



LGBTQ Travel Guide

A large hot air balloon with vertical stripes of yellow, blue, purple, red, and orange is floating in the air. Below it, a wooden basket carries several people. The background consists of a dense green forest and a multi-tiered waterfall cascading over rocky ledges.

COME BE A PART OF IT

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Come be a part of New York State. From the lights of Times Square to the mists of Niagara Falls, there is so much to see and so much to love. New York is one of the most welcoming and desired travel locations in the world for the LGBTQ community. Discover vibrant cities and energetic neighborhoods. Scenic shorelines and majestic mountains. Outdoor adventure and indoor culture. Beautiful beaches and unbeatable shopping. The best sites to see and the tastiest food to eat. Here, you can get lost in history and learn about New York's unparalleled role in advancing LGBTQ rights. With thousands of acres of wilderness, tons of incredible history and Mother Nature's most awe-inspiring playgrounds, there's something for everyone.

That's why everyone loves New York.



Come be a part of it.

So much to see and so much to love in
New York's 11 unique vacation regions



Rock Island Lighthouse
Fishers Landing

1000 Islands-Seaway

Discover this freshwater paradise for sightseeing and recreation.



Maid of the Mist
Niagara Falls USA

Greater Niagara

Awe at the majesty of Niagara Falls, discover famous architecture and enjoy world-famous wings.



Allegany State Park
Salamanca

Chautauqua-Allegheny

NY's southwest has great outdoors, local wines, and the National Comedy Center.



Fulkerson Winery
Dundee

Finger Lakes

Eleven pristine lakes surrounded by natural beauty, top attractions, events, and wine trails.



Beekman 1802
Sharon Springs

Central New York

Lakeside opera, underground caverns, craft breweries and the National Baseball Hall of Fame.



North-South Lake
Haines Falls

Catskills

A world of simple pleasures and natural beauty and home of the original Woodstock Music Festival.



Times Square
New York City

New York City

The birthplace of the modern LGBTQ rights movement, with the best of everything from arts and culture to shopping, food and more.



South Edison Beach
Montauk

Long Island

From famous white-sand beaches to world-class wineries, and the LGBTQ communities of Fire Island.



Bear Mountain State Park
Bear Mountain

Hudson Valley

Brimming with magnificent landscapes that inspired generations of artists, writers, chefs and political leaders.



Roosevelt Baths and Spa
Saratoga Springs

Capital-Saratoga

Discover Colonial history, bubbling mineral springs and unique performance venues.



Whiteface Mountain
Wilmingon

Adirondacks

Six million acres of forever wild landscape to discover with treasured lakes and scenic vistas galore.



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LONG ISLAND

Seaside Treasures



This beach lover's paradise is full of white-sand beaches, world-class wineries, farm-fresh cuisine and fabulous shopping. Visit the famous LGBTQ beach communities of Cherry Grove and The Pines on Fire Island. Tour historic lighthouses, whaling museums and the Gold Coast mansions that inspired *The Great Gatsby*. Discover remarkable, extraordinary places to stay ranging from seaside cottages to spa resorts. 🌈

Highlights

Fire Island National Seashore
World famous LGBTQ destinations Cherry Grove and Fire Island Pines

Gold Coast Mansions of Long Island
Tour the inspiration for *The Great Gatsby*

The Hamptons
Beautiful beaches and posh shopping

Jones Beach State Park
Surf and sand, with areas particularly popular with LGBTQ beachgoers

Long Beach
White sandy beaches and an iconic boardwalk

Long Island Wine Trail
Tours and tastings at award-winning vineyards

Montauk Point Lighthouse Museum
Seaside history with mesmerizing views

Pollock-Krasner House & Study Center
Former home and studio of Jackson Pollock and Lee Krasner

Tanger Outlet Center
Outlet savings on universally known brands

Walt Whitman Birthplace State Historic Site
Birthplace of the great American poet

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 MONTAUK POINT LIGHTHOUSE | MONTAUK

 JONES BEACH STATE PARK | WANTAGH



 OHEKA CASTLE | HUNTINGTON



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NEW YORK CITY

Big Apple Thrills



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The birthplace of the modern-day LGBTQ rights movement has also been the LGBTQ community's most popular destination in the world, and you'll catch the excitement as soon as you arrive. All five boroughs offer thrills, from Broadway to the Brooklyn Bridge to Botanical Gardens. Views go on forever at the One World Observatory, the tallest building in the Western Hemisphere. World-famous museums, shopping, shows and sports dazzle visitors from around the globe. Lesser-known museums celebrating famed residents like Louis Armstrong, Alice Austen and Theodore Roosevelt are equally intriguing. Celebrity restaurants, food courts, trucks and festivals present delicious diversity. 🌈

