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What better way to showcase Livingston County than through the eyes of our locals? Follow our social media accounts to meet local makers and artists, business owners, students, photographers, yogis, and many more locals who make our region a unique destination to visit. There is no better way to experience Livingston County and the heart of the Genesee River Valley than through the stories of our locals.

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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.



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Wadsworth Homestead
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ANY TIME OF THE YEAR IS A GOOD TIME IN LIVINGSTON COUNTY



Welcome to the Genesee River Valley and its beautiful and historic villages. Rushing through the region, the Genesee River 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. And Livingston County is at the heart of it all!

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 craft beverage libation loop waiting for you here. We're ready to show you what we've got.

A PLACE FOR ALL SEASONS.

Find detailed
itineraries for every
season 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 season 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 Livingston County, our world transforms under a plush carpet of green. As the buds begin to bloom, plan an early jaunt to one of the many beautiful parks or gardens in the area, and don't forget the annual **Genesee Valley Conservancy Bluebell Walk** off Nations Road in Geneseo. Waterfalls are roaring once again, and birds all around 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 on Main Street for dinner outside on a warm spring evening.

Keeping zen and staying fit? Keep an eye out for the annual **New York State Yoga Festival** hosted by HikYoga 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!



Bluebell Walk
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Balloons Over Letebworth
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Summer in Livingston County is the perfect 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.

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 axe throwing at **Backyard Barnyard**, indulging in a plate of BBQ, dancing to live music at the **Wadsworth Homestead Sunset Concert Series**, spending happy hour by the lake at **Galene Restaurant**, or enjoying the biggest hot fudge sundae you've ever seen at **Kish-a-wa Creamery** in Nunda.

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, kayaking, paddle boarding, and boating on **Conesus Lake**, swimming in local streams, floating down the **Genesee River**, the annual **Hemlock Fair**, drive-in movies at the **Avon Vintage Drive-In**, and plenty of campfire chats after late sunsets (did someone say beer in hand at a local brewery?). For a non-traditional option, plan an ice cream tour through the villages of Livingston County. So call your best friends, book a place on the water, and get ready for a truly unforgettable summer.



Conesus Lake
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Kish-a-wa Creamery
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Dublin Corners Farm Brewery
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Genesee Valley Hunt Races
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Hoochenanny Whiskey Festival
Maigo Tsallagova Photography

AUTUMN

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; Livingston County is known for foliage and attracts many visitors for that reason each fall. Hike through **Letchworth State Park** (don't miss the **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.



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O-Neh-Da Vineyards
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Falling temperatures bring ample snowfall, calling to avid skiers, skaters, and snowshoers, who can't wait to grab their gear and head outside for a day of invigorating fun. The holiday season is a cozy time in Livingston County, with twinkly light-lined streets, comfort food-laden menus, and plenty of holiday events in each town. 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**, skiing at **Swain Ski Resort**, 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 from out of town or planning a cozy staycation close by, you'll find something out of a storybook, with snow-covered trails, trees, and historic homes in LivCo.



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Swain Ski Resort
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Letchworth State Park
Bre'ann Wilder Photography



Sunrise Bouldering
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Sulphur Springs Ice Rink
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CELEBRATE *good times*

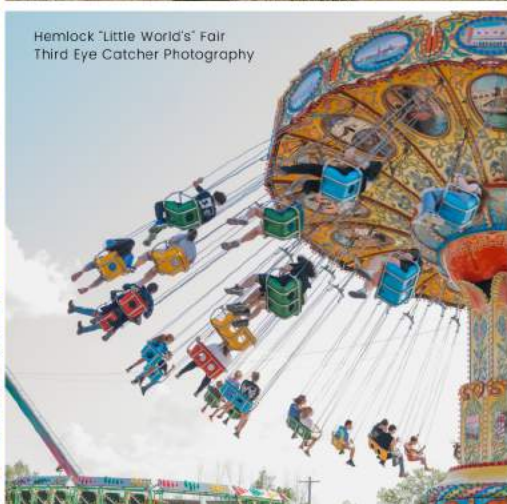
A VIBRANT MIX OF cultures and creatives produces a lively roster of signature and small-town events in LivCo. No matter your preference you'll get to explore festivals, intimate live music shows, holiday celebrations, one-of-a-kind equestrian events, and much more.



