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15 Best Secluded Beaches in the U.S.

Escape the crowds at one of these isolated stretches of sand.

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Beach vacations are wonderful. You get to lay out on the sand, soak in some sunshine, and maybe read a book or take a nice, long swim. It's a favorite summer pastime, which makes it tough to find a beach that isn't crowded. If you're looking for a quieter stretch of sand, you're in luck. Some of the best secluded beaches in the U.S. are practically untouched by humans and accessible to the public. These hidden gems offer all the relaxation and fun that you can get on any other beach, so you can enjoy a calm day by the water.

From the Outer Banks of North Carolina to just beyond the redwood trees of California and past the busy shorelines of Long Island, secluded beaches aren't so hard to find after all.

Mansion Beach, Rhode Island



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There used to be an actual mansion on this Rhode Island coast. And even though it burned down in the '60s, the area still carries a touch of grandeur in its cliffs and the rock formations jutting from the surf. Mansion Beach is a less-crowded section of Block Island's Crescent Beach

that is great for body surfing and beach combing. To get there, you'll have to take a dirt road to the foundations of the old manse, but the views alone are worth the trek.