Highlights

Bronx

Bronx Zoo and the New York Botanical Garden

Brooklyn

Brooklyn Bridge Park, Brooklyn Museum, Williamsburg and Coney Island

Central Park

Visit NYC's iconic park

Chelsea & Hell's Kitchen

Shopping, dining, and home to many LGBTQ bars and businesses

Classical Performance Venues

Including Lincoln Center and Carnegie Hall

Fifth and Madison Ave

Shopping flagships of world-known brands

Greenwich Village

LGBTQ history from the AIDS Memorial to The Center (The Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual & Transgender Community Center)

Harlem

Apollo Theater and sample soul food

High Line Park

Historic elevated rail line greenway

Museum Mile

Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum, Metropolitan Museum of Art, and more

9/11 Memorial & Museum

A tribute of honor and remembrance for 9/11

Observation Decks

Empire State Building, One World Observatory, Top of the Rock, Edge, and SUMMIT One Vanderbilt.

Queens

Long Island City waterfront and boardwalk, Museum of the Moving Image, Queens Museum, and Louis Armstrong House Museum

Rockefeller Center

Including NBC Studios and Radio City Music Hall tours

Staten Island

Ride Staten Island Ferry, view Statue of Liberty, visit Staten Island Museum, and tour lesbian photographer Alice Austin House Museum

Stonewall National Monument

Where the modern-day LGBTQ civil rights movement began

Times Square

Crossroads of the world and gateway to Broadway

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THE NEW YORK BOTANICAL GARDEN | BRONX

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STONEWALL NATIONAL MONUMENT | NEW YORK CITY

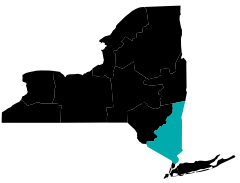


STATUE OF LIBERTY | NEW YORK CITY



HUDSON VALLEY

Historic and Scenic Vistas



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Explore magnificent landscapes and historic homes in one of National Geographic Traveler's Top 20 must-see places of the world. Stay at Mohonk Mountain House, named America's #1 Resort Spa by *Condé Nast Traveler*. Stroll the world's longest pedestrian bridge, 212 feet above the Hudson River. See art in unique settings, from spectacular outdoor sculpture gardens to a converted cereal box factory. Legendary chefs create masterpieces at the renowned Culinary Institute of America. 🌈

Highlights

Art Museums

Art Omi, Dia Beacon and Storm King Art Center

Artist Homes

Hudson River School painter Frederic Church's Olana State Historic Site, Washington Irving's Sunnyside, the home of *Legend of Sleepy Hollow* author, and Edward Hopper House, the home of depression-era painter

Hudson

Dining, world famous mid-century antiques, intimate performance spaces

Historic Homes

Franklin D. Roosevelt Presidential Library & Museum, Eleanor Roosevelt's Val-Kill retreat, the Vanderbilt Mansion, Rockefeller's Kykuit, and gothic Lyndhurst

LEGOLAND®

New York Resort
Largest LEGOLAND theme park in the world

Mohonk Mountain House

Hiking, historic lodging and spa by a mountain lake

Shawangunk and Dutchess Wine Trails

Includes Brotherhood Brewery, America's oldest winery

Small-Town Must Visits

Including Beacon, Cold Spring, Nyack and Rhinebeck for antiques, shopping and dining

Sugar Loaf Arts & Craft Village

Galleries of works by artisans, painters and potters

Unique Dining

Culinary Institute of America and Stone Barns Center for Food & Agriculture

Walkway Over the Hudson State Historic Park

The world's longest elevated pedestrian bridge which provides expansive views of the Hudson Valley

Woodbury Commons Premium Outlets

Internationally famous brands

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OLANA STATE HISTORIC SITE | HUDSON



MILLBROOK VINEYARDS & WINERY | MILLBROOK

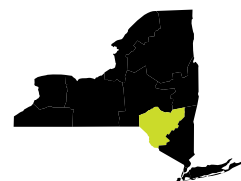


WALKWAY OVER THE HUDSON STATE HISTORIC PARK | POUGHKEEPSIE



CATSKILLS

Mountain Adventure



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Come discover a world of funky fun amid natural beauty that launched a whole new way of painting. Conquer the highest and longest zipline in North America, experience the world's largest kaleidoscope, or raft or tube down the Delaware River. Make your own summer of love at the site of the original Woodstock Festival at Bethel Woods, touring its museum of the 1960s or taking in an open-air performance at the amphitheater. A variety of unique accommodations offer you the perfect retreat, from luxurious B+B's to boutique hotels to full-service resorts. 🌈

Highlights

Bashakill Wildlife Management Area
Birding tours and hiking

Bethel Woods Center for the Arts
Outdoor performing arts venue and museum that celebrates the 1969 Woodstock Music Festival

