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Julia Brookes, our travel doctor, answers your queries

**Where to go and
where to stay
after the lockdown**



1 Linea in Devon

50 great hideaways in the UK

From palatial houses by the sea to cabins in the woods and off-grid retreats, **Richard Mellor** picks the best escapes

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1 Swanky Devon pad

Hidden by trees above north Devon's coast, luxury Linea, near Combe Martin, is as unique as holiday homes come. It's geometric with glass exterior walls, under a tilting roof with minimalist interiors, including the odd modern art print. Light pours into the five huge bedrooms and, in the sofa area, views of the sea stretch to the horizon giving a sense of being enveloped by nature. Saunter along the South West Coast Path to Ilfracombe or lounge by the heated infinity pool outside.

Details Seven nights' self-catering for ten from £9,250 (uniquehomestays.com)

2 Family beach house in Kent

You'll find free prosecco and homemade jam waiting at Whitstable Beach House, a terraced seafront cottage. The owners have also employed natty design touches — a model ship and hanging plant here, herringbone floors and iron-rail beds there. With room to sleep six in two double bedrooms and a mezzanine nook, it's perfect for families, with paddleboarding on offer from Whitstable's shingle beach.

Details Seven nights' self-catering for six from £1,750 (kiphideaways.com)



Whitstable Beach House in Kent

3 Cottage in Suffolk

Visitors to the coastal village of Orford are spoilt for choice. They can climb Orford Castle's polygonal keep, go crabbing off the nearby quay, treat themselves to goods in the award-winning Pump Street Bakery, cruise up the River Alde or look for Chinese water deer in Orford Ness. Riverside Ferry Cottage is the ideal base from which to do all that, or to relax in its large, rose-flanked garden with its summer house and sun-soaked conservatory.

Details Seven nights' self-catering for seven from £1,250 (ferrycottageorford.com) ▶