Dates, times, and venues are subject to change so be sure to check [VisitLivCo.com/events](https://www.visitlivco.com/events) for the most up-to-date information.



NYS Yoga Festival
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Hemlock "Little World's" Fair
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Oktoberfest at No BS Brew Company
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Geneseo Cookie Stroll
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SPRING

Kick off spring with some of LivCo's premiere events including the **Tree Peony Festival** at Linwood Gardens and **Red, White & Blue Balloon Rally** over Letchworth State Park. Find your inner calm at the **New York State Yoga Festival** or more excitement in the sky at the **National Warplane Museum Airshow**. Stop in Caledonia for the new **Trout Festival** celebrating the history of fishing in the region. However you enjoy it, springtime in LivCo is a can't-miss occasion.

SUMMER

Summer-favorite events are on tap such as the classic **Hemlock "Little World's" Fair**, with carnival rides, concessions, and grandstand events, the **Avon Corn Festival**, with live music, local artisan vendors, and, of course, all things corn, and tons of live music at venues and village parks around the county. Spend July 3rd on Conesus Lake for the **Ring of Fire** and start adventuring at **Outdoor Rec Fests** at Letchworth State Park, the Genesee Country Village & Museum, and Mendon Ponds Park.

AUTUMN

Embrace the colors of fall and cheer on your favorite racehorse at the **Genesee Valley Hunt Races** or spend the day leaf-peeping along winding country roads. Pick a pumpkin at a local farm, and then get a little spooky with a ghost tour or trip to a haunted house. Attend a local favorite fall event – you'll have several to choose from including the **Hoochenanny Whiskey Festival** in Geneseo, **Agricultural Fair** at the Genesee Country Village & Museum in late September, and **Oktoberfest** at No BS Brew Company.

WINTER

Kick off the holiday season with ice skating at the **Avon Holiday Spectacular**, digging into treats at the **Geneseo Cookie Stroll**, or sampling wine at Dansville's **Winter in the Village**. If you're a live music lover, the Genesee River Valley boasts an abundance of live music at venues like Fanatics Pub and Geneseo Riviera. After the holidays, the festivities continue with the **St. Patrick's Day Parade** in Avon and **Maple Weekends** at Letchworth State Park.

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Letchworth State Park

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Known as the Grand Canyon of the East, Letchworth State Park is a favorite scenic spot in LivCo throughout the entire year. Surround yourself with the beauty of cascading waterfalls and deep gorges as you stroll, drive, hike, or partake in offerings such as hiking, rafting, horseback riding, snowmobiling, cross-country skiing, snow tubing, and more.



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.



GENESEE VALLEY GREENWAY STATE PARK

This pet-friendly park follows the historic remains of the Genesee Valley Canal and Pennsylvania Railroad, mixing nature with historic features like warehouses and canal culverts, resulting in plenty to take in with your senses as you forest bathe. The Greenway is 90 miles long so, depending on where you enter, you may also find gorges, farmlands, wetlands, and other features.



HARRIET HOLLISTER SPENCER STATE RECREATION AREA

Six miles south of Honeoye Lake, this area offers panoramic views of the countryside along hiking and biking trails. The area was created after 680 acres of land were given to New York State from the estate of Harriet Hollister Spencer, a horticulturist, rose expert, and civic leader, after her death in 1962.

CELEBRATE 100 YEARS OF NEW YORK STATE PARKS

In 2024, New York's State Parks and Historic Sites will celebrate its Centennial, commemorating the 100th anniversary of the founding of its parks and sites system. Throughout 2024, New York State will commemorate the Centennial with hundreds of community celebrations, performances, and special events. Participate in the Centennial Challenge, check out a variety of new activities, enjoy parks and historic sites, explore new opportunities to volunteer and promote park stewardship, submit your stories and photographs to celebrate your park memories, and grab Centennial-themed New York State Parks merchandise from park stores. Visit parks.ny.gov/100 to learn more.



So, wherever you're headed next We'll see you out there!



Conesus Lake
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PRISTINE FINGER LAKES

CHOOSE YOUR OWN WATER-FUL ADVENTURE

As the westernmost gateway to the Finger Lakes Region, the lakes and rivers of LivCo are calling your name. When the sun is high in the sky and the summer heat is beating down, there's no better way to cool off than on the water!

