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A Word of Welcome

The LivCo community is committed to being an exciting and safe destination for everyone. We're working to create a more inclusive culture, one where marginalized identities are represented, and celebrated. We are a work in progress, but we are listening, and moving forward with empathy, intention, and arms wide open.



A playlist for your journey.

Open Spotify, click the **search** button, scan code below, and listen.



EXPLORE RESPONSIBLY

For those who harbor the soul of an explorer, make LivCo your basecamp for one-of-a-kind outdoor recreation, shopping, dining, lodging, and cultural experiences — all in the heart of the Genesee River Valley.

We hope you enjoy an immersive experience in a community where respect for nature rewards you with magnificent adventures, today and for years to come. As you #WanderLivCo, explore responsibly and remember to Leave No Trace.

LivCo has an abundance of natural resources, with much of the land remaining unchanged for centuries. The Genesee Valley Conservancy is a local organization with over 26,000 acres of land in the Genesee Valley Watershed under protection. Visit their website to learn how to get involved with their efforts.

PLAN AHEAD

Before you pack, check the forecast. You may need to pack a refillable water bottle, snacks, umbrella, insect repellent, non-toxic sunscreen, sunglasses and cap, and compass or map.

LEAVE WHAT YOU FIND

Preserve the past. Observe rocks, plants and artifacts.

RESPECT WILDLIFE

Watch wildlife from a distance and never feed or handle wild animals. Keep an eye out and leash on your pups at all times.

PACK IN, PACK OUT

Inspect your rest area for wrappers, trash or spilled food. Be sure to pack up all the litter you have. Strive to leave the site in better condition than when you arrived.

BE COURTEOUS & KIND

Respect other visitors and be trail-friendly — maybe even say “hi” while passing by. Let the sounds of nature prevail — save the music for your car ride.

STAY ON THE TRAIL

Use existing trails and rest stops. Walk in the center of the trail.

ENJOY HAPPILY

Last but definitely not least, wherever you go, appreciate the scenery of the Genesee River Valley.



welcome



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**ANY TIME OF
YEAR IS A GOOD
TIME IN LIVCO.**



Along the way it has forged stunning gorges nearly 600 feet deep, hidden valleys, and is home to some of the most scenic and productive farm country found anywhere. It tumbles over six waterfalls — three in Rochester and three in the breathtaking Letchworth State Park. Welcome to the astounding Genesee River Valley and its beautiful and historic villages.

Home to Letchworth State Park as well as numerous other parks and nature trails, LivCo is the outdoor adventurer's dream. Looking for something different? We have no shortage of wineries, breweries, museums, and farmers' markets. Find boutique shops, quiet parks, a burgeoning food and drink scene, and an exciting libation loop waiting for you here. We're ready to show you what we've got.

explore

Autism Nature Trail

EXPLORE THE FIRST-OF-
ITS-KIND EXPERIENCE

THE THRILL OF DISCOVERY reaches epic heights in Letchworth State Park, home to the one-of-a-kind Autism Nature Trail, designed for visitors on the autism spectrum and with a range of abilities—appropriate and enjoyable for all abilities and ages. Explore this one-mile looped main trail with eight stations at various intervals, offering a range of experiences from quiet engagement to active exploration and adventure. Discoveries always abound in the heart of the Genesee River Valley.



Choose Your Adventure

NO TRIP TO WESTERN NEW YORK is complete without exploring the outdoors of LivCo. You'll be dreaming of these woods long after you leave! The options are endless in the Genesee River Valley: biking, hiking, running, kayaking, canoeing, white water rafting, hunting, or golfing – all outside your door. The fun doesn't stop in winter either, with trails for skiing, snowshoeing, and snowmobiling across the county. Our natural playground caters to all skill levels, from cycling enthusiasts to hiking lovers and lake-friendly adventures.

STONY BROOK STATE PARK

A "hidden gem" of the region, explore hilly woodlands, a deep gorge with rugged cliffs overlooking three waterfalls, and fascinating rock formations. The Gorge Trail is the easiest and most scenic while the Rim Trail climbs up towering cliffs through the woods overlooking waterfalls. Spend time swimming, picnicking, tennis, hiking, and bird watching. The on-site campground offers tent/trailer sites as well as eight cabins available for rent.

SADDLE UP!

Step into a region that feels like visiting the English countryside, rooted in hundreds of years of history. Enjoy a day of horseback riding surrounded by the beautiful valley landscape. With tons of farms, stables, and ranches to choose from, beginners and avid riders alike can enjoy the unique outdoor experience.

FALL FOLIAGE CHASERS

Leaf peeping can keep you busy for days, exploring the trails and the never-ending brilliance of nature in the Genesee River Valley. Peak fall colors depend on location, altitude, and weather, but typically the best time for leaf peeping around here is between early to mid-October. The best way to enjoy the fall colors is up to you, whether it's from a car, at the peak of a hike, or around a fire with a drink in hand.



