

Filming in Guernsey

Locations, tips and
stock footage

The ISLANDS of
GUERNSEY



General conditions for filming in the Islands of Guernsey

Guernsey: you only need permission if traffic were to be stopped for filming purposes. In such case, the Police will need to agree permission. If filming on private land, you must obtain prior permission from the landowner.

For filming in St Peter Port/Harbour area, you'll need permission from the Harbour Master / Assistant Harbour Master. There are some restricted areas which are clearly marked, but most areas are public. They can also advise on particularly good spots for times and tides and where there will be some pretty leisure boats / yachts that are arriving.

Drones: Please be aware there are some restrictions and guidelines for drone filming. You will need a permit from the DCA which can be applied for by emailing drones@cidca.aero or alternatively, use a locally qualified drone pilot.



Stock imagery

VisitGuernsey have some video and images which you are welcome to use. You can [find these here](#)

A man with curly hair, wearing a bright yellow raincoat and blue gloves, is smiling as he harvests seaweed. He is pulling a large net filled with green seaweed from the water. In the background, there are several rectangular frames floating in the ocean, also covered in seaweed. The sky is overcast and the water is a calm blue-grey.

Food filming



Food filming

Guernsey has a vast array of beach kiosks at the most beaches, serving up crab filled sandwiches, Guernsey Gauche and locally produced ice-cream, which showcases a snapshot of simple island life and still an integral part of our heritage.

Hedge side fruit and vegetables (locally known as Hedge Veg) is quintessentially Guernsey, in the summer months, boxes are overflowing with the produce from the island's fields and gardens, payment is by honesty box. The farmers market at Sausmarez Manor (every Saturday) is a great place to track down many of the local producers.

Turbot, Bass, Brill, Chancre Spider crabs and lobster it's all here in abundance and so fresh, along with mackerel which is often bought straight from the fishermen as they land their catch (fish availability depends on month).

The background image shows a coastal fortification, likely a bunker or pillbox, built into a rocky cliff. The structure is made of concrete or stone and has a cylindrical shape. In the foreground, there are dark, jagged rocks in the water. The sea is a deep blue-grey color. In the distance, there are more landmasses and a small tower or lighthouse on a hill. The sky is overcast with grey clouds. The text is overlaid in the center of the image.

History, Heritage, Fortifications and The German Occupation



Ideal locations include:

- Castle Cornet with gardens/ramparts and cannons – internal gardens, covered granite walkways
- Noon day gun
- Fort Grey – maritime museum
- Loop hole (pre-Martello) towers
- German underground hospital
- WWII bunkers, watchtowers and gun casements
- Coastal forts, bunkers and lookouts
- Contact '[Festung Guernsey](#)' organisation who are very knowledgeable and will introduce you to specific sites.

The Potato Peel Pie

The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society is a much-loved, award-winning novel (and movie) that shares our small island's big history.

Visit places described in the novel and learn more about the true stories of heroism & tragedy during the Occupation of the Channel Islands in WWII.

- St Peter Port Harbour
- Ship and Crown (Crown Hotel)
- Fountain Street
- Market Square High Street
- Candie Gardens
- Fermain cliff path
- Town Hospital (now Police Station)
- La Bouvee area in St Martin's



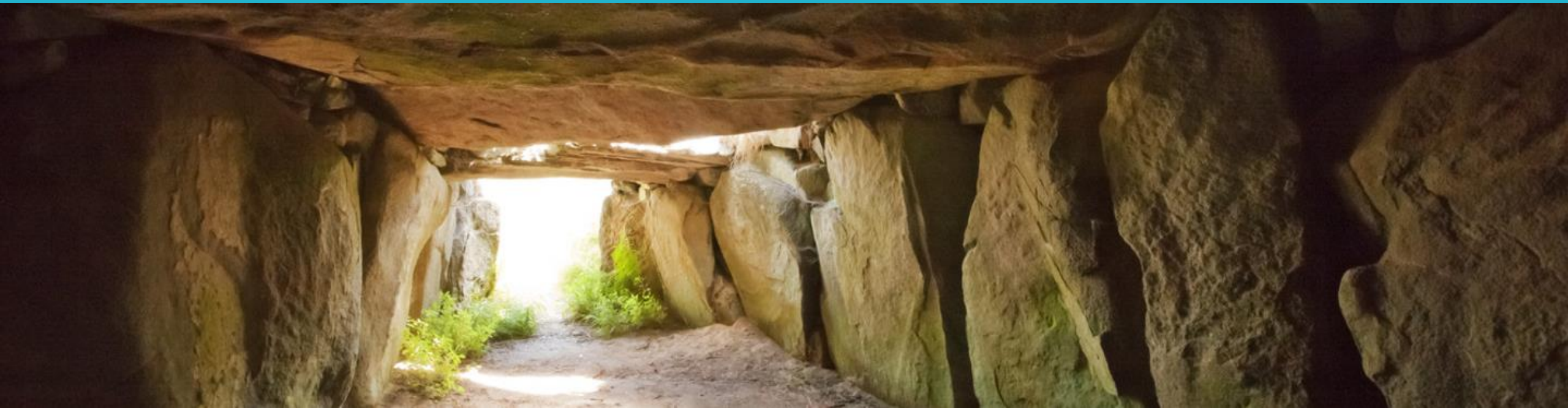
German Occupation views and points of interest

- German Underground Hospital
- Naval Signal HQ
- Festung Guernsey sights (WWII bunkers, watchtowers, gun casements)
- Guernsey Occupation museum
- Liberation monument
- La Vallette Underground Military Museum



Heritage views

- Neolithic Dolmens, ancient burial chambers
- Menhirs on the common
- Medieval wrecks – off St.Peter Port harbour
- St James Concert and Assembly Hall (converted church)
- 12th Century Town Church
- Country parish churches spanning from 11th – 19th centuries
- Oldest parish church origins date back to 550AD (St Sampson)
- Agricultural shows in August – West Show & North Show (Battle of Flowers)





St Peter Port

For the best shots of St Peter Port, bays and Island Life, film St Peter Port in the early morning.

