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SOUTH DEVON COAST FROM THE AIR

Photography by Jason Hawkes

Devon is unique among English counties in having two separated coastlines. That each coastline is as different as chalk from cheese is amply revealed through the photographs in this book and its sister publication *North Devon Coast from the Air*. It might be imagined that while North Devon's lofty and rugged cliffs were built to withstand the fury of the Atlantic Ocean, the southern coastline is more gently inclined towards the calmer waters of the English Channel.

In this book we are taken on an aerial journey along the South Devon coast starting at Plymouth and heading east for some 115 miles (184km) where we reach the Dorset border.

The principal attraction of aerial photographs is that they are literally a bird's-eye view, allowing us to look down on the landscape from a perspective that we never normally see. Such pictures reveal to us things that are normally hidden from view, and often surprise us when we find that what we had imagined the layout of the land to be is in reality quite different. The best practitioners of this genre of photography also strive to capture an aesthetic in the images they take, and these pictures, sometimes quite abstract in appearance, are often strikingly beautiful in their own right.

Jason Hawkes is one of the country's best-known photographers specialising in aerial photography. From his base near London he travels worldwide to produce images for books, advertising and design. Since 1991 he has provided photographs for major international companies including Nike, HSBC, Ford, Rolex, Toyota and BP. The images in this book and the sister publications in the series were specially commissioned by Halsgrove.

Other titles in this series:

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Looking down on to Fore Street, Beer.



The Esplanade, Sidmouth.



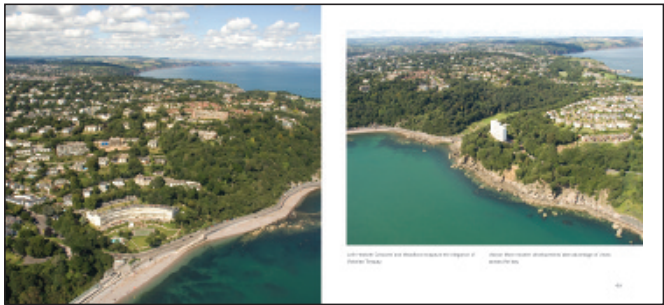
Looking north over Budleigh Salterton



South Sands lies at the mouth of Salcombe Harbour.



The Salty forms a natural little harbour, with the houses of Teignmouth sitting alongside.



Example of a double page spread.