



Caroline Cottage sleeps 6 (double + basin, twin + basin, bunk room). The Dungeon annex (sofabed, shower/loo) is available to sleep two extra. Please contact us for details.



Mousehole's sheltered harbour and beach are ideal for children, but please remember that on open beaches the waves and currents can be very strong.

Caroline Cottage

Mousehole

near Penzance

Cornwall



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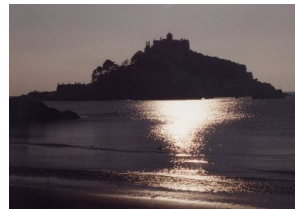
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MOUSEHOLE ("Mowzel"), described by Dylan Thomas as the prettiest village in England, is set around a tidal harbour and small sandy beach, once home to the traditional pilchard-fishing fleet. Full of winding paths and picturesque cottages, it is now largely a conservation area.

In December and January the spectacular harbour lights and traditional Tom Bawcock celebrations (the legend brought to life in Antonia Barber's book "The Mousehole Cat") make Mousehole a magical place. Occasional south-easterly storms can send waves crashing over the harbour walls, whilst the harbour itself is protected by its winter barrier.

EATING AND SHOPPING

Restaurants: 2 Fore Street, Old Coastguard, Ship Inn, plus various cafés Shop/newsagent,/Post Office. Fish and chip shop. Galleries and gift shops. (Check opening times in low season).

The PENWITH PENINSULA: some of its loveliest spots are in easy reach of Mousehole - hidden coves like Penberth; the Minack Theatre at Porthcurno; Land's End and the wild north-west coast; St Ives with its Cornwall Tate Gallery; Marazion with its artists' galleries and the causeway to St Michael's Mount. Seals can sometimes be seen, including from the Mousehole rock pools. Basking sharks pass the coast in early summer.

Walks from Mousehole include to the neighbouring villages of Paul (beautiful church, good pub) and Sheffield, or further afield to Lamorna Cove and The Wink Inn. Regular minibuses run to the fishing port of Newlyn (buy local crab and fish, visit Newlyn Art Gallery) and to Penzance - plenty of shopping and eateries. Penzance has a mainline rail station and good bus services to St Ives and Marazion etc., the "Scillonian" ferry to the Isles of Scilly - so there are plenty of car-free options.

CAROLINE COTTAGE is a deceptively spacious granite cottage, situated on the main street and backing onto Keigwin Place some 50 yards from the harbourside.

The bedrooms and bathroom are at street level and the living areas upstairs. From the open-plan lounge and balcony there are wonderful views over the rooftops (complete with seagulls) and St Clement's Isle, and across Mount's Bay to St Michael's Mount. The spacious kitchen/dining room has a traditional Cornish range and a well-equipped wood-fitted kitchen. Our studio annexe, "The Dungeon", is at a lower level on Keigwin Place.

2001 was our first letting year - we continue to run bookings ourselves so that we can respond in person to your queries. After your stay we welcome any suggestions for added comfort. Our aim is that you find the cottage both beautiful and homely, to make your holiday a real pleasure - and hopefully one that you will look forward to repeating!