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FINGER LAKES MUST-DO's

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SONNENBERG GARDENS & MANSION STATE HISTORIC PARK, CANANDAIGUA

Whether strolling through its flower-filled gardens, picnicking under its majestic trees or touring the magnificent mansion, you are reaping the benefits of being in one of America's longest surviving estates. See #3 inside.

ONTARIO COUNTY, FINGER LAKES, NY

1. GET YOUR BEARINGS

FINGER LAKES WELCOME CENTER, GENEVA

Interactive kiosks, regional visitors guides, friendly people, tasty treats and an immersive experience inside and out await you here. Be sure to take a photo at the I Love NY sculpture and check out the Finger Lakes floor map. (315) 787-0007

2. PASSPORTS AREN'T JUST FOR FOREIGN COUNTRIES

CANANDAIGUA LAKE WINE TRAIL and SENECA LAKE WINE TRAIL

The CLWT passport is now digital and as a passport holder, you have exclusive entry rights and special discounts. Sip your way along the scenic 30-mile trail from Victor to Canandaigua and along the lake to Naples; the wine trail is just right for a one-day venture. For Seneca Lake, it's a longer trail with larger wineries. Spread out your visit to make sure you're a Finger Lakes expert in the wine, food, the "personalities" along the trail. canandaigualakewinetrail.com (585) 394-1915 senecalakewine.com (877) 536-2717

MAKE TIME FOR CRAFT BEV O'CLOCK

ROC/FLX CRAFT BEVERAGE TRAIL

Wine might take top billing in the Finger Lakes, but there's plenty more craft where that comes from. Over 38 wineries, distilleries, cideries, and breweries from Monroe, Livingston, Ontario and Wayne Counties are offering up lots of tastes. This passport has an incentive to complete it with top prizes to visit all. Check out the dates and get going! RocFLXCraftbevtail.com (585) 394-3915

3. STOP AND SMELL THE ROSES

SONNENBERG GARDENS & MANSION STATE HISTORIC PARK, CANANDAIGUA

Whether strolling through its flower-filled gardens, picnicking under its majestic trees or touring the magnificent mansion, you are reaping the benefits of being in one of America's longest surviving estates. The elegant Queen Anne-style mansion was built in 1887. Nine formal gardens surround it, plus there's the Finger Lakes Wine Center featuring the wines across the region. sonnenberg.org (585) 394-4922

4. WE'RE TAKING IT TO THE STREETS

LINDEN STREET, GENEVA

If you're into foods, craft beverages and great company, then Linden Street is the place for you. Daytime or nighttime, there's a lot of life on Linden Street. Our team says not to miss Vinifera (complete with its own speakeasy), Microclimate, FLX Provisions, FLX Table, and FLX Goods - and the restaurants too! Look for special events like the Rose Soiree or Live From Linden. visitfingerlakes.com/listing/linden-street/758 (585) 394-3915

5. PACK PICNIC, BRING CAMERA

COUNTY ROAD 12 OVERLOOK, NAPLES/SOUTH BRISTOL FLX POP-UP PICNIC, EVERYWHERE AND ANYWHERE

Looking for an incredible view? There is no place better - as voted by the residents. This expansive view across Canandaigua Lake looks north towards the city, east to Bare Hill and south to the marshland and kayaking trails of Naples. Upscale your experience with a picnic and take several "long looks" through the John Brahm viewfinders. visitfingerlakes.com/listing/carolabarb-park/184 Tip: Plan ahead and don't worry about packing the picnic. Contact FLX Pop-up Picnic and have them deliver a first class, themed picnic. You enjoy, they take it away! flxpopuppics.com 585-750-3384

6. SAVE YOUR APPETITE FOR PIE OF THE VINE

GRAPE PIE SHOPPING, NAPLES

Grape pie baking has become a thriving cottage industry in the village of Naples. Originally, there was Monica's; today we have Cindy's and Jeni's. From the pie to the vine, it's a sweet treat (year-round) in a cool little town. P.S. Grape Festival is held the last weekend in September every year. So much sweetness to get in on. See you there. cindysgrape.com (585) 374-6122 Jeni's Pies (585) 374-2453 josephswaysidemarket.com (585) 374-2380