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TRAIL BLAZERS

CHOOSE YOUR OWN NATURE-FUL ADVENTURE

Those boots were made for hiking, and the trails in and around LivCo are calling your name. No matter the season, your mood, or your ability, you can be sure to find a path forward here. Meander among rivers and streams, or trek up challenging terrain. Get an eyeful of epic summit vistas, and encounter vestiges of the region's heritage deep in the woods. Stretch your legs on the Genesee Valley Greenway, or set out on a long-distance hike through Letchworth State Park. Follow a trail of bluebells into the forest, and soak up the splendor of some of the region's mesmerizing waterfalls.

| HEART OF THE GENESSEE RIVER VALLEY

GENESEE VALLEY GREENWAY

Pass through scenic woodlands, rivers and streams, rolling farmlands, steep gorges, and historic villages on this 90-mile recreational trail. Enjoy hiking, biking, cross-country skiing, snowmobiling and more, there's something for every season.

GUIDED HIKES & ADVENTURES

Trail Otter is LivCo's only hiking and backpacking outfitter guiding everywhere in Letchworth State Park as well as exclusive guides into Fall Brook Falls, a 101-foot waterfall and gorge where fossils date back 370 million years to the Devonian Period.

PUP FRIENDLY

There's no need to leave your best friend behind when you embark on a LivCo getaway. The Genesee River Valley is home to tons of dog-friendly hiking trails, shops, restaurants, breweries, and patios to choose from on days when you're excited to hang out with your canine companion. Please keep your pup's personality in mind, be respectful of the place you're in, and the people around you.

BIRDERS UNITE

Birds flock through the area from April or May to mid-August to October. At the Conesus Inlet, a nature trail along the western portion of Conesus Lake, find ideal viewing of wetland and wildlife species. Find shorebirds, amphibians, reptiles, raptors, marshbirds, and songbirds.

LETCHWORTH STATE PARK

Named the nation's top state park in by USA Today's Reader's Choice Awards, Letchworth is one of the most majestic natural wonders in the eastern United States. Open year-round, Letchworth is gorgeous any time of the year covering over 14,000 acres of land. Discover 66 miles of hiking trails, whitewater rafting, hot air balloon rides, history programs, and a summer lecture series.

PRISTINE FINGER LAKES

Hemlock Lake is one of the most undeveloped Finger Lakes. The beautifully wooded shorelines offer an atmosphere experienced only in remote areas like the Adirondacks and Canadian provinces.

A PLACE FOR ALL seasons.

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itineraries for every
taste at
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For every season, there is a reason to visit Livingston County. This part of the country experiences four distinct seasons, each with its own appeal and character. The changing of seasons keeps the bountiful outdoors accessible year-round, while indoor delights beckon rain or shine. Our humble suggestion? Make your LivCo encounter a repeat performance to connect with the personality that best speaks to you. One quick trip simply won't do.



Spring



Spring gives us a world revived, where flowers bloom on every corner, breweries put their patio furniture back outside, and friends reconnect on a hike in the long hours of afternoon sunlight. When spring arrives in LivCo, our world transforms under a plush carpet of green. As the buds begin to bloom around LivCo, plan an early jaunt to one of the many beautiful parks or gardens in the area, and don't forget the annual **Bluebell Walk** in Geneseo. Waterfalls are roaring once again, and birds are heralding in the impending turn of the seasons.

Kick off the festival season with a trip to the **Tree Peony Festival** at Linwood Gardens or head south to Dansville for their annual **Dogwood Festival**. The blooming dogwoods have been celebrated since the 1960s and nothing says spring like this week-long event with a parade, craft show, carnival, live music, and lots of beautiful blooms. You won't want to miss the many village farmers' markets that start to reopen for the season and then make a stop downtown for dinner outside on a warm spring evening.

For those who want to learn something, early spring is a good time to tap one of the area's many Maple trees for syrup (local classes and sessions are offered). Keeping zen and staying fit? Keep an eye out for the annual **New York State Yoga Festival** at Letchworth State Park. Then spend the day exploring **Stony Brook State Park** where you can hike, explore deep and shallow pools, and even check out one of the many waterfalls! It's a world reborn in LivCo when spring comes around, and you won't want to miss it!





Lake life is the best of what summer has to offer; embarking on unplanned adventures with your best friends, and diving into the water headfirst. You may end up playing mini-golf at **Minnehan's Fun Center**, indulging in a plate of BBQ, dancing to live music at the **Wadsworth Homestead Concert Series**, spending happy hour by the lake at **Galene Restaurant**, or enjoying the biggest hot fudge sundae you've ever seen at **Angie's Ice Cream**!

LivCo is a hub for outdoor recreation at any time of the year, but it really comes alive when the weather is sunny and warm. Enjoy outdoor farmers' markets with peak produce, lake life while boating on **Conesus Lake**, swimming in local streams, floating down the **Genesee River**, live music and festivals (did someone say beer in hand at a local brewery?), drive-in movies at the **Avon Vintage Drive-In**, and plenty of campfire chats after late sunsets. For a non-traditional option, plan an ice cream tour through the villages of LivCo.

It's time to slow down and spend some time doing what really matters, creating the experiences and memories that bring us together and keep us laughing for years to come. So call your best friends, book a place on the water, and get ready for a truly unforgettable summer.



summer





With many people taking road trips as a way to chase away the summer blues, fall is a great time to get out of town and surround yourself with nature. There's a reason #leafpeeping has its own hashtag; LivCo is known for foliage and attracts many visitors for that reason each fall. Hike through **Letchworth State Park** (check out the recently opened **Autism Nature Trail**) or check out the **Genesee Valley Greenway State Park** via walk or bike for a scenic route past rivers, farmlands, and under foliage — you'll have a whole new appreciation for the beauty of Western New York.

