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Spring break

These outstanding hotel restaurants are so welcoming you'll want to stay the night. Make a weekend of it and save £££s with **olive**'s exclusive offers, from £150 per couple 🌞

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The Cary Arms

■ **THE ROOMS** Rooms are simply but stylishly kitted out with large beds and baths, White Company linens and blankets, plus homemade biscuits to go with your tea. For traditional style, stick to rooms in the main house or, for a bit more space and a modern feel, ask for a newer room in the converted courtyard.

■ **THE BAR** Cosy and relaxed, you could while away days, starting on tea, and moving on to local ales or the fine wine list, with its focus on St Emilion. There's also a club room for late-night drinking.

■ **WHY IT'S WORTH THE CASH** This is an ideal place to enjoy Yorkshire's stunning scenery and food. You're not far from York Minster and Harrogate, and a stone's throw from beautiful Castle Howard and Ampleforth Abbey.

■ **THE BILL** Starters £5.25-£8.25; mains £12.95-£22. B&b from £150; dinner, b&b from £210.

*The White Swan, Market Place,
Pickering, North Yorkshire*

(01751 472288; white-swan.co.uk)

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OFFER**

Three-course dinner, b&b (Vintage Inn room), plus a bottle of fizz in your room, three itinerated walks across the Moors and free entry to Castle Howard, £199 per night, based on two people sharing.

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THE LUGGER, Cornwall

Narrow, winding roads leading down to the harbour, crashing waves and the wide open sea ensure a feeling of utter detachment and relaxation at this intimate 17th-century inn nestled in the picture-perfect smugglers' cove of Portloe on Cornwall's Roseland Peninsula (pictured below).

■ **THE RESTAURANT** The Lugger's menu is an understated yet enthusiastic celebration of local produce, the jewel in its crown being the fresh seafood caught almost literally on its doorstep. The menu changes daily depending on the catch, but expect dishes such as tian of Portloe crab with crisp bruschetta to start, followed by a duo of Dover sole and sea bass with mussel and white wine sauce, or a hearty Cornish lamb and root vegetable stew. Breakfasts are also a highlight; tuck into a full Cornish, then relax on the veranda as the local fisherman haul in the morning's catch.

■ **THE ROOMS** The undeniable draw of The Lugger is the sea view from most of its 22 rooms, and the inescapable sound of the Atlantic. With crisp, neutral

decor, deluge showers and some of the most comfortable beds in Cornwall, it's impossible not to sleep soundly. Room 101's French windows open out onto a spacious private patio that's no more than a couple of metres from the water's edge. Spa treatments such as Indian head massage and reiki are also available.

■ **THE BAR** The flagstoned bar is ideal for an afternoon reading the paper with a Cornish Tribute ale, or for a nightcap and homemade petit fours by the open fire.

■ **WHY IT'S WORTH THE CASH** It's hard not to be enveloped by the unpretentious charm of The Lugger; the surroundings guarantee effortless relaxation, while friendly staff are discreetly on hand to help.

■ **THE BILL** Starters £6.90-£9.50; mains £13.90-£20.50; or three-course à la carte, £35. B&b from £110.

The Lugger Hotel, Portloe, Truro, Cornwall
(01872 501322; luggerhotel.co.uk)

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OFFER**

Three-course dinner, b&b, £168 per night, based on two people sharing.

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