Visit lively Conesus Lake for year-round fun, from the Ring of Fire on July 3rd to ice fishing in the winter. Spend a day playing and dining on the lake, or extend your stay at one of the many vacation rentals. Or enjoy a more peaceful atmosphere at remote Hemlock Lake with beautifully wooded shorelines that offer an atmosphere experienced only in remote areas like the Adirondacks and Canadian provinces.

CHASE WATERFALLS

The Genesee River Valley offers a bounty of cascading waterfalls, trickling down rocks or plunging 60 feet into the mist below. Explore the falls of Letchworth State Park or take a guided tour of Fall Brook Falls with Trail Otter. Whatever you prefer there are all kinds of ways to experience waterfalls in LivCo.

MAKE THE BIG CATCH

Try your hand at fishing with Upstate Anglers Guide Service, offering fishing charters on Conesus Lake. Specializing in Bass, Walleye, Pike, and panfish, Upstate Anglers caters to all types angler experience, from first-timers to experts. Your four or six-hour charter will be hosted by two guides with years of experience.

PADDLE THROUGH NATURE

From kayaks to stand-up paddle boards, canoes to paddle boats, no matter which you prefer, the lakes of LivCo are ideal for paddling. Explore Conesus Lake Inlet Wildlife Area where you'll see wildlife including geese, herons, woodpeckers, and turtles or paddle along the water of Hemlock Lake where you might spot a bald eagle flying overhead.

FLOAT THE DAY AWAY

Conesus Lake is well-known for "floatillas" and pontooning all summer long. Take your vessel onto the water, drop an anchor, and enjoy the summer sun! Want the boat experience without having to steer? If you don't need to rent, you might prefer the slower pace of Hemlock Lake. Keep in mind, boats can be no longer than 16 feet and outboard motors no larger than 10 horsepower.

RIDE THE WAVES

Whether it's jetskiing, wakeboarding, or tubing, tie up your gear to a boat and ride the waves of Conesus Lake - you'll feel like you're flying across the water. Or hop on a jet ski and sail across the water at high speed.

RAFT THROUGH LETCHWORTH

Experience exhilarating whitewater rafting through Letchworth State Park with Adventure Calls Outfitters, which offers rafting trips across more than five miles of spectacular scenery. On warm days, paddlers can cool off by body surfing the "New Wave Rapids" or get soaking wet at the "The Leap of Faith." With a little luck, you may even see some wildlife in the park.



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Linwood Gardens
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Talulah's Fancy Wildflower Farm Studio & Gallery
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Leitchworth State Park
Tass & Beau Photography

Nurturing Nature

The Genesee River Valley feeds a spirit of creativity and ingenuity.

IT'S NO ACCIDENT that here in Livingston County, you'll see people making, designing, and inventing just about everywhere you look. Our landscape is ideal for growing crops and playing outside. And our breathtaking valleys, rippling rivers, and emerald forests inspire locals and visitors to paint, sculpt, write, and make music.



Leitchworth State Park
Keith Walters Photography

LOVE THE LAND

LIVINGSTON COUNTY MIGHT BE KNOWN FOR ITS OUTDOOR RECREATION, but if there's a takeaway for our visitors – it's our dedication to conserving the natural lands of the Genesee River Valley. Surrounded by the beauty of the region, it's easy to see why locals love the land.

And as a not-for-profit land trust, the Genesee Valley Conservancy strives to conserve our natural resources and strengthen connections between people and the land in the Genesee River watershed. By protecting the habitat, open space, and farmland of the region, the Genesee Valley Conservancy provides beautiful places to hike and farm, as well as active classrooms for schools and universities.

With over 30,000 acres of land and seven miles of hiking trails protected, the rich soils of the region support people of all generations including the farmers who depend on the land to grow food for our communities. On your visit to LivCo, explore the preserves of the Conservancy including the Railroad Bed Trail in Avon, Indian Fort Nature Preserve in Geneseo, and the Mill Creek Nature Preserve in Wayland.

Visit their website to learn how to get involved with their efforts and news on their latest projects.





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FUN for everyone



THE GENESEE RIVER VALLEY HAS IT ALL – from pristine forests and heart-stopping thrills to cozy main streets dotted with independent businesses perfect for a leisurely afternoon of shopping. With so many attractions, it can be a little overwhelming to find what you're looking for – that's why we've curated content for you to explore.

