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Beaches and more

The finest sandy beaches, rough surf on the west coast and the calm Wadden Sea with its tidal flats to the east. Unspoilt dunes and green dykes. Flowering heathlands and majestic cliffs. Daydreams and nightlife. Bustling activity and peaceful seclusion. Twelve places, all of them different and each holding its own individual charm.

Nearly 25 miles of finest sandy beaches stretching along the west coast, dotted with colourful wicker beach chairs. Roaring surf, the air fizzing like champagne. Your mind set free, your body relaxing, your gaze wandering over the wide open sea. Every now and then a refreshing dip in the sea or a little bit of sports, but always a great deal of fun. Finally, the sky and sea bathed in glorious colours by the setting sun. This is what it's like, a typical day on the beach in Sylt. Different strokes for different folks: on the island of Sylt, everyone can find their place in the sun. Those looking for peace and quiet will find it off the central beaches; naturists can skinny-dip and sunbathe among the like-minded; dog owners and their Fidos can frolic on designated dog beaches; and windsurfers can ride the waves in the best surfing spots.

Westerland's "Fun-Beach Brandenburg" bustles with life. In high summer, the place is bursting at the seams – much to the pleasure of our numerous young visitors who enjoy playing sports and being where the action is. Beach soccer and volleyball, bowling greens and dartboards are only some of the many attractions, making sure there is never a dull moment. Further south towards Rantum, beach names like "Oase zur Sonne", "Samoa" and "Sansibar" promise exoticism. The family-friendly main beach of Hörnum, easily accessible via the promenade, boasts a special attraction. It is overlooked by a widely visible red-and-white lighthouse, which can be visited by appointment. Tucked away behind an unspoilt dune landscape, List's west beach in the island's north offers a secluded stretch of seashore, where those looking for rest and relaxation will feel especially at home. Once as famous as it was infamous, Kampen's Buhne 16 ('Buhne' means 'groyne') is still legendary. Today, top managers sunbathe side by side with blue-collar workers, large families next to soap stars. There are no social barriers; after all, "In swimming trunks, everyone looks pretty much the same anyway." Wenningstedt is not only popular for its wide main beach. At the northern beach access point, generally referred to as "at Wonnemeyer's", a big play-ship fascinates little visitors.

Sunbathing, swimming, playing, beach gymnastics – recreation on Sylt's beaches has many faces. All year round, you can sweat in one of Sylt's beach saunas while enjoying the sea view. Cool off in the biggest diving pool far and wide – one thing's for sure, you don't have to worry about elbowroom in the North Sea.