

Visitors' Guide

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We look forward to hosting you at BEAR! Here is some information you may find helpful in planning your visit. Please call the entertainment venues for their current hours before you go.

Driving Directions from the Airport

Drive time: about 1 hour

- Leaving the airport, turn right on **Brooks Ave**
- Take a slight right to merge onto **I-390 S**
- Take exit **12B** toward the NY State Thruway. Follow signs for **I-90 East /Albany**
- Get off Thruway at **exit 43** (Manchester/Palmyra)
- Turn right on **NY-21 S**
- Almost immediately, turn left on **NY-96 S**



See our custom map with landmarks at <http://bit.ly/BEARmap>

Victor / Eastview Mall area

Off Thruway exit 45 - about midway between BEAR and the airport; easy access to both.

Hotels

- Hampton Inn - 7637 Route 96, Victor – 585.924.4400 – www.hamptoninn.com
- Holiday Inn Express – 7502 CR 42, Victor - 585.672.2100 – www.hiexpress.com
- Homewood Suites – 575 Fishers Station Dr., Victor - 585.869.7500 – www.homewoodsuites.com
- Microtel – 7498 Main St., Victor – 585.924.9240 – www.microtelinn.com
- Woodcliff Hotel and Spa – 199 Woodcliff Drive, E. Rochester – 585.381.4000 – www.woodcliffhotellandspa.com



Dining & Entertainment

- A large variety of casual dining restaurants chains along Route 96 near the mall, including Olive Garden, Longhorn Steakhouse, the Distillery, PF Changs, Champps, TGI Fridays, Unos, Mo's and more.
- Movies - Regal Cinema – 70 Eastview Mall Drive, Victor – 585.425.0423

Pittsford

From Eastview Mall, continue north on 96 to Bushnell Basin (3 mi) or Pittsford (7 mi) for dinner or a stroll on the towpath along the Erie Canal.

Dining & Entertainment

- Aladdin's – Mediterranean - Canal-side dining, outdoors in summer - 8 Schoen Place, Pittsford 585.264.9000 – <http://www.aladdinonline.com/>
- Richardson's Canal House – "oldest inn on the canal" – 1474 Marsh Road, Bushnell Basin 585.248-5000 – <http://www.richardsonscanalhouse.net>
- A number of other restaurants and pubs in the village.
- (May-Oct) Cruise the Erie Canal
 - by Packet Boat – Sam Patch, 12 Schoen Place, Pittsford .585.262.5661- <http://samandmary.org>
 - by bike – rentals at Towpath Bike, 3 Schoen Place, Pittsford (585) 381-2808 – www.towpathbike.com
 - by kayak – rentals at Lock 32 (off Clover Road) in Pittsford, 5 pm to dusk; longer hours at Boathouse in Rochester. 585.328.3960 - <http://geneseewaterways.org/rentals.htm>



Farmington

Off Thruway exit 44

Hotel

- Comfort Inn (new in 2008) – 6026 Rte 96, Farmington 585.742.0182 – www.choicehotels.com

Dining & Entertainment

- Finger Lakes Gaming and Racetrack – video gaming, live thoroughbred racing (April-Sept), buffet and dining 5857 Route 96, Farmington 585.742.7300 – www.fingerlakesracetrack.com
- Otto Tomottos – Casual Italian – Phoenix Mills Plaza, Route 96, Victor 585.742.2070 – <http://www.ottotomottos.com>



Canandaigua

Charming historic city on Canandaigua Lake
10 miles south of Thruway exit 45 (take NY-332) and 15 miles SW of BEAR (take CR 488).



