

The Open Top Bus Site

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Fleet Lists - Dorset, England

This is our list of current open top buses in Dorset, England

BLANDFORD - Jackson (Private)

Buses privately owned.

Fleet List

FLEET NO	REG NO	CHASSIS / BODY	LAYOUT	LIVERY	PREVIOUS KNOWN OWNER(S)
184	CRU 184C	Daimler Fleetline / Weymann	O43/31F	Bournemouth Corporation (mustard with maroon bands and Bournemouth Corporation crest) [named 'CHESHIRE']	Bear Cross Bus Company Ltd. (184), Blandford, 9/20; Ensign {dealer}, Purfleet [Museum stock], 4/14
187	CRU 187C	Daimler Fleetline / Weymann	O43/31F	Yellow Buses (mustard and maroon)	Bear Cross Bus Company Ltd. (187), Blandford, 9/20; Liam Doyle (P), Wembley, 8/16

BOURNEMOUTH - Foster (Private)

Bus privately owned.

Fleet List

FLEET NO	REG NO	CHASSIS / BODY	LAYOUT	LIVERY	PREVIOUS KNOWN OWNER(S)
-	WOW 531J	Leyland Atlantean PDR / East Lancs	O43/31F	The Bournemouth Tour (Guide Friday) (dark green/cream)	Guide Friday, Purfleet, 3/03

Previous Registration Numbers

WOW 531J was previously HNP 898J, WOW 529J

BOURNEMOUTH - Neil Markwick & Graham Thorogood (Private)

Bus privately owned.

Fleet List

FLEET NO	REG NO	CHASSIS / BODY	LAYOUT	LIVERY	PREVIOUS KNOWN OWNER(S)
-	ATA 559L	Bristol VRT / ECW	O43/32F	First Southern National 'SOUTHERN Belle' (yellow, with blue and red bands) [named 'Henry Frier']	Jordan, Coltishall {dealer}, 9/14; First Eastern Counties Buses Ltd. (not operated), ???

BOURNEMOUTH - Simon Gard (Private)

Bus privately owned.

Fleet List

FLEET NO	REG NO	CHASSIS / BODY	LAYOUT	LIVERY	PREVIOUS KNOWN OWNER(S)
-	NFX 137P	Daimler Fleetline / Alexander	CO43/31F	yellow & blue	Mabberley (Sureline), Portland, ???

BOURNEMOUTH & POOLE - Discover Dorset Ltd. (City Sightseeing Bournemouth)

Buses used on sightseeing tours. (City Sightseeing franchise)

Fleet List

FLEET NO	REG NO	CHASSIS / BODY	LAYOUT	LIVERY	PREVIOUS KNOWN OWNER(S)
-	EU05 VBJ	Volvo B7L / Ayats Bravo 1 City	PO55/24F	CitySightseeing Bournemouth Poole Bay & Sandbanks Explorer (red with yellow flash & multicoloured graphics)	Ensign {dealer}, Purfleet, 11/21; Bath Bus Company Ltd. (273), Bath, 10/21

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BOURNEMOUTH & POOLE - Discover Dorset Ltd. (City Sightseeing Bournemouth) - continued from previous page

Buses used on sightseeing tours. (City Sightseeing franchise)

-	EU05 VBM	Volvo B7L / Ayats Bravo 1 City	O55/24F	CitySightseeing Bournemouth Poole Bay & Sandbanks Explorer (red with yellow flash & multicoloured graphics)	Ensign {dealer}, Purfleet, 11/21; Bath Bus Company Ltd. (374), Bath, 10/21
-	LX05 GDZ	Volvo B7L / Ayats Bravo 1 City	O55/24F	CitySightseeing Bournemouth Poole Bay & Sandbanks Explorer (red with yellow flash & multicoloured graphics)	Ensign {dealer}, Purfleet, 7/21; Original London Sightseeing Tour Ltd. (VLY603), London, 4/21
-	T504 SSG (w)	Dennis Trident 2 / Alexander ALX400	PO51/25F	City Sightseeing (red with yellow flash)	Edinburgh Bus Tours (504), Edinburgh, 11/16

BOURNEMOUTH / POOLE - Go South Coast Ltd. (more) [Go-Ahead Group]

Buses used on local bus services - some open topped for summer 'Breezer' services.

