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*Nantucket is quietly spectacular and delightfully peaceful in the winter months!*

**A place to relax, explore, reflect, meet interesting people and enjoy the activities that create our community feel...**

Travel to Nantucket from January to April is by Hyline fast ferry, Steamship Authority car ferry, or airline travel. See our [Getting to Nantucket](#) link. You don't need a car to explore the [Cultural District](#), riding a bike on one of our many biking trails outside of Nantucket town is an option when you're dressed for the weather. [Taxi](#) and [bus](#) service is readily available for those who prefer other travel methods. [Public restrooms](#) and [water bottle refilling stations](#) are available throughout the downtown and you can recharge your cell phone at Visitor Services, 25 Federal Street.

**Let us help you with finding a perfect lodging just for you!** Come visit us this time of year when prices are at off-season rates and spend an evening or more in one of our many lovely guesthouses & inns, or hotels listed on the [Nantucket Lodging Association](#) website or the [Room Availability](#) button on our website.

**There is always something going on in Nantucket!** Ongoing activities and events at the [Atheneum](#) and the [Dreamland Theater](#) include concerts, movies and speakers. The [Whaling Museum](#) and its spectacular exhibits will reopen February 6th and will host [Food for Thought](#) lectures on Thursdays in February and March. On Saturday mornings, the [Maria Mitchell Association's Natural Science Museum](#) is open from 9am-Noon. Nantucket is the right place to view the spectacular winter night sky. Find a dark corner of the island to see the planet Venus, the constellations of Orion and the Big Dipper. On Tuesday nights, groove to Steve Tuna and the [Island Tunes](#) gang playing at the Faregrounds restaurant. On Wednesday nights, visit the [Saltbox Tavern](#) for Trivia Night. If you are not shy, there's always open mic night Thursdays at the [Corner Table](#).

Community events including a marathon reading of Moby Dick or the week-long program of events around our annual [One Book, One Island](#) program in March, and delightful dining at several year-round [restaurants](#) and cafes.

You can plan your activities with a visit to the activity calendars offered by the [Nantucket Cultural District](#), [Mahon About Town](#) or [Yesterday's Island](#) to see what's happening when you're planning to come to the Grey Lady.

**Explore the Natural World** with a walk on the north shore beaches at Brant Point, Jetties or Steps, join the Sunday morning bird walk (8:00am from the High School), explore the wildlife refuge managed by [The Trustees of Reservations](#) that includes Coskata, Great Point and Coatue. Be sure to sign up for the monthly walk with NCF Ranger [Allen Reinhard](#) or schedule a hike with Nantucket naturalist, Peter Brace of [Nantucket Walkabout](#). Download the [Nantucket Conservation Foundation](#) or [Nantucket Land Bank](#) hiking trail maps to explore the natural world that is all around the Core District and beyond. If you are curious, the Saltbox Tavern hosts a monthly [Science Pub](#) with the Linda Loring Nature Foundation.

**Above all, relax.** Read a Nantucket-based book from Elin Hildebrand, Nathaniel Philbrick or Nancy Thayer, among others by your lodging's fireside, walk the streets and lanes and admire the historic homes, enjoy a latte at one of our many coffee cafes, sip a glass of wine at one of the intimate bars and chat with your neighbor, spend an afternoon at [Cisco Brewery](#), swim a few laps at [the community pool](#) or skate at the [ice rink](#), enjoy the sunset and sunrise. Nantucket's winter tempo invites you to slow down and take in the moment.

**And, be flexible.** We'll be the first to tell you that getting to Nantucket and leaving Nantucket can be influenced by winter weather. Check out [ACKweather.com](#) for a sense of what to expect and plan your trip according to the wind and weather predictions. No guarantees, of course. But, if you do get "stuck" on the island, what's so bad about another day of relaxation and enjoying the drama of stormy night?

**NANTUCKET** – The faraway place thirty miles out to sea and a perfect destination for families, singles, couples, and wanderers.

Make NANTUCKET a winter destination for you too! Welcome!