



Rafters Dorset, England



What we love...

We love the vast indoor swimming pool, complete with shallow section for kids. With bifolding doors, on warm summer days you can throw them open and invite the outside in.

With the best seats in the house for views of Lulworth Cove, Rafters is a spectacular showstopper. Set a five-minute walk back from the crescent shaped cove, this luxurious beach house in Dorset is perfect for a trip with friends or family to the famous Jurassic Coast.

Set atop a gently sloping hill, the striking white house has bird's eye views of the bay from the vast terrace. Rattan sun loungers and sofas make an ideal spot for watching the boats bobbing in the cove, with a fire pit to keep you warm into the evening. Expertly designed, the lower ground floor is built into the grassy slope, where you will find a vast indoor heated pool with walk out terrace, so you can throw back the floor to ceiling glass doors for indoor-outdoor living. The terrace leads onto the lawns and the manicured meadow beyond, big enough for a marquee for a special event or simply a summer soir e.

The fun doesn't stop outside though. Indoors you will find a games room complete with ping-pong table, darts and speakers so you can play to your own playlist. A cosy snug dotted with squishy bean bags also makes for the ultimate movie night.

Spacious open plan living makes this luxury house in Lulworth Cove perfect for entertaining. Shake up a cocktail at the contemporary copper topped bar and enjoy a sundowner with views of Lulworth Cove from the sea view armchairs or in front of the roaring log burning fireplace. The modern open planning living and dining area means you never have to leave the action. But should you want to find a private nook for time with a book, a bright sky light is suspended above the stair well, making the spacious second-floor landing living area and library a warm sun trap in the day and a cosy retreat under the stars by night.

Ten bright and airy bedrooms each have their own unique en-suites, which are masterpieces of design in themselves: the shamrock green and night sky blue tiles are on trend and our personal favourites.

With many of Dorset's famous beaches dotted along the coastal path that runs below Rafters, this luxury beach house in the south of England is perfect placed for a week by the sea.



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Rooms

Rafters sleeps 20 people across 10 bedrooms spread across three floors. Rooms are named after famous English seaside towns.

Ground Floor

Anglesey
Super king-sized bedroom with en-suite with double vanity and walk-in shower.

First Floor

Penzance
Super king-sized bedroom with en-suite with walk-in shower and double vanity.

Swanage
Super king-sized bedroom with en-suite with walk-in shower.

Tenby
Super king-sized bedroom with en-suite with walk-in shower.

Broadstairs
Super king-sized bedroom with en-suite with walk-in shower.

Whitley Bay
Super king-sized bedroom with sea views and an en-suite with walk-in shower, double vanity and roll top bath.

Clacton-on-Sea
Super king-sized bedroom with sea

views and an en-suite with walk-in shower.

Second Floor

Hunstanton
Super king-sized bedroom with en-suite with walk-in shower.

Cleethorpes
Super king-sized bedroom with en-suite with walk-in shower.

