HISTORIC HOMES AND SCENIC VISTAS



REGION: Hudson Valley







DID YOU KNOW?

The Eleanor Roosevelt National Historic Site is the only First Lady National Historic Site in the United States.

In 1802 President Thomas Jefferson signed legislation establishing the U.S. Military Academy at West Point and it is the oldest continually occupied military post in America. The West Point Museum is open to the public along with guided tours.

You can tour Kykuit in Sleepy Hollow where four generations of the Rockefellers, the richest family in the early 20th century, lived.

Sunnyside, the home of writer Washington Irving, famous for *Rip Van Winkle* and *The Legend of Sleepy Hollow*, can be toured in Tarrytown. Every fall in nearby Croton-on-Hudson, the Great Jack O'Lantern Blaze displays over 7,000 carved pumpkins assembled into sculptures.

The oldest winery in the US is Brotherhood Winery in Washingtonville, established in 1839. Tours and tastings are available.

DAY 1:

Take in the scenery of the Hudson River as you stroll along the longest pedestrian bridge in the world at Walkway Over the Hudson State Historic Park.

Visit Hyde Park to tour the Franklin D Roosevelt Home National Historic Site, Library, and Museum to learn about a remarkable 12-year presidency and the United States at the time of the Great Depression and WWII. Don't miss Val-Kill Cottage, the Eleanor Roosevelt National Historic Site.

Just ten minutes away, tour the Vanderbilt Mansion National Historic Site, a 50-room mansion from the Gilded Age, with an Italian garden and views of the Hudson.

Cap off your day with world-class dining at the Culinary Institute of America.

DAY 2:

Stay or play at Mohonk Mountain House, a stately 265-room Victorian castle with an award-winning spa, year-round recreation, and stunning vistas.

Walk around the sprawling grounds of Storm King Art Center, an open-air museum with much of the artwork designed for the specific landscapes you'll encounter.

DAY 3:

Hike to the top of Bear Mountain for more spectacular views and a great workout.

End your trip exploring one of this region's charming small towns like Beacon to view modern artwork in a former factory at Dia:Beacon. In Hudson visit the historic home and estate of Hudson River School artist Frederic Church at Olana State Historic Site. Nearby Rhinebeck and Red Hook, watch WWI flying shows at Old Rhinebeck Aerodrome.