Delaware River
Scenic byway and rafting

Luxurious Resorts
Resorts World Catskills for entertainment and luxury, YO1 Health Resort the first wellness resort of its kind in America

Thomas Cole National Historic Site
Home and studio of the founder of the Hudson River School of Painting

Unique Places to Stay
Kate's Lazy Cabin created by Kate Pierson of the B-52s and The Roxbury Motel with themed rooms from classic movies and TV shows

Wine, Beer and Spirits
Catskills Distilling Company, Prohibition Distillery, Eminence Road Winery and Bashakill Vineyards

Ziplines
New York Zipline Canopy Tours, the longest, fastest and highest in North America, and Kittatinny's zipline overlooking the Delaware River

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THOMAS COLE NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE | CATSKILL



NEW YORK ZIPLINE CANOPY TOURS | HUNTER

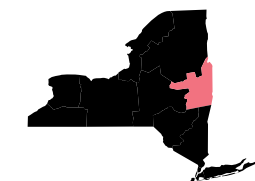
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BETHEL WOODS CENTER FOR THE ARTS | BETHEL



CAPITAL-SARATOGA

400 Years of History



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History comes alive, from the American Revolution to Colonial New York. Explore culture, architecture and nature in a region rich with an eclectic mix of attractions including Albany's magnificent Capitol building, craft breweries, distilleries and cideries, and unique performance venues from vintage to modern. Saratoga Springs features bubbling mineral springs, America's oldest sporting venue, a historic spa, an open-air performing arts venue that's the summer home of the NYC Ballet and the National Museum of Dance. 🌈

Highlights

Governor Nelson A. Rockefeller Empire State Plaza

Modern art among unique architecture

Lark Street

Albany's thoroughfare of funky, eclectic shops and restaurants

New York State Capitol

Stunning 19th-century architecture, tours and exhibits

New York State Museum

Cultural and natural history, collections, exhibits and programs of New York State

Performing Arts Venues

The Egg, EMPAC, Palace Theatre and Proctors

Troy

Downtown antique district, hip restaurants, farmers market and Riverfront Park

Saratoga Spa State Park

Outdoor performing arts center and historic Roosevelt Baths and Spa

Saratoga Springs

Downtown boutiques, cafes, park with carousel and natural springs, and the famous thoroughbred racetrack

Tours of Colonial Homes

Ten Broeck Mansion, Historic Cherry Hill and Schuyler Mansion of *Hamilton* fame

Washington Park

Albany's historic park known for the Albany Tulip Festival and Park Playhouse for free outdoor summer theater

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 NEW YORK STATE MUSEUM | ALBANY

ADIRONACKS

Wilderness Playground



Enjoy boundless activities amid the largest publicly protected park in the lower 48 states. Stay in a rustic lakeside cabin or grand resort. Hike the High Peaks, kayak in pristine lakes and bike between Adirondack Coast wineries. Explore restaurants and shops in picturesque villages from Lake George to Lake Placid. Discover unique museums, such as the Adirondack Experience and the Wild Center, with its Wild Walk trail through the treetops. Find one-of-a-kind thrills like summer bobsled runs at the Olympic Sports Complex. Tour the Vanderbilt's grand historic Great Camp Sagamore. 🌈

Highlights

Adirondack Experience, the Museum on Blue Mountain Lake

Exhibits and historic buildings dedicated to the Adirondack's natural and cultural history

Adirondack Park

Kayak, canoe, hiking, and whitewater rafting

Great Camp Sagamore

Retreat of the Vanderbilts

The Hyde Collection

Distinguished collection of art, exhibitions, lectures and educational programs

Lake George

Steamboat rides, swimming, amusement park, factory outlet shopping and the Sagamore Resort

Lake Placid

World famous Olympic village known for luxurious accommodations, shopping and dining

Mt. Van Hoevenberg - Olympic Sports Complex

Home to the combined bobsled, luge and skeleton track, nordic skiing, and the Cliffside Coaster

Paul Smith's College VIC (Visitor Interpretive Center)