Fleet List

FLEET NO	REG NO	CHASSIS / BODY	LAYOUT	LIVERY	PREVIOUS KNOWN OWNER(S)
1404	HF09 FVX	Scania N230UD / Optare Visionaire	CO51/29F	BEACH Breezer (2 blues, yellow & green)	New as convertible open top, 8/09
1405	HF09 FVY	Scania N230UD / Optare Visionaire	CO51/29F	BEACH Breezer (2 blues, yellow & green)	New as convertible open top, 8/09
1406	HF59 DMO	Scania N230UD / Optare Visionaire	CO51/29F	BEACH Breezer (2 blues, yellow & green)	New as convertible open top, 9/09
1407	HF59 DMU	Scania N230UD / Optare Visionaire	CO51/29F	BEACH Breezer (2 blues, yellow & green)	New as convertible open top, 9/09
1408	HF59 DMV	Scania N230UD / Optare Visionaire	CO51/29F	BEACH Breezer (2 blues, yellow & green)	New as convertible open top, 9/09
1409	HF59 DMX	Scania N230UD / Optare Visionaire	CO51/29F	more (red & blue)	New as convertible open top, 9/09
1812	YBZ 223	Volvo B7TL / East Lancs	PO45/31F	BEACH Breezer (2 blues, yellow & green)	Ensign {dealer}, Purfleet, 8/22; Bournemouth Transport Ltd. (5001), 8/22
1813	YBZ 224	Volvo B7TL / East Lancs	PO45/31F	BEACH Breezer (2 blues, yellow & green)	Ensign {dealer}, Purfleet, 8/22; Bournemouth Transport Ltd. (5002), 8/22
1821	HF54 KXT	Volvo B7TL / East Lancs	CO49/29F	New Forest Tour / more (red & blue) [generic spare]	Transferred from Bluestar at Eastleigh, by 3/19; new as convertible open top, 1/05

Previous Registration Numbers

YBZ 223 was previously HJ02 HFB

YBZ 224 was previously HJ02 HFC

BOURNEMOUTH/POOLE/SWANAGE - Go South Coast Ltd. (Purbeck Breezer) [Go-Ahead Group]

Buses used on Purbeck Breezer bus services between Swanage/Sandbanks/Bournemouth/Poole.

Fleet List

FLEET NO	REG NO	CHASSIS / BODY	LAYOUT	LIVERY	PREVIOUS KNOWN OWNER(S)
1704	HJ16 HSZ	Volvo B5TL / MCV eVoSeti	PO43/30F	PURBECK Breezer / more (two blues & green)	New as part open top, 7/16
1705	HJ16 HTA	Volvo B5TL / MCV eVoSeti	PO43/30F	PURBECK Breezer / more (two blues & green)	New as part open top, 7/16
1706	HJ16 HTC	Volvo B5TL / MCV eVoSeti	PO43/30F	PURBECK Breezer / more (two blues & green)	New as part open top, 7/16
1707	HF66 DSE	Volvo B5TL / MCV eVoSeti	CO45/29F	PURBECK Breezer / more (two blues & green)	New as convertible open top, 1/17
1708	HF66 DSO	Volvo B5TL / MCV eVoSeti	CO45/29F	PURBECK Breezer / more (two blues & green)	New as convertible open top, 1/17
1709	HF66 DSU	Volvo B5TL / MCV eVoSeti	CO45/29F	PURBECK Breezer / more (two blues & green)	New as convertible open top, 1/17
1710	HF66 DSV	Volvo B5TL / MCV eVoSeti	CO45/29F	PURBECK Breezer / more (two blues & green)	New as convertible open top, 1/17
1711	HF66 DSX	Volvo B5TL / MCV eVoSeti	CO45/29F	PURBECK Breezer / more (two blues & green)	New as convertible open top, 1/17
1712	HF66 DSY	Volvo B5TL / MCV eVoSeti	CO45/29F	PURBECK Breezer / more (two blues & green)	New as convertible open top, 1/17

CHALMINGTON - Dan Green (Made in Dorset)

Bus used as a mobile catering unit.

Fleet List

FLEET NO	REG NO	CHASSIS / BODY	LAYOUT	LIVERY	PREVIOUS KNOWN OWNER(S)
-	CUL 83V	Leyland Titan TN15 / Park Royal	O??/--D	Made in Dorset (purple) (pavement side behind exit door opens up to make servery)	The Breakfast Club, London, 4/13

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LOWER MANNINGTON - Unidentified Owner

The status/use of this bus is unknown to us, though a new V5C issued 27/09/22 may indicate a recent change in ownership. If you can supply any more information, please contact us.

