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12 U.S. Destinations That Look Straight Out of Europe

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12. Providence, Rhode Island



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When you think of Rhode Island, you might not picture sipping Aperol spritzes and living your best Italian summer fantasy, but you should. The

Federal Hill neighborhood in Providence is a longstanding Italian community brimming with authentic restaurants, cafés, and markets. Walk through its charming streets, stopping in at local shops and eateries along the way. You can't go wrong with a meal at Pane e Vino, which is beloved for its delicious Italian cuisine and authentic desserts. If you're looking for fresh Italian specialties, local markets sell everything from homemade pasta to imported cheeses and pastries. Beyond the food, Providence brings the vibes with an authentic Venetian gondola ride along the river, making it easy to pretend you're in Venice.

Where to stay: [Hotel Providence](#) (from \$189 a night), [The Beatrice](#) (from \$279)