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Britain's 50 best autumn days out

Country walks, pub pitstops, food and art festivals, moody beaches and outdoor adventures — here's how to make the most of the season of plenty



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Star & Garter, Falmouth, Cornwall

The tourists are going and the oysters are returning — an event raucously celebrated at the Falmouth Oyster Festival (October 11-14; see autumn events, page 19). If you need another excuse to visit, this slick gastropub has just opened a third classy apartment, Starboard, decorated in blues as deep as the bottom of the sea, with a nod to the town's maritime heritage and Insta-worthy harbour views. You can also cast an eye over the boats from the bar, which now has vibrant teal wood panelling and smart leather banquettes alongside its traditional brass fittings and open fire. Mix stints toasting your toes with trips to the nearby independent boutiques (doubles from £145; mains from £18; [website](#)).

EVENTS



Aw, shucks: sample oysters in Falmouth
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Falmouth Oyster Festival

October 11-14

The annual oyster-dredging season starts in October and, though that doesn't sound particularly alluring, Falmouth marks the occasion with four days of bivalve bingeing — as well as cookery demos, pop-up food and craft stalls, live music (1970s disco, not emo rockers) and a shucking competition. They take oysters seriously down here, so you might be surprised by the scale — last year's festival pulled in 45,000 visitors.

falmouthoysterfestival.co.uk