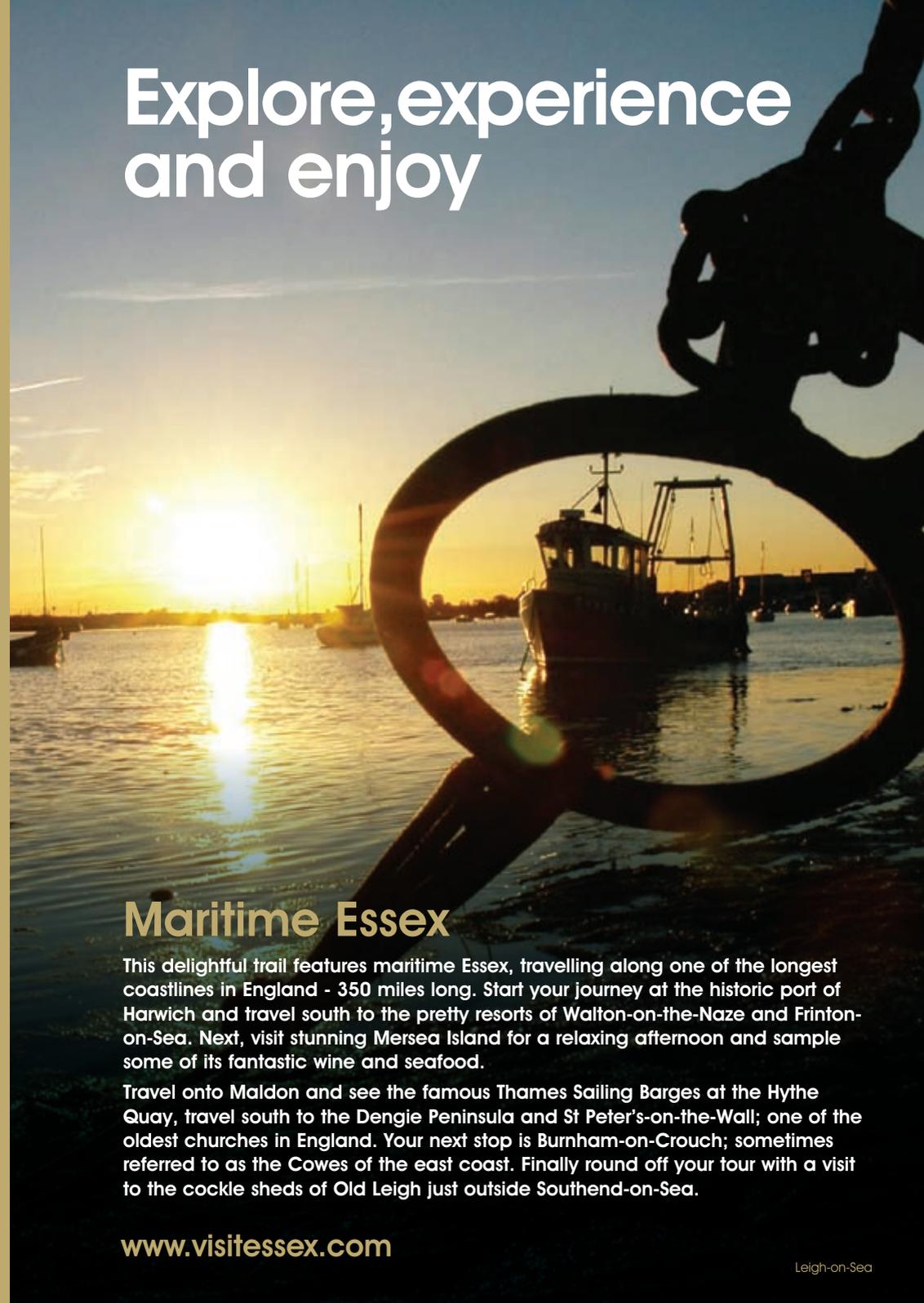




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Accommodation

Bromans Farm

★★★★ B&B
East Mersea, Mersea Island CO5 8UE
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The Limes

★★★★ Guesthouse
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www.thelimesguesthouse.com

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Burnham-on-Crouch CM0 8QQ
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Park Hall Country House

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- Guest Accommodation
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Pier View

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The Pier at Harwich

★★★ Hotel
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The Roslin Beach Hotel

★★★ Hotel
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Southend-on-Sea SS1 3BG
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Wicks Manor Farm

★★★★ Farmhouse
Witham Road, Tolleshunt Major,
Maldon CM9 8JU
Tel: 01621 860629
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Woodview Cottage

★★★★ Silver Award - B&B
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Harwich CO12 5ND
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Restaurants

The Company Shed

West Mersea Tel: 01206 382700

The Contented Sole

Burnham-on-Crouch Tel: 01621 786900
www.contentedsole.co.uk

The Ferry Boat Inn

North Fambridge Tel: 01621 740208
www.ferryboatinn.net

The Galley

Burnham-on-Crouch Tel: 01621 786496
www.thegalley.biz

Ocean Beach

Southend-on-Sea Tel: 01702 611363
www.ocean-beach.co.uk

The Pier at Harwich

Harwich Tel: 01255 241212
www.milsomhotels.com

Roslin Beach Hotel restaurant

Southend-on-Sea Tel: 01702 586375
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Simply Seafood

Leigh-on-Sea Tel: 01702 716645
www.simplyseafood.co.uk

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Maritime Essex

This delightful trail features maritime Essex, travelling along one of the longest coastlines in England - 350 miles long. Start your journey at the historic port of Harwich and travel south to the pretty resorts of Walton-on-the-Naze and Frinton-on-Sea. Next, visit stunning Mersea Island for a relaxing afternoon and sample some of its fantastic wine and seafood.