7. WALK WITH MOTHER NATURE

GRIMES GLEN PARK, NAPLES

Waterfalls, cool water flowing over rocks, and beautiful greenery. Ahhhh - this is a stop for your well-being journey through Ontario County. Take the leisurely river-style trail and reward yourself at the second waterfall with a dip in the fresh waters. visitfingerlakes.com/things-to-do/outdoors/waterfalls

8. LAIDBACK LUXURY

CANANDAIGUA LAKEFRONT

There are so many ways to enjoy the Canandaigua Lakefront. It's laidback and it's as luxurious as you choose to make it. The luxury is in choosing. Stroll, read a book, grab an ice cream cone or a local brew, soak in the history at the bathhouses on the City Pier or watch a plein air artist interpreting the scene with all the colors, or a fisherman pull in a score. Your choice, your luxury. Tip: Skenoh Island, (formerly Squaw Island) NYS' smallest state park is seen from here. Camera ready, click! visitfingerlakes.com/listing/canandaigua-lakefront-resort-district/5124

9. CULTURE YOURSELF WITH THE ARTS

SMITH CENTER FOR THE ARTS, GENEVA

This handsomely restored, century-old theater provides a full spectrum of live performing arts, house films and classics. Lots of variety including indie rock concerts, orchestral performances, modern dance and opera to children's theater, community theater and comedy. thesmith.org (315) 781-5483

FORT HILL PERFORMING ARTS CENTER, CANANDAIGUA

427 seats are waiting for you to slip into and enjoy the enriching and entertaining Finger Lakes performing arts. The center is a beloved 1928 historic landmark (former school) with the modern theatrical equipment to provide a first-class experience. fhpac.org (595) 412-6043

10. GEAR UP FOR YOUR OUTDOOR ADVENTURE

With so many outdoor adventure opportunities you'll want to make sure you're properly outfitted - inside or out! Here are two of the favorites!

DICK'S HOUSE OF SPORT, VICTOR: Try out your clubs and bats with the golf and batting simulators. Find your sporting clothes, equipment, and accessories at these favorite outdoor outfitters. (585) 282-2000

L.L. BEAN, VICTOR: Camping, hiking, water sports - you name it, and the equipment and attire is there! (888) 552-5583

11. CAST A LINE FOR THE BIG ONE

FISHING IN THE FINGER LAKES

With all these lakes make sure your tackle box and rod are reeled and ready. Seneca Lake is renowned for its lake trout. Naples has an annual release on April 1. Get your supplies at these specialty stores.

DOC'S TACKLE, HONEOYE: Stop into this family-owned business for your live bait, rods, reels, and tackle needs. (585) 229-2277

THE SUTTON COMPANY, NAPLES: Lure and tackle shop famous for their legendary, family-made Sutton spoons ideal for trout fishing. (585) 374-2628

12. GET WET

WATER SPORTS ON THE LAKES CANADICE LAKE OUTFITTERS, CANANDAIGUA SAILBOARD, DAYDREAM SAILING AND BOAT RENTALS

It's no surprise that water sports are abundant when having access to four of the Finger Lakes. Canadice Lake Outfitters guides tours, rents kayaks, canoes, and SUPs for enjoyment on quiet, pristine Canadice Lake. Learn to Stand-Up Paddleboard through Canandaigua Sailboard. Learn to sail with Daydream Sailing - or just relax for the ride with Captain, Brenda. canadicelakeoutfitters.com (585) 669-9512 cdgasailboard.com (585) 394-8150 daydreamsailing.com (585) 704-6848 visitfingerlakes.com/things-to-do/on-the-lakes/boat-rentals-and-boat-tours

13. LUXURY YOU'VE EARNED

THE LAKEHOUSE ON CANANDAIGUA

When you're rated among the top new hotels in the world, you deserve a special place on our must-do list! That's the Lake House on Canandaigua. Whether you're looking to stay the night or are just passing through during the day, there is a relaxing service for you and you deserve all the attention they dish out at this lakeside beauty. Farm to table foods, classic and new wave spa treatments, lots of places to relax in laidback luxury! lakehousecanandaigua.com (585) 394-7800

14. A PLAYGROUND FOR EVERYONE

MOTION JUNCTION, CANANDAIGUA

Not your average playground, Motion Junction allows for all ages and abilities to have a place to play, learn, and exercise. From complete wheelchair accessibility to a tactile map to a buddy bench, everyone is included. dreambiginclusion.org Tip: See our blog at VisitFingerLakes.com for all the playgrounds.

