

THE LODGING SCOOP

Construction is officially underway on the [Hammetts Wharf Hotel](#), an 84-room boutique property that will boast a 4,000 sq. ft. restaurant, retail space facing America's Cup Avenue and public waterfront access. The \$29 million hotel, which will be managed by Main Street Hospitality, is said to be designed "with a subtle nod to the City's turn of the century mercantile wharves." It is expected to open in 2020.

Demotion has started on the site of what will be the [Brenton Hotel](#). As the 57-room lodging property will have waterfront views, the contemporary-meets-coastal design will accommodate a restaurant, social area and guest lounge. Owners have secured Redpoint for their marketing and PR efforts. Spring 2020 is the target opening.

Since becoming a part of the Auberge Resorts Collection, congratulations are in order for [The Vanderbilt](#) which is embracing its new modified name and branding. The property features generously sized suites that range from 400 to 2,000 sq. ft.

The 200-room [Mainstay Hotel](#) was recently purchased by [Dovetail + Co.](#) and planning is underway for a radical design transformation by Reunion Goods & Services, a NYC-based creative design studio, will be inspired by Newport's colorful history and vibrant lifestyle.

From [Vacation Newport](#), there's a lot of new openings happening and on the horizon. Now open: [Town & Tide Inn](#), the [Pelham Street Inn](#) and [The Newport Inn](#), all featuring convenient locations, luxury linens, chic décor and spa-like bathrooms. Many include upscale amenities like fireplaces and private rooftop decks. A trio of other properties are currently closed and undergoing renovations with openings expected later this year.

The [Wyndham Atlantic Resort](#) has a new affiliation under the Wyndham Worldwide brand. The hotel features 143 guestrooms and suites, Johnny's Restaurant & Patio Bar, and a wedding and event venue featuring over 25,000 sq. ft. of meeting space and water views.