



CENTRAL NEW YORK

NEW DEVELOPMENTS

Calling all baseball fans! The [National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum](#) is ringing in the summer season with a brand-new exhibit titled, "[The Souls of the Game: Voices of Black Baseball](#)." Honoring Black baseball heroes, the exhibit offers visitors a chance to hear their narratives about the early days of Black baseball, the Negro Leagues and the challenges they faced. The museum is also adding Black baseball history stories to some of their existing exhibits. [The Haven](#) is a new wedding and events center opening this season with its very own zoo, [The Wild Animal Park](#). A unique event setting choice, guests will be surprised by the roaming domestic and exotic animals.

DESCRIPTION

Nestled in the heartland of the state, Central New York beats a lively rhythm for travelers with famous attractions, beautiful state parks and historic towns waiting to be enjoyed. History and culture add to the allure of this region. [Anderson Center for the Performing Arts](#) at Binghamton University is a destination for enriching events with more than 125 performances annually ranging from student recitals to world-class performances. Cooperstown is home to the internationally-acclaimed [Glimmerglass Festival](#) as well as the [National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum](#), packed with millions of artifacts including more than 140,000 baseball cards. The [International Boxing Hall of Fame](#) in Canastota preserves the rich heritage of the sweet science, and the [National Abolition Hall of Fame and Museum](#) in the historic hamlet of Peterboro honors abolitionists who worked to end slavery.

[Howe Caverns](#) is the region's lowest elevation with a cave tour via foot and boat through stunning geological wonders six million years in the making and over 150 feet underground. Back up on terra firma, ways to spend a day run from testing one's mettle with irons and woods on [Otesaga Resort's](#) Leatherstocking Golf Course, rated among the most scenic and challenging resort courses in the Eastern U.S., to sizing up the Erie Canal via wildlife cruises and canal-side biking on the [Erie Canalway Trail](#), to fishing [Genegantslet Creek](#), a premier trout stream in Chenango County that locals call "Genny." Travelers also can really get around on the "[Carousel Circuit](#)" of [Broome County](#), with six antique carousels designed from 1920 to 1934 by Allan Herschell located in several Binghamton area sites, or explore the [Oneida County Mural Trail](#)'s collection of 32 outdoor murals displayed throughout Utica and Oneida Counties.

Among the icons of the region's food & beverage scene is [Brooks House of Bar-B-Q](#), whose takeout-only is renowned as some of the best barbecue in the Northeast. Binghamton, home of the "Spiedie," is quickly becoming a "foodie's paradise" with great new restaurants, brew pubs and coffee shops as well as events like Binghamton and Endicott Restaurant Weeks, The Binghamton Wine & Tapas Tour and Binghamton Martini Walk. Other options include the picturesque [Schoharie Beverage Trail](#) with wineries, cideries and breweries, and [Saranac Brewery](#) in Utica, one of the first craft breweries in the U.S., family owned and operated for 125

years, where tours finish with a tasting of fine craft beers and soda in the 1888 Tavern. Beer connoisseurs can visit [Brew Central](#) to plan their itinerary and check out the latest festivals and events.

GETTING THERE

- 3-5 hours from NYC
- 4-5 hours from Niagara Falls
- 4-5 hours from Montreal
- Amtrak train
- [Greater Binghamton Airport](#); accessible from I-81, I-88, Route 17

COUNTIES

Broome, Chenango, Herkimer, Madison, Montgomery, Oneida, Otsego, Schoharie

MAJOR CITIES & TOWNS

Amsterdam, Binghamton, Canastota, Canajoharie, Cazenovia, Cherry Valley, Chittenango, Cobleskill, Cooperstown, Hamilton, Herkimer, Johnson City, Little Falls, Ilion, Norwich, Oneonta, Rome, Sharon Springs, Sylvan Beach, Utica, Verona, Vestal.

CLIMATE

The diverse climate of New York State has four distinct seasons. Summers in Central New York 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 villages and towns.

FURTHER INFORMATION

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