15. PERFECT THE ART OF SHOPPING (LOCAL)

ARTIZANNS GIFTS FROM THE FINGER LAKES, NAPLES

More than 200 Finger Lakes artisans present everything in this cozy homelike setting in Naples. Looking for a perfect gift for the friend you had to leave at home? It's here. There is also a pantry packed with local foods and lots of "yum!" artizanns.com (585) 374-6740

16. WINE, DINE, RELAX AND WANDER

BELHURST CASTLE, GENEVA

Let luxury rule and all your cares melt away at this historic lakeside resort. Surrender to a restorative massage, manicure, or facial at Isabella Spa. Savor a gourmet meal at Edgar's Restaurant and a fireside cocktail at Stonecutter's - and of course pair all of it up with a Belhurst label wine easily available at the onsite winetasting areal belhurst.com (315) 781-0201

17. DON'T HOLD YOUR APPLAUSE

BRISTOL VALLEY THEATER, NAPLES

The scenery is not the only dramatic aspect of life in the Finger Lakes. For more than 50 years, the Bristol Valley Theater has presented live, professional theater, featuring performers from New York City and around the country and music. Three seasons of events give you the chance to fill your bucket with imagination and culture! bvtnaples.org (585) 374-6318

18. LIFT YOURSELF UP AND PUT SOME ZIP IN YOUR LIFE

BRISTOL MOUNTAIN AERIAL ADVENTURES & ZIPLINE CANOPY TOUR, CANANDAIGUA/SOUTH BRISTOL

Bristol Mountain Aerial Adventure Park consists of seven courses with 12 - 15 elements (ziplines, tight rope walks, ladders and bridges). There are different levels of difficulty including a children's course. 5,000 feet of zip line make up the canopy tour and promise an exhilarating time in the woods. bristolmountainadventures.com (585) 374-1180

Tip: In the fall, check out Bristol Mountain's Sky Rides. Chairlift to the top, walk through the woods and then make a choice - ride or walk back down. The air is fresh, the views are amazing.

19. SHOP 'TIL YOU DROP

HISTORIC DOWNTOWN CANANDAIGUA

There are many descriptors for downtown Canandaigua. Bottom line, the storefronts are filled and the streets are very pedestrian-friendly and the shopkeepers are excited to have you stop by. Leave time to include the coffee shops, craft breweries, rooftop bars and more delicious distractions. Ask about the season for Central on Main - a cooperative outdoor dining space. downtowncanandaigua.com (585) 396-0300

20. ROCK OUT UNDER THE STARS OR ON THE FARM

CONSTELLATION BRANDS - MARVIN SANDS PERFORMING ARTS CENTER, HOPEWELL/CANANDAIGUA

Better known as CMAC, this summertime performing arts center has 5,000 covered seats and the capacity for 10,000 music loving folks on the lawn. Big name acts from the Dave Matthews Band to Kid Rock to Lynyrd Skynyrd have all garnered sold-out crowds here. cmacevents.com (585) 394-4400

LINCOLN HILL FARMS, CANANDAIGUA

There's a lot going on at this venue: seasonal festivals, live music, farm-to-table food offerings and more. It's a favorite wedding venue and glamping site. It's reputation for music gives them special bragging rights. Sunday Fun Days are family and pet friendly. lincolnhillfarms.com (585) 563-8846

21. RETAIL THERAPY - I'LL TAKE SOME

EASTVIEW MALL, VICTOR

This super-regional shopping center boasts more than 170 stores. Many cater to the truly evolved fashionista. Other popular venues are Apple, Pottery Barn, and LEGO. While shopping, relax with a meal at a several full-service restaurant or catch a movie next door. eastviewmall.com (585) 223-4420

