

Welcome to CARTMEL



A Glimpse of Heaven...

This vibrant and picturesque village has grown up around the famous 12th Century Priory Church of St Mary and St Michael.

It is 826 years since Cartmel Priory Church was founded by the Augustinian canons. Attracting over 60,000 visitors and pilgrims each year, it is regarded as one of the finest ecclesiastical buildings in the North of England.

Although steeped in history, Cartmel is not trapped in time and the village offers today's visitors many modern surprises in the form of fine quality attractions, shops, eateries and luxury accommodation.

Cartmel is a special place of ancient peace, where medieval history mingles effortlessly with the present day against a backdrop of the rolling Lakeland fells.

At every turn you will discover old stone cottages, hidden down narrow lanes, beside the gently meandering River Eea.

Winner of Cumbria in Bloom 2011



Finding Cartmel

From the M6 junction 36 follow signs for Barrow-in-Furness (A590). On the Meathop roundabout take the right exit and follow the brown signs for Cartmel Priory. Continue through the village to the Market Square.



Holiday in Cartmel

There are luxury country house hotels, restaurants with rooms and traditional inns. Stay in a comfortable guest house, farmhouse, B&B or self-catering cottage. There are also a number of quality caravan and camping parks.

See our official website for up-to-date events listings and news. There are also pages on Cartmel's history, its attractions and places to visit, shop, eat and stay.



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A vibrant village in every season with an ancient medieval heart...



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Get your heart racing...



A Food Lover's Paradise

Cartmel is famous for its Priory Church, National Hunt Racing and Sticky Toffee Pudding.

Cartmel Priory

You'll receive a warm welcome whether you are attending a service or one of the popular regular concerts. Come inside to see the magnificent architecture, or sit for a while and enjoy a moment of quiet meditation. Daily Services and a varied programme of concerts & recitals are regularly held in the Priory Church.

Cartmel Races

Against the backdrop of the beautiful Lakeland fells, this little village is home to Cartmel Races where you can watch national hunt racing in its most original format.

Cartmel Village Shop

Be sure to stock up on Sticky Toffee Pudding at the Cartmel Village Shop, which has an impressive delicatessen selling fine foods and wines. You can eat in the warm and welcoming café upstairs and try the wide range of puddings on offer before you buy. You can also take away a delicious picnic of local produce to enjoy on a sunny day.

L'Enclume

Cartmel is renowned as a fine food destination and viewers of **The Great British Menu** have been flocking from far and wide to sample the gastronomic delights of Simon Rogan's Michelin starred restaurant, L'Enclume. For a more informal meal try Rogan's bistro next to the river.



Traditional Inns

Cartmel boasts a number of excellent traditional inns and hotels that serve local produce and offer roaring log fires and pretty beer gardens. You can choose to stay, drink and dine at the 450-year-old Cavendish Arms, Kings Arms, Priory Hotel, Pig and Whistle or Royal Oak.

Afternoon Teas

Relax and make time for afternoon tea. The Tea Room at Market Cross Cottage is quaint and cosy, whilst the bright and modern Cartmel Coffee offers top quality freshly ground coffees and home-made cakes.

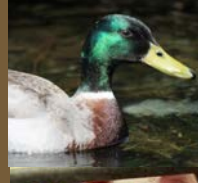
Shopping

Peruse the shelves of Perfect English, The Larch Tree and Hales Chocolates. You'll discover an eclectic mix of luxury gifts, traditional toys, quality clothing, homeware and antiques.

There are regular Antiques Fairs in the Village Hall and a monthly Food Market.

Unsworth's Yard

This delightful courtyard development is home to Cartmel Cheeses & Bakehouse, Unsworth's Yard Brewery, Wayside Wicker, Red Pepper Kitchenware and Hot Wines.



Events 2014

- May - 24, 26 & 28 🐎 Cartmel Races
- May 29- June 1 🏠 Cartmel Antiques Fair
- Jun 20 🦌 Cartmel Food Market
- Jun 26 - 29 🏠 Cartmel Antiques Fair
- July 18 🦌 Cartmel Food Market
- July 19 & 21 🐎 Cartmel Races
- July 24 - 27 🏠 Cartmel Antiques Fair
- Aug 6 🐔 Cartmel Agricultural Show
- Aug 15 🦌 Cartmel Food Market
- Aug 23 & 25 🐎 Cartmel Races
- Aug 28 - 31 🏠 Cartmel Antiques Fair
- Sep 19 🦌 Cartmel Food Market
- Sep 26 - 28 🏠 Cartmel Antiques Fair
- Oct 17 🦌 Cartmel Food Market
- Oct 17 - 19 🏠 Cartmel Antiques Fair
- Nov 14 - 16 🏠 Cartmel Antiques Fair
- Nov 21 🦌 Cartmel Food Market
- Dec 19 🦌 Cartmel Food Market

For full details of these and other exciting events happening in Cartmel go to: <http://cartmelvillage.com/communitynews>

Explore the Countryside

This is a walker's paradise with fishing, riding and parachuting all on offer. You can even take a romantic horse-drawn carriage ride with Cartmel's Black Horses.

Stroll through the woodland in Cartmel Park or walk up Hampsfell to discover superb views across Morecambe Bay.