



Don't let thieves steal your Christmas

Devon and Cornwall Police recommend you take care over the Christmas period.

1. Keep your windows and doors secure at all times
2. Keep presents and valuables away from outside view
3. Properly mark presents and valuables with your postcode, house number or name so that they can't be identified if stolen
4. Register your non-vehicle items on www.immobilise.com

We wish you a safe and happy Christmas

CONTACT US TAKE ME IN FREE

999 Emergency
101 Non-emergency

101 @ devonandcornwall.pnn.police.uk
www.devon-cornwall.police.uk

Don't Let Thieves Steal Your Christmas!

Devon and Cornwall would like to remind residents to keep their belongings safe during the festive season.

“Burglary in Devon and Cornwall is low compared to other areas of the country. However the opportunity for criminals increases during the Christmas period when people buy lots of valuable presents.”

“Effective measures can be put in place by everyone that will help prevent your home becoming a target for criminals.”

Police advise members of the public to:

- Keep windows and doors secure at all times.
- Keep presents and valuables away from outside view. For example, avoid stockpiling large amounts of gifts under the tree too early and keep garages securely locked when storing larger items such as bicycles and power tools.

“Shoppers should be aware and keep purchases with them, rather than leave them on display in vehicles. This will reduce the opportunity for crime. By taking simple precautions people can help police to reduce crime while preventing the heartache of losing valuable or sentimental gifts over the festive season.

Police are asking shoppers to follow simple precautions when out and about during the festive season:

- Lock your vehicles and close windows.
- Park in a well-lit and recognised car park.
- Leave nothing on display in your vehicle.
- Plan shopping so that bulky items are collected at the end of the day rather than being stored in your vehicle.
- Register valuables using the free service at www.immobilise.com which enables police to identify the owner of the items if they are stolen.



What will drink driving cost you? A life?

You don't have to be drunk to be a drink driver

ALCOHOL – KNOW WHEN TO STOP!

Devon and Cornwall

Police are encouraging people to keep safe and have a good time during the festive period

Traditionally the number of incidents involving alcohol and violence (including assault, sexual offences and domestic abuse) increase at this time of year and this year is no exception.

Ilfracombe Police said: “We want everyone to enjoy themselves when celebrating over Christmas and New Year. Whilst most people drink responsibly, there is a small minority who do not.

Alcohol can dramatically change someone’s behaviour which can often result in them doing something they may not do when sober. “We are asking people to think about the consequences of excessive drinking before they begin their night out.”

Police advice to people to stay safe this Christmas & New Year -

Drink responsibly – know when to stop drinking alcohol and drink water regularly during the evening.

Always walk away from trouble.

Stay in control and prevent one night’s actions leaving you with a criminal record for years to come

Plan how to get home before you go out and pre-book a licensed taxi if you will need one at the end of the evening.

Report domestic abuse and seek help and support if you are a victim.

WHAT WILL DRINK DRIVING COST YOU?

YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE DRUNK TO BE A DRINK DRIVER

Domestic abuse can affect anyone and takes many forms

Domestic abuse doesn't stop during the festive season

For help visit: www.domesticabusehelp.co.uk

YOU ARE NOT ALONE

The police will never...

- Contact you to ask for your PIN or bank details
- Ask to withdraw cash to hand over to them for safe-keeping
- Ask you transfer money out of your account for fraud reasons
- Send someone to your home to collect cash, PINs, or cards

Action Fraud

Using a handheld mobile device while driving is illegal. Driving while distracted is dangerous to you and other road users.

Saying you didn't know is **no excuse**

If you are caught using a handheld mobile device while driving:

6 points on your licence and a **£200** fine

#NoExcuse #EyesOnTheRoad #JustDrive #DontRiskIt

Why call when you don't have to? Go online at dc.police.uk/ClickB4UCall

In an emergency always call 999

Ask us Tell us Be in the know

Devon and Cornwall ALERT

Want to know more about the crimes in your area?

Police.uk is a national website which allows you to view what crimes have been committed in England, Wales and Northern Ireland. The website allows you to zoom in on areas and see crimes committed on individual streets, month by month. **The website also links to Neighbourhood Policing Teams and Crime Prevention Advice.** <https://www.police.uk/>

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Open from 9am to 5pm Monday to Friday
(Closed 1.15-2pm lunch) Closed bank holiday

www.devon-cornwall.police.uk



Number of Crimes reported in November 2019

Ilfracombe

- Violence with Injury 18
- Violence without Injury 21
- Sexual Offences 5
- Burglary Dwelling 5
- Burglary Non-Dwelling 1
- Vehicle Offences 3
- Shoplifting 17
- Other Theft 7
- Criminal Damage 10
- Public Order Offences 6
- Possession of weapons 3
- Trafficking of Drugs 4
- Possession of Drugs 9
- Other Offences 2
- Non Notifiable Offences 5



Tel 101 or go to the web www.victimcaredevonandcornwall.pnn.police.org.uk
Victim but no crime report.
Tel. 0300 303 0554



Combe Martin

- Violence without Injury 1
- Criminal Damage 2
- Public Order Offences 2



East Down

None

Berrynarbor

- Criminal Damage 1
- Other Offence 1