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12 Small Wedding Venues in Rhode Island to Host Your Day



Photo: Ocean House

The best small wedding venues in Rhode Island will have the beloved aspects of New England: a seaside breeze, unbeatable seafood and an appreciation for detail. While the country's smallest state can only fit so many small wedding venues, we've found the best of the best. From gorgeous seaside resorts to cozy downtown restaurants, these places will make planning a small wedding exciting.

Rockaway Hideaway in Saunderstown, Rhode Island



Rockaway Hideaway is a four bedroom home and wedding venue set on four acres near the ocean. The 2,400 square feet of space includes an open kitchen, dining room, bar, picnic tables and beach gear for excursions. This intensely private and cozy spot can sleep eleven people in the seven beds but more guests can come for a ceremony and reception.

 Guest Capacity: 11 overnight, up to 50 for ceremony and reception

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Queen Anne's Loft in Newport, Rhode Island



Photo: Queen Anne's Loft

In the heart of downtown Newport, couples will find Queen Anne's Loft, one of the more elegant small wedding venues in Rhode Island. The Victorian building's large windows, french doors, fireplace and enormous chandelier bring a historic look without compromising on modern amenities like a wireless sound system. While the loft can hold up to 90 people for a three course dinner or lobster boil, smaller groups allow for more room for drinks, dancing and fun.

• Guest Capacity: 90

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Gracie's in Providence, Rhode Island



Photo: Gracie's

Three different event spaces at Gracie's in the heart of Providence allow couples to choose the size and feel of their ceremony and reception here. Each room will pair the venue's warm atmosphere with New England cuisine and wine. Gracie's teams up with its sister restaurant, Ellie's, to offer incredible dessert displays for the foodies among us. Mix this menu with the large windows, copper and wood touches throughout the venue and you easily have an elevated spot for a memorable wedding day.

 Guest Capacity: 80 in Main Dining Room, 32 in Private Dining Room, 12 in Semi-Private Lounge

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The Landing in Newport, Rhode Island



Photo: The Landing

The Landing Restaurant sits right on the water in Newport with panoramic views of the harbor. The second-level Waterfront Room can hold up to 110 seated guests after a ceremony on the dock, but a smaller group could host both the ceremony and after party in the airy, indoor event space. The clean, white interior needs little decoration to complete the day-of look, and the seafood, no surprise, will likely be some of the freshest in New England.

• Guest Capacity: 110

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Forty 1 North in Newport, Rhode Island



Photo: Forty 1 North

As the first LEED-Certified Hotel in Rhode Island, Forty 1° North leads the state in being an eco-conscious wedding venue without compromising on gorgeous design and casual luxury. With over a dozen spaces to host an event of nearly any size, the hotel staff is well versed in special occasions. With floor-to-ceiling windows, seaside views and a place to stay for all your guests, this was a no-brainer for our list as far as small wedding venues in Newport, RI go.

 Guest Capacity (reception-style): 65 in Pavilion Lounge, 35 in Pavilion Dining Room, 62 in Main Dining, 86 at Oval Bar, 50 in The Lounge, 130 in Leeward Room & Deck, 25 in Library, 246 on Marina Deck, 86 on Hotel Deck, 120 in Courtyard, 10 in Wine Room, 200 in Christie's, 100 in Windward Room & Deck

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Ocean House and Weekapaug Inn in Westerly, Rhode Island



Photo: Ocean House and Weekapaug Inn

As Rhode Island's only Five Diamond, Five Star property, experts all agree that the Ocean House and Weekapaug Inn are nothing short of luxury. The classic New England seaside getaway has many curated outdoor spaces and multiple exquisite event spaces inside for gatherings from 10 to 300. With on-site

accommodations, award-winning dining and a staff that specializes in hospitality, this is a historic, beachfront destination to put on your list.

• Guest Capacity (banquet): 78 in Meeting House, 60 in Fenway, 80 in Sea Room, 60 in Seaside I, 72 in Seaside II, 50 in Seaside III, 60 in Drawing Room, 21 in Harbour Room; larger spaces available

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Latitude 41 Catamaran Charters in Newport, Rhode Island



If you're looking for small or intimate wedding venues in Rhode Island, it's likely you love the ocean. What better way to get married than out on the water itself? Hop aboard Latitude 41 Catamaran Charters, run by Captains Roni and Maria. Able to hold a dozen on their luxury catamaran, enjoy a small ceremony with a restaurant-style meal following. Add in some snorkeling or champagne toasts and you have quite the mini-mony waiting for you. This is certainly one of the more unique New England wedding venues.

Guest Capacity: 12

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Trattoria Appia in Providence, Rhode Island



Photo: Trattoria Appia

Trattoria Appia in Providence uses its owner's southern Italian heritage to inspire its menu, which includes house-made pastas, fine wines and wood-fired pizza. Able to hold up to 60 guests for private events, the staff here will customize your menu and create wine-pairings for each course while you enjoy the private atmosphere. This highly-sought after restaurant on The Hill is known throughout the town for its exquisite experience, something the staff can easily bring to your day.

• Guest Capacity: 60

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The Boat House in Tiverton, Rhode Island



Photo: The Boat House

While the Boat House's panoramic views of the Sakonnet River are memorable, the ambiance and cuisine here are just as well-reviewed. The three-season South Patio provides sunset views and heaters while the dining room is best for colder months. Small ceremonies can be held on The Boat House's dock or under the Arbor on the South Lawn. The cherry on top is this venue's affordability, especially given its beautiful property and delicious seafood.

Guest Capacity: Up to 72 guests

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Sardella's in Newport, Rhode Island



<u>Photo: Sardella's</u>

From the food and ambiance to the stone courtyard and cozy wood fireplace, Sardella's offers a true Italian experience. While the cuisine is highly praised as both authentic and delicious, the drinks are known for their creativity and flavor. With four different private dining rooms to hold your intimate celebration, this is one of the best small wedding venues in RI, although it could easily work as a Rhode Island bridal shower venue too.

 Guest Capacity: 60 in Tuscan Room, 50 in Portofino, 40 in Amalfi, and 40 in Pompeii

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Mill's Tavern in Providence, Rhode Island



Photo: Mill's Tavern

Rich, wood tones and moody lighting set the stage at Mill's Tavern. The private dining room seats 28 while larger groups can be seated throughout the restaurant, maxing out at 125 in the main dining room. With elevated American food and desserts to share, you can have a personal, plated dinner service here while enjoying the classically comfortable accommodations. Mill's Tavern reminds us of all the best things a Rhode Island wedding has to offer.

 Guest Capacity: 28 in private dining room, 125 in main dining room

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Pane e Vino in Providence, Rhode Island



Photo: Pane e Vino

If you're looking for small wedding venues in Providence, RI consider Pane e Vino for a reception space. This Italian restaurant on The Hill is a staple in the community, using authentic recipes, fresh ingredients and an attentive staff. The fireplace Dining Room can seat up to 43 guests while the private Window Room, which overlooks Atwells Avenue, can hold up to 18.

• **Guest Capacity:** 43 in Fireplace Dining Room, 18 in Window Room

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