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## Weekapaug Inn: One of New England's Last Great Family Resorts

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Located in the peaceful community of Weekapaug, Rhode Island, with sweeping views of Quonochontaug Pond and the Atlantic just beyond, **Weekapaug Inn** is an off-the-beaten-path gem steeped in the history of a hundred summers. After a multi-year renovation, it reopened in 2012 as a year-round destination that's ideal for families to unplug and enjoy quality time together.

The setting is peaceful and enchanting, but what makes the inn so special is the personalized service and the staff's attention to detail. Every single person is completely focused on making sure guests have everything they want or need to make family stays truly memorable.

### Family-Friendly Review of Weekapaug Inn



*One of the many cozy lounge areas at the inn*

### Spacious Accommodations

The inn has 27 guest rooms and four signature suites. The suites are the most spacious for families, with beautiful kitchens, washers and dryers — ideal for extended stays. Some guest rooms also have pullout sofas that can accommodate families.

We stayed in the spacious, beautifully-appointed two-bedroom Egret Suite. The design is a perfect blend of modern amenities and vintage pieces in classic New England style. Windows on three sides offer a panoramic view of the pond, ocean, cove and village, and there's a private deck as well. Although suites are part of the inn's main building, they can be reached by a private stairway that makes them feel more like independent cottages.



*Freshly brewed coffee from local roaster Dave's Coffee*

### **Farm-to-Table Dining**

The inn's fine-dining restaurant serves both breakfast and dinner. There's a lot of buzz about farm-to-table cuisine, and it's obvious that the Inn is committed to this practice — they try to source everything within 100 miles. Chef Jen and her culinary staff are superb. From breakfast overlooking the pond to dinner by candlelight, everything is fresh and made to order. Service in the dining room is flawless and super-friendly.

In summer, guests love dining outdoors at the casual Sea Room, which serves salads and sandwiches alongside a beautiful pond view. Of course, the famous New England lobster roll is always on the menu. The weekly clambake in summer is not to be missed, and kids must try the locally made Del's lemonade, a cool summer favorite.





*View of the pond from the inn with the bathhouse in the distance*

## Amenities

One of the inn's great features is the pristine beach nearby, which only guests and community residents can use. The bathhouse makes a day at the beach with kids unbelievably easy; a beach attendant provides everything from chairs and umbrellas to towels and toys for the kids.

Guests also have access to all amenities at [The Ocean House](#), the inn's sister property in nearby Watch Hill, including a seasonal kids' club, a spa and an indoor pool.



*Complimentary bicycles available at the inn*

## Activities and Recreation

Weekapaug Inn guests have complimentary use of kayaks and stand-up paddleboards, two great ways to enjoy the gentle water. Parents with young kids will love a leisurely bike ride through the inn's bucolic beach neighborhood, which has little traffic. Although teens can ride all the way to Watch Hill on their own, the whole family may want to join in — the town is quaint with an old-fashioned carousel.

Mark, the inn's resident naturalist, is engaging and fun; he offers all kinds of activities, from beach-stone jewelry classes to crabbing to bird walks. Parents can enjoy a cocktail and watch the sunset from Adirondack chairs while the kids play bocce or shuffleboard on the great lawn overlooking the cove.

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*Editor's Note: The Weekapaug Inn hosted Sandy to review the property for families. As always, our opinions are our own. Photos by Sandy Pappas.*