New York State is famous for wineries throughout the region. Visit one of America's oldest wineries, **O-Neh-Da Vineyards**, on the shores of Hemlock Lake or **Deer Run Winery** on Conesus Lake. Sweet-smelling fall air, a view of the lake, and a glass of wine are sure to guarantee a delightful afternoon. Come see for yourself why FLX is the wine region of the east!

Dabble in LivCo's rich equestrian culture by riding for the afternoon or cheering on your pick at the **Genesee Valley Hunt Races**. And as outdoor dining season comes to an end, don't forget to take advantage of patio-friendly sips and snacks. To get really into fall, visit an apple orchard or pumpkin patch with the kiddos (and/or your honey) — don't miss the fry cakes and apple cider.

Spend time discovering the rich historical heritage of Western New York at the **Genesee Country Village & Museum** in Mumford, a living nineteenth-century town covering more than 600 acres. Or book a tour of the seventh-generation-operated, historically preserved **Wadsworth Homestead** in Geneseo. Whatever your journey may be, we hope the moments you have in LivCo become some of your greatest memories.



The holiday season is a cozy time in LivCo, with twinkly light-lined streets, comfort food-laden menus and plenty of holiday events in each town including the highly-anticipated **Avon Holiday Spectacular**, **Winter in the Village** in Dansville, and **Cookie Stroll** in Geneseo. Shop local for those on your nice list and take in the fresh air by sledding, birding, ice skating at the **Sulphur Springs Ice Rink**, or winter hiking with **Trail Otter**, depending on how adventurous you want to get! For those who don't love the cold but want to stay active, plenty of indoor activities abound – rock climbing at **Sunrise Bouldering** and bowling top the list, but brewery hopping sounds like exercise so we'll allow that, too.

Restaurants become warm gathering spots for socializing and enjoying authentic cuisine from local chefs. Cozy up at coffee shops including **Milk & Honey** in Lima, or dine out on a snowy evening at a local favorite like **Questa Lasagna** or **Ember Woodfire Grill**. Whether you're visiting or planning a cozy staycation you'll find something out of a storybook, with snow-covered trails, trees, and historic homes.



Sunrise Bouldering
Wild Big Camp Photography



Avon Holiday Spectacular
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winter

INSTA-WORTHY

murals you need to see.



Get out your smartphone and make sure Instagram is downloaded because we have spots in LivCo that will brighten up your profile.

Murals have been popping up in our region for several years now so plan an awesome photo adventure for you and your friends on a sunny day. Be sure to use the hashtag #LivCoNY when posting your rad pics so we can see what you come up with!



FOLLOW THE ART

TAG US ON YOUR ARTISTIC ADVENTURES

While you're exploring the murals of LivCo, snap a few selfies and tag #LivCoWalls and #LivCoNY for a chance to be featured on our social media. Don't forget to trek down the main streets of each town to visit local bars and eateries, historic sites, and locally-owned shops.



Horse Country

📍 79 Genesee Street, Avon

Spot this mural, painted by Miami-based Ivan J. Roque, heading downhill from Genesee Street just steps from the newly renovated Avon Park Theater. Horse Country is inspired by the story of the Genesee Valley Breeders Association – the oldest thoroughbred breeding organization in the United States that was established in 1914 by Mrs. Herbert Wadsworth who helped develop cavalry horses for WWI – the “light horse” and the standard Genesee Valley Hunter. The Genesee Valley Breeders Show was one of the oldest horse shows in the country where local farmers would walk their stallions to the Avon Driving Park.

Muralist Ivan J. Roque is a Cuban-American artist whose influences range from Caravaggio, Marc Rothko, and Alexander McQueen to Gianni Versace and Nychos. Roque has worked with rapper Denzel Curry as well as collaborated with major brands like McDonald's, Microsoft, and FormulaOne. He has traveled extensively for shows in New York City, Dubai, and Seoul, the Sprayseemo Mural Festival and Pow Wow Worcester, and has been commissioned in cities across the United States.

Road trip around nine villages to see the nine murals of LivCo Walls, a 2021 mural festival that brought nine international artists to the region to create large-scale murals over three weeks. The project is part of the Inspirations Trail, a 90-mile, self-guided art trail where you can discover all types of public art.

Adventure into the downtown districts of Avon, Caledonia, Dansville, Geneseo, Leicester, Lima, Livonia, Mount Morris, and Nunda and you will find nine Instagram-worthy murals, inspired by the story of each village. Each of the nine murals has a plaque with an accompanying QR code so curious visitors can scan for a video interview with the artist.

In addition to the nine murals of LivCo Walls, you'll find additional murals in Mount Morris (painted by Rochester-based muralist Shawn Dunwoody), the first art alleyway in the county in Mount Morris, and several more Instagram-worthy murals in the village of Livonia plus their pet-friendly Artpark.