Year-round recreation, education and exhibits

Strand Center

Visual and performing arts in a historic theatre

Whiteface Mountain & Veteran's Memorial Highway

Gondola, scenic drive and greatest vertical ski drop in the East

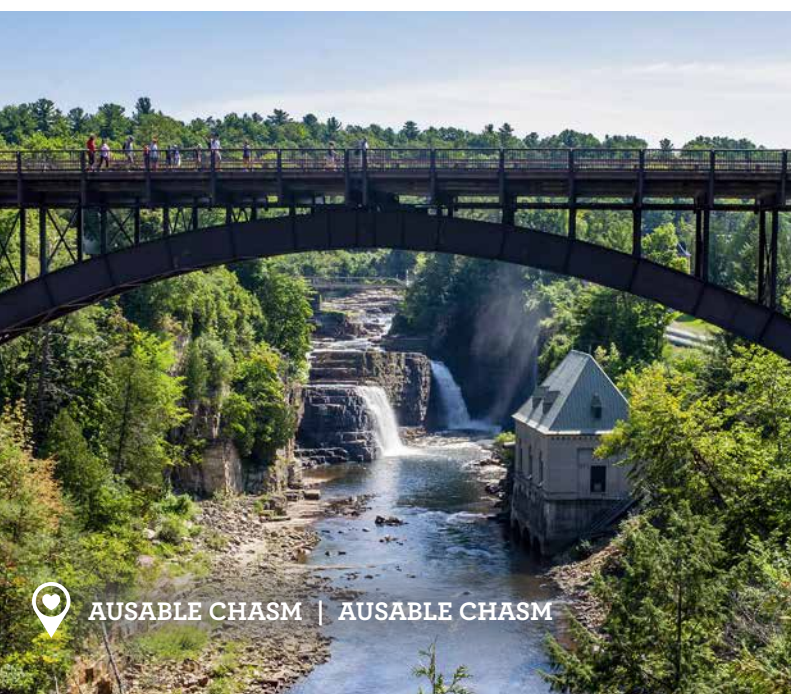
The Wild Center

An indoor/outdoor natural history and wildlife museum

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THE WILD CENTER | TUPPER LAKE



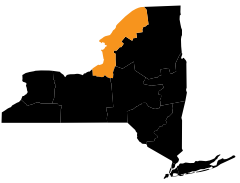
CLIFFSIDE COASTER | MT. VAN HOEVENBERG

 AUSABLE CHASM | AUSABLE CHASM



1000 ISLANDS-SEAWAY

Picture Perfect Coastlines



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One of America's most majestic settings, with scenic shoreline villages and lighthouses, eclectic attractions like the Antique Boat Museum and historic Fort Ontario and fairy-tale island castles like Boldt and Singer castles. Enjoy sandy fresh-water beaches, scenic boat and hot-air balloon tours, trophy fishing and scuba diving in the crystal-clear St. Lawrence, or sit back and watch the grand oceangoing ships and glorious sunsets on Great Lake Ontario. 🌈

Highlights

Antique Boat Museum

Priceless collection including a Gilded-age boathouse

Beautiful State Parks

State parks along the St. Lawrence River and Lake Ontario including Cedar Point, Keewaydin, Sandy Island Beach, Southwick Beach, Wellesley Island and more

Black River Canyon

Whitewater rafting

Boat Tours

Cruise the gorgeous seaway and Millionaires' Row with Clayton Island Tours and Uncle Sam Boat Tours, or charter a sunset sail from Sackets Harbor

Boldt Castle and Singer Castle on Dark Island

Tours of historic island castles

Frederic Remington Art Museum

Nation's largest collection of his famous art of the Old West

Great Lakes Seaway Trail

National Scenic Byway, this 518-mile driving route includes unique locations, cultural heritage sites and outstanding scenic vistas

Historic Lighthouses

Tibbetts Point and Rock Island Lighthouse State Park with scenic views


Historic Sites

Fort Ontario State Historic Site and the H. Lee White Maritime Museum in Oswego, and Sackets Harbor Battlefield State Historic Site


