

# The Best Winter Boots For Women, Based On Extensive Testing

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Finding the perfect pair largely depends on the activities you do and the conditions you'll face: Those in need of a slip-proof boot should look for a grippy outsole, while those who live in particularly wet climates need a waterproof rain boot. I picked a range of other options to suit every lifestyle, too, whether you plan on shoveling the driveway, commuting on slushy streets or partaking in an outdoor activity. My colleague, Forbes Vetted senior editor Kari Molvar, also tested additional picks, which are included here. The following is a list of the top winners from the testing process:

## Best Winter Rain Boots For Women

Waterproof And Warm In Slick Conditions



NORDSTROM

### Cougar Ignite Waterproof Boot

\$130

[\\$130 At Nordstrom](#)

**Sizes:** 6 to 11 | **Materials:** Rubber | **Insulation:** Faux shearling lining | **Outsole:** Rubber | **Shaft height:** 6 inches | **Waterproof:** Yes

#### Best for:

- Rainy climates
- Wet snow
- Harsh conditions

#### Skip if:

- You need protection from deep snow
- You have wide feet

With a cozy faux shearling lining, this rubber rain boot is both stylish and practical for keeping your feet and ankles warm while offering excellent waterproof protection. In addition to being a rain boot, the Cougar Ignite also has a temperature rating of -14 degrees Fahrenheit, which means it'll stand up to sleet and snow as well. The goring on the sides ensures a snug fit without the need for laces, so I could easily slip these boots on and off. The faux shearling lining also prevented the rubber from digging into my skin—a common issue I often have with rain boots—so the comfort level here is also great. The lug sole felt very grippy on pavement in the early morning, which is often when it's slipperiest. Just note that fit on the Ignite is snug due to the shearling lining. I have a medium-sized foot so it wasn't an issue for me but I preferred to wear these with thin socks. —*Tested by Kari Molvar*