13 mile long railroad allows passengers to experience the charm and appeal of the ‘Steam Era’ while enjoying the sights of the Cornish countryside.

Link: <https://bodminrailway.co.uk/>

Fowey's Creeks and Coves

Using ship's boats, embark on an expedition to explore the peace and tranquility of the Upper Fowey Estuary on this guided tour. Discover the variety of wildlife and birds that can be found here, if you watch carefully you may see a blue flash as a kingfisher flies by. Meander upstream through the saltmarshes to the ancient stannary town of Lostwithiel to visit the 13th Century Restormel Castle and the town's eclectic mix of shops.

Link: <https://foweyharbour.co.uk/explore-fowey/>

Fowey's Hall Walk and Heritage Tour

The Hall Walk is a favourite circular 4 mile walk with breath-taking views of Fowey Harbour, through the woodland around the tranquil Pont Creek. You'll get a birds-eye view of the ship on it's moorings from the many vantage points along the walk. Explore the heritage of Fowey on a guided tour of the town on foot or by land train.

Link: <https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/fowey-estuary/trails/fowey-hall-walk>

Charlestown Harbour

Set on the rugged, stunning, South Cornish Coastline, Charlestown is the last open 18th Century Georgian harbour in the UK and is proud to be a UNESCO world heritage site. When you enter Charlestown Harbour you are transported back in time. The Harbour has a unique history and geography and remains a vibrant working port, with classic Tallships, beautiful beaches and great places to eat and drink whilst enjoying the breathtaking views.

Link: <http://www.charlestownharbour.com/>

King Arthur's Cornwall

Immerse yourself in history, myths and stunning scenery at Tintagel Castle, set high on Cornwall's rugged north coast between Padstow and Bude. Inextricably linked with the legend of King Arthur, for centuries this dramatic castle and coastline has fired the imaginations of writers, artists and even the brother of a king. Now it's your turn to be inspired.

Link: <https://www.english-heritage.org.uk/visit/places/tintagel-castle/>

Picturesque Poldark Country

Explore Ross and Demelza's 18th century world of mining, smuggling and fishing on this tour of Cornwall's beautiful and rugged landscapes.

Link: <https://www.visitcornwall.com/poldark/blog/poldark-film-locations>

Wheal Martyn - Cornwall's China Clay Museum

Home to the UK's only china clay mining museum, Wheal Martyn tells the story of Cornwall's largest mining industry, which is still alive today. The museum, set in 26 acres of grounds, incorporates a preserved Victorian clay works and gives a fascinating insight into this important industry which shaped the lives, landscape and economy of Cornwall's Clay Country and beyond.

Link: <https://www.wheal-martyn.com/>

Port Info

Time zone : GMT

Operational hrs : 24 hrs

Enquiries & reservations : reception@foweyharbour.co.uk

Lat & Long : 50° 19' N 004° 38' W

Prevailing weather : South Westerly

Distance to landing stage in nm : 0.1nm
Berth information : Mooring – Anchors/Buoy
Vessel length : 230m inside / unlimited outer anchorage
Vessel width : 35m inside / unlimited outer anchorage
Air draft restrictions : Nil
Vessel draft : 8.5m inside / unlimited outer anchorage
Depth on berth : 8m but can be increased depending on tidal conditions
Largest cruise ship : Europa 2
VTS Channel : 12
Max ship dimension : 230m inside / unlimited outer anchorage
Pilotage : Complusory
Tugs : 2 Tugs (1 x 32T BP, 1 x 23T BP)
Security facilities : ISPS Compliant
Gangway : N/A
Fresh water : No
Power suppy : No
Fuel supply : No
Hot works/painting/lifeboats : Possible with permission of Harbour Authority
Waste handling : By prior arrangement

Facilities

Terminal building : No
Currency exchange : Local Post Office
Internet access : Yes
Telephones : Yes
Mailbox : Yes
Taxi rank : No but taxis can be arranged via the Harbour Office
Distance to railway station : 5 miles/8 kms
Distance to airport : 22 miles/35 kms
Banks/ATM : ATM Barclays Bank, cash withdrawals at local Post Office
Restaurant/cafe : Wide variety of restuarants and cafes available

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