



The Year-That-Shall-Not-Be-Named is finally behind us and getting smaller and smaller as we hightail it towards a life that somewhat resembles 2019. Okay, so we're kind of glossing over the current situation a little bit because, well, you know, Lockdown 3; but if there's one thing we've gotten really good at over the past year it's looking ahead with rose-tinted spectacles on our face, a glass half full in our hands and positive vibes in our soul (or something like that). So, yes, even though we're not globetrotting like a newly invigorated James Bond just yet, that doesn't mean you can't get excited about life-after-the-pandemic -- and the best way to do that probably involves booking your summer escape now... to the North Norfolk Coast... with us... [Barefoot Retreats](#).

Chances are, just hearing the words 'summer escape' followed by 'the coast' has got you **a)** salivating a little more than you're used to, **b)** a little hot under the collar or **c)** dragging your suitcase out of the wardrobe with every intention to start packing now -- and we totally get it. But just in case you're looking for a little extra nudge to make this luxury-retreat-near-a-sandy-beach dream become a reality, here are 6 reasons that will make you dust off your bikinis and iron your favourite linen shirt. Enjoy.

## *Don't Just Book; Book With Confidence*

The vast majority of 2020 (damn it, we said 2020) was spent thinking about [booking an escape](#) rather than actually booking an escape, and that's pretty much because of one thing: no one knows when the world will leave lockdowns, tiers and changing guidelines behind forever so they can just book that dreamy getaway they oh-so-need. After all, no one wants to book an escape that may have to be cancelled because there are just too many concerns with that, right? *Wrong*. At least, it's wrong when booking with us because we've made that boring 'booking with confidence' jargon our biggest focus -- and having handled 3 lockdowns and a Tier 4 status already, we've gotten pretty great at working with every person, couple, family or group that's booked with us to find them an alternative date. That's the big benefit of being a local business: we can act really fast for you with zero-stress or hassle whatsoever. [Insert blushing/prie emoji here]

## *Everyone On Our Team is a Local*

Unlike Google, Apple and The Zuck, we don't know the last time you read a travel blog on [Lonely Planet](#) or [Condé Nast](#), but the chances are they mentioned the benefits of talking to real local people no matter what destination you were reading about. Sure, that will mean straying from your guidebook, but locals have *the* best knowledge of anyone, especially when it comes to somewhere relatively secret, untouched and not-yet-spoiled like the North Norfolk coast. So chat to us about this place we're crazy proud to call home. Find out where our favourite [coastal walks](#) are, which [pub-pubs have the cosiest fireplaces](#), which [fish and chip shops](#) will make your mind melt out of your ears, the stately homes you absolutely must visit, which beaches you'll regret not seeing and, of course, which luxury retreats will make you smile the widest. It doesn't matter where in the world you travel, locals know more than any guidebook ever could, so chat to them, clink drinks with them and make your stay even better than you ever imagined.

## *Huge Selection of Laidback Luxury Retreats*

It's kind of hard to explain just what our portfolio of luxury retreats looks like, but to say we have a plethora of unique stays no matter what you're looking for wouldn't be far off. Whether you're looking for [love nests](#) or something [big and beautiful](#), [dog-friendly retreats](#) or a [bolthole by the beach](#), we represent some of the finest holiday homes in North Norfolk. We have places in the bustling heart of Burnham Market that sleep ten people and we have hidden cottages in the coastal countryside that are perfect for just the two of you -- and they are all handpicked by us. From Hunstanton to Holt, this magical stretch of sand-covered coastline is speckled with so many luxury stays that your wish-list will look more beautiful than Beyonce's wardrobe. But don't just take our word for it, go see for yourself.

## *The Hamper Sent From Heaven*

Before we get onto our Heavenly Hamper, we're just going to chuck a few of the other things you get as a guest of Barefoot Retreats, which include the dreamiest of dreamy bed linens, the sort of fluffy towels you'll share on your stories, the comfiest bathrobe and slipper slipper combo imaginable and... drum roll please... "exclusive access to our concierge service", which means we're here for you whether you want to make a late restaurant booking, hire a private chef, find a highly-trusted babysitter or just want some ideas on where to go for an unforgettable day out - we have you covered, always. Oh yeah, and then there's our welcome hamper because, well, the Prosecco is on us.

## *Pamper Your Private Catering Wants & Needs*

After The Year-That-Shall-Not-Be-Named (yes, we're back to the denying it ever happened stage), nothing will feel better than turning up to [Number Twenty9](#) or [Socius](#) or [Morston Hall](#) or [The Hero](#) and enjoying a spot of no-holds-barred fine dining and expensive wining experience because, in all honesty, we deserve that. But the next best thing is bringing the good food and fine wine to you, in your luxury retreat, for a dinner party reminiscent of the good old days, which brings us to [Hannah Bingley of the English Canapé Company](#), who can take care of all your catering needs. Now close your eyes and imagine arriving to a bountiful fridge, pouring yourself a glass of wine whilst your feast cooks, before indulgently nibbling from the deliciously stocked pantry that has been filled with all your dietary tastes in mind so that you can take pleasure in pairing this with that. Parties, dinners, shoot lunches -- whatever the occasion, we can cater for them.

## *Welcome to the North Norfolk Coast*

Translation: there's nowhere with more moments of magic. Whatever you're into and whoever you're with, our little slice of heaven will leave you with memories you will never forget. Not for a day. From wandering around the [dreamiest seaside towns](#) to ducking inside quaint little [coffee shops](#), checking out our [famous historical spots](#) to taking the family on an [epic outdoor adventure](#) or just finding that perfect picnic spot to recreate your own Chitty Chitty Bang Bang moment -- we have it all. We have Michelin-starred restaurants and locally-loved pubs, beaches with endless stretches of sand and beaches with dunes made for jumping. We have high-end fashion stores, quirky places full of one of a kind pieces, coastal walks broken up by pint-stops and the freshest seafood you could ever hope to indulge on. Welcome to the North Norfolk Coast.

**Thanks for reading.** To fall even deeper in love with the North Norfolk coast, follow us on [Instagram](#) and [Facebook](#).