

WEEKENDERS NORTH

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From Bedford to the beach, here's a curated roundup of country escapes in the Hudson Valley and New England—each under a three-hour drive from the city.

Belden House & Mews

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In the heart of the Litchfield Hills, Belden House & Mews ushers a new chapter of style into one of New England's most historic towns. From the team behind Troutheck, this newly opened, design-forward estate reimagines a trio of storied structures—a stately 1888 mansion, a 1959 modernist addition, and the town's 1891 firehouse—into a cohesive, quietly glamorous retreat. The first full-service High Street hotel in over a century, Belden places guests steps from Litchfield's boutiques, cafés, and cultural haunts while feeling a world apart. There are 31 rooms and suites, anchored by butler and valet service, a locally sourced dining room and bar, and an airy bathhouse with treatments, a fitness studio, and a seasonal pool. A two-hour drive from New York City, it's a stylish perch from which to savor the charms of this newly revived New England enclave.

