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Great Escapes: Luxury in Rhode Island, From Newport and Beyond

Despite being the smallest state in the U,S., Rhode Island is packed with experiences, accommodations, and activities for the luxury-minded traveler. While Newport is the star of the state, there is much to see and explore in the surrounding areas, and driving throughout Rhode Island is easy given the state's small size.

With 400 miles of coastline, there are many beaches and colonial coastal towns to visit. But there's more to the Ocean State than seaside charm. During the Gilded Age, America's wealthiest families gathered in Newport and many of their mansions have been preserved, making it an appealing architectural destination. Providence offers a vibrant metropolitan counterpoint to the state's quaint towns. Rhode Island also has much to offer outdoor sporting enthusiasts with 59% of the state is covered in forest.

EAT & DRINK

Bellini is one of Providence's premier Italian restaurants located in The Beatrice. This restaurant takes a modern approach to traditional Italian dishes with a focus on local and fresh ingredients. The bar and lounge is not to be missed, with expertly crafted cocktails and a well-curated wine list.

Whisky enthusiasts can book a private Maker's Mark tasting at The Preserve Sporting Club & Residences. Sample new and rare bottles from the portfolio, including a special recipe created for The Preserve. A dining menu that focuses on seasonal ingredients that pair well with whisky accompanies the experience. What makes this tasting even more unique is where it takes place: a charming "Hobbit House" (as in *Lord of the Rings*) licensed by New Line Cinema in North America. The Hobbit Houses are built into the property with all stones and materials sourced from the grounds and landscaped to match each season.

In Newport, Bar 'Cino is a local favorite for lunch or dinner in the center of downtown. The Italian bistro is known for its grilled pizza. For a meal overlooking the ocean, book a table at Cara, an intimate restaurant at The Chanler at Cliff Walk, a boutique hotel located in a restored Gilded Age mansion. Cara offers blind tasting menus inspired by European cuisine using locally sourced New England ingredients. This is the premier dining experience in Newport.