22. LET HISTORY BE YOUR RIDE

GRANGER HOMESTEAD & CARRIAGE MUSEUM, CANANDAIGUA

Built for Gideon Granger, Postmaster General for Presidents Jefferson and Madison, Granger is an 1816 mansion and the unique Carriage Museum with a vast collection of early carriages. There are guided tours of the Homestead and special events (like Christkindl and Valentine's Day carriage rides) that are not to be missed. grangerhomestead.org (585) 394-1472

Tip: Discover more local history through the Ontario County Historical Society and the 9 other museums in Ontario County at visitfingerlakes.com/things-to-do/museums-and-history

23. SWING WITH THE BEST OF THEM

RAVENWOOD GOLF CLUB, VICTOR

One of the top public golf courses in the Finger Lakes, Ravenwood has hosted USGA and PGA qualifiers. The championship course has bent grass tees, greens and fairways. With five sets of tees, it can be a fair, yet challenging course for golfers of all skill levels. ravenwoodgolf.com (585) 924-5100

Tip: Looking for more golf? Check out 7 more golf courses in Ontario County. visitfingerlakes.com/things-to-do/outdoors/golf

24. PICK A PACK OF ALPACAS

LAZY ACRE ALPACAS, BLOOMFIELD

Have you ever pet an alpaca? Now is your chance! Take the kids to Lazy Acre to meet more than 90 alpacas on a 180-acre farm. It's cuddle time (or maybe yoga time) so plan accordingly. Stock up on high quality alpaca wool clothing and souvenirs. lazyacrealpacos.com (585) 455-1203

25. TURN UP THE VOLUME

AWA COMMUNICATIONS MUSEUM, BLOOMFIELD

Put away the cell phone and tune into the 1800's and 1900's "cutting-edge" technology that led up to our modern day take-it-for-granted communications power. Learn how famous inventors such as Thomas Edison and Guglielmo Marconi were reinventing communications. See a set replicating Radio Free America. Most importantly learn the backstory from the guides, who are passionate about all things "wireless." antiquewireless.com (585) 257-5119

26. TASTE THE ARTISTIC LIFE

WIZARD OF CLAY POTTERY, BLOOMFIELD/BRISTOL

See how three generations of pottery artists have been inspired by the natural beauty of the region. The Wizard of Clay creates and sells hand-thrown pieces: bowls, mugs and casserole dishes, vases, clocks, and planters. Check out the trademarked Bristoleaf® design which incorporates the impressions of the leaves from area trees and plants. This is a perfect gift finding spot! wizardofclay.com (585) 229-2980

27. A VIEW WORTH THE HIKE OR THE GLIDE

HARRIET HOLLISTER SPENCER STATE PARK, HONEOYE

This scenic park of high elevation is a favorite place to hike and bike in the summer and fall. Then, in winter, revisit when the snow turns it into a magic forest for snowshoeing, cross-country skiing, and dog sledding. Your efforts will be rewarded with a stunning vista of Honeoye Lake and the Rochester distant skyline. gofingerlakes.org and then search for Harriet Hollister

28. AGELESS - INSIDE AND OUT

HISTORIC GENEVA, GENEVA

History is for the kids, the adults, the walkers and the talkers! Kids enjoy the hands-on Discovery Room at the Geneva History Museum, the place that tells the story of the community. Explore history on the streets on the Geneva Heritage Trail. Have the camera ready for the architecturally distinct Rainbow Row Houses. Geneva is also home to the national historic landmark, Rose Hill Mansion, which offers guided tours to experience 19th century living in the Finger Lakes. historicgeneva.org (315) 789-5151

29. BE FOREVER WILD

HEMLOCK-CANADICE STATE FOREST, SPRINGWATER

If you are looking to see the Finger Lakes a little bit more natural, there is no better place than Hemlock-Canadice Lakes State Forest. The area surrounding Hemlock and Canadice lakes are protected as "forever wild" and are especially beautiful in the wrap of fall colors. The forest is an excellent spot for geocaching, hiking, and birdwatching. The land? It's a great place to go fly a kite! The lakes make it a trifecta spot for pure FLX relaxation. gofingerlakes.org/locations/hemlock-canadice-state-forest

Only take this map semi-seriously, and definitely don't use it to navigate!

