

CASTLE BEACH

and Tunnel Beach

(Falmouth)

Castle Beach is deceptively long but does not have the expanse of sand as nearby [Gyllyngvase Beach](#) and sits beneath the sea wall next to Cliff Road with the easterly end of the beach curving round to Pendennis Point.

Tunnel Beach is much smaller and has Castle Beach on one side and Gyllyngvase on the other and is joined to both at low water.



Castle Beach looking towards Pendennis Point



TR11 4NZ – Access and parking details are shown in the overview for [Falmouth](#). Both beaches are about 1.5kms from the shopping centre. The main pedestrian access to Castle Beach is opposite the Falmouth Hotel on Cliff Road; this is a ramp and steps. There are steps at the end of Cliff Road at the junction of Castle Drive and also by the toilets on Cliff Road. Tunnel Beach is probably named after the way it can be accessed – through a very small narrow subway. The tunnel runs under the promenade to steps to the beach, and is accessed via a spiral staircase at the entrance to Princess Pavilions.



Castle Beach is made up of a coarse sand and shingle and is covered at spring tides but often there is a thin strip of sand above high water. At low water this gives way to flattish rock platforms. Tunnel Beach is mostly flat rocks with patches of shingle. Both are fairly sheltered. There is safety equipment above Castle Beach but there are no lifeguards.



Ramp to Castle Beach



Facilities at Castle Beach



Details are shown in the overview for [Falmouth](#).



Dogs are permitted from October until Easter Day but are not allowed during spring and summer. Toilets are located above Castle Beach and reached by steps virtually opposite the entrance to the Falmouth Hotel. There is a cafe which is open during the summer half way down the ramp access to Castle Beach which has deckchair and bodyboard hire. More facilities are at Gyllyngvase Beach, 1km along Cliff Road.



Location – Part of OS Explorer Map 105



Water quality is excellent. Both beaches are perhaps better than first impressions and have the advantage of being the nearest to the Town Centre.



Looking west to Tunnel Beach



Strip of sand with rocks below