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North Carolina: Emerald Isle, Crystal Coast

The Travel Channel reports that "Emerald Isle is the crown jewel of North Carolina's Crystal Coast. The island is sandwiched between the Atlantic Ocean on the south and the Bogue Sound to the north making for calm, crystalline waters perfect for wading and frolicking in the surf." As if that wasn't enough to tempt you to the Southern Outer Banks, you can also "set off on a coastal boat tour in search of dolphins, local birds, and a glimpse of wild ponies on the barrier islands." Sold!

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