Trout Culture

📍 3103 Main Street, Caledonia

Located on the side of Cozy Kitchen, Trout Culture gives visitors an underwater perspective as an ode to the story of Seth Green, "Father of Fish Culture in North America" who established the first fish hatchery in the Western Hemisphere in Caledonia in 1864. Green started with Atlantic Salmon and Brook Trout which prefer clear waters of high purity and a narrow pH range. After traveling the country to find the perfect conditions, he settled on the waters of Spring Creek, a clear, cold (52 degrees year round) spring-fed creek that courses through Caledonia. The hatchery is still in operation today and is open to visitors year-round.

Muralist Tim Parsley, from Fort Wayne, Indiana, navigates American history and the complicated effect of its constructive ambition through intricate murals found across the country. With a focus on the origin stories of America, Parsley appropriates and pieces together scraps of historic imagery and collective memory, reconstructing the American narrative of progress to reveal and reinterpret nostalgic anxiety about the past.

Wild Mustang

📍 175 Main Street, Dansville

Walk down Main Street and you're sure to see this colorful masterpiece on the side of Caffè Tazza. Wild Mustang, inspired by equestrian history in the region, portrays a larger-than-life mustang running wild, highlighting the connection between civilization and nature, something muralist Arlin Graff aims to incorporate into all his pieces.

Arlin Graff was born in the city of Tatuí, in the countryside of São Paulo, Brazil. As a child, he loved to play with wood blocks, assembling them in a small woodshed where his father made bird cages. He graduated with a degree in industrial design and began painting using deconstructionism, inspired by his childhood, creating a very distinct style. Beyond just painting in the streets, the artist moved toward fine arts in a more elaborate form. Animals became Arlin's principal theme, creating a species of synthetic nature fragmented by the influence of the modern technological world. Today, his murals can be found around the world, bringing more color to city walls.



Wild Mustang by Arlin Graff
Keith Walters Photography



Wisdom

📍 125 Main Street, Geneseo

At the corner of Main and Chestnut Street in Geneseo, Wisdom is the largest mural in LivCo. Painted by husband-wife team, KEY DETAIL, Wisdom blends nature and education, inspired by the culture of Geneseo. In the 1870s, the Wadsworth brothers established the Normal School for education which later became SUNY Geneseo, just steps away from the mural. The college is a key part of the village and makes the area a hub for arts and cultural events, offering lectures, live music performances, and dramatic productions showcasing diverse cultures. In combination with references to the college, in the mural you'll see nods to the nature of the region including waterfalls, acorns, and colors of the iconic Genesee River Valley sunset.

Muralist team, KEY DETAIL, is an internationally renowned duo, originally from Minsk, Belarus, that works on large-scale murals, paintings, and illustrations out of New York City. Andrei Krautsou and Julia Yu-Baba have been creating mural art for more than 20 years, and the artistic map of KEY DETAIL includes murals in Europe, Asia, and the U.S.

Big Heart

📍 134 Main Street, Leicester

Inspired by the motto, "Little Village with a Big Heart", common to anyone familiar with the small village of Leicester, Big Heart is hard to miss when wandering through this village. This mural was painted by the Kentucky-based artist, Kacy Jackson, and is located on the side of a building that was once known as the Leicester Casino. This destination was a center for live entertainment and weddings from the 1930s to the 1950s. It played host to well-known bands including music-legend Chubby Checkers whose song, "Let's Twist Again" was a #1 hit. He played there along with other famous bands including Buddie Rich. Also depicted on the mural is one of the main features of the village, the park gazebo, where concerts are held every summer.

Muralist, Kacy Jackson, from Louisville, Kentucky, is an experienced artist and creative director with a demonstrated history of working in the public art and fine art industries. Recent work includes the official 2022 Kentucky Derby poster – and at just 30 years old, Jackson has lost count of how many murals he has completed.



Big Heart by Kacy Jackson
Keith Walters Photography



Farmer's Spectrum

📍 1883 Rochester Street, Lima

In a rural region like LivCo, it's only appropriate to have a mural celebrating the produce of our area. Farmer's Spectrum, painted by muralist Abigail Penfold, depicts a variety of fruits and vegetables common to the Genesee River Valley in a rainbow of color. Agriculture has been a major contributor to the economy of Lima since its beginnings, which is located on Route 5 & 20, a main road to the west. Lima locals are proud of the small-town character, scenic rolling hills, and agricultural land home to some of the highest-quality soils in the country.

Muralist Abigail Penfold is from East Aurora, New York, just south of Buffalo. She has had an interest in art since she was a small child and received her B.F.A. from SUNY Plattsburgh in 2011, focusing on drawing and painting. After undergrad, she traveled out west to California where she gained a painting assistantship with a world-renowned Trompe L'oeil artist learning to paint and install large-scale, realistic murals. Farmer's Spectrum allowed Abigail to achieve her dream of painting larger-than-life produce and continues to spend her time focusing on murals, oil paintings, and pyrography.

First Flight

📍 16 Commercial Street, Livonia

Did you know Hemlock Lake is the site of New York's longest-known nesting location for the bald eagle? First Flight pays tribute to the repopulation of bald eagles in the region. The work done to restore nesting bald eagles to the state has resulted in over 300 bald eagle nests - with dozens in the area. They are no longer endangered and are now a common yet exciting sight.

