

## 7 Moonstone Beach

Beautiful vistas of headlands and rocky coves surround this county park, a great spot for surfing, sea kayaking, beachcombing, bouldering, climbing, tide pooling and beach caves. The scenic Little River runs through it too. **100 Moonstone Beach Rd., Trinidad** [humboldt.gov/1429](http://humboldt.gov/1429) | 707-445-7651



## 8 Clam Beach

On the south side of Little River, this county park is known for tasty giant razor clams, which hunters scoop up at negative tides. Otherwise, regular folk like to tent or RV camp on this sandy stretch between the ocean and Hwy 101. **1100 Clam Beach Rd., McKinleyville** | [humboldt.gov/1429](http://humboldt.gov/1429) 707-445-7651

## 9 Samoa Beach

Just west of Eureka, this peninsular strip of sand extends unbroken for miles, making it popular with walkers, joggers, beach anglers and bird watchers. At the north jetty, the spectacular entrance to Humboldt Bay, offroaders play in the dunes. **New Navy Base Rd., Samoa** | [blm.gov/california](http://blm.gov/california) 707-825-2300

## 10 Centerville Beach

This county park five miles west of Ferndale gives access to a long sandy beach that stretches from the parking area north all the way to the mouth of the Eel River. Behind the beach is a mixture of farmlands, meandering sloughs and marshy wetlands. **4000 Centerville Rd.** | [humboldt.org/1429](http://humboldt.org/1429) 707-445-7651

## 11 Lost Coast Headlands

About six miles west of Ferndale, this 500-acre preserve marks the northern end of the famous Lost Coast. It has rolling mountains, coastal bluffs, and narrow secluded beaches at the mouths of Fleener and Guthrie creeks. **4001-6111 Centerville Rd., Ferndale** [blm.gov/california](http://blm.gov/california) | 707-825-2300

## 12 Black Sands Beaches

On the north and south sides of Shelter Cove, the only settlement on the renowned Lost Coast, Black Sands Beach and Little Black Sands Beach feature curiously dark pebbly sand, framed by the steepest coastal mountains in the nation. **856 Beach Rd. and 257 Dolphin Dr., Shelter Cove** [blm.gov/california](http://blm.gov/california) | 707-986-5400



**NOTE:** Humboldt beaches are beautiful and private, but caution is advised due to unexpected waves and tides. For beach hikes, consulting a tide chart is recommended.

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# HOW TO ENJOY THE BEACHES & COASTLINE

in Humboldt County



Best Beaches for Picnics,  
Beachcombing & Wildlife,  
Dunes, Agate Hunting  
& Coastal Hikes

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## 1 Gold Bluff Beach

This Redwood National and State Parks beach has primitive camping, beachcombing and watchable wildlife, marine and terrestrial. Briefly mined for gold, the beach has another treasure – Fern Canyon, a gorge draped in luxurious ferns.

**Davison Rd., Orick | [nps.gov/redw/index.htm](https://nps.gov/redw/index.htm)  
707-465-7335**



## 2 Humboldt Lagoons

This state park, a string of three large natural lagoons just south of Redwood National and State Parks, offers paddling, fishing, bird watching, swimming and camping. Stone Lagoon has a secluded boat-in campground too.

**5336 Hwy 101, Trinidad | [parks.ca.gov/416](https://parks.ca.gov/416)  
707-677-3570**



## 3 Agate Beach

In Sue-Meg State Park just north of Trinidad, this beach draws rock hounds from all over, who scoop up rainbows of semi-precious stones, especially after winter storms.

**4150 Patrick's Point Dr., Trinidad  
[parks.ca.gov/417](https://parks.ca.gov/417) | 707-677-3570**



## 4 College Cove

Take a short forest hike, with picturesque cliff overlooks along the way, and reach a perfect hideaway protected from strong winds and tides, with noticeably warmer sand and water compared to other beaches. Park of Trinidad State Beach.

**585 Stagecoach Rd., Trinidad  
[parks.ca.gov/418](https://parks.ca.gov/418)  
707-677-3570**



## 5 Trinidad Beach

This small sandy state beach features dramatic sea stacks, cliffs, a forest trail and access to Trinidad Pier and Trinidad Head, a giant rock jutting into the ocean, with a loop trail that leads to California's most secluded working lighthouse.

**Lighthouse Rd. & Bay St., Trinidad  
[parks.ca.gov/418](https://parks.ca.gov/418) | 707-677-3570**



## 6 Luffenholtz Beach

This county park starts with a picnic area and sweeping overlook of the ocean, a steep trail to the beach, then a spectacular rocky cove with tidepools and wildlife. Just south of the town of Trinidad.

**1639 Trinidad Scenic Dr., Trinidad  
[humboldt.gov/1429](https://humboldt.gov/1429)  
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