

Shoulder Season Travel Deals in Portsmouth Beyond

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Welcome to travel's shoulder season, which is just a funny-sounding way of referring to travel after Labor Day.

With the busy summer season over, prices are plunging at hotels across the country. Sarah Spagnolo at [Travel + Leisure](http://www.travelandleisure.com/) (<http://www.travelandleisure.com/>) can't say enough about a post-Labor Day deal happening right now at the historic [Wentworth By the Sea](http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/psmww-wentworth-by-the-sea-a-marriott-hotel-and-spa) (<http://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/psmww-wentworth-by-the-sea-a-marriott-hotel-and-spa>), a Marriott hotel and spa located 90 minutes north of Boston in New Castle, N.H., just minutes from Portsmouth.

In August, a night at the Wentworth would set you back \$299 a night; in September the hotel's nightly rate drops to \$229. The recently renovated resort overlooks the Atlantic Ocean and offers restaurants, spa services, a pool overlooking the marina, a fitness center, and more.

Spagnolo stayed there over Labor Day weekend and told the Today Show, "I'm totally in love with it."

She also loved Portsmouth, saying, "It's totally picturesque, amazing seafood, friendly people, delicious ice cream, so it's a perfect destination and the weather, still absolutely gorgeous."

She gushed about the food at [Moxy Restaurant](http://www.moxyrestaurant.com/) (<http://www.moxyrestaurant.com/>) and [Annabelle's Natural Ice Cream](http://annabellesicecream.com/) (<http://annabellesicecream.com/>), calling Portsmouth a "foodie town." And here's a pretty shot she posted on Instagram of the marina, which can be viewed from the resort's pool.

Other shoulder deals happening nationwide include [Montauk Yacht Club Resort & Marina](http://www.montaukyachtclub.com/) (<http://www.montaukyachtclub.com/>) in New York's Hamptons, which is between a four- and five-hour drive from Boston. The rates there have dropped from \$499/night to \$239/night.

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The resort offers a spa, private beach, boat rentals, and two restaurants.

If you are looking to hop a flight, the *Washington School House Hotel* (<http://www.washingtonschoolhouse.com/>) in Park City, Utah, has dropped its rates to \$295/night from \$375/night. And at the *Lakehouse Hotel and Resort* (<http://www.lakehousehotelandresort.com/>) in San Marcos, California, rates have fallen from \$249/night to \$129/night.

Where is your favorite shoulder season spot?