Travel onto Maldon and see the famous Thames Sailing Barges at the Hythe Quay, travel south to the Dengie Peninsula and St Peter's-on-the-Wall; one of the oldest churches in England. Your next stop is Burnham-on-Crouch; sometimes referred to as the Cowes of the east coast. Finally round off your tour with a visit to the cockle sheds of Old Leigh just outside Southend-on-Sea.

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Maritime Essex

To fully appreciate the sights and attractions of this tour, we recommend that you allow two days - so why not make a weekend of it? Please see the back page for details of accommodation. To avoid disappointment please check with the attractions for opening times and accommodation for availability before setting off.

This itinerary is intended as a guide only. Please refer to OS Landranger maps numbers 168 and 178 or any other recognised road map for specific directions.

5 Maldon

Take a stroll along the Hythe Quay, where many Thames Sailing Barges are moored or take a gentle cruise on one of these vessels and enjoy the beautiful and peaceful views of the East. Alternatively go for a picnic in Promenade Park, an Edwardian park, with magnificent river views, walks and children's play areas.

Tel: 01621 856503 www.visitmaldondistrict.co.uk



Great Baddow

4 Mersea Island

Make a small detour to this wild and mysterious island - reached by an Old Saxon causeway - but be sure to check the tides. It is the most easterly inhabited island in the UK and is situated in the estuary area of the River Blackwater and Colne.

Tel: 01206 382682
www.islandaricafe.co.uk



Take time to sample some of the local oysters at The Company Shed (Tel: 01206 382700) or the Mersea Oyster Bar (01206 381600) in West Mersea. Local wine made from grapes grown on the island can also be sampled at Mersea Island Vineyard in East Mersea.

Tel: 01206 385900
www.merseawine.com

If you enjoy great food served in a relaxed atmosphere with fabulous coffee and home-made cakes amongst some of the best art on offer locally, then the artcafé is just the place for you!

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6 Bradwell

The road to Bradwell winds its way past a number of small villages with weather boarded cottages and thatched roofs. Take a stroll to the atmospheric St. Peter's-on-the-Wall Chapel which evokes a feeling of space and peace. If you feel more energetic why not follow the 6 mile circular route around the top of the peninsula, an area of shell banks, mudflats and shingle beaches full of wildlife.

Tel: 01621 776203
www.bradwellchapel.org



8 Southend-on-Sea

With more than six miles of clean, safe and award winning beaches, beautiful parks and gardens, exciting events, museums and galleries, theatres and of course the world's longest pleasure pier, the possibilities are endless for a great day out or a short break away. But no coastal trip is complete without a visit to the cobbled streets of Old Leigh. The picturesque backdrop provides the perfect setting for lunch in one of the stylish restaurants or a traditional pub. Don't forget to sample the fresh seafood from the famous cockle sheds.

Tel: 01702 215120 www.visitsouthend.co.uk



3 Frinton-on-Sea

For a more sedate pace visit Frinton-on-Sea. The town was developed as a select resort by Sir Richard Cooper during the late 19th century. The Church of St Mary contains some interesting panels of William Morris stained glass in the east window, designed by Burne Jones. For peace and tranquillity don't miss this resort!

Tel: 01255 686633
www.essex-sunshine-coast.org.uk



2 Walton-on-the-Naze

This town illustrates the typical character of an early Victorian resort and is the ideal location for a traditional day at the seaside. The present pier was built in 1870 and the former lifeboat station at East Terrace now houses an interpretative museum of local and maritime history. Not to be missed is a visit to the Naze tower, a historic 86ft navigational tower housing, over eight floors, an art gallery, museum, tea rooms and a roof viewing platform with spectacular panoramic views.

Tel: 01255 852519 www.nazetower.co.uk
For more information on the area, contact the Walton Tourist Information Centre
Tel: 01255 675542
Open between May and September.



1 Harwich

Homeworld of Captain Christopher Jones who led the Pilgrim Fathers' voyage to America in 1620. Famous diarist Samuel Pepys was MP for the town in the 1660's, when it was the headquarters of the King's Navy. The old town retains a number of important historic buildings. Follow the Harwich Maritime Heritage Trail and find out about the historic features and the town's connections with the sea.

Tel: 01255 506139 www.harwich-society.co.uk



7 Burnham-on-Crouch

The town has a distinctly nautical atmosphere. Historically it has benefited from its location on the coast, first as a ferry port and later as a fishing port. It is also known for its oyster beds, and most recently as a centre for yachting. Take a walk along the attractive quayside with its many listed buildings or visit the local museum on the seafront with its many maritime exhibits charting the history of the Dengie.

A visit to the Mangapps Railway Museum with working locomotives, carriages and memorabilia is a delight for young and old.

Tel: 01621 784898 www.mangapps.co.uk

For more information on the district please call 01621 786785 or go to www.visitmaldondistrict.co.uk

