



20 per cent for stays between July 3 and September 6; the price is now £792, down from £990 (pitchup.com). The pods fit two adults and two children, with a double sofa bed and fold-away beds for children. You have free access to the resort's facilities including showers, bar, outdoor pool and adventure playground. There's evening entertainment, and the 21-acre site is close to white-sand beaches. Or try one of the large "geo dome" tents at Perran Sands Holiday Park in Perranporth, Cornwall. A seven-night stay is from £948 (35 per cent off) for a family of six arriving on July 20 (0871 2301900, haven.com).

37 Big houses with bargains

The Big Domain (thebigdomain.com) has more than 400 houses on its books, with discounts of 20 per cent on several properties suitable for large groups. A week at Shirwell Farmhouse in Barnstaple, Devon (sleeping ten), is £850 from June 27 (down from £1,060). The house has modern rooms, a garden and a big dining room. Or the Tower in Selkirk in the Scottish Borders, sleeping 11, is £2,285 (previously £2,935) for the week starting July 10. It's a historic tower that's been given a stylish makeover, and has several weeks free over the summer.

38 Cottage stay in south Devon

Coast & Country Cottages (01548 843773, coastandcountry.co.uk), which specialises in south Devon, has dozens of properties with availability in the school holidays and prices down by 10 per cent: 25 Burgh Island, a modern apartment sleeping four in Bigbury-on-Sea, is now from £1,649 a week beginning July 18 and 25 (£200 less than usual). It's by a beach, overlooking Burgh Island, with the use of a pool and hot tub.

39 Hotel and garden tour in Norfolk

Congham Hall is a stylish hotel with pretty gardens near King's Lynn. From Sunday to Thursday until July 28 it has four nights' half board in a garden room with private patios for the price of three (01485 600250, conghamhallhotel.co.uk /our-summer-garden-offer). The package includes two tickets to Sandringham, entry to the LightScape exhibition at Houghton Hall, and three herbs of your choice from their garden. It costs £748.50 for two people, saving £249.50.

40 Cheap at Chatsworth House

The four-star Cavendish Hotel at Baslow in Derbyshire is on the Chatsworth estate and is owned by the Duke and Duchess of Devonshire (cavendish-hotel.net). It has three nights' B&B for £525, saving £177 on the normal rate for arrivals from Sunday to Wednesday visits. The hotel has a sun terrace and two restaurants. It's a short walk to Chatsworth House and garden (chatsworth.org).

41 Narrowboats in Cheshire

Skipper a narrowboat for a week in Cheshire departing July 18 for £260 off the brochure price, paying £1,499 for up to eight people (0345 4986130, hseasons.co.uk). The boat is on the Trent & Mersey Canal, and takes you to the pretty village of Lymm, with ten locks, an aqueduct and the 15m rise of the Anderton Boat Lift.



42 Forest of Dean breaks

Get a 55 per cent discount on a three-night weekend break starting next Friday at Whitmead Forest Park (retreats.csmclub.co.uk). The price is £238 for the apartment, which sleep up to six. There are deals over the summer at the park's log cabins, lodges and apartments, all next to ponds or in clearings in woodland with access to an indoor pool, hot tubs, sauna, and a restaurant.

43 Coastal cottages

Luxury cabins, apartments and cottages, all four or five-star, are 10 per cent off from Blue Chip Holidays (0333 3317995, bluechipholidays.co.uk). Seven nights self-catering in Brixham, Devon, is from £999, arriving on July 25, saving £111. The apartment has sea views and sleeps before in three bedrooms. Book on or between June 30 for July 24 to August 29.

44 Cut-price Cornwall

Hideaways has 15 per cent off the usual rates on cottages until July 4. Rose Cottage sleeps three and is within the Tamar Valley, a World Heritage site, and close to several famous gardens. Or try Porthia, the ground floor of a fishermen's cottage in St Ives. Rose Cottage costs £497 for seven nights (saving £88), or a week's stay at Porthia is from £539 (saving £95) from Hideaways (01747 828170, hideaways.co.uk).

45 Farm cottages in Norfolk

The artists Henry Moore, Barbara Hepworth, Ben Nicholson and Ivon Hitchens often stayed at Church Farm by the coast in Happisburgh. A series of cottages, each named after one of the artists, can be rented, with discounts of 20 per cent until July 25. The cottages sleep between four and six. A seven-night stay in Nicholson Cottage, which sleeps four, is from £389 (saving £97) from Norfolk Country Cottages (01263 715779, norfolkcottages.co.uk).

46 Manor houses in Devon

If you're planning a big family get-together in the West Country, Helpful Holidays (01647 434063, helpfulholidays.com) has some last-minute discounts. Among its offerings is a Georgian manor house sleeping 18 on the edge of Combe Hay near Bath, which is now £5,600 for the week of July 24 or August 14 — £750 a week off. The house has 98 acres of grounds, seven bedrooms, a barn with

games and a hot tub for 12. Or a Tudor manor sleeping 22 in east Devon is now £5,225 a week from July 3 or July 17 — down by £1,307. Cadhay is a grade 1 country house with magnificent gardens; it is close to Ottery St Mary and five miles (8km) from the coast at Sidmouth.

47 Short break in Bath

Bailbrook House Hotel is set in a grade II listed building with a well-regarded restaurant and plenty of car spaces. It has cut its rate by 20 per cent on dinner B&B packages to £179 a night including a glass of wine and a three-course meal in its Cloisters restaurant (0845 458 0905, handpickedhotels.co.uk). Quote the reference PPSUI5 when booking.

48 Savings in John O'Groats

John O'Groats is home to a series of well-designed, sleek three-bedroom timber lodges — each sleeping six — that look out across the seascape at the symbolic top of mainland Britain. They're a short walk to the famous signpost marking the northerly spot, and sandy beaches are close by, as are dramatic cliffs along well-marked trails. Natural Retreats (01625 839362, naturalretreats.com), which runs the lodges, has cut the price of a week by 20 per cent this summer, with a week starting August 8 now at £1,045. A week in a two-bedroom apartment at the nearby Inn at John O'Groats is from £904.

49 Cottages in mid-Wales

Brecon Beacons Holiday Cottages (01874 676446, breconcottages.com) has 20 per cent off a raft of cottages. For example, Blacksmiths House, near Sennybridge, is a 16th-century farmhouse that's been tastefully restored. It sleeps eight in four bedrooms, and a week's stay before July 11 is from £610 — which works out as £152 off. Or try Table Mountain View cottage, a 17th-century cottage sleeping four in the village of Llangattock. It's now £334 a week, £80 off. For other cottage deals in Pembrokeshire, take a look at Coastal Cottages of Pembrokeshire (01437 772760, coastalcottages.co.uk).

50 Luxury hotel for less near Durham

Save while staying at Seaham Hall, a five-star boutique hotel perched on a cliff-top. The hip hotel, which has a first-rate spa with a pool and outdoor hot tubs, is offering three nights for the price of two when staying in a junior suite. The price is £366 B&B for stays between Sunday and Thursday (0191 516 1400, seaham-hall.co.uk; www.durhamheritagecoast.org). All holidays available as we went to press Tom Chesshyre and Jane Knight

