

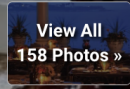
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Nestled on the shore just steps from Newport's popular [Cliff Walk](#), the Chanler's most memorable features are its breathtaking scenery and rich history; the mansion dates back to 1873 when it was built to be a summer home for congressman John Winthrop Chanler and his wife, Margaret Astor Ward. But there are plenty more compelling reasons to stay here. For one, the rooms are designed and named for royalty, each unique. The opulent Louis XVI room features a light color palette and a semi-private deck with views of the ocean and manicured lawns, while the distinguished English Tudor room features darker tones with intricate woodwork evocative of a medieval manse. Despite its regal decor, modern amenities come standard, including free Wi-Fi access, private bars, bath amenities by Natura Bisse and coffee makers. Fireplaces are also found in each room, enhancing the property's palpable romantic vibe. Recent guests praise the hotel's easy access to the picturesque Cliff Walk and tasty cuisine served at Cara, the crown jewel of the property's dining options. Though a stay at the hotel will surely thin out your wallet, previous visitors say the indulgence is well worth the cost. Another thing to keep in mind? The property closes for several weeks in January and February.

Andrea McHugh is a seasoned travel writer based in Newport, Rhode Island. The information below is from her on-site tour of this property. To see images, come with us on a [photo tour](#).

Fun facts and finds from our hotel tour:

- No detail has been overlooked at The Chanler, where warm hospitality and elegant decor greet guests from the start. It's easy to picture the mansion welcoming dignitaries like Henry Wadsworth Longfellow and President Theodore Roosevelt when it was a private home back in the day.
- Although it's been thoroughly renovated, some rooms are designed to feel like a step back in time. The elegant Louis XVI suite has a Marie Antoinette vibe, and the dark and moody English Tudor room has a six-foot Jacuzzi and a brown marble bathroom.
- While the hotel's dining spaces and meadow lawn are frequented by visitors, overnight guests have exclusive access to the seaside lawn, where they can relax in the Adirondack chairs, perhaps with a glass of wine.
- The stunning, hand-carved wood bar in The Lounge can curate a lively gathering on any given evening, and a visit calls for a classic cocktail, like a stiff Manhattan. Meanwhile, the nearby terrace at the cafe soaks up the salty breeze and is heated, so it stays cozy in the colder months.
- Guests who book a stay on a Saturday during polo season will receive complimentary tickets to Newport Polo matches. Guests can also play tennis on the historic grass courts at the International Tennis Hall of Fame and book private charters for up to six guests on Narragansett Bay.