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# EXPLORE

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**Corton & Suffolk**

Discover our hotel and the outdoors

## Places to visit

Many of the top places to visit in Suffolk are within an easy drive of both Corton and Gunton Hall, including some of the best beaches in England and along the East Coast. Whether you prefer soft or stony beaches, the traditional seaside experience or contemporary modern art sculptures in the sand, our local guide to Suffolk has something for everyone.

## Things to do

The Norfolk Broads are one of England's best-loved tourist attractions – but with so much focus on the Broads, some of the area's hidden gems are easy to miss. We asked our teams at Corton and Gunton to recommend some of the best things to do in Suffolk that might be a little off the beaten track, and the results include a classic stately home and one of the most underappreciated nature reserves in the country.



# THE BEST OF OUR GROUNDS AND GARDENS

We pack quite a lot into our grounds here at Corton, with games galore, cosy little hideaways and panoramic views across the sparkling sea. Our team have picked out three of their favourite things to do without leaving Corton:

## **Binoculars**

Our clifftop view from England's most easterly point usually includes a few ships dotted along the horizon. The powerful, mounted binoculars offer a unique opportunity to look closer at the busy shipping lanes of the North Sea.



## **Mini Golf**

Corton's east coast-themed mini golf course takes pride of place in the centre of our grounds. Don't forget to get a score sheet from our Leisure team before you while away a couple of hours having traditional seaside fun.

## **Beach Garden**

Our beach garden traps the sun like nowhere else in Warner, making it perfect for a summer afternoon picnic. It also includes our History Hut where we've squirreled away interesting facts and pictures of Corton from years gone by.



# PARKS AND NATURE RESERVES

Suffolk is home to some of the most expansive parklands and wildlife-friendly habitats in the country, and our team's local expertise will help you discover some of those 'hidden gems':

## Nicholas Everitt Park

Surrounded by well-kept gardens, and with a view over the Norfolk Broads that's ideal for watching the sailing and powerboat racing (Thursday evening, Apr – Sep), Nicholas Everitt Park also offers boat hire, tennis courts, a bowling green, and the Lowestoft Museum.



NR33 9JR  
11-minute drive



7am – 9pm



£1 p/h up to £5



★ Warner Recommends ★



## Carlton Marshes

“A great day out and you can walk for hours” is how our team describe Carlton Marshes, a network of flower-studded marshes that is home to birds of prey, water vole, wildfowl, and an astonishing 28 species of dragonfly. Don't forget your wellies if it's been raining.



NR33 8HU  
13-minute drive



Free entry  
Free parking

## Belle Vue Park

Belle Vue is home to the Royal Naval Patrol Service memorial, a towering stone structure remembering personnel who perished during 1939-1946. It also hosts the mysterious witches' stones, said to run to the sea and back between the midnight chimes of the town hall clock.



NR32 4AW  
5-minute drive



## Gunton Meadow

An easy walk from Corton, Gunton Meadow is relatively small but fits a lot into a small space. A rich grassland with perfect ponds for newts and frogs while butterflies and finches flutter above a colourful tapestry of wildflowers.



NR32 4TZ  
30-minute walk



## Gunton Warren

With grassland, lowland heath and a sandy beach, Gunton Warren is unique in Suffolk as an unspoilt wildlife paradise. Adders and lizards can often be seen basking on WWII pillboxes, while in June the beautiful Green Hairstreak butterfly comes out in force.



NR32 4PQ  
20-minute drive

## Lound Lakes

A birdwatcher's dream, the mixture of woodland, grassland, meadows and open water have created a paradise for wildfowl. Over 140 species of bird have been recorded here over the last five years, from migrating visitors to permanent residents, as well as several kinds of bat.



NR31 9AU  
10-minute drive



Free parking



# BY THE SEA

Our area is known for its beautiful sandy beaches, so to help you pick we asked our team to agree on the best beaches near Corton. If you're after golden sands, glittering sea and a classic seaside pier, you've come to the right page.

## Lowestoft Beach

Lowestoft's sandy beaches have won awards for their maintenance, cleanliness and safety, and it really shows. Stretching either side of Claremont Pier, their golden sands have been welcoming holidaymakers for decades. We recommend arriving early to reserve the softest sand for yourself.



NR33 OBS  
10-minute drive



£1.10 p/h  
parking



## Southwold

Southwold is almost an island, bordered by the North Sea, River Blyth and Southwold harbour – in fact, there's only one road in or out. As well as its famous pier, the town also boasts a working lighthouse, pristine beach, and some of the region's finest tea rooms.



IP18 6LT  
30-minute drive



£1.20 p/h  
parking