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Best Historic-Farm Stay | The Inn at Mount Hope Farm, Bristol
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Looking to rest your head in the Ocean State? We’ve got you covered! Check out our picks for the best lodging in Rhode Island for 2014.

BEST HISTORIC-FARM STAY:
THE INN AT MOUNT HOPE FARM, Bristol

Commune with nature without roughing it. Choose from three historic properties on a pristine parcel of farmland that stretches clear to the bay. Inn guests are treated to a welcome dose of serenity and a country-style breakfast prepared with eggs and produce from the farm. Rates: from $150. 250 Metacom Ave. 401-254-1745; mounthopefarmri.com

BEST GOURMAND GETAWAY:
THE WEEKAPAUG INN, Westerly
The accommodations and the cuisine celebrate a sense of place at the Weekapaug Inn. In-suite views of Quonnie (Quonochontaug) Pond, the cove, and the ocean are paired with an inspired menu that incorporates the best of the region and season, from Point Judith yellowfin tuna to pappardelle with braised Hopkins Farm lamb. Rates: from $395. 25 Spray Rock Road. 888-813-7862; weekapauginn.com

BEST ROOM WITH A VIEW:
THE BELAFONTE, Newport

The Belafonte, a vintage houseboat revamped by designer Kristen Coates and artist Chris Wyllie, gets props for being the chicest overnight in the state. Moored in Newport Harbor, it sleeps up to four, with room for ten dinner guests. Rates: from $500 (summer only). 401-400-1261; belafontenewport.com

BEST ELEGANT ESCAPE:
THE FRANCIS MALBONE HOUSE, Newport

A 1760 estate-turned-inn, the Francis Malbone House exudes a sense of elegance that harks back to the days when a wealthy shipping magnate called it home—updated with modern-day amenities, of course. Well-appointed rooms, period furnishings, a gourmet breakfast, and afternoon tea are just a few of the luxuries to tempt travelers. Rates: from $159. 392 Thames St. 401-846-0392; malbone.com

BEST INN FOR THE LITERARY SET:
THE HYGEIA HOUSE, Block Island

The setting is poetic: an 1883 sunshine-yellow 10-room inn perched atop a hill on Block Island. So it’s only fitting that Lisa Starr, the state’s poet laureate from 2008 to 2013 and the founder of the Block Island Poetry Project, is the always-welcoming innkeeper here. Rates: from $75. Beach Ave. 401-466-9616; thehygeiahouse.com
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