Muralist Justin Suarez - also known as "Aerosol Kingdom" - from Rochester, New York, uses spray paint to celebrate wildlife through art. With over 20 years of experience, he has painted murals across the country. Not only does he paint birds, Suarez works with them at Wild Wings Animal Sanctuary in Upstate New York. Suarez also co-founded Roc Paint Division, the City of Rochester's Youth Mural Arts Program. Roc Paint Division's mission is to beautify the city's R-Centers through mural arts while providing employment and training opportunities to young developing artists. Now in its seventh year, the program has enriched the lives of over 50 individual youth, allowing them to leave their mark behind to inspire future generations.

First Flight by Justin Suarez
Keith Walters Photography





Flowers of Letchworth

📍 83 Main Street, Mount Morris

Painted by Louise (née Chen) Jones, also known as Ouizi, was born and raised in Los Angeles and currently lives in Detroit, Michigan. She is known around the world for her large-scale flower murals, and her techniques are informed by her education in drawing and printmaking, as well as an early introduction to Georgia O'Keeffe.

Flowers of Letchworth uses larger-than-life florals and negative space to depict the natural flora and fauna found at Letchworth State Park, just minutes down the road from the mural. The most popular entrance to the park is close to Main Street in Mount Morris and Letchworth is popular as a place for scenic drives, hiking & biking, whitewater rafting, hot air ballooning, and camping. Visitors to the area will find native wildflowers including Tiger Daylilies, Queen Anne's Laced, ferns of all kinds, Black Eyed Susan's, Purple Loosestrifes, white Trillium, and yellow mountain saxifrages. One of the most prominent flowers of the mural is Milkweed, a primary food source for the recently endangered Monarch butterflies common to the region.

Seed

📍 60 North State Street, Nunda

Spot another flowery mural, Seed, painted by Matthew Mederer from Chicago, Illinois on your way into the Village of Nunda. Mederer, a self-taught artist, has been pushing boundaries and promoting original ideas through his artwork for over 20 years. His depth and breadth of styles – ranging from graffiti to realism – have helped him realize an original body of work with a signature style combining realism and optical illusions.

Seed was inspired by Burt's Seeds, a highly popular seed company known for beautiful lithographic packets that have been featured in magazines. Burt's Seed was founded in the region and was founded over 100 years ago in 1896 and remained in business until 1940. In April of 2013, the United States Post Office offered a first-class stamp series called "Vintage Seed Packets" which relied heavily on Burt's Seed Packets. Today you can see images of W.D. Burt Seed packets on coffee cups, sachets, towels, wallpaper and framed prints – and it all started with Burt's giant pumpkin!



Seed by Matthew Mederer
Keith Walters Photography



taste

Find Your Feast

In LivCo, the options are endless for every palate and preference.



OUR BEST GUESS IS you'll be in town five minutes or less before you spy a spot to grab a bite with friends and family. Eating local and eating well is a way of life here. Folks from these parts have foraged in the forest for wild onions (known as ramps) and raised their own heirloom tomatoes on family farms and in backyard gardens – putting up, or preserving, their extra bounty to enjoy come winter. Today, an abundance of growers and producers carry on the region's rich farming traditions, while talented chefs forge a new legacy for the area.

If you think Western New York's culinary culture is limited to beer and chicken wings, you're in for a tasty surprise. In LivCo, the push toward farm-to-fork restaurants with locally-sourced ingredients has taken root and the community gathers around flavorful entrees, budget-friendly shareables, and delightful desserts.

Visit a farmers' market during the warmer months nearly every day of the week in different villages throughout the region. In addition to seasonal fruits and vegetables and pasture-raised meats, snag breads crafted with locally grown ingredients, artisan local cheeses, perfectly pickled produce, and the list goes on. And don't skip out on the farm stands you'll find along country roads – they offer a selection of goodies for every type of palette and picnic basket.

Or find a LivCo eatery serving up locally-grown foods at every turn. The diverse selection of restaurants offer a dining experience unlike any other – from authentic Puerto Rican dishes to homemade Polish pierogies to hearty Italian dishes – our chefs use the freshest ingredients, sometimes picked and delivered to their kitchen doors that very morning.


























