In Livingston County, the fun begins wherever you prefer. The Genesee River Valley is the adventurer's dream with hiking, kayaking, paddle boarding, biking, hot air balloon rides, and many more outdoor experiences. Looking for something else? We have no shortage of wineries, breweries, boutique shops, museums, and farmer's markets.

DANCE THE NIGHT AWAY

Arts and culture don't take a backseat in our small towns – drama, dance, music, and film all have a home here. From concerts by the water and intimate acoustic sets to national acts, LivCo's live music scene brings something new to the stage (or street) every day of the year. Grab a 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. Our larger venues bring in musical acts of all genres, so there's always something to jam out to.

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DIVE INTO THE REGION'S HISTORY

LivCo has a rich history of arts and cultures, and nowhere is that better captured than in our museums. Explore the history of the region, shaped by glaciers at the end of the last ice age, and dive into the culture of the Indigenous Americans who settled this land for thousands of years. While some of our museums look traditional, others are quirky and off the beaten path and all are worth exploring. Many offer low-cost or free admission, and some have limited hours, so give them a ring before you head out.



SHOP FOR SOMEONE SPECIAL

Bring something home that makes that "special trip feeling" last just a little longer. With dozens of local boutique shops and independent retailers, it would be hard not to find something that brings back fond memories of your LivCo getaway. Not sure what to buy? Pick up a gift card for the next time you visit.



CONNECT WITH AGRICULTURE

The bright and beautiful flavors of Livingston County come from ingredients only a few miles up the road. Get to know the farmers behind your food, the soil where it grows, and even their favorite way to cook it. Dig in and don't be afraid to get your hands dirty! Whether you prefer to pick-your-own produce, get to know friendly farm animals up close and personal, or tour the places where our food is lovingly grown, our agritourism destinations are a wonderful way to get to know the area on a deeper level.



Goat Yoga
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Lina Crossroads Festival
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Wadsworth Homestead
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Genesee Country Village & Museum
Lass & Crad Photography



Village of Avon
Third Eye Catcher Photography

Family Bucket List

ALL THE BEST WAYS TO
EXPLORE THE GENESEE
RIVER VALLEY WITH KIDS
OF ALL AGES

1.

Experience the first total solar eclipse in Livingston County in nearly 100 years! On Monday, April 8, 2024, visit the official eclipse viewing site at the **Livingston County Fairgrounds** in Caledonia, where you'll find campsites, parking spots, music, food, and vendors. And don't forget to grab your eclipse glasses ahead of time at visitlivco.shop.

2.

Spend time relaxing at **Hemlock** and **Canadice** Lakes, two of the most undeveloped Finger Lakes. The beautifully wooded shorelines offer an atmosphere experienced only in remote areas like the Adirondacks and Canadian provinces.

3.

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



4.

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.

5.

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**.

6.

Connect with the past at the largest living history museum in the state, the **Genesee Country Village & Museum** in Mumford. Explore 68 buildings from the 19th century and interact with costumed interpreters sharing stories of daily life, trades, and people's culture of the time.

7.

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.

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.

Explore the **Mount Morris Dam and Recreation Area**. Join a park ranger for a guided walking tour of the dam. Spend time outside on the park grounds or playground to enjoy captivating overlooks, and hiking trails, and maybe even spot some local wildlife.



Dublin Corners Farm Brewery
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Backyard Barnyard
Lass & Beau Photography



THINGS TO DO
WITH KIDS IN LIVCO



Lima Crossroads Festival
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FOLLOW THE ART

Get out your phone because we have spots in LivCo that will brighten up your profile. Many murals have popped up in our region so plan an awesome photo adventure for you and your friends on a sunny day.

1 HORSE COUNTRY

📍 79 Genesee Street, Avon

Spot this mural, painted by Miami artist Ivan J. Roque, heading downhill from Genesee Street just steps from the 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.

4 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, this mural blends nature and education, featuring imagery inspired by SUNY Geneseo, just steps away from the mural, a key part of the village and a hub for arts and culture. 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.

7 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 resulting in over 300 new bald eagle nests – with dozens in the area. They are no longer endangered and are now a common yet exciting sight. Muralist Justin Suarez – known as "Aerosol Kingdom" – from Rochester, New York, uses spray paint to celebrate wildlife through art.

