

Reader's digest

The Most Iconic Christmas Traditions in Every State

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From fish feasts to rock-climbing Santas, you'll be amazed at all the wonderful ways Americans celebrate the season.

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The [**Big Blue Bug**](#) is an iconic landmark of Providence and he is not forgotten during the holidays. Every year, people go to see him gussied up in lights, a red nose, and antlers. Rhode Island can also lay claim to the real Polar Express train, as Chris Van Allsburg wrote the [**famous book**](#) that's become a tradition for millions of children while living in Providence. Perhaps the most iconic Christmas train in the world, [**the Polar Express**](#) offers rides all season at the Blackstone Valley Train Depot. It's no surprise that it was named one of [**the most magical Christmas train rides in the country**](#).