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Cozy Dining Domes Are Popping Up Everywhere — but These Are Our Favorites

Wintry weather is no match for this level of (socially distant) hygge.

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Popping up on rooftops, patios, and gardens, igloos and dining domes are making it possible to enjoy the outdoors while staying warm and dry. Hotels and restaurants are serving happy guests in wintry surroundings, and this year most importantly, they offer a socially distant alternative to indoor dining.

The domes are heated, and many are supplied with blankets or fur throws to make it even cozier. Some offer music, special cocktails, and food from multi-course meals to small plates and bites.

These are some of the hotels and restaurants where you can stay warm and comfy even while snow is swirling outside or rain is tapping on the rooftop.

Gurney's Newport Resort & Marina



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1 Goat Island Newport, Rhode Island 02840

Phone: (401) 849-2600

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Guests can dine in one of four heated igloos overlooking the Newport Bridge and Narragansett Bay. Snuggling under chic, fur-like blankets, guests will dine on fresh fish, ripe vegetables, and specialties presented by Showfish Montauk, signature restaurant of Gurney's Montauk.

Rooftop at the Providence G

100 Dorrance Street

Downtown Providence, Rhode Island 02903

Phone: (401) 632-4904

Enjoy rooftop dining in a private igloo seven stories up in the middle of downtown. Choose a fire pit table or private igloo to enjoy the restaurant's full menu and signature cocktails.