This map is intended to be fun and depict the variety of things to do in the FLX. Warning - do not use this as a road map to navigate because you never know if cows may be in for milking or you're well past pumpkin season! Do use it to tally up all the fun stuff there is to do and see all year round. P.S. this was all accurate at the time of publishing. Let us know if you see something different and we should put it on the next map and in the next listing!

30. RESPECT YOUR ELDERS

GANONDAGAN STATE HISTORIC SITE, VICTOR

Ganondagan is the site of a once-thriving center of Iroquois culture. Today the Seneca Art and Culture Center tells the history of the Seneca and Haudenosaunee through exhibits and artifacts spanning centuries. The replica Bark Longhouse and ethnobotanical trails are yours to explore. Make your experience of the story complete by planning to be here during a special event.

ganondagan.org (585) 924-5848

31. EAT, DRINK THE EMPIRE STATE

NEW YORK KITCHEN, CANANDAIGUA

Sample New York's agricultural bounty all in one place. Enjoy the views, the foods and the company in the casual dining atmosphere at The Café at NY Kitchen. Savor a flight of New York wine, beer, or spirits in the Tasting Room. A new patio invites you outside for a relaxing taste of New York. Watch a cooking demonstration in the Educational Theater or create your own culinary masterpiece in the Hands-On Kitchen.

nykitchen.com (585) 394-7070

32. MAKE A BIG SPLASH

ROSELAND WATERPARK and WAKE PARK, CANANDAIGUA

Make your next FLX adventure a wet one! Start with the waterpark's state-of-the-art waterslides, advance to the 27,000-square-foot wave pool, be lazy on the river, or watch the young ones in the splash factory. So much water, so little time – get wet today.

roselandwaterpark.com (585) 396-2000

For those looking for an adrenaline rush, Roseland Wake Park is the first and only Cable Wake Park in the northeastern United States. For the novice, you can learn not only the popular wakeboarding, but other water sports such as water skiing, wakeboarding, and kneeboarding.

roselandwakepark.com (585) 393-9253

33. BET ON YOUR LUCKY HORSE

FINGER LAKES GAMING & RACETRACK, FARMINGTON

Big-city gaming and thoroughbred horse racing have a home in the Finger Lakes at this state-of-the-art 30,000-square-foot facility. In addition to the 1,500 video machines and live races at the track, there is live local music, an 18-foot tall projection screen for live sports and pay-per-view events and bars and restaurants. Betcha you'll love it here.

fingerlakesgaming.com (585) 924-3232

34. GENERATE PEDAL POWER

BIKE RIDING

An endless network of rural roads with ever-changing scenery take you through orchards, past cabbage fields, forests, valleys and rolling hills. Want to say you biked around a Finger Lake? Honeoye is for you.

Tip: Honeoye Lake is the second smallest Finger Lake. Its name means "lying finger" in the Seneca language, but we wouldn't be lying when we tell you it's an utterly pleasant 18 miles of pedaling around this lake. This is definitely a Finger Lakes bucket list item.

visitfingerlakes.com/things-to-do/outdoors/biking

35. CHILL WITH SUDS AND SAUSAGE

BREW & BRATS AT ARBOR HILL, BRISTOL SPRINGS

A beer can get lonely on its own. That's why one local brewery has surrounded its taps with plenty of tasty links, made right in Canandaigua. Enjoy the casual atmosphere of this 150-year-old carriage house, mingle with the friendly locals and join in the musical fun at the open mic events. Prefer wine – well that's made right there too.

brewandbrats.com (585) 374-2870

36. SAIL, SURF, PADDLE YOUR WAY TO BLISS

CANANDAIGUA SAILBOARD, CANANDAIGUA

Get ready for a fun day in the sun on the lake. Buy or rent whatever you need for sailboarding, stand-up paddleboarding, windsurfing, or kayaking in the beautiful Finger Lakes. Canandaigua Sailboard offers private and group lessons for all levels.

