

WELCOME TO LINCOLNSHIRE: HOME OF AVIATION

THE LINCOLNSHIRE COAST

Nature/Heritage Lovers Example 3-night Itinerary



Stay at the elegant 19th Century Royal Hotel in Skegness, situated at the southern end of the foreshore. It offers an attractive location to rest and unwind. The hotel is conveniently located within easy walking distance of all of Skegness's attractions.

DAY ONE

Take your first day to explore the wonderful nature attractions and the stunning landscapes that welcome you.

Visit – Gibraltar Point Nature Reserve and Visitor Centre

Gibraltar Point is a dynamic stretch of unspoilt coastline running southwards from the edge of Skegness to the mouth of the Wash. <http://www.lincstrust.org.uk/gibraltar-point>

Lunch – Gibraltar Point Visitors Centre

The spectacular new Gibraltar Point Visitor Centre has been designed to make the most of the nature reserve's stunning views, with expansive windows facing the dunes and sea plus a rooftop viewing deck!

Visit – Natureland Seal Sanctuary

Natureland is well known for rescuing and rehabilitating orphaned and injured seals that become stranded on Lincolnshire beaches. Visitors can see the various stages of their rehabilitation and hear about the rescue work at feeding times.

It's not just seals! There are lots more beautiful and amazing animals. Watch the amusing antics of the penguins, be amazed by the tropical butterflies, squirm at the reptiles and creepy crawlies, feed the goats in the Pets Corner and marvel at the beautiful tropical fish in the Aquarium.

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DAY TWO

Self-guided trail. Explore the Coastal Country Park and visit the Structures on The Edge.

Explore – Lincolnshire Coastal Country Park

The Coastal Country Park includes five miles of beautiful sandy beaches for you to enjoy between Sandilands and Chapel St Leonards. The Coastal Country Park is a wildlife watchers' paradise – with lots of places for getting a good look at what is going on in the natural world.

Lunch – The Fat Seagull, Sandilands & Farmer Browns Ice Cream and Farm Shop

Stop at the Fat Seagull to visit the Cafe/Bistro and Deli, which produces its own sausages, black pudding, pies and pasties from local (Sandilands) Gloucester Old Spot pork. The shop sells other local produce, including local seasonal fruit and veg. Once you've eaten, why not take a trip over to Farmer Browns to indulge in a luxury dairy ice cream in many flavours. The milk and double cream come from their own herd of Holstein-Friesian cows, which graze the pasture around the farm.

Explore – Lincolnshire Coastal Country Park

Continue on your journey through the Coastal Country Park and visit The North Sea Observatory at Chapel Point, Chapel St Leonards, this provides a unique opportunity on the Lincolnshire coast to learn about and experience our important marine environment.

The Observatory will be something unique to Lincolnshire as there are no purpose designed marine observatories anywhere else in the United Kingdom.

Take in some of the Structures on The Edge along your travels too. The Structures on the Edge (SOTE) project is a natural progression of the Bathing Beauties project. SOTE is continuing the theme of exploring and developing small scale art-led interventions as part of the evolving linear gallery of coastal architecture.

<https://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/bathing-beauties/structures-on-the-edge>

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DAY THREE

Visit – Gunby Hall & Gardens

A homely country house dated 1700 set in Victorian walled gardens at the foot of the Lincolnshire Wolds.

With links to Tennyson, Darwin and Vaughan-Williams there is so much to discover about the family home of the Massingberd family.

Explore three floors of the hall full of interesting collection pieces amassed over generations from 1700 until 1967. Find out stories about Gunby's interesting past and stroll through the eight-acre gardens and enjoy the different areas: sweeping formal lawns, flower borders, vegetable gardens and wildflower corners.

Lunch – The Lakes Restaurant, Sycamore Lakes, Burgh Le Marsh

The perfect place to enjoy great food & socialise with friends in the tranquil setting of The Lakes Restaurant.

Visit – Burgh Windmill

A unique experience as you step back in time. The mill is very much a heritage piece as you might expect of a Grade 1 listed building. While some historians think the mill was built around 1813, a map from 1810 shows a windmill already on the site.

Visit – Batemans Brewery, Wainfleet

Based in an old windmill dating back two centuries and overlooking the River Steeping, Batemans Brewery is one of the oldest and most picturesque breweries in the country. Visit the Visitors Centre where you will find displays of the old and new bottled beers from around the world and on the ceiling a great range of brewery/drink related posters. Why not take a tour of the Brewery too? Brewery tours take place twice a day in the summer and once during the winter. The tours are fun and humorous beginning with the Victorian Brewhouse, where much of the equipment is made of brass or copper followed by the magnificent new Brewhouse nicknamed the Theatre of Beers'. All tours are conducted by an experienced and entertaining guide.

If you are looking to add on an extra day – Stay at one of the many quality hotels or self-catering apartments along the beautiful Lincolnshire Coast or travel a little further in land and stay on the edge of the rolling countryside and take in the amazing views of the Lincolnshire Wolds. You could also visit Snipe Dales Nature Reserve or Donna Nook.

Please check details and opening dates and times of attractions before organising your visit or get in touch with Visit Lincs Coast on info@visitlincsc coast.co.uk for any help with itineraries.