Hidden Gem Things To Do In Central Somerset 2021

Using TripAdvisor I have looked at things to do that have at least 40, but not more than 250, reviews and at least 75% of reviewers have rated the attraction as Excellent.

This select list has something for everyone.

■ Wild Wookey — 100% of reviewers rated this attraction as Excellent — caving — adrenaline-fuelled, high -octane, exhilarating adventure caving experience in the largest and most spectacular cave complex in the UK.

A: Wookey Hole Caves, Wookey Hole, WELLS, BA5 1BB

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■ Langport Boat Hire — 98% — boat hire — hire a Canadian style canoe, double sit-on kayak, single sit-on kayak or paddle board on a gentle bend of the River Parrett in Langport.

A: Baulks Yard, Bow Street, LANGPORT, TA10 9PJ

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• Clue HQ − 97% − escape room centre.

A: Unit 5, Canvin Court, Somerton Business Park, Bancombe Road, SOMERTON, TAll 6SB

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• Xtreme Offroad $-97\% - 4 \times 4$ driving, stock car racing and quad biking.

A: The Bath & West Showground, SHEPTON MALLET, BA4 6QN

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• Quantock Trekking — 95% — horse trekking — discover the diversity and beauty of the Quantock Hills on horseback, escorted by experienced guides. The Quantock Hills consist of 38 square miles of heathland, oak woodlands, ancient parklands and agricultural land and were England's first Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, designated in 1956.

A: Bashford Stables, Bagborough, TAUNTON, TA4 3EF

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■ Stoke Wood Alpacas — 95% — alpaca centre — meet alpacas, walk with alpacas, buy alpaca yarn and items and even buy an alpaca!

A: Stoke Wood, Stoke St. Mary, TAUNTON, TA3 5DD

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■ Tor's Tour — 93% — guided tours — Selection of tours around Glastonbury hearing the legends of Druids, Joseph of Arimathea and Mary Magdalene and visiting Chalice Well, White Spring and exploring the magic of the little town with a big story.

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■ Bere Cider Company — 92% — cider farm — craft cidermakers, trading from a working farm just outside of Langport. You will be made most welcome at the cider shed (aka "The Shack") where you will be able to sample and buy the cider (Gold Rush Cider) or the bottled slightly sparkling cider (5 Acres) and apple juice.

A: Woodpecker Lodge, Bere Aller, LANGPORT, TA10 0QX

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• Wells Walking Tours — 92% — guided walking tours — interesting walks in and around Wells — whether you want

to learn about the history of Wells and behold its wealth of medieval buildings, have some fun on the Hot Fuzz Tour or learn about the ghostly goings on in the city.

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• Wilkins — 89% — cider farm — Wilkins cider farm is a much-revered local institution with pilgrims travelling hundreds of miles to sit inside the breezeblock cider house as Roger makes sure every visitor is welcomed and quenched. Four large barrels of cider — two sweet, two dry — sit in a row, hissing out the day's cider to anyone who turns up with an empty glass. The wall opposite is covered with photographs and cuttings, including an interview with the late Clash singer Joe Strummer. Encircled is his description of happiness: 'chilling in Somerset with a flagon of Wilkins' Farmhouse Cider'.

A: Lands End Farm, Mudgley, WEDMORE, BS28 4TU

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• St Margaret's Chapel and Royal Magdalene Almshouses — 84% — historic chapel and almshouses — 0ff the beaten trail, the chapel and almshouses are a sweet little haven of peace and history; the chapel is exquisite, the almshouses fascinating and the garden has been planted with love and attention. A great place to retreat for peace and for lighting a candle and spending a moment in quiet reflection and it is free!

A: Behind 38 Magdalene Street, GLASTONBURY, BA6 9EJ

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■ World Horse Welfare — 83% — horse centre — Glenda Spooner Farm is home to around 65 horses at any given time and a place to meet the horses and ponies they have in our care. You can have a guided tour of the stables and find out more about the work that they do behind the scenes.

A: Glenda Spooner Farm, Kingsdon, SOMERTON, TA11 7LA

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• Shakspeare Glass — 79% — glass blowing centre — Will Shakspeare is one of the country's best known glass blowers. He has been featured regularly in the press and on TV including Inside The Factory, Kirstie's Homemade Home and Kirstie's Homemade Christmas with Kirstie Allsopp, and in the Telegraph Magazine with David Nicholls. Will set up Shakspeare Glass over 25 years ago and has supplied many galleries and well-known stores in that time.

A: Great Western House, Westover Trading Estate, LANGPORT, TA10 9RB

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■ Glastonbury Goddess Temple - 76% - place for peace and quiet - For those who enjoy mediation, the Glastonbury Goddess Temple at the nearby Glastonbury Experience is worth a visit. Opened in 2002, the Glastonbury Goddess Temple was registered as a Place of Worship in 2003 and is believed to be the first such place in the UK to be officially recognised for 1500 years. In what feels like a tree house, this spiritual hiding place in the centre of the town smells of incense and flowers and the soft and gentle music lulls you into a state of peace and gives you a feeling of warmth. Read a book here, write, or do some drawing with the paper and colouring pencils that are available to use, or spend some time reflecting and doing nothing. Twenty minutes in the Temple is as nourishing for the soul as an hour-long massage. Entrance is free but donations are welcome.

A: Glastonbury Experience at The Courtyard, 2-4 High Street, GLASTONBURY, BA6 9DU

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■ Burcott Mill — 76% — working watermill — The origins of Burcott Mill date back over 1000 years to a recording in the Domesday Book (1086). Today, it is one of the few remaining examples of a working watermill operating in the UK. Back in 1900, there were over 10,000 water and windmills in Britain, whilst today fewer than 50 fully working water powered flour mills remain. Summer mill tours are available and there is an outside wooden play area.

A: Burcott Mill, Wookey Road, Burcott, WELLS, BA5 1NJ

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Go explore!

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