

# JURASSIC COAST, DORSET

Spring Migration

“In Comfort & Style” May 10-14



## Birding Areas & Highlights

Dorset proudly boasts The Isle of Portland with its myriad of quarries, Chesil Beach, stunning limestone cliffs, heathland & dune systems, lagoons & mudflats, reedbeds, harbours and Brownsea Island. Thus rightly described as one huge World Heritage Site!

Sea-watching passing Gannets, skuas, Balearic & Manx Shearwaters, Common & Sandwich Terns, whilst migrant Sparrowhawk, Marsh Harrier & Osprey are regular. Flocks of Spoonbill, along with Avocet, Black-tailed Godwit & Curlew occur, with maybe Green Sandpiper, Ruff, Greenshank & Little Stint.

Flocks of hirundines can pass through, with warblers, chats, pipits & flycatchers especially Wheatear, Spotted & Pied Flycatcher, Willow Warbler, Common & Black Redstart. Unusual breeding species are to be found including Hobby, Wood Lark, Tree Pipit & Dartford Warbler, along with resident Raven, Mediterranean Gull & Little Egret, Cetti's Warbler, Bearded Tit & Stonechat.

Plus Red Squirrels, Sika Deer and maybe Water Vole, along with Spring butterflies & wild flowers.

## Accommodation & Itinerary

4 nights based at the 16th century *Mortons House* situated in the picturesque village of Corfe Castle. Offering the history & charm of a private country house, the hotel proudly boasts traditional English, along with friendly and personal service, the perfect venue to relax, whilst also affording easy access

To include full days out exploring Portland Bill (inc. the Observatory), Radipole & Lodmoor RSPB Reserves and Brownsea Island, whilst also visiting Chesil Beach & Durlston Head, Studland NNR & Arne RSPB Reserve.

**Cost:** £1165 (s/s £145)

**Deposit:** £200

**B/L due:** Mar. 10

**Included in the cost:** 4 nts. dinner, bed & breakfast at the *Mortons House* Hotel, return ferries from Studland to Brownsea Island via Sandbanks, entrance to Brownsea Island & Dorset WT guide, all transportation and full guidance throughout.

**Not included in the cost:** Travel insurance, lunches, drinks, gratuities & personal items.

**(NB: Cost based on 6 pax min.)**

