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CELEBRATE SIX OF THE BEST STARGAZING SPOTS WITH BEST WESTERN GREAT BRITAIN

With International Astronomy Week taking place this month, it's time for star gazers across the country to grab their telescopes and look up. Working with its collection of over 250 independent hotels, Best Western Great Britain has pulled together its list of where to get the best views of the night sky, and how to get the best prices on your hotel when you visit.

Carding Mill Valley and Long Mynd, Shropshire

Credited as a Dark Sky Discovery Site, meaning it has been nominated by local groups and organisations as a top spot to see the stars due to its clear view of the night sky, Carding Mill Valley and Long Mynd provides the perfect spot to stargaze and potentially even see the Milky Way. Afterwards, relax and unwind and the Best Western Valley Hotel, with prices from £63.00 for a stay on Saturday 28th April, for two adults.

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Norfolk Coast, Norfolk

There are a whole host of spots along the Norfolk Coast that offer stunning views of the stars, from Cley, Holkham, Sea Palling, Horsey, Happisburgh, Sheringham and Cromerboth. Each of these locations have beautiful walk ways and give stargazers the chance to look up at the Milky Way, the streak of meteors and even neighbouring planets like Venus and Jupiter. With the sound of the sea crashing into the rocks in the distance, this coastline is an ideal relaxation spot. When you're finished relaxing on the coastline, wander inland to stay at Old Hunstanton Le Strange Arms Hotel, BW Signature Collection – priced from £58.50 for a stay on Sunday 29th April for two adults

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South Downs National Park, Hampshire, West and East Sussex

Famous for its star-studded skies overhead, 66% of the South Downs National Park is known for having bronze-level skies, which means the Milky Way and Andromeda galaxy can be seen from this spot. With seven stargazing spots to choose from in this park, the opportunities are endless. What's more, when you're finished in South Downs, you can head towards the coast for a stay at Best Western Beachcroft Hotel for £70.20, for a stay on Sunday 29th April, for two adults.

<https://www.bestwestern.co.uk/hotels/best-western-beachcroft-hotel-83909>

Exmoor National Park, Somerset and Devon

With a multitude of spots to choose from to get the most out of stargazing at Exmoor National Park, the sky can be so clear that on a night with no clouds up to 3,000 stars can be seen by the human eye. Just a stone's throw away from the National Park, the Best Western Tiverton Hotel is the perfect place to stay, with prices from £88.20 on the 28th April, for two adults.

<https://www.bestwestern.co.uk/hotels/best-western-tiverton-hotel-83757>

Northumberland National Park, Northumberland

Heading to Northumberland National Park to star gaze will often give visitors more than they may have bargained for. With its gold-tier status, meaning the full array of visible sky phenomena' can be viewed, the northern lights, Milky Way and zodiacal light have all been seen from this spot. End the day with a stay in the Best Western Gibside Hotel, just a short drive up the road with prices from £58.50 for a stay on the 29th April, for two adults.

Moffat, Dumfries and Galloway

Situated a mile outside of the town, Moffat Dark Sky Town has adopted special street lighting to help keep light pollution to a minimum so that visitors can enjoy the most of what the sky has to offer. The Best Western Moffat House Hotel is perfectly situated within Moffat, meaning stargazers won't even need to go far to enjoy the beautiful night skies, with prices from £85 for a stay on the 28th April, for two adults.

<https://www.bestwestern.co.uk/hotels/best-western-moffat-house-hotel-83488>

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