

CountryLiving

The 25 Best Small Lake Towns in America

Get your waterside fix this summer at one of these charming little villages.

Nothing says breezy, summery perfection like hanging out lakeside soaking up the sun while finishing up one last chapter of your [summer beach read](#) (okay, two).

Looking for a new lake area to visit this summer? We've rounded up the absolute coolest small lake towns in America—from off-the-beaten-path locales in Texas to the crooked Finger Lakes in New York, summer bliss awaits.

12 Chelan Country, Washington



If Lake Chelan isn't on your radar, you're missing out. Unpack at [Wapato Point Resort](#) (the Wapato Family has owned the lakeside property for over 100 years), before deciding on your itinerary, which could include hiking, whitewater rafting with [River Recreation](#), a trip to the [Tandem Winery Skydive](#), or power boating back at the resort. When you need a jolt of caffeine, there's [Lake Chelan Coffee Company](#), or head to [A Shot of Gratitude](#) where locals congregate on the patio sipping loaded Bloody Marys and digging into the scrumptious mac and cheese.

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