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Where to eat and drink on New Year's Eve in Rhode Island to ring in 2024

From elaborate tasting menus to lavish Gilded Age society parties, Rhode Island's restaurants and bars will be in full swing on the last night of the year

Adios, 2023.

New Year's Eve is the one night of the year where it's OK to be a little gluttonous — indulging on bottles of bubbles, rich desserts, and fancy tasting menus. In Rhode Island each year, lavish Gilded Age parties are back in full swing in Newport, while your local bartender is shaking up a new trendy cocktail in Providence.

No matter where you plan on raising a glass to 2024 at midnight, here are a few places to eat and drink on New Year's Eve night.

Lavish society parties in Newport

[The Chanler](#) is known to host one of the most glamorous parties each New Year's. To celebrate the end of 2023, head to their soirée for your own tarot reading, pose with your partner at the photo booth, and enjoy a live painting session. They'll have live jazz by [The Creswell Club](#), and a DJ will be spinning tunes for dancing. This black-tie affair begins at 6 p.m. and will last through 1 a.m. [Tickets are \\$388.80 per person](#), which includes all the festivities, food stations, an 8 p.m. [sit-down four-course dinner](#) served with complementary select wines, and a midnight Champagne toast with late-night bites.



The interior library lounge at the Cafe & Bar at The Chanler at Cliff Walk in Newport, RI. HANDOUT

It'll be another historic New Year's Eve weekend at [The Vanderbilt](#) mansion in downtown Newport to ring in 2024. The party begins at 5 p.m. on Friday, Dec. 29, when the beverage team will gather in the library room to craft a tower of vintage glass coupes and pop Champagne to signal the start of the weekend's celebrations (complementary for all). Later that night, the mansion is hosting a "Records and Reserves," which is an intimate wine tasting with a vinyl record collection playing on the hotel's vintage HMV gramophone in the [conservatory](#). On Saturday, Dec. 30, there will be an afternoon of divination tea with tea leaf readings from 1 to 4 p.m. (\$145 per person for a 50-minute reading). On New Year's Eve starting at 4 p.m. the mansion's tarot card reader will be giving private readings. Starting at 8 p.m. the [New Year's Eve Fete](#) begins, where guests can indulge in endless Champagne, stylish cocktails, and speciality dishes created by chef Timothy Caspare as the Golden Estate House Band performs live music. Tickets are \$275 per person, so dress in your finest attire and [book one here](#).