cdgasailboard.com (585) 394-8150

37. COBBLE TOGETHER AN UNFORGETTABLE HOME TOUR

COBBLESTONE HOUSES, VARIOUS TOWNS

The Ontario County towns of Geneva, Phelps, Gorham, Clifton Springs and Seneca are dotted with historic cobblestone buildings built before the Civil War using rocks from the shores of Lake Ontario or nearby fields. Some notable cobblestones include Canandaigua's 1837 Cobblestone Cottage B&B, once a stop on the Underground Railroad, and The Cobblestone Restaurant in Geneva. Check out Route 96 and look carefully at the barns, homes, and other structures, many of which came from the digging of the Erie Canal and nearby Lake Ontario.

visitfingerlakes.com/plan-your-trip/trails-and-trip-ideas/history

38. TAKE THE PATH LESS TRAVELED

ONTARIO PATHWAYS

Meander around a creek, pass through working farmland and watch the birds. The Ontario Pathways trail is a 23-mile rails-to-trails project with two "legs" that connect Canandaigua, Stanley, Seneca Castle, Orleans and Phelps/Clifton Springs. It's year-round fun for hiking, bicycling, horseback riding, snowshoeing and cross-country skiing.

ontariopathways.org

39. WHEN GROWING OLD IS A GOOD THING

ANTIQUES

Treasures, treasures, treasures are plentiful within these antique dealer co-ops, with over 175 antique dealers. The largest shop, Ontario Mall Antiques is loaded with all sorts of antiques and décor items. Don't forget the smaller shops like Cat's in the Kitchen where you get personalized attention and lots of referrals. Cheshire Union is not only an antique center but also an art gallery, gift shop and community gathering place.

visitfingerlakes.com/things-to-do/shopping/antiques

40. STRIKE OUT WITH YOUR CLAN

ROSELAND BOWL FAMILY FUN CENTER, CANANDAIGUA

44 bowling lanes, laser tag and bumper cars, Atomic Bowling and 30 arcade games. Family fun alert is required when you choose Roseland. If you're the head of a team, you'll be a big hit if you suggest this fun center – rain or shine!

roselandbowl.com (585) 394-5050

41. TAKE A SHOWER IN THE SUNSHINE

SENECA LAKE STATE PARK SPRAYGROUND, GENEVA

Let the kids (and grownups who still think they're kids) cool off on this playground of falling water, located in the heart of Seneca Lake State Park and just a few strides away from a swimming beach and picnic area. More than 100 water jets provide more than a few ways to pack an afternoon with some great, refreshing fun.

nysparks.com/parks/125/details.aspx (315) 789-2331

42. BITE INTO NATURE'S CANDY

RED JACKET ORCHARDS, GENEVA

Famous for its 100 percent fruit juices and tasty apples, this family-owned farm store sells the freshest and ripest fruits from Red Jacket's 500 acres of orchards around Seneca Lake. Find strawberries, apricots, plums, peaches, apples and the bonus of Mennonite-made goodies.

redjacketorchards.com (315) 781-2749

43. JEROME'S U-PICK, NAPLES

Pick grapes right off the vine at this pretty hillside vineyard! Your nose and palate will thank you.

jeromesupick.com (800) 874-2548

44. NATURE'S RECESS

CUMMING NATURE CENTER, SOUTH BRISTOL/NAPLES

Play, run, explore, make a friend, commune with nature. That's what these 900 acres are for. This is year round from hiking trails to snow-shoeing and inside seasonal exhibits and educational classes. Get outside for your own personalized recess.

rmsc.org/cumming-nature-center (585) 374-6160

45. WHEN FINDING YOUR WAY IS THE FUN OF THE GAME

GEOCACHING

Get your compass (well, GPS) ready to go. You're going on a scavenger hunt! Geocaching is a great outdoor navigational activity that will lead you to find small hidden treasures. Can you find our caches: It's Viewtiful and Grapes Galore? This may be the time to take up a new hobby!

