

6 Escapes That Showcase the Best of Autumn's Splendor

As fall extends its magical touch across the country, bringing with it highly anticipated cooler climes and its iconic color show, there's no better time to take a trip to experience the season's distinctive glory somewhere special. And where could be more idyllic to revel in the comforts of autumn than a cozy cottage community? From mountainous marvels and waterfront wonders to scenic landscapes laden with vivid leaves, we've rounded up a few of our favorite spots to sit back, relax, and watch the stunning season unfold.



Rhode Island

Coined "The Ocean State," [Rhode Island](#) touts 400 miles of New England coastline rife with fall delights that span sailing and enjoying its signature clam cakes—all amid kaleidoscopic autumn color. In Newport, history buffs can step back in time to the Gilded Age with visits to renowned mansions and many museums, including the recently opened [Sailing Museum](#). The state capital, Providence, boasts delectable dining options, storied 18th- and 19th-century homes along the streets of College Hill, and iconic [WaterFire](#), a 1.5-mile stretch of fire-lit river parks that line downtown and host seasonal festivals and ample outdoor art that adorns the scenic landscape.