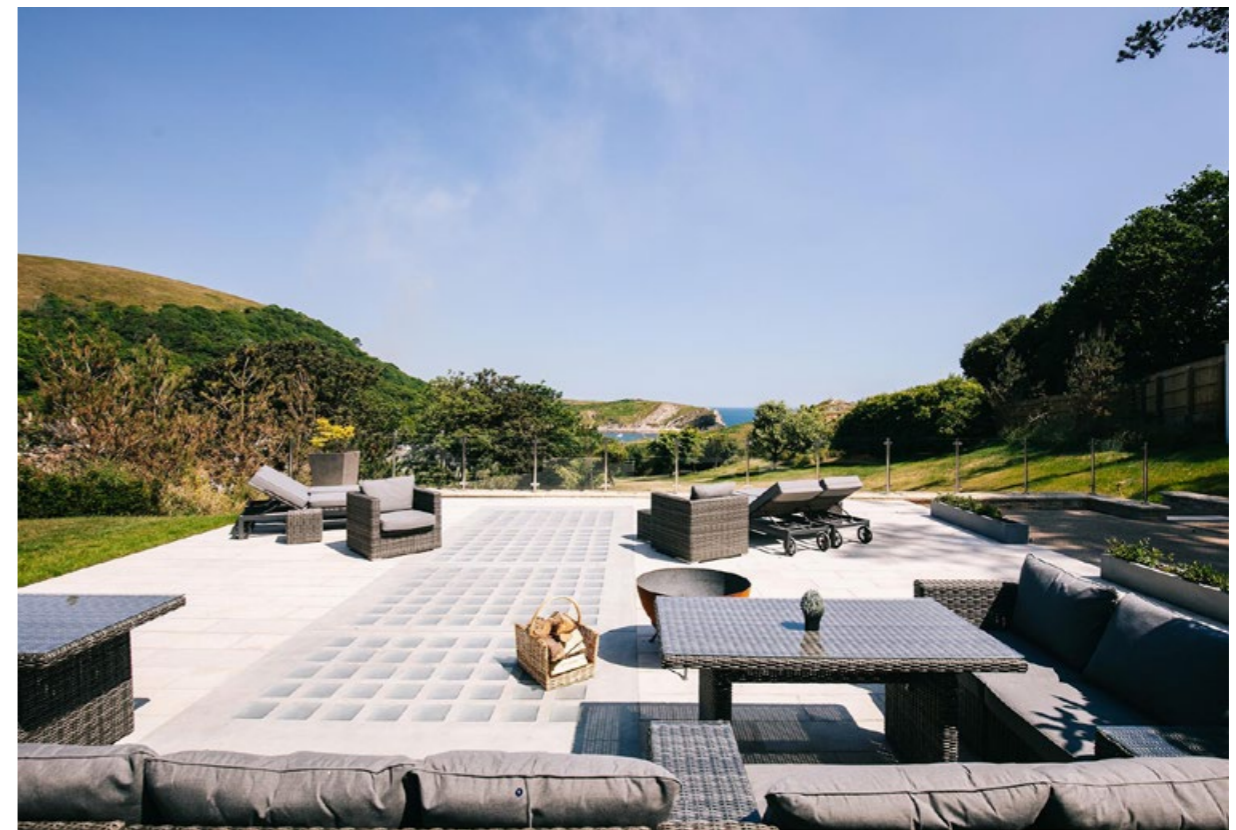
Saltburn
Super king-sized bedroom with sea views and an en-suite with walk-in shower and roll top bath.

Eating

The chef-style kitchen has been masterfully designed with dinner parties in mind, and with two ovens, a double electric hob, two American style fridges and two dishwashers to name a few of the gadgets.

However, should you wish to leave the cooking to a private chef who can be arranged, a sliding partition separates the usually open plan kitchen and dining area, so you can watch the chef curate delicious dishes or enjoy a private dining affair: the choice is yours.

Take advantage of the warm summer's nights grilling an outdoor feast on the BBQ, which tastes even better with a cocktail of choice which can be mixed at the bar.





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Kids

Having a beach on the doorstep is a kid’s dream holiday come true. The pebbled beach of Lulworth Cove ticks the box, and with fossils to be found and only a short walk back for tired legs after a day filled with paddling, it’s a recipe for a happy holiday.

The heated indoor pool has a paddling section ideal for younger swimmers, whilst teenagers will love the games room in the annex where they can turn up the tunes over a game of ping pong or the snug with beanbags for a film marathon. With over an acre of fenced off land, there’s tonnes of space for games on the grass too.

Thomas the Tank fans will love the Swanage railway where you can ride on a real-life steam train, or little animal lovers will enjoy Monkey World, an ape rescue centre set in 65 acres of woodland.

Location

Rafters is in the village of West Lulworth in Dorset. If you are arriving by train, Wareham is a 20-minute drive away and Wool train station is a 15-minute drive away. We recommend booking a taxi in advance if you require transport to Rafters.

The nearest airport is Southampton which is 1 hour 20 minute drive away, or London Heathrow is 2 hours and 30 minute drive away.

The Fossil Forest, Man O’War Beach and Durdle Door are accessible via the various coastal paths that stretch from below Rafters. The beautiful walk from Rafters over to Durdle Door is approximately 30 minutes walk away, with plenty of opportunities to stop and soak in the stunning landscape along the way.

Staff

Firefly pre-arrival concierge service.

Villa staff include:
House manager

Facilities

- Indoor saline heated pool
- Large sun terrace with outdoor furniture
- Gas BBQ
- Outdoor firepit
- 1 acre of land
- Games room
- Library
- Copper top bar
- Open fireplace
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- Underfloor heating
- TV snug with beanbags
- Laundry and utility room
- Boot room

