

Top 10 UK Beaches

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1	Porthcurno, Cornwall	 Jump off Thai style yellow boulders If you dare, follow the stairway, carved into the rocks leading to the open-air cliff-top <u>Minack</u> <u>theatre</u> Spot seals as you surf in the bluest of seas 	Beach tip : Head down early for a car parking space.
2	Porthmeor, St Ives	 Explore the cobbled streets of St Ives behind you. Breakfast at <u>West beach café</u> Hike the emerald water fringed headland (with seals). Hang out at beach cafes and bars right on the sand. 	Beach tip : Book ahead for a table at the glass fronted <u>Porthmeor Beach Cafe</u>
3	Durdledoor, Dorset	White cliffsGolden sands	Beach tip : Don't jump from the top.

		Natural arch for dive bombing	
4	West Bay, Dorset	Crazily steep and bright orange cliffs.	Beach tip : Don't sit directly under the cliffs. "Rocks may fall at any time"
5	Kynance Cove, Cornwall	 Aquamarine water and back-to-back dramatic rocky bays. Accessed by way of a steep coastal path 	Beach tip: The beach is only accessible at low tide.
6	Barafundle Bay, Pembrokeshire	 Stone arch entrance – like a Welsh Ancient Greece Remote location accessed via of coastal path Calm seas are great for swimming and boating 	Beach tip: Don't miss the National Trust cafe for pre/post beach cream teas by the car park at Stackpole Quay. Use the loo at the carpark before you go.
7	Perranporth, Cornwall	 Vast swathes of empty white sand Huge run-down-me dunes Don't miss the <u>Watering Hole</u> café/bar right in the middle of the sand 	Beach tip: A headland path takes you back the campsite when the tide comes in.
8	Charmouth, Dorset	 Hire goggles and a hammer from a beach portacabin and go prospecting for dinosaur bones and ammonites Check out the fossil shop and marvel at the skeletons found by the luckiest hunters. 	Beach tip: Go after a storm or as the tide goes out, for the best fossil pickings.

9	Croyde, Devon	 Do some surfing Play in and or run down sand dunes big enough to get lost in Walk the headland to Baggy Point (if it's not too windy) <u>Hire a lodge</u> just behind the dunes Head into the village for dinner and a drink in thatched <u>Thatch</u> 	Beach tip: Hide and seek is a bad idea.
10	Sennen Cove, Cornwall	Winner of my UK's whitest sand/bluest sea award.	Beach tip: Check out the pictures of the <u>towering storm</u> wave over the headland.

