



NEWPORT RESTORATION FOUNDATION

*Founded by Doris Duke*

**ROUGH POINT**

**Doris Duke's home in Newport, Rhode Island**

- Building Dates: 1887 – 1891
- Architect: Peabody & Stearns 1887-91  
Minor alterations by John Russell Pope 1910  
Major additions by Horace Trumbauer 1923-24
- Interior Design: Original designer unknown  
1922 interior design by White Allom with possible contributions from other firms
- Landscape Designer: 10 acre waterfront site landscaped by the Offices of Frederick Law Olmsted
- Building Materials: Granite (probably local) and sandstone, slate and copper roof
- Square Footage: 39,000 square feet includes 49 principal rooms
- Location: Extreme southeast end of Bellevue Avenue in Newport on a low, rocky promontory with views down Ochre Point towards Middletown and out to the ocean.
- Owners: Frederick W. Vanderbilt (1887 – 1906)  
William Leeds (1906 – 1910)  
Nancy Leeds (widow of William) (1910 – 1922)  
James B. Duke (1922 – 1925)  
Doris Duke (1925 – 1993)  
Newport Restoration Foundation (1999 – present)
- Doris Duke: Doris Duke lived at Rough Point from May through November most years and enjoyed the time and energy she devoted to collecting the art, antiques, furniture and wall coverings that make up the décor and personality of the house. Miss Duke's will stipulated that Rough Point should be left to the Newport Restoration Foundation (which she founded in 1968), kept intact and opened as a museum. Rough Point first opened to the public in July 2000.

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