Salmon River Falls Unique Area

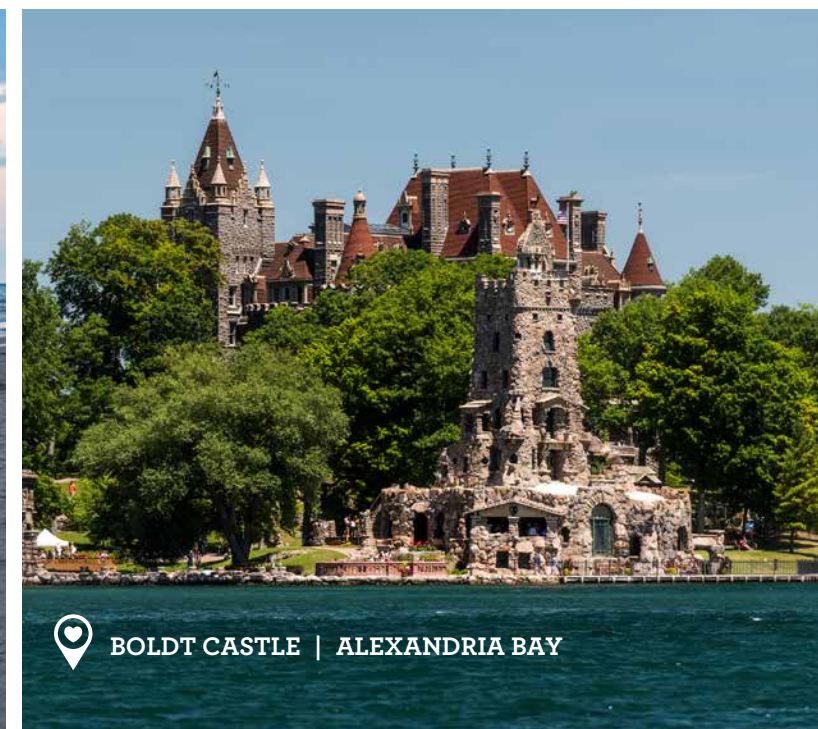
Trails among waterfalls and gorge

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 ROCK ISLAND LIGHTHOUSE STATE PARK | FISHERS LANDING

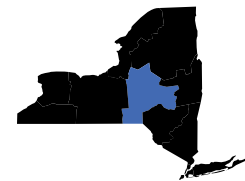
 SOUTHWICK BEACH STATE PARK | HENDERSON

 BOLDT CASTLE | ALEXANDRIA BAY



CENTRAL NEW YORK

Small Town Charms



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Come experience for yourself the unique mix of country roads that lead to the wondrous underground Howe Caverns and Cooperstown's internationally famous Baseball Hall of Fame and Glimmerglass Festival of opera and musical theater. Experience classic Americana—from the antique shops along the Route 20 Scenic Byway, to cruising the Erie Canal, to the birthplace of *The Wizard of Oz*. Tastings and tours await you in what is becoming America's craft-brew destination. 🍷

Highlights

Chittenango

All Things Oz Museum showcasing *The Wizard of Oz* author L. Frank Baum in his hometown, home of the annual Oz-Stravaganza and Chittenango Falls State Park

Cooperstown

Folk and American Indian art at Fenimore Art Museum, living history at the Farmers' Museum and National Baseball Hall of Fame celebrating America's favorite national pastime

Craft Breweries and Cideries

Tastings and concerts at Brewery Ommegang, tours and samplings at Fly Creek Cider Mill & Orchard and Saranac Brewery

Glimmerglass Festival

Summer opera and musicals in lakeside theater

Herkimer

Erie Canal Cruises, and the chance to prospect for your own gemstone at the Herkimer Diamond Mine

Historic Homes

Visit homes of note-worthy abolitionists, Gerrit Smith Estate National Historic Landmark and Matilda Joslyn Gage Home

Howe Caverns

Explore and take a boat ride in the largest cavern in the northeast

Sharon Springs

Historic spa town with food and shopping including artisan products, the flagship Beekman 1802 Mercantile store of the *Fabulous Beekman Boys* and cozy lodging at the American Hotel

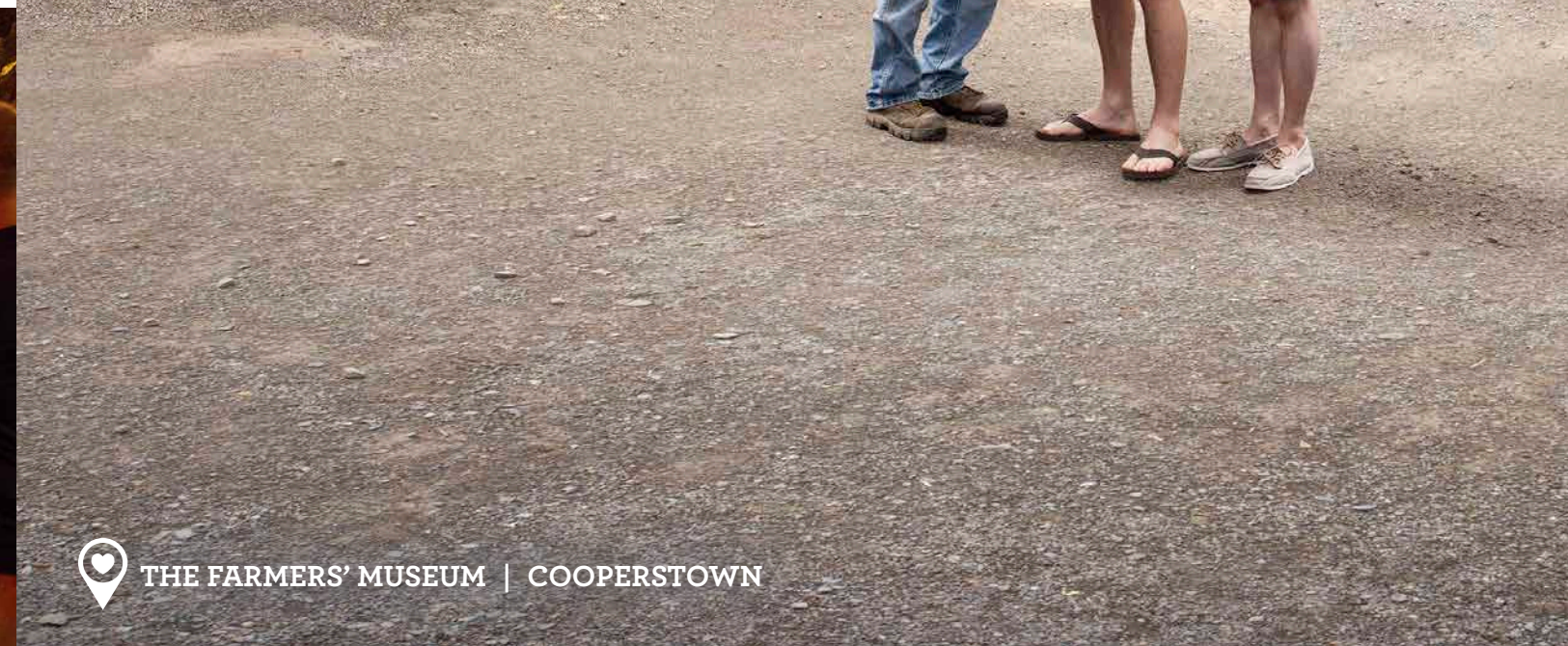
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 HOWE CAVERNS | HOWES CAVE

