



DISCOVER   
**NEWPORT**  
RHODE ISLAND

# UNCONVENTIONAL **meetings**

Meeting Planner's Guide





## A year-round destination.

From Colonial buildings to opulent mansions, bustling downtown wharves to colorful sailboats lazily sauntering across the harbor, We offer a year-round destination offering something to please the tastes of all meeting attendees. Ideal for a large group, intimate board retreat or a successful team-building endeavor, this charming seaside city inspires successful meetings and events with a distinctly Newport flair.

NAMED ONE  
of America's  
**MOST**  
**BEAUTIFUL**  
**PLACES**

*Good Morning America*  
(2011)



## Not your average four walls.

Imagine your group experiencing an authentic New England clambake set at an historic fort overlooking the harbor. Or setting sail on a wooden schooner. Or experiencing croquet or tennis on the grass courts of the International Tennis Hall of Fame. Or perhaps an event in one of our opulent Newport mansions. Unconventional meeting? Yes, it's all right here in Newport, Rhode Island.

## CREATIVE teambuilding

- ▶ America's Cup Sailing Regattas
- ▶ Historic Scavenger Hunts
- ▶ Iron-Chef Competitions
- ▶ Wine Education
- ▶ Cooking Seminars
- ▶ Croquet/Grass Tennis Tournaments

Doesn't this sound fun?



“The ease of working with the Destination Experts and our friends at Discover Newport resulted in bringing a major motion picture to the Ocean State!”

- **Steven Feinberg**  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, RI FILM & TV OFFICE



## Your complimentary concierge.

Let our Destination Experts help you plan the perfect meeting or event as they offer an insider’s view to our lodging options, unique meeting venues, spectacular New England coastline and extraordinary waterfront restaurants. Consider us your complimentary concierge as we compile hotel proposals, arrange site inspections and assist with unforgettable activities your delegates will remember for years to come!

Our Destination Experts team will:

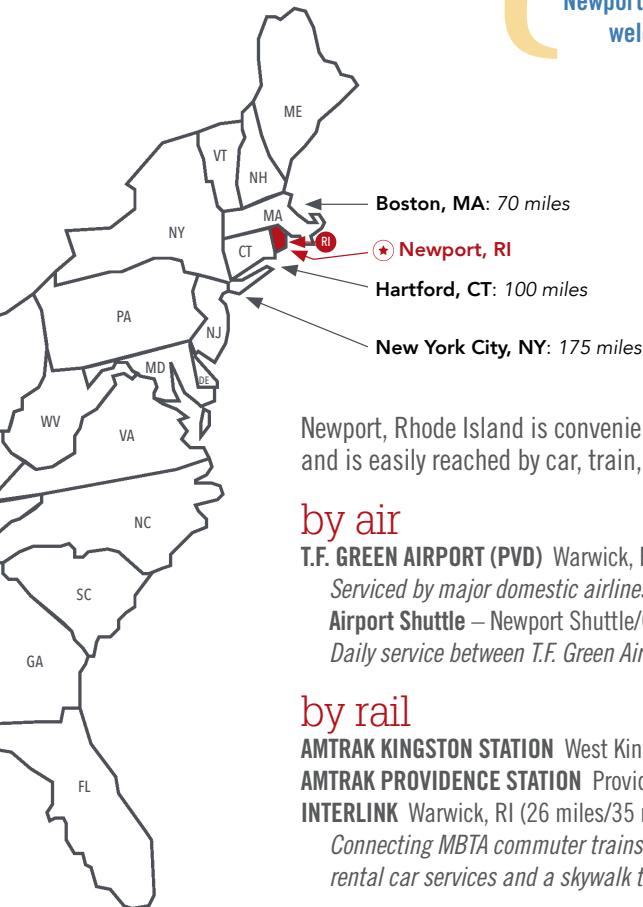
- ▶ Notify hotels of your meeting requirements and have rates and availability forwarded directly to you, or will compile the report for you.
- ▶ Develop a site inspection and escort you to the hotels and off-site venues and recreational locations.
- ▶ Share first-hand knowledge of Newport’s facilities, meeting support services, and year-round festivals and events.
- ▶ Suggest and assist in planning free-time activities, spousal tours and team-building events.
- ▶ Supply your group with complimentary tourism brochures and maps.
- ▶ Provide digital images of Newport for meeting collateral.

# Newport: DESTINATION OVERVIEW

- ▶ Offers modern state-of-the-art hotels, historic inns, and quaint bed and breakfasts.
- ▶ There are 925 hotel rooms in downtown Newport's convention properties and 700+ hotel rooms in the surrounding townships.
- ▶ 70,000 square feet of aggregate meeting space in downtown Newport.
- ▶ Home to distinctive venues for unconventional events including opulent mansions, historic museums and architectural landmarks, coastal vineyards, a brewery, chartered boats and luxury yachts.
- ▶ Our nine coastal communities have a robust year-round calendar of events and festivals and a vibrant downtown filled with world-class restaurants, boutiques and nightlife.

## OUR weather

Newport experiences the four seasons, with its seaside location keeping weather from the extremes. Balmy summer weather is offset by ocean breezes, while autumn brings crisp, cool air and spectacular foliage. Ocean waters warm up Newport winter months, keeping temperatures and snowfall fairly moderate. Newport's blossoming spring season gently welcomes the warmth of summer.



## getting HERE

Newport, Rhode Island is conveniently located in the heart of New England and is easily reached by car, train, bus or plane.

### by air

**T.F. GREEN AIRPORT (PVD)** Warwick, RI (26 miles/35 minutes)

*Serviced by major domestic airlines and car rental agencies.*

**Airport Shuttle** – Newport Shuttle/Orange Cab of Newport 401.841.0020

*Daily service between T.F. Green Airport and select Newport area hotels.*

### by rail

**AMTRAK KINGSTON STATION** West Kingston, RI (18 miles/30 minutes)

**AMTRAK PROVIDENCE STATION** Providence, RI (34 miles/45 minutes)

**INTERLINK** Warwick, RI (26 miles/35 minutes)

*Connecting MBTA commuter trains with a commuter parking garage, rental car services and a skywalk to the airport terminal.*

## hotel SPECS



### convention hotels

#### NEWPORT MARRIOTT HOTEL

Number of Sleeping Rooms: 319  
Number of Meeting Rooms: 17  
Total Meeting Space: 22,800

#### HYATT REGENCY NEWPORT

Number of Sleeping Rooms: 257  
Number of Meeting Rooms: 19  
Total Meeting Space: 27,000

#### HOTEL VIKING

Number of Sleeping Rooms: 208  
Number of Meeting Rooms: 10  
Total Meeting Space: 14,400

#### NEWPORT HARBOR HOTEL & MARINA

Number of Sleeping Rooms: 133  
Number of Meeting Rooms: 6  
Total Meeting Space: 6,500

### boutique properties *(sample)*

#### CASTLE HILL INN

Number of Sleeping Rooms: 35  
Number of Meeting Rooms: 2

#### VANDERBILT GRACE

Number of Sleeping Rooms: 33  
Number of Meeting Rooms: 2

#### FORTY 1° NORTH

Number of Sleeping Rooms: 28  
Number of Meeting Rooms: 4

#### FRANCIS MALBONE HOUSE

Number of Sleeping Rooms: 20  
Number of Meeting Rooms: 4

#### THE CHANLER AT CLIFF WALK

Number of Sleeping Rooms: 20  
Number of Meeting Rooms: 5

Plan a site inspection!



## We'd love to hear from you.

To plan your next incentive, meeting, convention, sporting event, or special event, contact the Destination Experts at Discover Newport.

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