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Six terrific trips by road in the UK

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Get your motor running, strap yourself in and drive one of our recommended UK routes. They won't disappoint.

1 North Coast 500, Scotland

The NC500 is a 500-mile loop around the Scottish Highlands, starting and finishing in Inverness. It's a route of incredible scenery, from the rugged coastlines of the Orkney and Shetland Islands to the rolling hills of the Scottish Highlands.

Start: Inverness
End: Inverness
Distance: 500 miles



2 Causeway Coastal Route, Northern Ireland

The Causeway Coastal Route is a 150-mile loop around the coast of Northern Ireland, starting and finishing in Belfast. It's a route of incredible scenery, from the rugged coastlines of the Antrim Coast to the rolling hills of the Mourne Mountains.

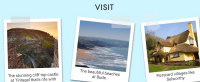
Start: Belfast
End: Belfast
Distance: 150 miles



3 Atlantic Highway, Wales

The Atlantic Highway is a 100-mile loop around the coast of Wales, starting and finishing in Cardiff. It's a route of incredible scenery, from the rugged coastlines of the Gower Peninsula to the rolling hills of the Brecon Beacons.

Start: Cardiff
End: Cardiff
Distance: 100 miles



4 THE ROAD TO THE ISLES, Scotland

The Road to the Isles is a 100-mile loop around the coast of Scotland, starting and finishing in Glasgow. It's a route of incredible scenery, from the rugged coastlines of the Firth of Clyde to the rolling hills of the Scottish Highlands.

Start: Glasgow
End: Glasgow
Distance: 100 miles



5 Yorkshire Dales, England

The Yorkshire Dales is a 100-mile loop around the coast of Yorkshire, starting and finishing in York. It's a route of incredible scenery, from the rugged coastlines of the Yorkshire Coast to the rolling hills of the Yorkshire Dales.

Start: York
End: York
Distance: 100 miles



6 Black Mountain Pass, Wales

The Black Mountain Pass is a 100-mile loop around the coast of Wales, starting and finishing in Cardiff. It's a route of incredible scenery, from the rugged coastlines of the Gower Peninsula to the rolling hills of the Brecon Beacons.

Start: Cardiff
End: Cardiff
Distance: 100 miles



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Six of the Most Memorable Road Trips in the UK

Sometimes it just makes sense to fill up the car, pack a few bags and head out to the country. The good news is that, if you're looking for a great road trip, the UK has some of the best scenery, gently winding roads and invigorating fresh air in the world.

Now the team at **OSV** have created a useful infographic highlighting 6 of the best road trips around the UK. They're all certainly worth some time to explore, whether you have just a day to spare or a whole week.

Here's a quick look at the best the UK has to offer:

6. The Black Mountain Pass

The Black Mountain Pass, a favourite with people who test drive cars and the Top Gear team. Situated in the heart of the Brecon Beacons in South Wales, it's 20 miles of intricate winding roads over high country and offers some stunning views. It's also the kind of road trip you can cover in less than a day.

5. The Yorkshire Dales

A classic location for a great road trip in the height of summer, it includes the Buttertub Pass and takes you through some archetypical Yorkshire villages from Swaledale to Wensleydale. At just 37 miles all told, you can cover the trip in one or two days depending on how quick or how slow you want to take things.

4. The Road to the Isles

The northern reaches of Scotland are perfect for a road trip across beautiful countryside. The route runs from Fort William to Mallaig and has some of the best scenery you could ever hope to see, with long stretches of moorland and brilliant views of the mountains.



It's also the perfect place to witness a sunset or two across the small islands in the north. If you're a history fan there's plenty to see and do and you should plan to take at least two or three days to make sure you don't miss anything.

3. The Atlantic Highway

It's better known as the A39 and stretches from Cornwall up to Bristol. Covering a distance of 135 miles, you'll be able to visit the Cornish towns of Padstow and Bude, catch some waves if you're into surfing or just settle down and enjoy the summer weather. If you are a naturalist at heart, Bodmin Moor is a great place to explore. All in all, it's another road trip you'll need at least 3 or 4 days to take everything in.

2. The Causeway Coastal Route

If you fancy some Irish hospitality, take the ferry to Londonderry or Belfast. Fans of Game of Thrones may spot a familiar location or two but there's also plenty of historic interest and breathtaking landscape to admire. At 154 miles, you should be looking to spend at least 5 days exploring the area.

1. The North Coast 500

Starting in Inverness in Scotland, the NC500 is one of the most popular routes with tourists from around the world. It will take a week of driving to discover every little gem this brilliant trail offers, particularly for the enthusiastic road tripper. Covering 516 miles, you'll certainly see everything great that Scotland has to offer including the ruins of Ardvreck in Assynt.