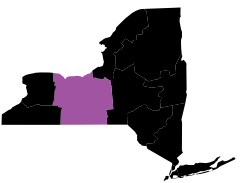


 THE FARMERS' MUSEUM | COOPERSTOWN



FINGER LAKES

Gorgeous Gorges and Lakes



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Find award-winning wineries or explore canalside villages like Fairport, named one of America's Coolest Small Towns by *Budget Travel*. Gorgeous gorges, waterfalls and lakes at state parks from Taughannock Falls to Watkins Glen invite you to hike, swim and sail. Seneca Falls commemorates the First Women's Rights Convention at the Women's Rights National Historical Park, and more whimsical history at the It's a Wonderful Life Museum. Cultural treasures sparkle in Rochester, Syracuse and Corning, home of the world's best collection of glass art. ❤️

Highlights

Corning

World-famous Corning Museum of Glass and Rockwell Museum

Harriet Tubman National Historical Park

Museum and home of the Underground Railroad conductor

Ithaca

The Advocate magazine's top 10 best cities for LGBTQ people with dining, arts, shopping and nightlife

MacKenzie-Childs

Studio, gardens and store of artisan home furnishings

New York Kitchen

Meals, lessons and gift shop on Main Street of Canandaigua

Rochester

George Eastman Museum and The Strong National Museum of Play

Shopping

Boutique and specialty shops, 6th largest mall in America – Destiny USA, and Waterloo Premium Outlets

Syracuse

Fabulous recreation opportunities, top-notch shopping and a vibrant arts community

Watkins Glen State Park

Walk through an ancient gorge and among 19 waterfalls

Wine and Beverage Trails

Home to more than 100 wineries, breweries, distilleries and cideries, including a Sweet Treat Trail

Women's Rights Sites

Women's Rights National Historical Park and National Women's Hall of Fame in Seneca Falls, and The National Susan B. Anthony Museum & House in Rochester

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WATKINS GLEN STATE PARK | WATKINS GLEN



THE STRONG MUSEUM | ROCHESTER



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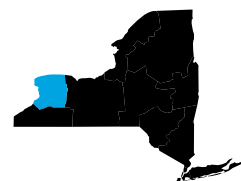


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GREATER NIAGARA

Awe-Inspiring Wonders



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From the Maid of the Mist and Cave of the Winds tours at Niagara Falls State Park to Letchworth State Park's "Grand Canyon of the East." Two Great Lakes offer world-class fishing and boating. Hike amid the vast Iroquois National Wildlife Refuge or take a wild ride at Darien Lake Amusement Park. Follow the Niagara Wine Trail to great events. Taste Buffalo wings in the city where they were born, and discover Buffalo's revitalized waterfront, new hotels, restaurants, breweries and world-class arts and architecture, including Frank Lloyd Wright's splendid Darwin Martin House. 🍷

Highlights

Buffalo & Erie County Botanical Gardens

National historic site full of exotic horticulture treasures

Buffalo Wings

Anchor Bar, home of the original, and served at restaurants all over town

Canalside Buffalo

The heart of Buffalo's waterfront, beach and boardwalk, concerts and festivals, ice skating and curling in the winter

Fashion Outlets of Niagara Falls USA

Premier outlet shopping with more than 200 brands

Fun Neighborhoods

Elmwood Village, Allentown and Buffalo's historic Theatre District featuring Ani DiFranco's Babeville

Frank Lloyd Wright's Graycliff and Martin House

Tour his architectural masterpieces

Letchworth State Park

America's favorite state park offers hiking, spectacular views, lodging and fine dining at the historic Glen Iris Inn

