

# The Best, Most Secluded Beach Clubs in Europe

Because summer isn't over yet.

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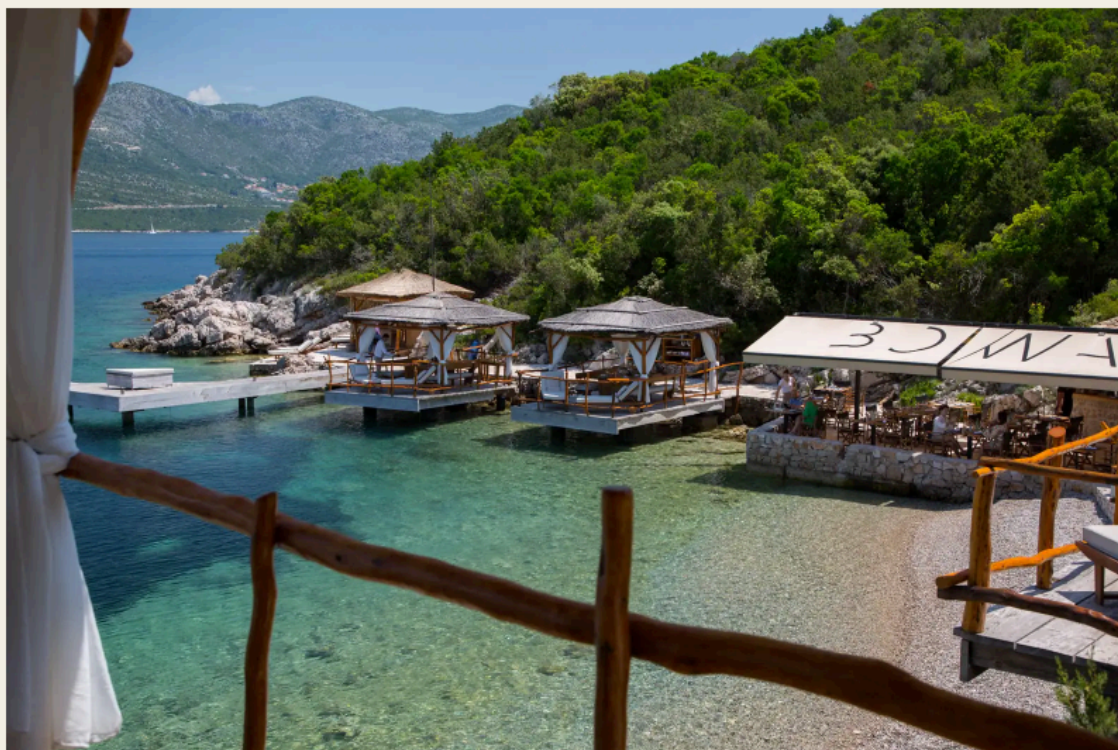


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If you're anything like me, summer means chasing down the most secluded beach clubs Europe has to offer. They're the equivalent of an adult summer playground. From tiny islands off the [Croatian coast](#) to hidden gems on the [French Riviera](#), these spots aren't just off the beaten path—they practically require a secret handshake. But once you're in, these chill spots are peaceful, luxurious, and beautiful—what could be so bad?

Below are some of the coolest, most under-the-radar beach clubs that I've uncovered in my recent treks around Europe, perfect for a day of lounging around while tuning out the real world. Here's how to find them, and why each club is worth the journey.



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## Marina di Bardi

### Zoagli, Italy

Brand new for summer 2024, Marina di Bardi, owned by The Grand Hotel Bristol Spa Resort, sits in the quaint town of Zoagli along the Portofino coast, offering a fresh take on the Italian Riviera experience. The beach combines modern elegance with natural beauty, perfect for those looking to escape the crowded beaches of its more famous neighbors. The coastal club offers a private beach with direct access to the Ligurian Sea, marina access for boats and water sports, a lounge area with sea views, and a restaurant serving coastal fare and drinks. Hotel guests will be whisked over by a driver; otherwise, Zoagli is accessible by train or a short drive from Genoa.





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## **Victoria Beach**

### **Menaggio, Italy**

Perched on the serene shores of Lake Como, Victoria Beach Club in Menaggio—the only beach club of its kind in the area—offers a chic escape with stunning views of the surrounding mountains. Getting there is a breeze: Just hop on a ferry from Varenna or Bellagio and you'll be at Menaggio's quaint harbor in minutes, with the beach club a short stroll away. The beach club, new for 2024, is an extension of the Grand Hotel Victoria, but open to non-guests. Once there, indulge in fresh Italian cuisine, including homemade pastas and locally sourced seafood, paired with a crisp glass of Franciacorta (Italian sparkling wine). The real treat is sipping an aperitivo as the sun sets over the lake, with the golden glow over the water.