

The Best Beach Resorts In The Carolinas

Discover these prime getaways on the stunning shores of the Carolinas.

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The Tar Heel and Palmetto states are known for their natural beauty, from [craggy mountains](#) to the windswept edge of the Atlantic, but their wide and welcoming beaches are particularly splendid. From the unspoiled dunes of the Outer Banks to the enchanting wetlands of the Lowcountry, from [small beach towns](#) to buzzing seaside cities, the Carolina coast is something spectacular to behold.

The best beach resorts in North Carolina and South Carolina possess serene seaside settings, top-notch accommodations, and boatloads of Southern hospitality. Whether you're looking for a family-friendly vacation with activities for kids or a [romantic retreat](#) with top-shelf dining, spas, and places to unwind, there is a coastal Carolina escape that's perfect for you. Now it's just a matter of choosing which one.

The Beach Club at Charleston Harbor Resort & Marina



PHOTO: THE BEACH CLUB AT CHARLESTON HARBOR RESORT & MARINA

Mount Pleasant, South Carolina

With views of Charleston Harbor and the Holy City skyline across the sweeping Cooper River, [The Beach Club at Charleston Harbor Resort & Marina](#) is worth a visit for the vista alone. The resort's 92 guest rooms feature wrap-around porches and one- and two-bedroom layouts—for a trip-for-two or family-friendly getaway—with calming, coastal interiors. Outside, a private beach and multiple pools wrapped in a 30,000 square foot deck—with a bocce court, private poolside cabanas, and Charleston's only Tiki bar-beckon. The Fish House serves modern, Southern fare, but when the foodie city of Charleston calls you to dine, it's just a free, 15-minute trolley or water taxi ride away. For days when further unwinding is a must, book a treatment at Estuary Spa. During summer months, pint-sized guests aged 5 to 12 can partake in the resort's [Mini Mariners Children's Program](#), with weekly themes like science adventure, weather watchers, and Lego land.