Niagara Falls State Park

America's oldest state park, home of the iconic Maid of the Mist Boat Tour and Cave of the Winds walk

Niagara Jet Adventures & Whirlpool Jet Boat Tours

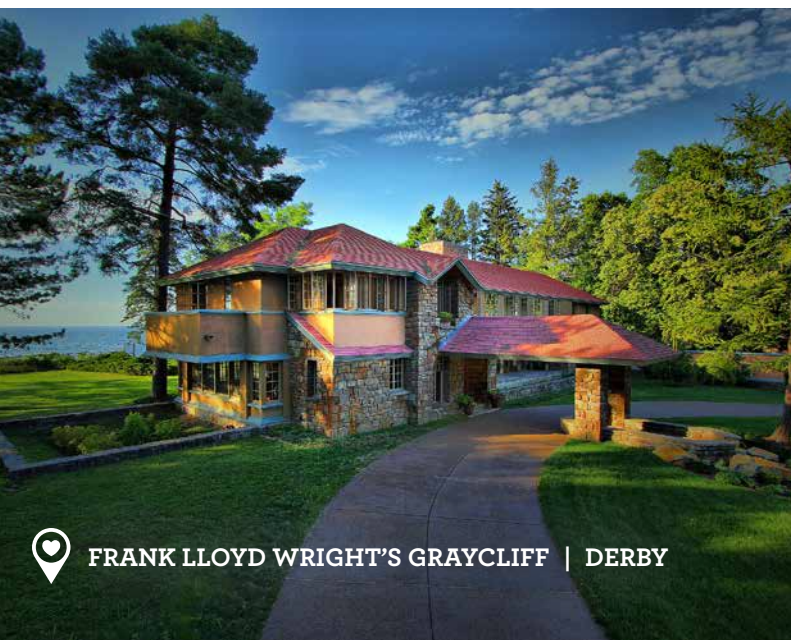
Thrilling rides through the Niagara Gorge and Whirlpool

Roycroft Campus

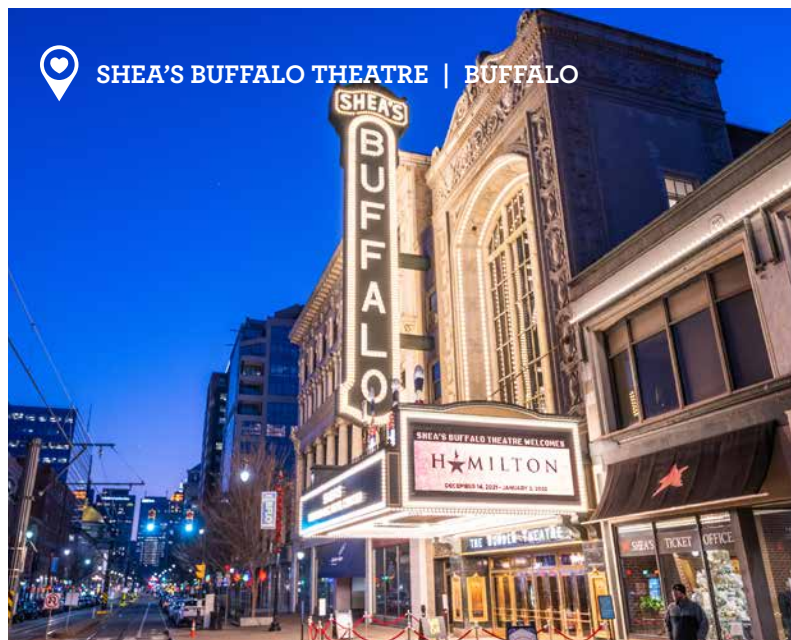
Historic arts & crafts village with beautifully restored inn

