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20 Best Rhode Island Beaches

Rhode Island has nearly 400 miles of coastline, studded with spectacular beaches. Here are just a few of the best.

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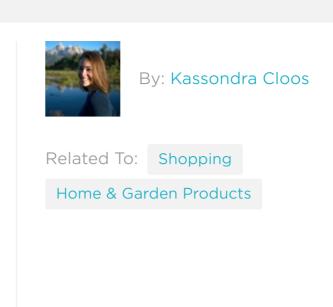


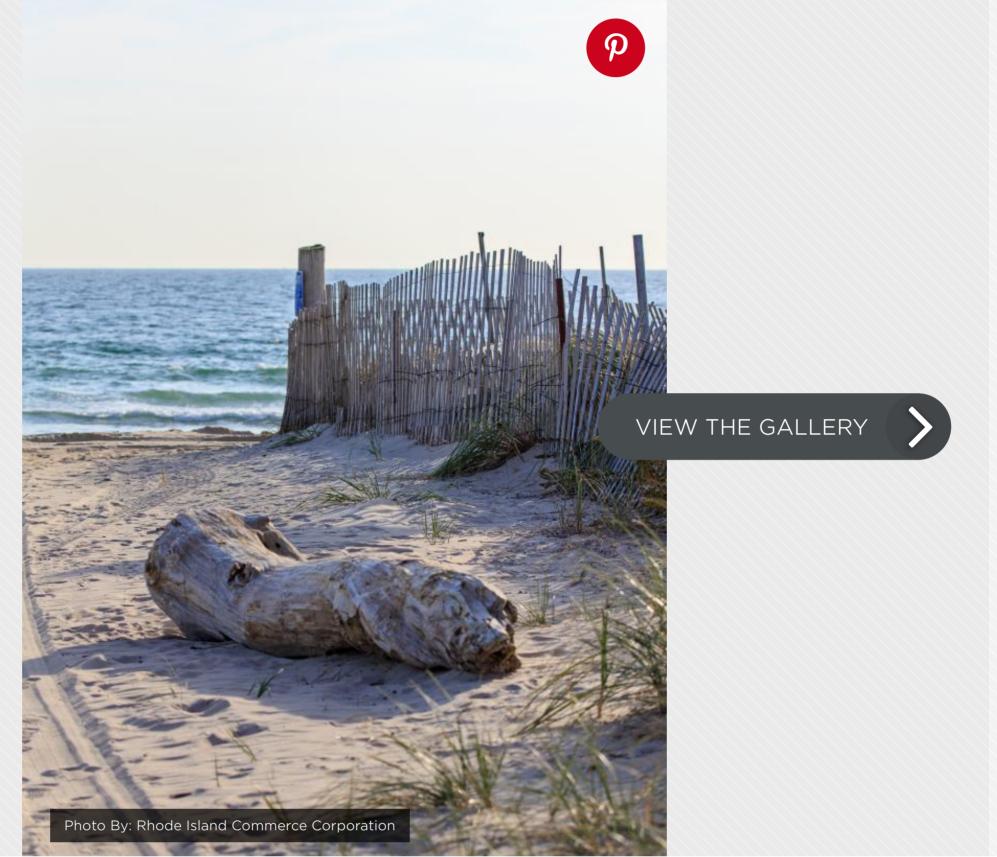
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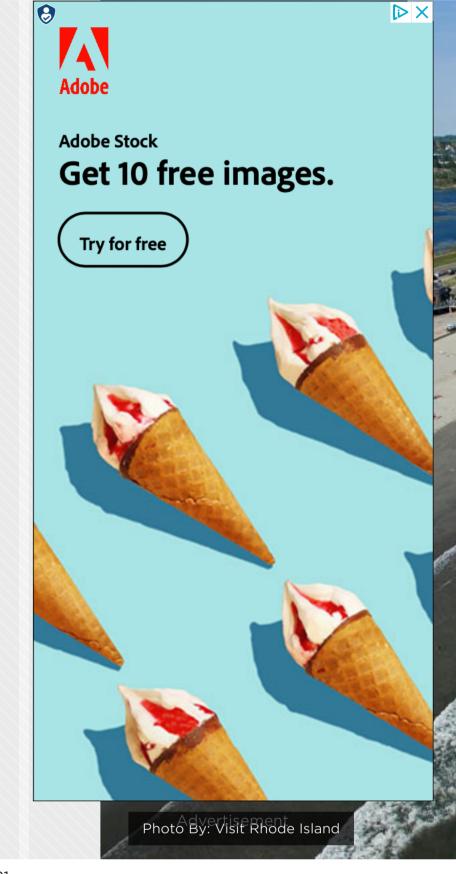












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Ample Beach Options

Rhode Island is most famous for the sailing capital of Newport, where some of the country's wealthiest families have built opulent summer homes for centuries. But it's only one of a few places around the state where you can find spectacular beaches, fresh local seafood and a quiet escape from the crowds — if you know where to look.

If you've ever met a Rhode Islander who hasn't told you that Taylor Swift owns a house on Watch Hill in Westerly (more on this later), not far from this beach, you should ask them if they were secretly born in Massachusetts. State pride runs deep, and Misquamicut State Beach (shown here) is a local favorite.

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