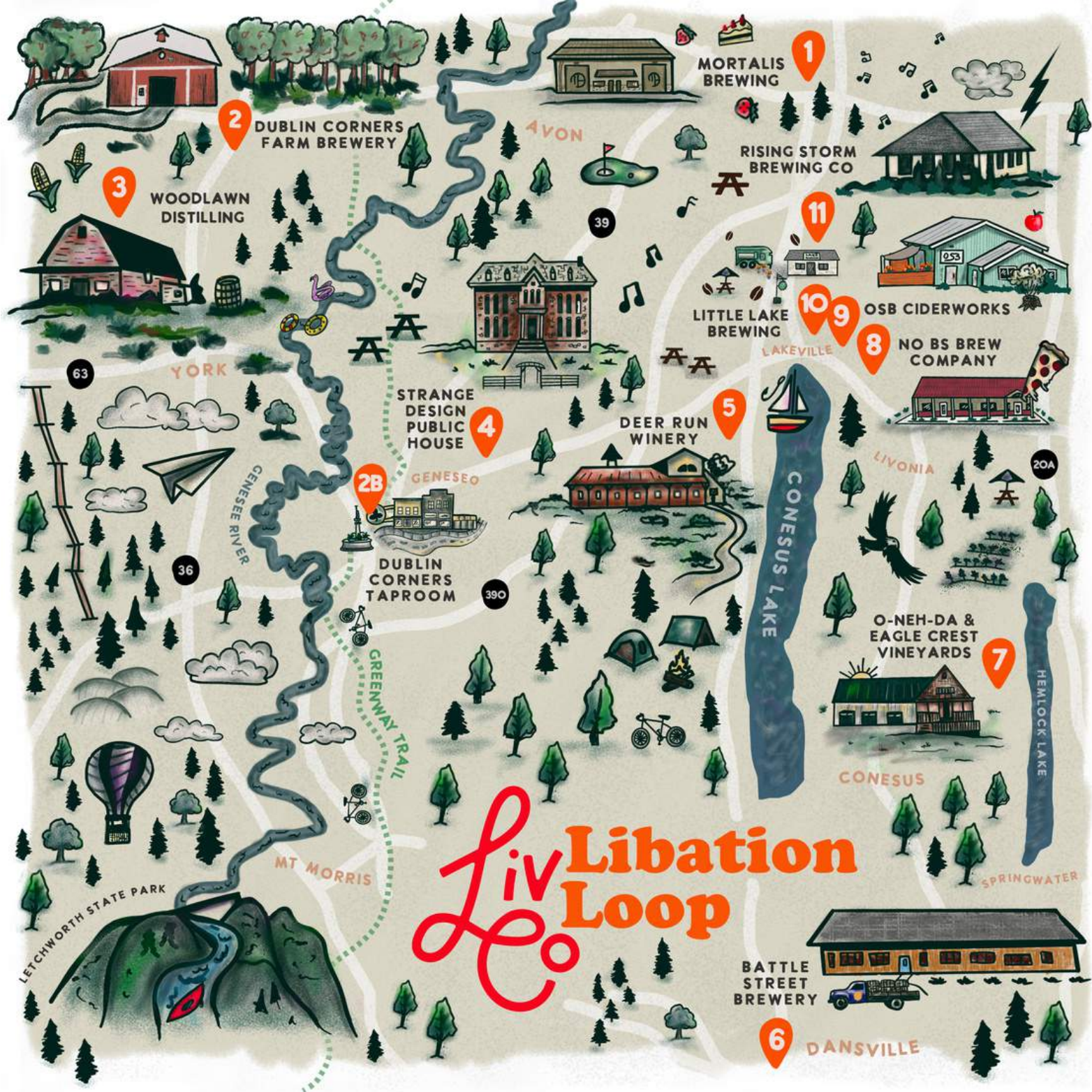
Libation Destinations

There's never a bad season for enjoying a drink with friends. Here in LivCo, our craft breweries, wineries, cideries, and new distillery (!) have indoor and outdoor spaces for you to enjoy. On a rainy spring day, come order a flight of beer and find a table inside for a friendly game of cards. On a day when the sun decides to show its face, find a seat outside and enjoy the scenic Genesee River Valley. Explore all our craft beverage destinations on the LivCo Libation Loop!

From craft beer and cider to artisan spirits and wine, Livingston County is producing a host of interesting libation contenders. Book a charming bed and breakfast in LivCo and then hit a few wineries on the Finger Lakes or hop around to craft beer producers – it's all within a few miles, which means the best of both worlds for beverage connoisseurs. The warmer months bring live outdoor concerts and festivals, while fall brings harvest and a connection to agricultural roots for the LivCo Libation Loop. No matter the time of year, you can enjoy the sips of LivCo.

-  **Food**
-  **Outdoor Patio**
-  **Live Music**
-  **Bike-Friendly**
-  **Dog-Friendly**

- 1 MORTALIS BREWING**    
5660 Tec Dr, Avon, NY 14414
- 2 DUBLIN CORNERS FARM BREWERY**     
1906 Main Street, Linwood, NY 14486
- 2B DUBLIN CORNERS TAP ROOM**     
116 Main St, Geneseo, NY 14454
- 3 WOODLAWN DISTILLING**  
2007 York Road West, Linwood, NY 14486
- 4 STRANGE DESIGN PUBLIC HOUSE**     
4570 Millennium Dr, Geneseo, NY 14454
- 5 DEER RUN WINERY**   
3772 W Lake Rd, Geneseo, NY 14454
- 6 BATTLE STREET BREWERY**     
4 Battle St, Dansville, NY 14437
- 7 O-NEH-DA VINEYARD**     
7107 Vineyard Rd, Conesus, NY 14435
- 8 NO BS BREW COMPANY**     
3474 Bronson Hill Rd, Livonia, NY 14487
- 9 OSB CIDERWORKS**    
5901 Big Tree Rd, Lakeville, NY 14480
- 10 LITTLE LAKE BREWING**     
5857 Big Tree Rd, Lakeville, NY 14480
- 11 RISING STORM BREWING CO**     
5750 S Lima Rd, Avon, NY 14414



YOUR GUIDE TO CRAFT BEER, WINE, CIDER & SPIRITS IN LIVCO

Livingston County is home to more than a few renowned craft beverage makers, sourcing local ingredients and offering the perfect opportunity to stop, sip and savor time with friends and family. Be sure to check them all out and tag #LivCoLibationLoop and @visitlivco to share your adventures!



