



Valley Forge National Historical Park



Longwood Gardens

There are rich and complex stories to tell about the Countryside of Philadelphia. Visitors enjoy the world-class art collections, splendid formal and natural garden landscapes, classic American small towns, and plenty of tax-free shopping (on clothing and shoes) year-round.

Take a peek at the many adventures awaiting just outside of Philadelphia.



Tax-free shopping on all clothing & shoes

King of Prussia Mall

America's Garden Capital

The greater Philadelphia region abounds in horticultural assets, earning it the moniker "**America's Garden Capital**." Brandywine's world-renowned **Longwood Gardens** combines the best of Italian, French, and English traditions to create one of America's most memorable gardens. Longwood encompasses 1,077 acres, offering 20 gardens and a breathtaking conservatory. Longwood is also home to the most significant fountain collection in the United States. The crown jewel of that collection, the Main Fountain Garden, features more than 1,700 jets soaring to 175 feet, delighting visitors with incredible fountain shows, music, and more during the Festival of Fountains season, May through September. Longwood Gardens will debut a new 32,000-square-foot West Conservatory as the centerpiece and largest component of **Longwood Reimagined** in 2024. Its asymmetrical peaks will rise from a pool on which the entire building will seemingly float, while its islands of interior Mediterranean-inspired gardens will be set amid pools, canals, and fountains in an exquisite design.

Morris Arboretum, the official arboretum of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, is on the National Register of Historic Places. The arboretum has over 12,000 plants from North America, Europe, the Mediterranean, China, Japan, and Korea, with a focus on Asian temperate species. Some species are among the largest of their kind in North America, while others are exceedingly rare.

A Shopping Haven

Bargains are just as plentiful as blooms, as fabulous shopping can be found throughout The Countryside of Philadelphia. The recently expanded **King of Prussia Mall** — the largest retail destination in the country — features over 400 stores that include Neiman Marcus, Bloomingdales, and Macy's and an impressive collection of luxury retailers (Cartier, Gucci, Louis Vuitton, and Williams-Sonoma, for example). Nearby **Philadelphia Premium Outlets** additionally offers 150 name-brand outlet stores offering 25–65 percent savings every day from brands including Ann Taylor, Brooks Brothers, Coach, Cole Haan, and Nike. Both malls are part of **Simon Property Group**.

Unique shopping can also be found throughout the small towns and villages that populate The Countryside of Philadelphia. Popular spots include Ambler, Skippack, West Chester, Lansdale, Phoenixville, and "The Mushroom Capital of the World" - Kennett Square.

The museums and attractions throughout the Countryside have wonderfully curated gift shops offering one-of-a-kind items.



The Countryside of Philadelphia welcomes visitors year-round with an array of activities including history, horticulture, shopping, arts and culture, outdoor recreation, and delicious dining.



A Shared HISTORY

Both the Brandywine Battlefield and Valley Forge National Historical Park played noteworthy roles in the Revolutionary War: Brandywine, the largest engagement of the war, saw victory go to the British General Howe, while Valley Forge was the site of the 1777-1778 winter encampment of General George Washington and the Continental Army. The newly renovated visitor center and brand-new museum exhibition tells that story with first-ever displays including many objects from the George C. Neumann and John F. Reed Collections of Revolutionary War artifacts. Today these sites welcome visitors to experience stories brought to life in lively and informative ways, including historical interpreters, hands-on demonstrations, and historical reenactments. The **Museum of the American Revolution** in nearby Philadelphia highlights the stories of both Brandywine and Valley Forge within the entire story of America's birth.

World-Class MUSEUMS & ATTRACTIONS

We have museums and attractions to appeal to all tastes, from high art to adrenaline-packed adventures. The **Brandywine Museum of Art** displays an unparalleled collection of illustrations, still-lives, and landscapes by three generations of the Wyeth family. The **Wharton Esherick Museum** celebrates the "Dean of American Craftsman" and his unique and fanciful woodcarvings. The **John James Audubon Center** offers a brand-new 18,000-square-foot museum, nature-based facility, and art. At the other end of the spectrum, **iFLY King of Prussia** offers a skydiving experience that is unique for being wholly indoors, but no less thrilling. Family-fun is a snap at **LEGOLAND Discovery Center** and **Trail of the Jaguar at Elmwood Park Zoo**, a 5,000-square-foot big cat encounter designed by architects from Disney's Animal Kingdom.

Delicious DINING

Enjoy exclusive culinary experiences at local restaurants with atmospheres as unique as their menus. Chefs transform the seasons yield into deliciously fresh creations from the Mushroom Capital of the World. From farm-to-fork fine dining to food trucks and festival-fare, enjoy one-of-a-kind bites and perfect pairings. The Countryside is the home of several wineries, where you'll experience beautiful estate vineyards in the rolling hills, charming tasting rooms and barrel aging cellars filled with premium wines that showcase a unique terroir. **Craft Brewers** are even more plentiful with 70 plus throughout the countryside. Finally, several distilleries are producing **fine spirits** and **crafted cocktails** to sip and savor – Cheers!

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