

BAMALUZ

and Breakwater Beach (St.Ives)

Two little known beaches that are rather hidden away and little known and yet are so close to the town centre and all the hustle and bustle of the tourist mecca. Literally the other side of Smeaton's Pier and the sheltered [Harbour Beach](#) they are more exposed from winds from an easterly direction.



Bamaluz Beach at low water

  **TR26 1PR** - Car parking details are shown in the overview for [St.Ives](#). Breakwater Beach is easily accessible at the northern end of Smeaton's Pier either by steps or a slipway. Bamaluz is accessed a little further north along the road named after the former tin mine on the site called Wheal Dream. By the museum there are steps down to the beach. They can also be accessed from [Porthgwidden Beach](#), which is north of Bamaluz, along a pedestrian path.



Part of Breakwater Beach on the northern side of Smeaton's Pier



Both beaches are small and mostly consist of the glorious golden sand found at St.Ives. However, there is no sand at high water and it is only as the tide goes out that they appear. There are also rocky areas that give a degree of variety.



Bamaluz Beach



Breakwater Beach



There is no rescue/safety equipment close to either beach although there is some on Smeaton's Pier.



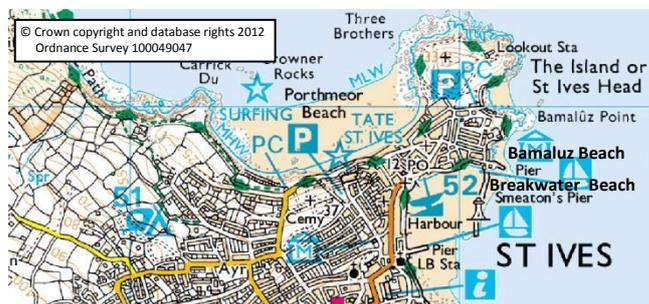
Details are shown in the overview for [St.Ives](#).



Dogs are permitted at both beaches all year. There are toilets close to Breakwater Beach at Smeaton's Pier; there are also toilets at nearby [Porthgwidden Beach](#).



There are beach shops, cafes and restaurants (less than 100m) close to both beaches along Quay Street on the northern side of the Harbour. With the Town Centre so close there are a range of other shops within walking distance.



Location – Part of OS Explorer Map 102



There is a slipway off Smeaton's Pier at Breakwater but is only useable when the tide is high and contact needs to be made with the harbourmaster's office next to it. Water quality is generally good and often excellent. Bamaluz Beach is small but is never crowded and all the facilities of the town are very close by making it better than expected.