SCAN TO EXPLORE

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From tasty food and fascinating local history to beautiful art and outdoor adventures, let us help make your next trip to Livingston County extra exciting. Plan your trip today and be sure to tag #VisitLivCo and @visitlivco on your adventures!



FAMILY BUCKET LIST

10 great ways to explore the Genesee River Valley for kids of all ages.

1.

Connect with the past at the largest living history museum in New York State, the **Genesee Country Village & Museum**.

Explore 68 buildings from the 19th century and interact with costumed interpreters sharing stories of daily life, trades, and culture of the time.

2.

Catch a homerun hit at a **Dansville Gliders** game, the collegiate wooden-bat league that plays every summer in Dansville, or cheer on the **Genesee Ice Knights** at the Ira S. Wilson Ice Arena during the snowier months.

3.

Create your own scavenger hunt for native flora and fauna on the **Genesee Valley Greenway** or download a geocaching app to see what others have hidden along the **Autism Nature Trail** in **Letchworth State Park**.

4.

Score a hole-in-one at **Minnehan's Fun Center**, packed with activities for every type of kiddo including go-karts, batting cages, mini-golf, arcade games, and finishing off the night with a giant ice cream sundae.

6.

Spend an afternoon learning about agriculture at the **Livingston County Farm Fest** where visitors can enjoy hayrides, a corn maze, and adorable baby farm animals. And celebrate fall at the **Genesee Valley Hunt Races** with kids activities, stick horse races, and a petting zoo.



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5.

Hop into the cockpit of a plane used during World War II at the **National Warplane Museum**. Don't miss their annual airshow featuring aerial performances, vintage collections, food trucks, and much more.

7.

Visit the **first fish hatchery** in the United States in Caledonia, where "Father of Fish Culture", Seth Green, founded the hatchery in 1864. While there, learn more about the history of the village at the **Big Springs Museum**.

8.

Dig into a big bucket of popcorn and go back in time at the **Avon Vintage Drive-In**, where visitors can enjoy new releases and classic movies. On colder evenings, when you're in a movie mood, visit local historical theaters: the **Star Theater** in Dansville, the **Avon Park Theater**, and the **Riviera Theater** in Geneseo.

9.

Head to Dansville to visit the **home of Clara Barton**, founder of the American Red Cross, whose story was recently featured in HBO's hit series *The Gilded Age* as she sought to raise funds for the national charitable organization.

10.

Bad weather? No problem! Venture inside **Sunrise Bouldering**, the first indoor climbing gym in the region. Fuel up with lunar lemonade and breakfast burritos at **Cosmic Charlie Cafe** and pick up some bouldering swag after your climb.

PLACES TO STAY

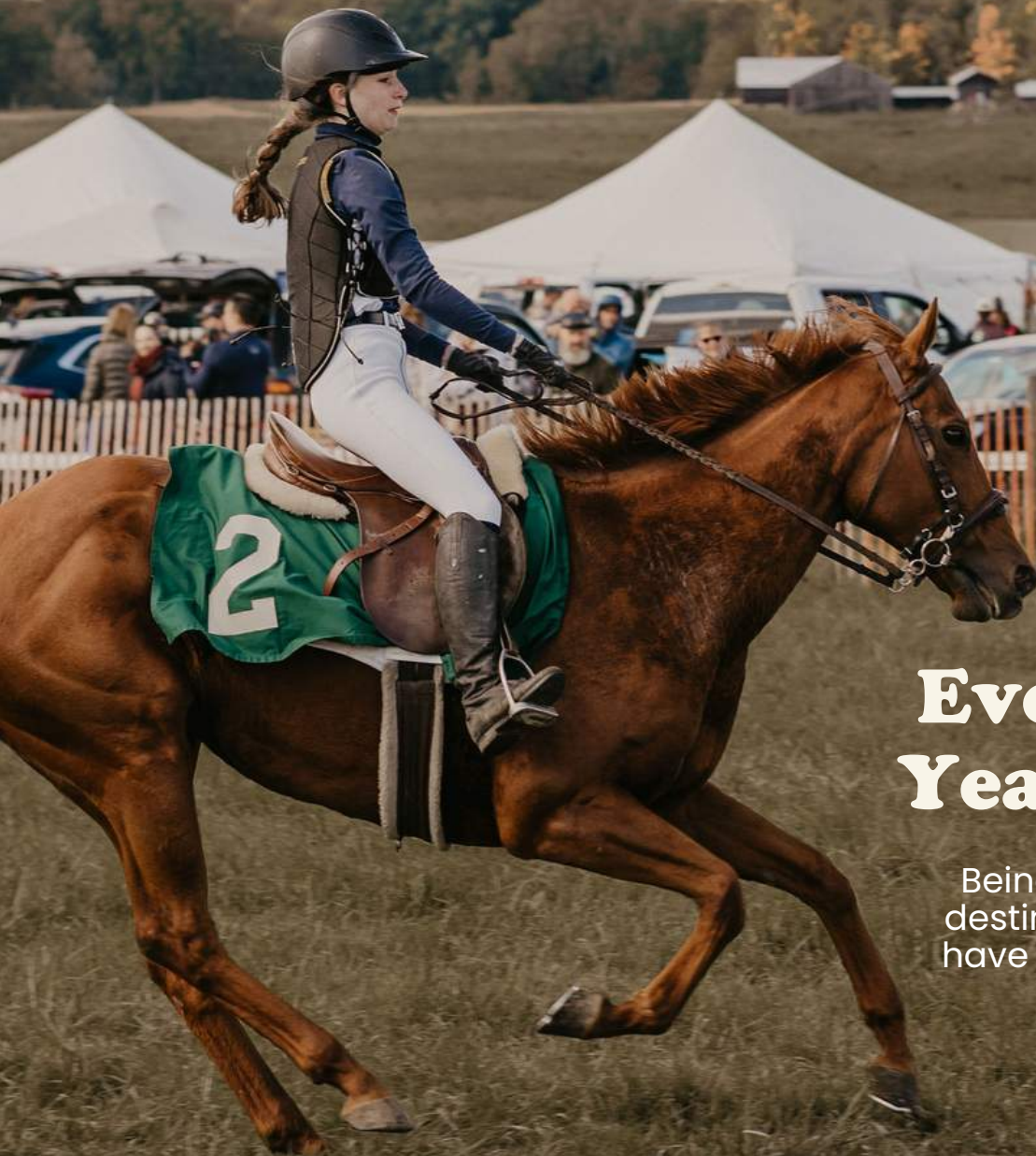
TAKE OFF YOUR JACKET AND STAY AWHILE!

