

Summer Lodge

COUNTRY HOUSE HOTEL, RESTAURANT AND SPA

Seashore Forage with John Wright

Saturday 31st May 2014

Hotel residents and Saturday evening Seashore Menu Diners are welcome to join our special Seashore Forage at no cost. We'll expect to find dozens of types of edible seaweed, molluscs, crustaceans, sea beets and more!!

Meet: 9.30 am. Gather at Summer Lodge Car Park for welcome and introduction by John.

Depart: 10:00am. It's a 35 minute drive to Portland so giving us time to get parked, kitted out and ready to move off before 11:00am.

Parking at location: Park at the [Chesil Beach Centre](#), 300m past the Ferry Bridge Pub (the first building on the right on the causeway to Portland). Postcode for SatNav is **DT4 9AF**. Go through Dorchester and Weymouth, following signs for Portland (A354) <http://www.dorsetwildlifetrust.org.uk/chesil-beach-centre.html>. We recommend booking 4 hours parking.

Footwear: Some Wellington boots can also be provided by reception if you haven't brought your own. Waders would be very useful if you have them.

Duration: The Seashore Forage will last about five hours in total in two different locations exploring the seashore, the dunes, the rocks and rock pools and along shingle beaches. Exact locations will be decided on the day, dependant on weather etc. Participants will need to be reasonably fit but you can join in as much or as little as you wish.

Departure time from location: We expect to leave the seashore by about 4:00pm and arrive back at Summer Lodge Hotel by 4:45pm.

Useful information:

- There's a nice cafe at The Chesil Centre and The Crab Shack restaurant is close by should you wish to enjoy a light lunch. If you prefer, we can provide a picnic lunch on request at an additional cost.
- There will be an ID parade of everything we've collected back at Summer Lodge at 6:00pm where John will describe and discuss the day's collections.
- A Seashore Forage themed dinner is available in the Summer Lodge Restaurant from 7:00pm.
- Enquire at Reception about a copy of John's book, **The Edible Seashore**. River Cottage Handbook No.5. Cost £14.99.

Happy Foraging!