

Beaches

The beauty of Jersey's beaches rivals anywhere in the world, especially when you consider the quantity and diversity within such easy reach.

Our favourites are:

Beauport; very picturesque, Mediterranean feel. Great for swimming and an ideal destination to SUP or kayak to, from St Brelades Bay. The coastline immediately to the west of Beauport is well worth exploring too, if you are on a kayak or paddleboard. You have to walk down to the beach (and a moderately steep hike back up) and there are no facilities or shops down there. It is almost completely covered at high tide, but perfect 1 hour afterwards.

Following the coastal footpath from the car park, heading south and west, the views of Beauport and the coast are fantastic.

Plemont; stunningly beautiful, but only accessible at low tide, the ideal period being 3 hours before to 3 hours after low tide. A great bay to explore with hidden rock pools and caves. Great swimming and sometimes surf. An excellent beach café at the top of the steps, along with loos. Fantastic cliff top walks heading west and east.

Greve de Lecq; Another beautiful beach, overlooked by Colleen's restaurant café. Good beach for swimming and amazing coasteering off to the right, with caves and "secret beaches" waiting to be explored. These are most readily accessed by SUP or kayaking. Tides, swell and currents can make this a potentially dangerous area, so its probably best to go with a guide.

<https://www.jerseyadventures.com/coasteering>

<https://wildadventuresjersey.com/coasteering/>

And, of course the majesty of:

St Ouen's Bay; Comprising five miles of Jersey's west coast with scope for surfing, kitesurfing or just messing about in the waves. Idyllic spots for evening barbecues, watching the sun set over Rocco Tower. With wonderful beach cafes/cantinas, surf schools and sand dunes, you could spend your entire holiday on this beach alone! Some significant rips and under-currents, which are worse in some areas, so take heed of warnings and life guard advice.

These are closely followed in our "favourite" rankings by:

Petit Port (at high tide)

La Coupe

Portelet

Archirondel

Others are St Brelade's Bay, Ouaisne, Belcroute, Green Island, La Rocque, several coves sheltered by St Catherine's breakwater, Bouley Bay, Bonne Nuit Bay. All have their unique charms.