Fleet List

FLEET NO	REG NO	CHASSIS / BODY	LAYOUT	LIVERY	PREVIOUS KNOWN OWNER(S)
-	ERU 152V	Leyland Fleetline / Alexander	Check	talkSPORT (black / green / yellow)	talkSPORT Ltd., London, by 5/20

POOLE - Carl Romer (Romeround)

Bus used for special events/private hire.

Fleet List

FLEET NO	REG NO	CHASSIS / BODY	LAYOUT	LIVERY	PREVIOUS KNOWN OWNER(S)
-	A990 XAF	Leyland Olympian / ECW	CO45/30F	Romeround (red NBC style with two white bands and white front bumper)	Flagfinders Coaches, Braintree, Essex, by 7/14

POOLE - Go South Coast Ltd. (ancillary fleet) [Go-Ahead Group]

Bus used as a tree lopper.

Fleet List

FLEET NO	REG NO	CHASSIS / BODY	LAYOUT	LIVERY	PREVIOUS KNOWN OWNER(S)
1946	Y746 TGH	Volvo B7TL / Plaxton President	O--D	HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE (yellow with white stripe & lettering appropriate to its role as a tree lopper)	Go-Ahead London, ?/11; converted from a conventional bus, -/17

POOLE - Go South Coast Ltd. (more) [Go-Ahead Group]

Buses used on local bus services - some open topped for summer 'Breezer' services.

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FLEET NO	REG NO	CHASSIS / BODY	LAYOUT	LIVERY	PREVIOUS KNOWN OWNER(S)
1831	HF05 GGV	Volvo B7TL / East Lancs	CO49/29F	HARBOUR Breezer (multiple shades of blue with green)	New as convertible open top, 4/05
1832	HF05 GGX	Volvo B7TL / East Lancs	CO49/29F	HARBOUR Breezer (multiple shades of blue with green)	New as convertible open top, 4/05
1833	HF05 GGY	Volvo B7TL / East Lancs	CO49/29F	HARBOUR Breezer (multiple shades of blue with green)	New as convertible open top, 4/05

SHERBORNE - Dale (Private)

Bus privately owned.

Fleet List

FLEET NO	REG NO	CHASSIS / BODY	LAYOUT	LIVERY	PREVIOUS KNOWN OWNER(S)
-	VJT 140S	Leyland Fleetline / Alexander	CO43/31F	?	Dorset Heritage (Shamrock Buses), Poole, by 12/19; Yellow Buses (140), Bournemouth, ?/07

SHERBORNE - Pearce Seeds Ltd.

Bus used for promotional work.

Fleet List

FLEET NO	REG NO	CHASSIS / BODY	LAYOUT	LIVERY	PREVIOUS KNOWN OWNER(S)
381	EU04 CPV	Volvo B7L / Ayats Bravo 1 City	O55/24F	PEARCE SEEDS (2 greens with 'countryside' graphics)	Ensign {dealer}, Purfleet, 11/21; Bath Bus Company Ltd. (381), Bath, 10/21

SHERBOURNE - Terry Bennett (The Devon & Dorset Group)

Bus privately owned.

Fleet List

FLEET NO	REG NO	CHASSIS / BODY	LAYOUT	LIVERY	PREVIOUS KNOWN OWNER(S)
DL 932	932 GTA	Leyland Atlantean PDR / MCW	O44/31F	DEVON GENERAL (cream with 2 maroon bands) [named 'EARL HOWE']	Dave Wright (P), Stoke-on-Trent, Staffordshire, 12/14

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SOUTHBOURNE (BOURNEMOUTH) - Sobo Beach

Bus used as a static bar and VIP lounge on Southbourne Promenade.

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FLEET NO	REG NO	CHASSIS / BODY	LAYOUT	LIVERY	PREVIOUS KNOWN OWNER(S)
-	KYV 663X	MCW Metrobus / MCW	PO??/?D	multicoloured, with palm tree graphics	Earls Limousines, Higher Walton, Cheshire, 5/22

VERWOOD - Found (Private)

Bus privately owned for preservation.

Fleet List

FLEET NO	REG NO	CHASSIS / BODY	LAYOUT	LIVERY	PREVIOUS KNOWN OWNER(S)
1128	GLJ 971	Bristol K / Hants & Dorset (1953) - fitted 1956	FO31/28R	HANTS & DORSET (cream with green mudguards)	Bournemouth Heritage Transport Collection (P), Bournemouth, by 9/99

WAREHAM - The Salt Pig Café

Bus used as a mobile catering unit.