2 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 and a narrow pH range. After traveling the country to find the perfect conditions, he settled on the waters of Spring Creek, a cold spring-fed creek that courses through Caledonia.

5 BIG HEART

📍 134 Main Street, Leicester

Inspired by the motto, "Little Village with a Big Heart", this mural is hard to miss when wandering through the village of Leicester. Painted by the Kentucky-based artist, Kacy Jackson, Big Heart 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.

8 FLOWERS OF LETCHWORTH

📍 83 Main Street, Mount Morris

is known around the world for her large-scale flower murals. Flowers of Letchworth, painted by Louise (née Chen) Jones, also known as Ouizi, 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. 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.

3 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. Animals are 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 walls.

6 FARMER'S SPECTRUM

📍 1883 Rochester Street, Lima

In a rural region like Livingston County, 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 colors. Locals in Lima, located on Route 5 & 20, are proud of their small-town character, scenic rolling hills, and agricultural land with the highest-quality soils in the country.

9 SEED

📍 60 North State Street, Nunda

Spot another flowery mural, find Seed by Matthew Mederer from Chicago, Illinois on your way into the Village of Nunda. Inspired by Burt's Seeds, a highly popular seed company known for beautiful lithographic packets, was founded in the region over 100 years ago. In April 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!



Flowers of Letchworth by Ouzi
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Lovers Spectrum by Abigail Penttila
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Fish by Tim Parsley
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Wild Mustang by Arlin Orloff
Keith Walters Photography

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TAG US ON YOUR ARTISTIC ADVENTURES

While you're exploring the murals of Livingston County, snap a few selfies and tag #VisitLivCo 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.



LIVE LIKE A LOCAL

TRAVEL IS FULFILLING IN SO MANY WAYS, including how it introduces us to new cultures, histories, and approaches to life. It broadens our minds and perspectives. It can also have an impact, in both positive and challenging ways, on a place and its people. This is why Livingston County kindly asks that you, our guests, be mindful of your impact by embracing our local culture as we do, with respect and regard for our people and natural places.

"Shop local" is a rallying cry you're sure to see or hear around town. Our independent businesses are the region's lifeblood and the reason for the Genesee River Valley's eccentric spirit and thriving communities. But we wouldn't be where we are today if not for all the guests we greet annually. By including our locally owned businesses in your eating, drinking, shopping, and exploration, you, too, are living like a local and creating a new positive effect on our community.

We also ask that you strive to minimize waste and practice "leave no trace" principles while you're here, so that our natural places can remain pristine for all to enjoy.





The Loft Airbnb
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FLX Glamping
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Bricklini
Lass & Beau Photography



Blue Rose Bed & Breakfast
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PLACES TO
STAY IN LIVCO

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 travel style. Wake up to a stunning valley view in one of LivCo's hotels, enjoy the delights of a bed and 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 your name, nature lovers can enjoy fresh air, glorious forests, and clear lakes while getting cozy in a secluded cabin hideaway or campground. No matter your restful need, LivCo is ready to tuck you in.



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 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.



Cosmic Charlie Cafe
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Cooperativa Las Cazuelas
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Milk & Honey Cafe
Third Eye Catcher Photography



Whistling Farmer Pub
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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 bread 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 offers a dining experience unlike any other – from authentic Mexican dishes at monthly pop-ups at **Cooperativa Las Cazuelas** to homemade Polish pierogies from **Euro Cafe** to hearty Italian dishes at **Questa Lasagna** – our chefs use the freshest ingredients, often picked and delivered to their kitchen doors that very morning.



Shoreless Acres General Store
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LIBATION *destinations*

