



Spring greetings from Three Gates Farm Holiday Cottages

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Escape to the Country



'Escape to the Country' viewers rarely get to find out what happened next but this is set to change. Popular presenter Jules Hudson recently spent the afternoon with us at Three Gates Farm, filming the first ever revisit, looking at how our life has changed after buying 'property number 2'.

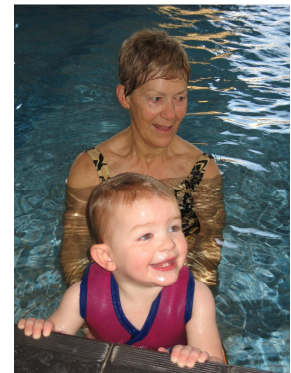
We first saw Three Gates Farm whilst filming for the BBC programme 'Escape to the Country'. Our episode has been aired three times to date (from series 10). Our revisit will appear alongside another couple's search and is likely to be shown soon. We'll send a quick email out as soon as we know the date.

News from Three Gates Farm

Swimming lessons

More and more of our guests have booked private lessons with Kristina, our super teacher, during their stay and been delighted with the results. Children and adults have improved leaps and bounds, having lots of fun in the process and many have learnt to swim here. Under Kristina's guidance, babies from 4 weeks old have enjoyed being in (and under) the water. Parents have gained confidence and ideas and taken some priceless underwater photos - all very exciting.

Our large pool is heated to 30 degrees and offers the perfect opportunity for you to focus on swimming during your holiday.



Romance

Over the past few months, we've had several honeymooners stay and a guest even popped the question in May Cottage. We're keen to keep the romance alive at Three Gates, so if you'd like to spice things up, please ask about our romantic package.

Availability

This spring is bringing lots of enquiries. If you're interested in visiting Three Gates Farm this year, do check dates with us now.

- **School holidays:** we still have some availability during the summer holidays and October half term.
- **Christmas and New Year:** plan ahead and book now, then breathe a sigh of relief to have these important end of year celebrations sorted.
- **Family get togethers, celebrations, time away with friends:** our five cottages sleep up to 22 in total – perfect for group gatherings.
- **Short breaks:** we offer reduced rates for short breaks outside of school holidays.



What's new at Three Gates?

Three Gates is looking good! Over the past few months, we've had the sauna refurbished, new flooring laid and the kitchens refurbished in The Smithy, The Long Barn and the Granary and a lovely new sofa suite in The Granary. Thank you for your valuable feedback!



Places to visit locally

[Devon County Show](#), 17 – 19 May

Plenty of entertainment for everyone, including livestock, steam engines, vintage cars and motorbikes, country life, flowers and gardens.



Sidmouth FolkWeek, 3 – 10 August

The 2012 festival sees top-class line-ups taking centre stage and includes concerts, ceilidhs, pub sessions, dance displays and children's activities.



The World of Country Life

Acres of fun for all the family, including safari train ride, which stops for deer feeding, getting up close and personal with farm animals, goat walking, Hall of Transport (steam engines, vintage cars and classic motorcycle collection) and plenty of indoor and outdoor play.

Exmouth beach

It's a real treat to spend the day on the 2-miles of stunning sandy beach at Exmouth. Three Gates Farm is well situated for exploring both the North and South Devon Coasts.



Bicton Park Botanical Gardens

These magnificently landscaped gardens combine provide year round enjoyment for all ages including historic glasshouses, train ride, walks and indoor and outdoor children's play areas.

National Trust

Our local National Trust properties delight in every season. During your stay at Three Gates, visit Knightshayes Court (on the doorstep), Killerton, à la Ronde, Dunster Castle, Arlington Court and Castle Drogo.



We hope to see you soon at Three Gates Farm. Please do let us know if you would prefer not to receive any further newsletters.

With our best wishes

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