Fleet List

FLEET NO	REG NO	CHASSIS / BODY	LAYOUT	LIVERY	PREVIOUS KNOWN OWNER(S)
-	TNJ 996S	Bristol VRT / ECW	CO43/27D	ex-Bath's Classic CITYTOUR (red with white band)	Mee (private owner), Shepperton, by 3/11

WEYMOUTH - First Hampshire and Dorset Limited (Coaster) [First Group]

Buses used on Jurassic Coaster or Portland Coaster services from Weymouth in summer.

Fleet List

FLEET NO	REG NO	CHASSIS / BODY	LAYOUT	LIVERY	PREVIOUS KNOWN OWNER(S)
32033	W803 EOW (w)*	Volvo B7TL / Alexander ALX400	PO49/29F	PORTLAND COASTER from First (pale yellow, 2 blues & red)	converted from conventional bus, by 5/17
32036	W806 EOW (w)*	Volvo B7TL / Alexander ALX400	PO49/29F	PORTLAND COASTER from First (pale yellow, 2 blues & red)	converted from conventional bus, 7/16
33601	SN09 CFV*	Alexander Dennis E40D / Alexander Dennis Enviro400	PO41/26D	turquoise / teal	First South West (33601), 1/25; Ensign {dealer}, Purfleet, 8/20; Metroline West Ltd. (TE1741), ?/20
36100	LX60 DXB	Volvo B9TL / Wright Eclipse Gemini 2	O39/27F	COASTER (turquoise / teal)	First South West Ltd. (36100), 5/24; First Hampshire & Dorset Limited. (First Solent) [FirstGroup] (36100), 1/24; First South West Ltd. (36100), 3/22 (then loaned back to them, 3-6/22).
37058	YJ06 XMK	Volvo B7TL / Wright Eclipse Gemini	PO45/29F	COASTER (turquoise / teal)	First South West Limited (37058), 3/24; First West Yorkshire Ltd. (37058), 1/19
37729	YJ09 OCA*	Volvo B9TL / Wright Eclipse Gemini	PO45/29F	EXMOOR COASTER (turquoise / teal)	First South West (37729), 2/25; First West Yorkshire Ltd. (37729), 1/19
37736	SF09 LDD*	Volvo B9TL / Wright Eclipse Gemini	PO45/29F	yellow	First South West (37736), 2/25; First Glasgow (No.2) (37736), 1/23
37791	LK59 CXH*	Volvo B9TL / Wright Eclipse Gemini 2	PO39/23D	COASTER (turquoise / teal)	First South West (37791), 2/25; Ensign {dealer}, Purfleet, 5/22; Metroline (VW1770), 11/21
37793	LK59 CXL	Volvo B9TL / Wright Eclipse Gemini 2	PO39/23D	turquoise / teal	First South West Limited (37793), 1/25
37795	LK59 CXN*	Volvo B9TL / Wright Eclipse Gemini 2	PO39/23D	LAND'S END COASTER (turquoise / teal)	First South West (37795), 2/25; Ensign {dealer}, Purfleet, 3/22; Metroline (VW1774), 11/21
37801	LK59 FCV	Volvo B9TL / Wright Eclipse Gemini 2	PO39/23D	COASTER (turquoise / teal)	First South West Limited (37801), 1/25; Ensign {dealer}, Purfleet, 4/22; Metroline (VW1780), 12/21

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WEYMOUTH - First Hampshire and Dorset Limited (Coaster) [First Group] - continued from previous page

Buses used on Jurassic Coaster or Portland Coaster services from Weymouth in summer.

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W803 EOW (w) was previously RKZ 4760, W803 EOW

W806 EOW (w) was previously WYY 752, W806 EOW

WEYMOUTH - Unknown Owner

Bus purchased for intended conversion into a mobile bar. Project not progressed and for sale (by 'Mike') on eBay, 12/24.

Fleet List

FLEET NO	REG NO	CHASSIS / BODY	LAYOUT	LIVERY	PREVIOUS KNOWN OWNER(S)
OT1	LN51 KXZ (u)	Dennis Trident 2 / Plaxton President	O43/24D	Bristol IN•SIGHT (red with silver skirt and sweep and photo images of Bristol)	Liquidators of Rubicon Classic Enterprises Limited, Bristol, 9/21; Ensign (dealer), Purfleet, 4/15; Metroline (TPL245), 3/13