Motorways

Dorset is one of very few counties in the UK that doesn’t have a motorway running through it. Therefore, it’s A-roads and local strips all the way.

Ice Cream

Bournemouth is perhaps Dorset’s most famous seaside resort. It’s one of the most popular seaside haunts in the UK as a whole, and over 2,000 ice creams are thought to get sold here each day!

The Coast

The Jurassic Coast is a global UNESCO world heritage site, and extends across 95 miles, county-wide.

Spacious

There’s plenty of space. Dorset is only thought to host 197 people, on average, per kilometre.

UK’s Bendiest Road

The winding, wobbling B3081 stretches for up to a mile, meaning it pays to be careful travelling down this route.
TEN THINGS ABOUT DORSET

It's Place in the World

6 Post Boxes
Howell, a tiny village in Dorset, has a world record. It's home to the UK's oldest post box! It dates back over 160 years – meaning it's older than anyone living in the UK right now.

7 UFO's
Dorset is also supposedly home to the first UFO sighting in the UK. Believe it or not, we first started looking for little green men all the way back in 1733, where a sighting was claimed in and around the town of Fleet.

8 Queen Victoria
Legend has it that the Villages of Puddletown and Briantspuddle which used to contain the word 'piddle’ changed their village titles to avoid embarrassing Queen Victoria whilst she was visiting.

9 Beach Huts
It is said that Bournemouth is the birthplace of the good old fashioned beach hut. By the 1960's they were so popular, you could rent one supplied with deckchairs for a fiver a week!

10 Long Lives
people living in the county are thought to have an extended life expectancy of more than two years over the national average.