

9 bucket-list trips to get peak hygge this winter

It's officially cozy season

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It can only mean one thing now that temperatures are dropping and nights are getting longer: Cozy season is here. The arrival of winter heralds automatic permission to tap into what the Danish termed “hygge” (pronounced hoo-gah), which describes a feeling of coziness and comfort. Basically, it’s time to get comfy to the point of bliss.

Hygge’s championing of snug contentment has become the preeminent goal for how to pass the chilliest months, and for good reason. “Some classic elements of the ideal hygge setting include a cozy fireplace, dim candlelight, fluffy blankets, warm beverages, gently falling snow outside and good company,” said Signe Thorup, public relations manager at d’Angleterre hotel in Copenhagen. What better way to spend a cold, icy winter?

Newport, R.I.



Newport, R.I., also known as the City by the Sea, is still home to many 18th century structures. (iStock)

New England winters may be best spent indoors, but Newport, R.I., leans into the inclement weather by channeling its hygge side. [The Chanler at Cliff Walk](#) runs winter culinary experiences in the property's three heated yurts overlooking the ocean, plus offers an apple cider bar as winter approaches. Many of Newport's hotels, like [Forty 1 North](#) and the [Hydrangea House Inn](#), maintain the comfortable features of the Gilded Age, such as in-room fireplaces. Besides the lack of Northern Lights, Newport is the perfect stateside hygge destination.