Ideal locations include

- Thriving quay – beautifully maintained marinas
- Lanes with cobbled streets lined with shops and boutiques
- Business centre with corporate looking buildings
- Rooftop shots into the harbour – overlooking the islands
- Back streets with stone steps – flanked by granite walls and buildings
- Model Yacht Pond
- Castle Emplacement
- Old Quarters, cobbled street lined with small shops
- Market building
- Al fresco eateries such as The Terrace, Octopus, Dix Neuf, Hideaway & coco
- Clifton & Constitution Steps
- Burt Lane off Mill Street
- Views from Candie Gardens overlooking harbour and neighbouring islands
- Model Yacht Pond and Castle Emplacement
- La Vallette Bathing Pools (recently restored and a favourite for wild swimming)
- Victoria tower



A group of people, including a man and a woman in the foreground, are on a speedboat. They are wearing orange jackets and life vests. The boat is moving quickly, creating a large wake in the dark blue water. The sky is a clear, deep blue. The text "Sea views" is overlaid in the center in a white serif font.

Sea views

- Islands in the distance (Herm, Sark, Alderney, Jersey, French Coast)
- Busy harbour of St Peter Port, ferry port, fishermen going in and out
- Smaller harbours in Alderney, Sark and Herm
- Big jetty, sea wall, careening hard
- Cruise liners off St Peter Port harbour
- Yachts and dinghies, yacht racing
- Puffins (off Herm)
- Gannet colony off of Alderney
- Beautiful west coast sunsets
- Assortment of lighthouses



Panoramic filming

- Looking at St Peter Port town— From the top of the Ferry Terminal, White Rock
- Looking back over the roof tops of St Peter Port towards Castle Cornet – from Clifton
- Sandy Beaches – Sweeping view of L'Ancrese bay with loophole towers
- Fort Grey & Pleinmont
- Cliff views - Icart Point
- Sister Islands – Herm and Sark can be filmed in close proximity or in the distances
- Lihou Island is another interesting angle, it is a small tidal island that lies off the West Coast and can only be accessed by a causeway at low tide. Lihou's bird and marine life makes it an important conservation area.



Sark Island - island hopping back in time.

A 35-minute boat ride from St Peter Port, takes you to the unique island of Sark. free of cars, bicycles or horse-drawn carriages are the normal form of transport.

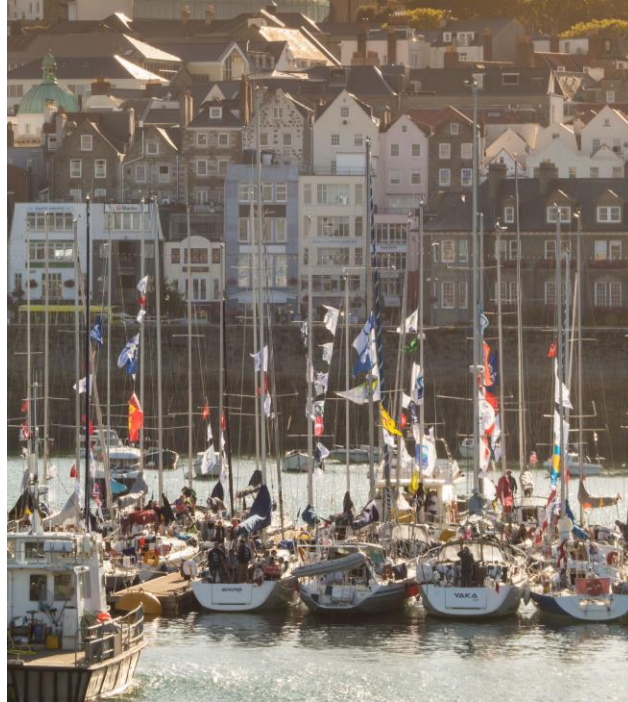




Beaches and Coves

- It is best to film the West Coast during the afternoon to evening.
- Find the local tide tables here: <https://www.gov.gg/tides>
- Sandy beaches & Bays
 - Richmond
 - Vazon
 - Cobo
 - Grande Rocques
 - Pembroke
- West coast sunsets: Best filmed over the coast from Le Guet Forest and at Pleinmont Headland over Hanois lighthouse.
- Surfers are best seen off Vazon and Port Soif Ba
- Views over Cobo Bay from Le Guet
- Iconic kiosks found on most beaches and bays
- Causeway to Lihou Island uninhabited island with large Venus pool





Harbour views

- Busy harbour of St Peter Port, fisherman and ferries going in and out
- Smaller harbours in Sark and Herm
- Islands in the distance (Herm, Sark, Alderney, Jersey, French Coast)
- 3000ft long breakwater in Alderney
- Cruise liners off St Peter harbour
- Yachts and dinghies, yacht racing
- Small fishing harbour at Portelet & Les Amarreurs
- Sunrise over Herm





Coves and cliffs

- Moulin Huet (this is where Renoir painted his master pieces)
- Le Creux Mahy
- Le Creux au Chien
- Steep cliffs down to small, secluded bays at low tide at Petit Port
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- Le Creux au Chien
- Caves off Sark
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- Petit Port
- Fermain
- Steep, deserted cliffs around Torteval and St Peters
- Cliff top walks lined by yellow gorse and wild flowers in spring and summer
- Scene for Renoir's Guernsey painting at Moulin Huet
- WWII bunkers & watch towers

