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7 Summer Destinations That Are Surprisingly Gorgeous in the Winter

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Maybe the beach or islands faded from your memory when the temps drop, but these warm-weather locales are even more beautiful blanketed in snow.

Newport, Rhode Island



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Famed for its yacht-filled harbor and [Gilded Age mansions](#), Newport has long been the summer locale of choice for New England's elite. And while that certainly remains true, these days many people are making this coastal community their primary residence. The opening of [Gurney's Newport Resort & Marina](#)—with its do-it-yourself hot chocolate bar, mixology classes, and fire pits—further solidified it as a year-round destination. This Rhode Island gem sparkles during the winter. When Jack Frost comes to town, everything—from the cobblestone streets to the historic homes that line Bellevue Avenue—is cloaked in fluffy flakes, making it even more magical. Of course, no trip to Newport is complete with a drink at the [White Horse Tavern](#), said to be the oldest bar in America.