Get started at: geocaching.com (Search GC Code: GC1D396 and GF1BFE6)

46. GEMS TO BE UNCOVERED IN THIS SMALL TOWN

DOWNTOWN CLIFTON SPRINGS

Visit Clifton Springs, a haven of pristine parks and gardens, and beautiful Victorian-era architecture where photo opportunities abound. This is a spot to just be "centered." It's home to the only mineral spa in Western New York, The Springs Integrative Medicine Center & Spa. And, there's so much more. We're shining a special light on Main Street Arts, which hosts an art gallery and workshops, and Checkmates for fun home accents, Sandy's Floral Shop, a good old-fashioned hardware store – and comics – yes, comics! Of course, there's food – really good food; we're just warning you. A covered board walk and concerts and historic tours make this little gem a place not to miss.

cliftonspringschamber.com (315) 462-8200

46. THREE'S NOT A CROWD - IT'S A TRIANGLE!

PHELPS TRIANGLE OF TASTES

Usually X marks the spot, but in this case it's a triangle. The Phelps Triangle is a tasty one: Crafty Ales and Lagers, Smokin' Tails Distillery, and Waterside Wine Bar will, just like the Bermuda Triangle, suck you in! The brewery, distillery, and winery all less than a half a mile apart. A triangle never felt so good! P.S. lots of good food in between too. Check out Local Palate and Forage in downtown Phelps, it's another hidden gem. drinkcraftyales.com (315) 332-1606 smokintailsdistillery.com (585) 880-1776 water-side-wine-bar.business.site (585) 301-1242

47. LEARN ABOUT LDS HISTORY AT THE SOURCE
HILL CUMORAH VISITORS' CENTER, MANCHESTER

Built at the foot of Hill Cumorah, the Visitors Center is an invaluable resource for learning about the history of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and Joseph Smith's start here and in nearby Palmyra. Displays with interactive audio and video tell the story about the events that took place in the region. hillcumorah.org (315) 597-5851

48. ELEVATE YOUR DINING EXPERIENCE - FOOD WITH A VIEW
ROOFTOP BARS

There are outdoor patios and then there are outdoor rooftops! That's right there are a handful of rooftop dining options in the region. See Victor from new heights at the New York Beer Project. Overlook Canandaigua's Main Street at KiX on Main or the Sky Deck at Nick's Chophouse. kixonmain.com nickschophouseandbar.com nybeerproject.com/locations/victor

49. 'TIS THE SEASON
PICK N' PATCH in the FALL;
ICE CREAM in the SUMMER

Pick n' Patch. Come experience excitement in the country! More than just a place to buy pumpkins, the Pick'n Patch is designed to give families the opportunity to make memories and establish family traditions. picknpatch.com (585) 526-6518

Ice Cream. We are in dairy country, so definitely check out the ice cream stand in nearly every town. Ask for the wine-infused or grape variety if you want to go really speciality. Ice cream hunting is a great FLX pasttime- refreshing, delicious, and iconic laidback luxury. visitfingerlakes.com/restaurants/cuisine-types/ice-cream-and-desserts

Tip: Look ahead to Granger's Christkindl Market. Holiday shopping in this atmosphere makes for great gifts and great memories.

50. IT'S AN HONOR!
ROADSIDE STANDS, FARM MARKETS, AND PICK YOUR OWN

You're on your honor at many of the roadside stands in the Finger Lakes. This area is known for our fresh fields of vegetables, berries, and handmade foods and crafts. Take the time to pull off and support the locals with your purchases.

Josephs Wayside Market is one of the longstanding favorites or checkout the brand new Sweet Acres Creamery on Rt. 5 and 20 in Geneva. It's always changing, so check out our website for up to date information. <https://www.josephswaysidemarket.com/> visitfingerlakes.com/things-to-do/farms-and-markets

Share your FLX Experience!
Carolobarb Park Scenic Overlook on County Road #12 in South Bristol has been voted the best view in Ontario County many times. Come here to look out over Canandaigua Lake and breathe in our Finger Lakes fresh air, fresh views, and fresh perspectives on travel! Snap those pictures and views and tag them with #FLXperience and @VisitFLX



Festivals and Special Events

You might want to plan your trip around one of these beloved Finger Lakes events. To catch what's new and what's going on - scan this QR Code or type in VisitFingerLakes.com and check out the home page for the events!



2024 TOTAL SOLAR ECLIPSE

Save the date: April 8, 2024! A rare event, we will be in the path of totality for this upcoming total solar eclipse. Keep your eyes and ears open for local happenings surrounding the eclipse.

