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DAPHNE DU MAURIER'S CORNWALL

Bret Hawthorne

"Fowey cast its spell over Daphne du Maurier back in 1926 and still it does not fail to enchant and delight. The river continues to glint and sparkle and exert its attraction just as it did when Kenneth Grahame described it in The Wind in the Willows. I defy anyone not to come away entranced by Lantic and Lantivet Bay, Polkerris or Pridmouth Cove. Where else are there views comparable to those from Hall Walk down on to Pont Pill and Polruan? Such Cornish landscapes are inseparable from the novels of Daphne du Maurier."

Bret Hawthorne in the Introduction to his book

Following on from the success of his book based on Agatha Christie's life in Devon, Bret Hawthorne sets off in pursuit of discovering the Cornwall from which Daphne Du Maurier drew so much inspiration for her writings. Novels such as *Frenchman's Creek*, *Jamaica Inn*, *My Cousin Rachel*, and of course *Rebecca* have become as much a part of Cornwall as its granite cliffs and windswept moors. In this new book the author follows in the footsteps of the author to discover the actual locations which inspired her. With direct reference to her writing and through specially taken photographs the reader is taken on a tour of the real-life places, often of outstanding beauty, which were chosen as a background to the novels, places which often played an important role themselves in bringing alive Du Maurier's enduring work.

Here is a book which fans of Du Maurier will find adds so much to their appreciation of her writing, while for others it provides an exciting means of exploring the area and coming across little known gems in the Cornish countryside. *Daphne Du Maurier's Cornwall* is a book that is easy to use and beautifully illustrated. It is also a superb souvenir for any visitor to Cornwall.



ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Bret Hawthorne is a director of the Devon School of English in Paignton. His passion for the works of Daphne Du Maurier and the landscape of Cornwall, make him the perfect author for this book.

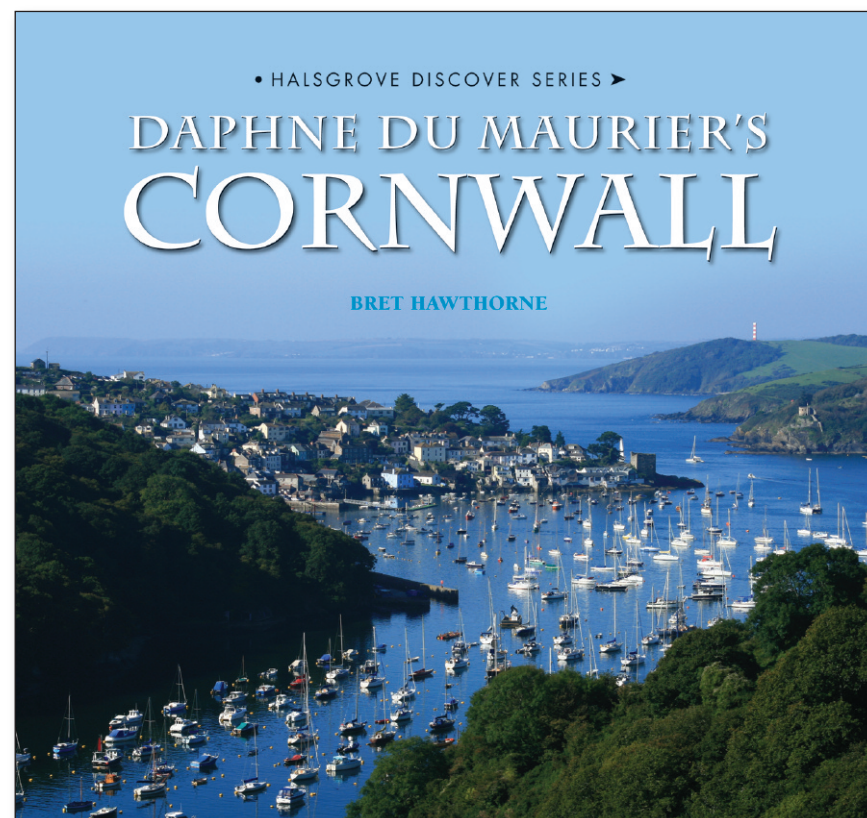
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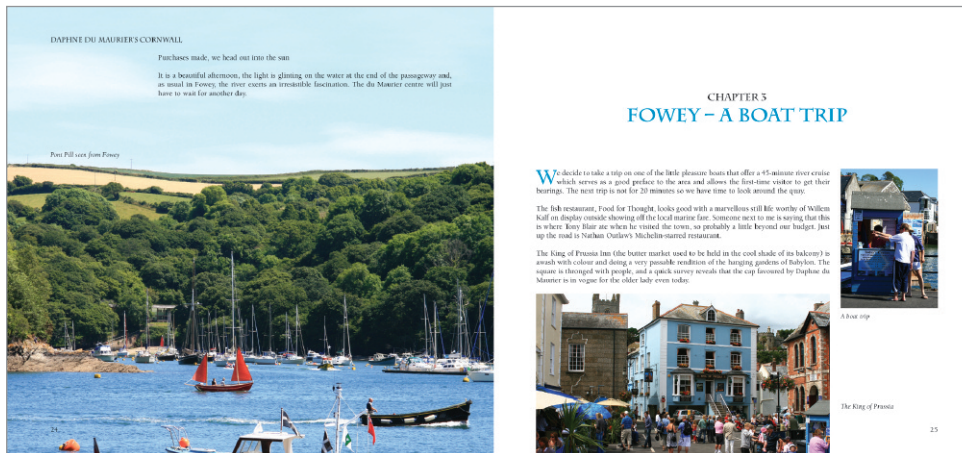
Above: Readymoney Cove

Left: The Old Quay House from the river



Looking over towards Polruan

Below: Example of a double-page spread.



The creek at Helford