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Newport Restaurant Week Returns in November

The season's bountiful harvest inspires local chefs to compose delectable dishes.

Newport (R.I.) October 16, 2019 – More than 50 restaurants throughout Newport and Bristol Counties will be highlighting rich autumnal flavors during Newport Restaurant Week this November 1st through 10th. Celebrate the cuisine of The Classic Coast's fall harvest with farm-to-table and dock-to-plate dishes ranging from familiar comfort foods and contemporary cuisine to elegant gourmet fare. Experience tastefully crafted prix-fixe menus with \$20 two-course lunches, \$35 three-course dinners and a collection of three-course premier menus for \$50.

"The restaurant week concept has been around for decades. What distinguishes each event, and makes Newport Restaurant Week in particular so special, is the vibrant network of farms in Rhode Island, our direct access to those farmers, and the talent of each chef in our destination who composes dishes specifically inspired by what is often that morning's harvest or catch," says Geremie Callaghan, co-owner of Fluke and member of Discover Newport's Restaurant Week Advisory Board.

Though some restaurants have participated since the very first Newport Restaurant Week, others are preparing to make their debut. "Chef Pietro Scotti mindfully created our Newport Restaurant Week menu around home-style food that is an authentic taste of Italy," said Will Bard, general manager at Viesté in Newport. "We're excited to jump into our first restaurant week with both feet and make an impression on both locals and visitors."

This fall's participants represent most of the communities of The Classic Coast and a multitude of cuisines including French, Italian, Irish, Mexican, Caribbean and contemporary American in addition to menus with a Southern, Mediterranean – even an eclectic – flair. Diners should be on the lookout for pairing suggestions that highlight local wine, beer and artisanal craft cocktails highlighting spirits made here in the destination.

Newport Restaurant Week grew from an annual event to a biannual event early in its tenure, but in 2020, the spring edition of Newport Restaurant Week will be put on pause to give the event more exclusivity and explore new culinary-driven opportunities for local restaurants. Next year's restaurant week will be Nov. 6-15, 2020.

Participating restaurants and their menus are added to DiscoverNewportRestaurantWeek.org regularly. Discover Newport encourages all participating restaurants to submit their menus as early as possible to give diners a comprehensive scope of all the creative dishes being offered and to plan accordingly.

Diners, chefs and restaurateurs can interact with one another throughout the event by using the hashtag **#NPTRestaurantWeek** on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. For an ongoing, real-time index of observations and images throughout the destination, users can include the hashtag **#TheClassicCoast** in their posts.

Newport Restaurant Week is proudly sponsored by Discover Newport and OpenTable.

ABOUT NEWPORT RESTAURANT WEEK

Newport Restaurant Week was established in 2006 as an annual event to encourage both residents and visitors to Newport and Bristol counties to experience the vast culinary talent in our destination at an affordable price. The event's mission is to stimulate local business not only at restaurants but at retail and lodging partners as well. In 2008, Newport Restaurant Week expanded to a bi-annual event; one taking place in early spring and the other in late fall. Restaurateurs often create menus that showcase seasonal ingredients and promote local artisan food and wine purveyors. Many offer vegetarian and gluten-free alternatives to patrons with food allergies or special dietary requirements.

ABOUT DISCOVER NEWPORT

Discover Newport is the official destination management organization (DMO) dedicated to promoting the City of Newport and the eight surrounding coastal townships in Newport and Bristol counties, Rhode Island. These include Barrington, Bristol, Jamestown, Little Compton, Middletown, Newport, Portsmouth, Tiverton and Warren. As a non-profit organization, Discover Newport partners with stakeholders throughout our tourism and hospitality industry to market the region as a premier destination for business and leisure travel. Learn more at DiscoverNewport.org.

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