

Shore Thing

The popular seaside village of Beadnell has a chic new addition to its coastal properties available to rent via Coastal Retreats



Situated slap-bang on Harbour Road, this large, contemporary, four bedroom seaside property is what, in my family, had always been referred to as an 'upside down' house. The substantial kitchen/living area is on the first floor and makes the most of the sea views from its many east-facing windows, whilst a large west-facing balcony means you can enjoy every last ray of evening sun.

There are four bedrooms (two ensuite), a family bathroom, utility room and a great snug with patio doors leading out on to the secure garden with its raised terrace, seating area and decent-sized barbecue.

The weekend we stayed was one of huge contrast in terms of the weather. Warnings had been issued for the whole of the east coast as the combination of a high tide and prevailing winds promised a tidal surge and we arrived to dramatic waves crashing against the sea wall in spectacular fashion. Safe, snug and warm beside the super-efficient log burner, we enjoyed the drama

from our eerie which gave us a birds-eye view of some of the roughest seas in years.

We woke to magnificent blue skies and the biting wind which had dogged the coastline abated enough for us to enjoy a stunning

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(if rather lonely) walk across Beadnell's vast sands. There were a few walkers and even some brave surfers but Beadnell's myriad of sailing boats were all safely pulled up ashore and there was no sign of the many other water sports which make this such a popular seaside

destination. Our walk took us on a circuitous route to one of the village's two popular pubs. Both are family – and dog friendly. There's a useful village shop selling pretty much everything you might need for a self-catering holiday or check out The Salt Water Café-cum-bistro if you don't want to cook.

Seahouses with its shops, acclaimed fish and chip restaurants, boats trips and golf course is a mile or so to the north. Bamburgh, its iconic castle and vast stretches of sandy beach is a few miles further on from that. To the south lie the popular villages of Low Newton, Embleton and Craster. All are within walking distance of Beadnell.

Shoreline is perfect for family and friends looking for exclusive accommodation in a spectacular setting.

Shoreline, Beadnell is available to rent via award-winning holiday cottage company Coastal Retreats 0191 285 1272 www.coastalretreats.co.uk