CHRISTKINDL MARKET, CANANDAIGUA

This Christmas market, on the grounds of the Granger Homestead, brings together artisans, food vendors, musicians and much good cheer. Four Days in mid-November.

BRISTOL MOUNTAIN FALL FESTIVAL, SOUTH BRISTOL

Fall foliage, sky rides and lots of Scottish Highland competition make this a truly unique event for the whole family. Second Sunday of October. bristolmt.com

GANONDAGAN INDIGENOUS MUSIC & ARTS FESTIVAL, VICTOR

One of the most unique events in the Northeast, this festival celebrates Seneca and Iroquois dance, music, food and customs. Last weekend of July. ganondagan.org

ONTARIO COUNTY FAIR AND FUN ON THE FARM, CANANDAIGUA

Steam traction engines. Antique tractors. A veritable parade of movable farm equipment. Third week in July. VisitFingerLakes.com (search events in July)

PHELPS SAUERKRAUT WEEKEND, PHELPS

A little village makes a big deal over fermented cabbage. Late July/early August. phelpsnyc.com/sauerkraut-weekend

GARLIC FESTIVAL, GENEVA

Garlic is a critical component of many successful dishes. This community celebrates it at the lakefront. Early August.

RING OF FIRE, CANANDAIGUA AND HONEOYE

A longstanding tradition where cottagers put flares and fires along their lakefront and celebrate the summer season - and as the Native American folklore sites, the success of the harvest season. VisitFingerLakes.com/ringoffire

NAPLES GRAPE FESTIVAL, NAPLES

In Naples, it's all about the grapes. Grape pie, grape twists, grape vineyards, crafts & music, beautiful, gorgeous scenery. Last weekend of September. naplesgrapefest.org

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Getting Here

Driving times to Ontario County

Albany	3 hours
Boston	7 hours
Cleveland	4 hours
New York City	6 hours
Niagara Falls, NY	2 hours
Pittsburgh	5 hours
Toronto	3 ½ hours



Airports

ROC-Rochester, NY (40 minutes)
 SYR-Syracuse, NY (70 minutes)
 BUF-Buffalo, NY (90 minutes)
 KIUA-Canandaigua Regional Airport



Day Trips

Rochester (30 minutes) - Family vacation fun with a day trip to Rochester. There's so much to see and do at The Strong Museum and the National Toy Hall of Fame - the only museum in the world devoted solely to the importance of play!

Erie Canal (40 minutes) and **Sodus Point** (1 hour away)
 The historic Erie Canal traverses Wayne County and offers the visitor a wide range of activities. Don't miss the view at Sodus Point Lighthouse Museum or cool off on the shores of Sodus Point Beach Park.

Aurora (1 hour) and **Ithaca** (1 hour, 30 minutes)
 As the saying in the Finger Lakes goes, "**Ithaca** is GORGES!" It's because of the 150 waterfalls that flow across the town. Aurora is home of Mackenzie-Childs, where you can see world famous, hand painted ceramic pottery and collectibles.

Watkins Glen and Corning & Southern Tier (1 hour, 30 minutes)
 Want a great Finger Lakes combo? A trip to the Corning Museum of Glass offers the chance to see gaffers shape glowing hot globs of glass into something remarkable! A stop at Watkins Glen State Park - can you find the heart-shaped pool?

Buffalo (1 hour, 30 minutes away) and **Niagara Falls** (1 hour, 45 minutes). Just a little less than two hour's drive from Ontario County, you can see Niagara Falls, one of the seven wonders of the world or lick your lips as you savor the flavor of Buffalo's Chicken Wings.

Letchworth State Park (1 ½ hour)
 It's called "The Grand Canyon of the East" for a reason! Views you won't want to miss!

Seneca Falls (40 minutes away)
 It's a Wonderful Life, indeed! Experience the "Real Bedford Falls" and celebrate women in the birthplace of women's rights. Seneca Falls is also home to the National Women's Hall of Fame.

Our area of the Finger Lakes is perfect to use as a home base to discover so much more of New York. Stay longer and come back again and again!



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BRISTOL MOUNTAIN SKI RESORT, CANANDAIGUA

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