



Hidden Treasures of England

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England has an abundance of well-known monuments and homes, yet this book unearths a few gems which tourists will enjoy. From Cheshire to Cumbria, Norfolk to Northumberland, there are many attractions, all allowing visitors to get away from the maddening crowds.

The book is divided up into different parts of the country, and with each section there is a breakdown of what's on offer. Not only does McNay talk about many of the lesser-known stately homes, but he also describes a number of historical pubs and bars as well. Let's face it; visiting monuments can be thirsty work!

Being a hardback, it is not a guide you can easily carry around, yet it's an invaluable resource when looking for something to do with a free weekend. With many glossy images, it's a book you will keep looking at time and time again.

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