

The hidden corners of Britain you should visit this year, according to our experts

Don't follow the crowds to obvious spots in Cornwall or the Cotswolds – here's where our travel editors are going instead

The closest you can get to Big Sur in Britain

Top of my list to return to this year is the Rame Head peninsula in south-eastern Cornwall, just across the Tamar River from Plymouth. It's this proximity to Devon's less-than-shiny big city that is probably the reason why it's so undervisited, despite being an AONB.

Cornwall has been nicknamed 'Kernowfornia' – and it is places like Rame Head that bear such a striking resemblance to America's Pacific Coast. Driving along the bluff-side ribbon of Military Road last summer, windows down, not a cloud in the sky and the endless blue stretched out beside us, we could have easily been in Big Sur, not Britain. Its vast headline beach, Whitsand, framed by cliffs, is a rival for the California coastline.

There's a real dearth of hotels here, but there are some incredible studio-style beach huts which have something of Big Sur's [Post Ranch Inn](#) about them. [Unique Homestays](#) has the best offering, with panoramic views everywhere from the bed to the terrace (some with hot tubs).