CAPITAL-SARATOGA

2027 DEVELOPMENTS

History will continue to take center stage in the **Capital-Saratoga** region in 2027 as Saratoga County marks the 250th anniversary of the Battles of Saratoga, a pivotal American victory that changed the course of the Revolutionary War. From October 7 - 11, historic programming near Saratoga National Historical Park and surrounding sites will include encampments, educational programs and public reenactments at Freeman's Farm and Bemis Heights. Victory Season at Saratoga will culminate with Surrender Day on October 17, honoring the British surrender that followed the battles.

DESCRIPTION

The Capital-Saratoga region offers the unexpected harmony of the state's historic capital city, small towns brimming with culture and sprawling land dotted with lakes, meadows and farms. From undersung cities like Troy and Schenectady offering symphonies and local brews to the numerous accommodations and activities throughout Albany and Saratoga Springs, the region has something to offer for every traveler and throughout all seasons.

Saratoga Springs offers year-round activities for travelers. At 2,200-acre Saratoga Spa State Park, visitors can explore forested trails, book a private mineral bath at the historic Roosevelt Baths & Spa, explore museums and forested trails or catch a performance at Saratoga Performing Arts Center. Outdoor adventurers can paddle Saratoga Lake or tee off at Saratoga National Golf Course, one of the top public courses in the country, made even more stunning when framed by fall color. In town, Broadway – Saratoga's award-winning main street – offers a Stars Hollow-like charm by day with boutiques, cafés and locally owned shops, then buzzes at night with one of the densest dining and beverage scenes on the East Coast. Just steps away, Congress Park beckons with foliage-filled strolls past gazebos, springs, statues and gardens.

Albany features its own breadth of activities and destinations, such as the New York State Museum, where visitors will delve into the state's natural and cultural diversity. Beginning with New York State's past and arriving at its present, guests will see exhibits on the Adirondacks, an Iroquois longhouse, two antique fire engines and rock minerals. The nearby Albany Institute of History & Art is a repository of works capturing the Upper Hudson Valley region from the late 17th century to today.

For food and drinks, travelers might be surprised to know that one of the world's most popular snacks originated in Saratoga Springs. Invented in 1853, the potato chip is cemented in history. Guests can stop by Original Saratoga Chips for a taste of the classic recipe or New York Chips, where chips are prepared in avocado oil for a different flavor and texture. Saratoga Candy Company offers a wide selection of the famous treat. In Albany, both Ralph's Tavern and Scubbers Wings are serving mozzarella sticks with raspberry sauce, an interesting twist on classic pub fare.

WHERE TO STAY

The Saratoga Arms Hotel, located in Saratoga Springs, is a beautifully restored brick hotel that combines turn-of-the-century ambience with modern amenities, while the new Hotel Brookmere offers luxury accommodations, dining and experiences. The Washington Park Inn in Albany provides a quaint getaway and the renovated mansion inn is within a short walking distance from the downtown area. In Schenectady, the Inn at Glen Sanders Mansion is one of the finest hotels in the area nestled by the Mohawk river.

GETTING THERE

- 2-3 hours from NYC
- 5 hours from Niagara Falls
- 3-4 hours from Montreal
- Albany International Airport accessible from I-87, I-90 (NYS Thruway), I-87 (Adirondack Northway), I-88 and Taconic Parkway

COUNTIES

Albany, Fulton, Rensselaer, Saratoga, Schenectady, Washington

MAJOR CITIES & TOWNS

Albany, Cambridge, Cohoes, Gloversville, Johnstown, Nassau, Rensselaer, Saratoga Springs, Schenectady, Troy, Watervliet, Whitehall

CLIMATE

The diverse climate of New York State has four distinct seasons. Summers in the Capital-Saratoga region are comfortable and warm, with daytime temperatures averaging in the mid-70s to mid-80s (degrees F.) and cooler evenings. The weather is moderately cool and sunny in springtime and autumn, when spectacular fall foliage attracts thousands of visitors. Cold, snowy winters create a wonderland of magnificent scenery in historic cities and villages.

FURTHER INFORMATION

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