

# Best Places to Travel in February

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*Editor's Note: Those who choose to travel are strongly encouraged to check local government restrictions, rules, and safety measures related to COVID-19 and take personal comfort levels and health conditions into consideration before departure.*

We're well into winter in February, and you might be thoroughly enjoying the season or anxiously awaiting spring. Perhaps you'll have some indication of future weather on Feb. 2 — Groundhog Day — if Punxsutawney Phil emerges to see his shadow, which legend says means six more weeks of winter. No shadow in sight predicts an early spring. Whichever it is you're hoping for, if you can't find it close to home, it's just a vacation away.

If [winter sports](#) are your goal, your wishes will be granted in Park City, Utah, where the snow is usually at its deepest and best in February. Warm weather might sound inviting in the midst of winter, and you can shake off the chill in Florida with your choice of many resort towns there. With the required [COVID-related documents](#), visitors are welcome to Aruba and Maui's sunny shores. Moderate temperatures in Scottsdale and Fort Worth provide perfect weather for outdoor activities.

The small town atmosphere of Paducah, Kentucky would make a pleasant getaway, and its vintage architecture, natural beauty, and art might surprise first time visitors. If you're looking for a cozy place to cuddle on [Valentine's Day](#), we suggest Newport, Rhode Island — chilly outside but warm inside by the fireplace. In February, we recognize Black History Month, celebrating the achievements and contributions of Black Americans. As the birthplace of the civil rights movement, Montgomery offers museums, memorials, and historic sites to explore.

Here are 10 of the best places to travel in February.

## Newport, Rhode Island



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Despite having to change most of our holiday celebrations in 2020, let's not forget Valentine's Day on February 14. It's the time to plan something special and intimate just for two. This favorite summer spot is cozy during the winter months, and there might even be snow underfoot as you stroll along Newport's waterfront. Blend time in the bracing winter outdoor air with indoor activities like visits to Newport's museums. At the [Thames Glass Gallery & Studio](#), you can watch skilled glassblowers create their art or make something of your own with their help. Visit the [Audrain Automobile Museum](#) or [Newport Car Museum](#) to see their automotive works of art. Enjoy the collection at the [Newport Art Museum](#) and explore their timely special exhibition, "Digital Breath: Video and Sound Art in the Age of Global Connectivity" (running from Feb. 6 to June 6, 2021). [Gurney's Newport Resort](#) is ready for winter dining with heated outdoor [igloos](#), and [The Wayfinder Hotel](#)'s restaurant serves New England classics. [Hotel Viking](#)'s Spa Fjor is open for luxe treatments and pampering. Vintage Newport mansion turned luxury boutique hotel, [The Chanler at Cliff Walk](#) is one of the most romantic hotels in the U.S., just right for a Valentine's Day getaway. Twenty uniquely designed guest rooms, cozy fireplaces, an award-winning restaurant overlooking the Atlantic, and new luxury yurts for private dining experiences are the perfect ingredients for a couples' vacation.