



The 50 Best Small Towns to Visit for Christmas

These 50 small American towns — one for each state — deliver major holiday spirit, whether in a massive Leavenworth, Washington, light show, a two-week snow festival in Park City, Utah, or a Dickens Christmas in Skaneateles, New York.



Small Towns With Big Christmas Spirit

Practically every American town celebrates Christmas in some way, but these small towns all across the country stand out for holiday traditions and vibes that are worth a trip with the family. Yes, there are the winter wonderlands offering light shows, sleigh rides, holiday performances, caroling, parades and Christmas markets. But there are also small towns that include local traditions, too, like a parade with horses and hounds, lobster boat rides and an elf scavenger hunt. All promise to deliver a storybook Christmas filled with candy canes, hot chocolate and Santa.



Newport, Rhode Island

Christmas in Newport is a magical experience that combines the charm of a historic seaside town with the festive spirit of the holiday season. The city's Gilded Age mansions, such as [The Breakers](#) and [Marble House](#), are adorned with stunning holiday decor, making the Christmas in Newport experience truly unique. Visitors can embark on the Newport Mansions' Holiday Evening Tour, a special candlelight tour that showcases these opulent homes in their yuletide splendor. Bowen's Wharf comes alive with its annual Christmas tree lighting ceremony, creating a picturesque waterfront scene.