

**SOUTH EAST ENGLAND
PRE-GAMES TRAINING
CAMPS FOR LONDON 2012**



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**introducing
THE SOUTH EAST OF ENGLAND**



Welcome to the South East of England! Wrapped around London, the South East of England is a perfect location to host your London 2012 Pre-Games Training Camp.

The South East contains many of the gems that makes the United Kingdom such an exciting place to visit and train. Think of England and you think of tradition, pomp and ceremony. Where better to experience these than in places such as Oxford, the "city of dreaming spires"; Windsor and its famous castle; and Winchester, Canterbury and Chichester, famous for their cathedrals.

Coming to the South East of England means that you will be able to visit and train in some beautiful places, including the Isle of Wight, the New Forest and the White Cliffs of Dover. We have

many picturesque villages and towns such as Woodstock, Chawton and Brighton.

The South East of England has something for everyone. You can go shopping in Milton Keynes, the UK's most modern and vibrant city, or Bicester with its luxury shopping outlets. You can watch some of the best opera performances in the world at Glyndebourne in its beautiful surroundings. Other summer festivals in the Region include the Goodwood Festival of Speed, Southampton Boat Show, Henley Royal Regatta, Cowes Week and the Royal Windsor International Horse Show.

Whether you are flying in to Gatwick or Heathrow Airports, or arriving by ferry or Channel Tunnel, it is a short journey to anywhere in the South East of England.



**sporting
CONNECTIONS**

Wherever you stay in the South East you will be close to the heart of sport and some iconic sporting venues. Eton Dorney Lake will be home to Olympic and Paralympic Rowing and Olympic Canoeing, but don't forget about the Henley Royal Regatta which attracts rowers from all over the world. Hickstead is known as the home of British Showjumping. Well known venues for horseracing are Epsom, famous for the Derby, and Ascot, where Her Majesty the Queen attends to watch her horses race.

If horse racing is not your thing, then Brands Hatch offers a wide range of motor racing events. For a quieter sporting location, the whole of the coastline offers tremendous opportunities for a wide range of different watersports. Conditions for sailing at Hayling Island and the Solent are some of the best in the world, including Cowes Week, which is the largest sailing regatta in the world.

Yellowave Beach Sports in Brighton is the UK's first permanent beach sports facility. Portsmouth hosts Premiership football and Championship football is played at Reading and Southampton.

The region plays host to many international events such as archery, rowing and cycling.

To complete the portfolio, Stoke Mandeville Stadium is the "birthplace of the Paralympic Games".