AFTER A BUSY DAY exploring, you're going to need a spot to rest your head. Relax - we've got just the place to stay, no matter your personal travel style. Wake up to a stunning valley view in one of LivCo's hotels, enjoy the delights of a bed & breakfast tucked into a historic neighborhood, or stay steps away from it all at a huge vacation rental on Conesus Lake in the heart of the region. Or if the outdoors are calling, get cozy in a secluded cabin hideaway or campground. No matter your restful need, LivCo is ready to tuck you in.



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Events All- Year Round

Being a four-season
destination means we
have events whenever
you visit!



A VIBRANT MIX OF cultures and creatives produce a lively roster of events in LivCo. We can take an everyday activity, throw in some passion, and invigorate it with a twist to turn it into a much-loved festival or annual event.

Save the date for every season with events including the **Ring of Fire** on July 3rd on Conesus Lake or reconnect with nature at the **New York State Yoga Festival** where you can enjoy a day of yoga poses and unique movements in Letchworth State Park. Embrace the colors of fall and cheer on your favorite racehorse at the **Genesee Valley Hunt Races** or kick off the holiday season with ice skating at the **Avon Holiday Spectacular**.

If you're a live music lover, LivCo is the place for you! As a hub for artistic creativity, the Genesee River Valley boasts an abundance of musicians and bands. Grab a tasty drink and listen to a performance at a craft brewery or bring a lawn chair and settle in for a night of music in the park. Larger venues like **Fanatics Pub** and the **Avon Park Theater** bring in musical acts of all sizes and genres, so there's always something to jam out to.

No matter your preference, in LivCo you'll get to explore large festivals, intimate live music performances, holiday celebrations, one-of-a-kind equestrian events, and more. Dates, times, and venues are subject to change so **please check VisitLivCo.com for the most up-to-date information.**



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GETTING HERE AND AROUND LIVCO

Driving to the Genesee River Valley is the preferred transportation method for most visitors to Livingston County. Our roads are calm, and scenic vistas draw you from one destination to the next. In LivCo, traffic jams are practically non-existent (although you might end up behind a tractor or two), but there are no long lines of cars in sight. Parking is easy throughout all nine downtown villages. But if you choose to travel by another means, we have tips on that too.

On the Western Edge of the Finger Lakes Region, Livingston County is only a short drive from three major upstate New York cities. Rochester is less than 30 minutes north of Geneseo (the seat of Livingston County), Buffalo is about 70 minutes west, and Syracuse is about 90 minutes to the east. Rochester, Syracuse, and Buffalo each have an airport, bus, and train station.

Biking

Biking is a popular mode of transportation in the Genesee River Valley, thanks to our extended trail systems and smooth country roads.

Parking

Public parking is located throughout our nine villages and is usually free. Look for Department of Transportation signs for more information.

Walking

Our villages are easily walkable! If you're staying in one of our nine villages, you're within walking distance of shopping, restaurants, breweries, and much more.

Rideshare & Taxis

Need a ride home from dinner? We have Uber and Lyft drivers available, as well as standard taxi services.



Driving to Livingston County

Albany, NY	4 Hours
Boston, MA	7 Hours
Cleveland, OH	4 Hours
Erie, PA	2 1/2 Hours
Hartford, CT	6 Hours
Montpelier, VT	6 1/2 Hours
New York City, NY	5 Hours
Niagara Falls, NY	1 1/2 Hours
Pittsburgh, PA	5 Hours
Toronto, Canada	3 Hours

Airports Near By

ROC – Rochester, NY (30 Minutes)
BUF – Buffalo, NY (70 Minutes)
SYR – Syracuse, NY (90 Minutes)
KDSV – Dansville Municipal Airport



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FOR PLANNING YOUR VISIT

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