

The 18 Best Weekend Getaways From New York City



Fire Island, a weekend getaway about a three-hour drive east of Manhattan, offers sailing, clamming, bird-watching and more. 📷 (GETTY IMAGES)

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If sandy toes and lobster rolls are calling your name, look no further than [Newport, Rhode Island](#) – one of the [best spots for a weekend getaway in New England](#). This port town, located on the southern tip of Aquidneck Island and about 180 miles northeast of New York, is famous for its miles of pristine shoreline, upscale boutiques and ornate Gilded Age mansions, which you can ogle on a trolley tour. It is also lauded as one of the world's premier sailing destinations.

While here, gain your sea legs aboard a boat tour of Newport Harbor, or get your steps in on part of the Cliff Walk, a scenic 3.5-mile pathway that runs along Newport's eastern shore. Then, engage in some well-deserved retail therapy along Thames Street, which is lined with a plethora of shops and restaurants. Of course, you can't leave without touring The Breakers, Newport's iconic Renaissance-style "summer cottage," which is one of the [top things to do in Rhode Island](#). When it's time to bed down, check out one of Newport's many lavish accommodations, such as [The Vanderbilt](#) and [The Chanler at Cliff Walk](#).

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