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Anderby Creek

Located in Anderby Creek, behind the sand dunes that line the Lincolnshire coast to the north of Skegness, this wonderfully romantic three-bedroom seaside cottage has been artfully remodelled by architect Paul Scrivener. The detached house is one of a pair of timber-framed houses built in the 1930s, surrounded by a secluded garden with parking to the front.

The house is approached along a private road that feeds a cluster of houses and a beach café. There is access to the beach through a garden gate, leading up and over the grassy dunes. The sandy beach stretches for miles in either direction, backed by a snaking path that follows the coastline and is abundant with wildlife.

The house is entered at the back to an open living space, divided by a central section of retaining wall that flanks the staircase. On one side is the kitchen and dining room, and on the other, a sitting room with log-burning stove and large south-facing bay window. Two sets of double doors open to the weathered wooden deck that wraps around the house on two sides and looks over the garden below.

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Hidden in the tongue-and-groove panelling to one side of the wood-burner is a door that leads to a short flight of stairs and the first of the three bedrooms. Upstairs there are two further bedrooms and a bathroom. Tongue-and-groove panelling lines the walls throughout, distinguished by individual colours in the bedrooms. The wooden floors have been restored and left exposed.

The garden is lushly planted and cleverly divided into loosely defined areas to sit. A wooden annex appears semi-obscured in one corner, designed as a peaceful self-contained studio space. There is an integrated garage beneath the house.



The area is relatively unknown and therefore delightfully unspoiled. The countryside sprawls inland towards Lincoln, the pretty market towns of Horncastle and Alford, the Lincolnshire Wolds Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, and stretches north and south along the coast. A little further north along the coast, the huge sandbanks and salt marshes offer one of the largest seal breeding grounds in the country. When the seals come back to pup, reportedly a spectacular sight. Lincoln, an hour's drive inland, has all of the amenities of a thriving university town and boasts a beautiful Gothic cathedral, a library designed by Christopher Wren, and the only Roman Archway still in use today.

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