

NEW YORK weddings

SUMMER 2014

THE STANDBY

A fancy time in Newport, Rhode Island.

THE TWIST

AN AFFORDABLE ROMP IN PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND.



➔➔ In contrast to nearby Boston or touristy Newport, Providence is a relatively inexpensive culinary and cultural hub whose proximity to various beaches makes it an ideal spot for Northeastern bachelorettes to convene.

The Dean, a new boutique hotel located downtown, offers affordable bunk rooms (from \$79 for a bunk that sleeps two; thedeanhotel.com). Larger groups that want to take over the entire fifth floor can do so from \$500, which

includes four rooms that sleep up to ten. Begin your night with cocktails at the Magdalenae Room, the hotel's bar, before chowing down on German fare at beer hall Faust. Come nighttime, hit the Boombox, the hotel's karaoke lounge (\$7 per person per hour). The next morning, drive to Narragansett Town Beach, just 33 miles south, stopping for sandwiches at the Picnic Basket (20 Kingstown Rd., Narragansett, R.I.; 401-782-2284), or drive the same distance southeast to pick up snacks at country store Provender Fine Foods (3883 Main Rd., Tiverton, R.I.; 401-624-8084) on your way to Little Compton's unspoiled South Shore and Goosewing beaches.