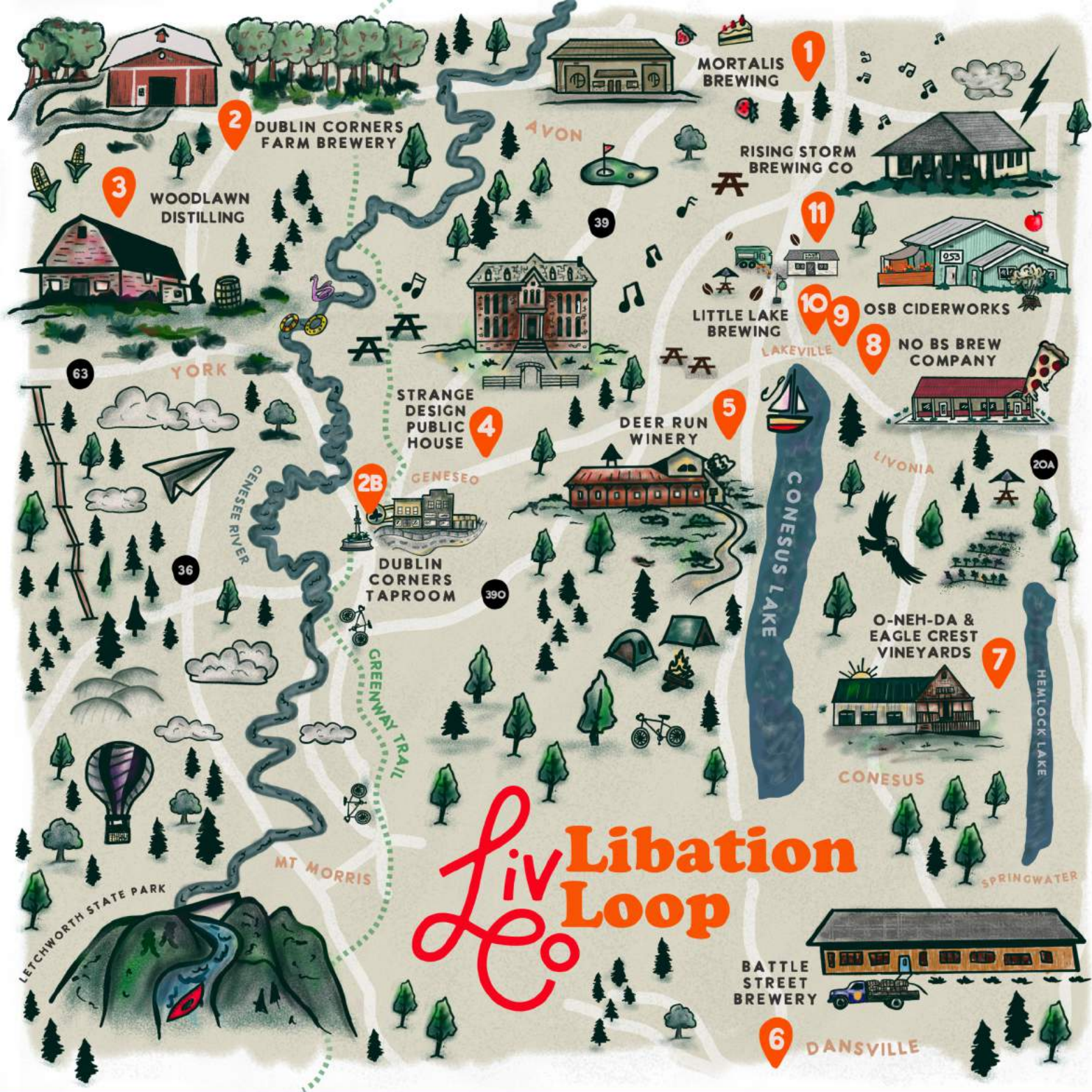
There's never a bad season for enjoying a drink with friends. Here in Livingston County, our craft breweries, wineries, cideries, and distillery have indoor and outdoor spaces for you to enjoy. On a rainy spring day, come order a flight of beer and find a table inside for a friendly game of cards. On 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 and flavors of the Genesee River Valley in Livingston County.

-  **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!



LIBATION LOOP

GETTING HERE AND AROUND LIVCO

TRAVEL TUNES

We've got a curated playlist for your journey! Scan the code to listen.



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. Visiting with your electric or hybrid vehicle? More and more charging stations keep popping up around town, be sure to find the latest locations at [chargehub.com](https://www.chargehub.com).

Biking

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

Walking

Our villages are easily walkable! If you're staying in a village, you're within walking distance of shopping, dining, breweries, and much more.

Parking

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

Rideshare & Taxis

Need a ride home from dinner? We have rideshare options including 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



SCAN FOR RESOURCES
TO PLAN YOUR TRIP

While every effort is made to provide accurate and up-to-date information, specific details are subject to change. Travelers are advised to confirm specifics before making plans.

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OFFICIAL 2024 TRAVEL GUIDE TO LIVINGSTON COUNTY, NY

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