Hotel

- The Inn on the Lake – hotel and dining - 770 S Main – 585.394.7800 – www.theinnonthelake.com

Dining

- Steamboat Landing - 205 Lakeshore Drive – 585.396.7350 - www.steamboatlandingonline.com
- Rio Tomatlan – Authentic Mexican (not tex-mex) – 5 Beeman 585.394.9380 - <http://www.riotomatlan.com/>
- Rheinblick – German –224 S. Main St 585.905.0950 – <http://restaurant-rheinblick.blogspot.com/>
- Pub food at O'Briens – 182 S. Main 585.394.8810 and McGregor's Grill & Tap Room - 759 S. Main 585.394.8080
- Muar House Café – 169 Lakeshore Dr – sandwiches, home-made gelato on the lake shore – www.themuarhousecafe.com

Entertainment

- New York State Wine and Culinary Center – wine tasting, regional agricultural museum and dining. Also lectures and cooking classes. 800 South Main Street – 585.394.7070 – www.nywcc.com
- Sonnenberg Mansion and Gardens – Historic home and grounds – 151 Charlotte St. 585.394.4922 – www.sonnenberg.org
- (May-Sept.) The Canandaigua Lady – dinner cruises on Canandaigua Lake. Departs from Steamboat Landing, 205 Lakeshore Drive – (585) 396-7350 – www.steamboatlandingonline.com
- Shops and galleries on main street

Geneva

A beautiful historic city on Seneca Lake, 10 miles SE of BEAR (take NY- 96 East and CR 14 South).



Hotel

- Geneva Ramada Lakefront – hotel, dining on the lake – 41 Lakefront Dr. 1.800.990.0907 – www.genevaramada.com

Dining & Entertainment

- Bellhurst Castle – Historic hotel, winery and dining on the lake - 4069 Route 14 South, 315.781.0201 – www.bellhurst.com
- Smith Opera House – restored opera house –films, live music - 82 Seneca St. 315.781.5483 – www.thsmith.org
- Seneca Lake State Park – 1 Lakefront Drive – 315.789.2331 – <http://nysparks.state.ny.us/parks/125/details.aspx>

Near the Airport/Downtown Rochester

Hotels

- Holiday Inn Rochester Airport – 911 Brooks Ave. 585.328.6000
- Fairfield Inn Rochester Airport –1200 Brooks Ave. 585.529.5000
- Comfort Inn Airport - 395 Buell Road – 585.436.4400

Dining & Entertainment

- Dinosaur Bar-B-Que – live blues nightly - 99 Court St., Rochester 585.325.7090 – <http://www.dinosaurbarbque.com>
- Restaurant 2 Vine – contemporary – 24 Winthrop St. 585.454.6020 - <http://www.2vine.com/>
- For more dining and Rochester night spots try www.rochestercitynewspaper.com

Museums

- Rochester Museum & Science Center – plus Western NY history, planetarium - 57 East Ave 585.271.1880 – <http://rsmc.org>
- Memorial Art Gallery of the University of Rochester – 500 University Ave. 585.276.8900 – <http://mag.rochester.edu>
- Strong Museum – National Toy Hall of Fame – 1 Manhattan Square Dr. 585. 263.2700 – www.museumofplay.org
- George Eastman House – historic home; museum of photography & film – 900 East Ave. 585.271.3361 – www.eastmanhouse.org

Other Attractions and Destinations (with drive time from BEAR)

- Hill Cumorah Visitors Center, Palmyra– 20 mins – NY 96 N to Route 21 N - 315.597.5851 – <http://www.hillcumorah.org/>
- Women's Rights Nat'l Historic Park, Seneca Falls – 20 mins – NY 96 S to 414 - 315.568.0024 – <http://www.nps.gov/wori/index.htm>
- Niagara Falls –2 hours – Thruway to I-290 W to I-190 N to Niagara Falls Blvd. 877.325.5787 – www.niagara-usa.com
- Watkins Glenn –1.2 hours – NASCAR track and scenic gorge. NY-96 S to NY-14 S – <http://www.theglen.com/>
- Corning Museum of Glass – 2 hours – history, science and art. NY-96 S to NY-14 S to NY-414 S – 800.732.6845 – www.cmog.org
- Baseball Hall of Fame, Cooperstown– 2.5 hours –Thruway East to exit 30, NY-28 S – education.baseballhalloffame.org/

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