



# Best Coastal Small Town (2020)

*Note from 10Best: Someday, we'll all be ready to pack our suitcases again and head out on our next adventures. In the meantime, we'll keep supporting the places that inspire us.*



## ST. MARYS, GEORGIA

The historic small town of St. Marys serves as the gateway to Cumberland Island and the Georgia coast. There's a bit of something for everyone, from excellent museums (St. Marys Submarine Museum and the Cumberland Island National Seashore Museum), a full calendar of outdoor festivals, and plenty of opportunity for recreation on the water.

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Move over L.A., Miami and Honolulu! Our 10 winners for Best Coastal Small Town – each with a population of fewer than 25,000 people as of the last census – offer uncrowded, unpretentious and affordable seaside fun in small packages that prove bigger isn't always better.

The top 10 winners in the category Best Coastal Small Town are as follows:

1. Chincoteague - Virginia
2. Bayfield - Wisconsin
3. Venice - Florida
4. Rockport, Texas
5. Bay Saint Louis - Mississippi
6. Southport - North Carolina
7. Georgetown - South Carolina
8. St. Marys - Georgia
9. Gulf Shores - Alabama
10. Sandusky - Ohio

A panel of experts partnered with 10Best editors to pick the initial nominees, and the top 10 winners were determined by popular vote.

Congratulations to all these winning small towns!