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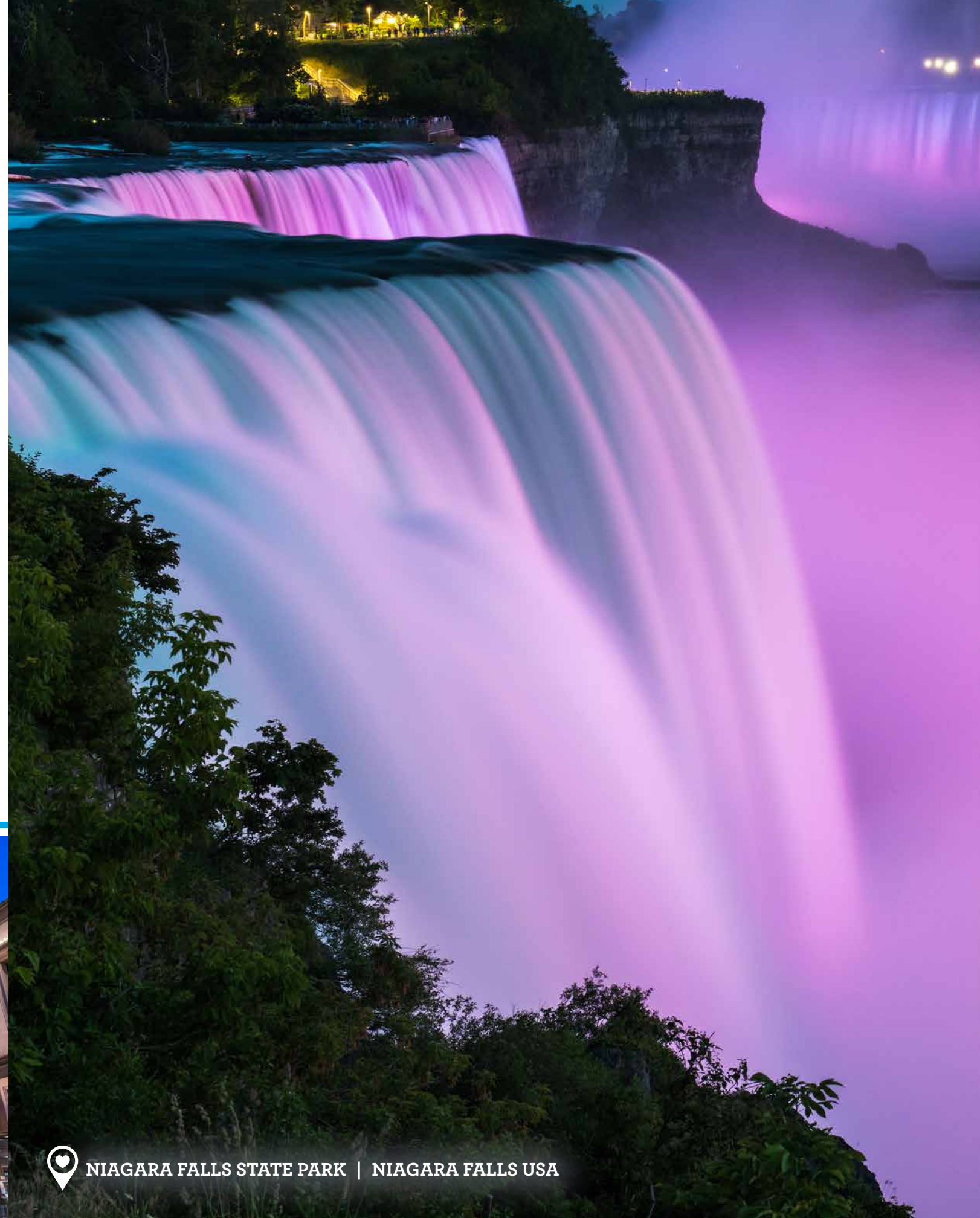
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FRANK LLOYD WRIGHT'S GRAYCLIFF | DERBY

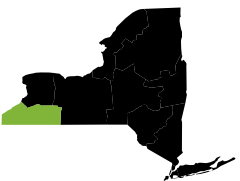


SHEA'S BUFFALO THEATRE | BUFFALO



NIAGARA FALLS STATE PARK | NIAGARA FALLS USA

CHAUTAUQUA-ALLEGHENY



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New York's Southwest

Sailing on Lake Erie, to hiking and biking in Allegany State Park, to mountain coaster rides at Holiday Valley Resort. Scenic trails meander through nature preserves, towering rock formations, Amish Country farmland and Lake Erie Wine Country. In a charming Victorian village, the Chautauqua Institution has been presenting world-class arts and entertainment for over 140 years. Celebrate Lucille Ball in her hometown of Jamestown at the National Comedy Center, the first national-scale visitor experience dedicated to comedy. 🇺🇸

Highlights

1891 Fredonia Opera House

Live entertainment, performing arts, and cinema series.

Chautauqua Institution

World-class performances in a charming lakeside Victorian village

Dunkirk Lighthouse

Historic lighthouse, museum and grounds

Griffis Sculpture Park

425-acre outdoor art museum and curated trails

Lake Erie Wine Country

More than 20 wineries to tour and taste

Lily Dale Assembly

World's largest center for spiritualism

National Comedy Center & Lucille Ball Desi Arnaz Museum

Immersive exhibits, cutting edge technology and sets from "I Love Lucy"

Rock Formations

Panama Rocks Scenic Park and Rock City Park

Sprague's Maple Farms

Restaurant, sugarhouse and demonstrations

Summer Wind Cruises

Chautauqua Lake tours, events and dining cruises

Watchable Wildlife

Allegany State Park (Quaker Area & Red House Area) and NYS DEC Hanging Bog Wildlife Management Area

Zoar Valley Canoe & Rafting Company

Canoe and rafting on the Cattaraugus River

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NATIONAL COMEDY CENTER | JAMESTOWN



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