



## **Pembrokeshire Coast, Wales** **May 20 - 27, 2026**

The trip to the Pembrokeshire Coast of Wales begins and ends in St. Davids, Wales. You can fly to London, then take the train to Haverfordwest, Wales. After the minimum of 10 reservations is reached we will advise you to make your air travel reservations. We will meet at St Davids Cross Hotel in St. Davids.

Trip Start: May 20, 2026 - St Davids Cross Hotel, St. Davids, Wales

Trip Finish: May 27, 2026 - St Davids Cross Hotel, St. Davids, Wales

Trip Length: 8 days, 7 nights

Trip Cost: \$3,100 per person sharing a room  
\$3,350 for a single room

(Trip cost includes everything except airfare, 2 dinners, 1 lunch, beverages, and tips.)

### **Day by Day Overview**

**Wednesday, May 20** - Arrive in St. Davids, Wales, and check into St Davids Cross Hotel in the village center. (The bus stop is one block from the hotel.) Meet for drinks and trip preview with our guide Steve Jones in the hotel lounge at 6:30 followed by dinner in the hotel dining room.

- Lodging: St Davids Cross Hotel - <http://stdavidscrosshotel.co.uk/>
- Dinner together

**Thursday, May 21** - Walk from the Cross Hotel to St. Non's Well and onto the Coastal Path. Our walk takes us past the shrine to St. Non (St. David's mother) then on to Porthclais harbor - William the Conqueror came into this harbor. Along the way we round the most westerly point of Wales. We will be seeing beautiful sea views, seabirds, old copper mines and earthen forts. At St. Davids Lifeboat Station we will turn away from the sea and back toward St. Davids. About 6 miles today.

- Packed lunch.
- Dinner together.
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**Friday, May 22** - A day on Skomer Island, a British National Nature Reserve managed by the local Wildlife Trust where half a million seabirds breed annually. Among the inhabitants here are Manx shearwaters, guillemots, razorbills, kittiwakes, gulls and puffins! Skomer, 2 square miles in size, is a 20-minute boat trip from Martin's Haven. We will take a bus from St. Davids to Martin's Haven - 1 hour journey. Bring binoculars. 3-5 miles today.

- Packed lunch.
- Dinner together.

**Saturday, May 23** – This is a relaxed day on your own to explore St. Davids. This is a day of leisure to investigate the shops, read a good book, or take a walk. Other options may be offered on that day. FYI: The St Davids Cathedral Music Festival is May 22-27 offering world class music.

[www.stdavidscathedral.org.uk](http://www.stdavidscathedral.org.uk)

- Lunch on your own.
- Dinner together.

**Sunday, May 24** – A local bus this morning to Trefin for a tranquil and unspoilt walk along the coastal path. We have a stop in village of Porthgain for a look around the artists' galleries there before a walk through the harbor village and onto the coast. We will have wonderful views to the west as we follow the path by old quarries, (Blue Lagoon at Abereiddy), badger sites, hill forts, and gull colonies; maybe even see some seals bobbing in the water: 6 miles, bus back to St. Davids. Or you can walk the 2 miles back

- Packed lunch.
- Dinner on your own.

**Monday, May 25** – Pembroke Castle. Today we have a bus ride of about an hour from St. Davids to Pembroke Castle. Established in 1093, Pembroke is one of Wales most formidable castles. It was the birthplace of Henry VII, the first Tudor King and was pivotal in the English Civil War. <https://pembrokecastle.co.uk/> If time allows, we will continue on to St. Govan's Chapel. The chapel is built into the side of a limestone cliff and the majority of the chapel was built in thirteenth century although parts may date to sixth century when St Govan, a monk, moved into a cave located on this site.

<https://www.visitpembrokeshire.com/attraction-listing/st-govans-chapel>

- Packed lunch
- Dinner together

**Tuesday, May 26** – A final day walking. Our aim today is St. Davids Head. A pre-historic burial chamber, Iron Age field system and hut circles are sites we will visit on this headland. Our walk back into St. Davids will be along the mile-long beach of White Sands Bay watching out for orchids and butterflies. Or, at White Sands Bay, you may take the Celtic Coast bus back into St Davids for last minute shopping. Today 6-7 miles.

- Packed lunch
- Farewell dinner in hotel dining room.

**Wednesday, May 27** - Breakfast and departure.

**Please Note: The above schedule is subject to change due to weather or other circumstances beyond our control.**

## **Flight and Airport Info**

**Getting to St. Davids**—Fly directly from the U.S. to London Heathrow. From Heathrow take the Heathrow Express train to London-Paddington Station-- takes about 20 minutes.  
<https://www.heathrowexpress.com/>

The train from London Paddington to Haverfordwest takes about 5 hrs. If you want to break the train journey, you could spend the night in route in Cardiff, Wales. From Cardiff station, trains leave regularly for Haverfordwest, Wales. Cardiff to Haverfordwest takes about 2 hours. You can take a taxi (expensive!) or bus (# 411) from Haverfordwest train station to St. Davids (15 miles).

Regarding your return flight-you must arrive at Heathrow airport at least 3 hrs before flight departure to the US. So, it is not possible to take a flight to US on the same day you depart St. Davids.

**Weather:** Mild spring weather with some rain likely. Temperatures 60-75F day, and 45-55F night.

## **Helpful Websites:**

Hotel in St. Davids: <http://stdavidscrosshotel.co.uk/>

Train: [www.nationalrail.co.uk](http://www.nationalrail.co.uk)

Haverfordwest-St Davids bus: [richardsbros.co.uk/T11](http://richardsbros.co.uk/T11)

Pembrokeshire Coast: [www.visitpembrokeshire.com](http://www.visitpembrokeshire.com)  
[www.pembrokeshiregreenways.co.uk](http://www.pembrokeshiregreenways.co.uk)  
[welshwildlife.org/skomer-skokholm/skomer/](http://welshwildlife.org/skomer-skokholm/skomer/)

Wales: [www.wales-calling.com](http://www.wales-calling.com)

## **Reading:**

*Pembrokeshire Coast – The Official National Park Guide* – Alf Alderson (non-fiction) – 2001

*A Writer's House in Wales*- Jan Morris

*A Matter of Wales: Views of a Small Country*- Jan Morris

Lonely Planet or Rough Guide to Wales (non-fiction)

## **Movies:**

Dark Horse

Pride