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Whether you're new to Westchester or a longtime resident looking to expand your county travels, the 2017 edition of the *Ultimate Guide* is a resource not to be missed.

Internet searches can be a wonderful tool for discovering your community, but also a bane, as the sheer volume of online information can be overwhelming. That's why our *Ultimate Guide* is

a honed resource on all the county has to offer in only the important lifestyle categories: dining, arts and entertainment, shopping, education, outdoor recreation, and real estate.

For foodies and dining-out enthusiasts, there are 150-plus listings, representing towns throughout the county and cuisines from wood-fired artisan pizza to authentic sushi. Can't decide among so many choices? Read the feature "What Our Top Chefs Love to Eat" on page 26 and follow the advice from some of our top toques on which dishes they enjoy at their restaurants, as well as at other county eateries.

If you're looking for an A&E fix, Westchester has exciting options from historic sites that showcase the county's rich past to theaters with performances by both local and world-renowned acts. "The Calendar of Notable Annual Events," on page 62, is a handy resource, offering a monthly rundown of the major county events that draw crowds.

If you're someone who feels the happiest with plastic in hand, there's a wide-ranging listing starting on page 74 of more than 80 stores and shopping centers worth a browse. Also, don't miss the editors' picks of notable shops, including an old-fashioned toy-andbike shop and a store that sells farmhouse-inspired gifts (on an actual farm!), on pages 72 and 73.

The high-achieving nature of so many in our county means education is a top priority. Turn to page 81 for coverage on the scholastic landscape, from pre-K to local colleges.

It would be hard to travel around the county and not notice the many cyclists, joggers, and power-walkers; Westchesterites are a fit bunch who love the outdoors! The recreation section, beginning on page 99, details the more than 18,000 acres of parks, nature centers, sanctuaries, beaches, and preserves to explore.

One of the most appealing draws of the county is the unique nature of each of its communities, including rural-chic hamlets, laid-back Rivertowns, foodie-friendly villages, and sophisticated cities. The "Our Towns" section, starting on page 107, is a primer on the unique character of Westchester's disparate municipalities.

With this guide in hand, there's no excuse not to do some discovering. Dine, shop, play, and just plain revel in all our county has to offer.



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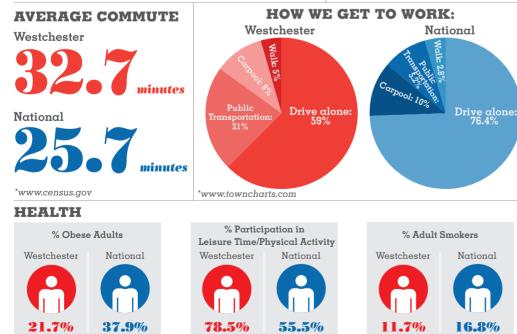
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That's the main attraction at the Brazilian churrascaria—a downtown Port Chester favorite for the past decade.

"We pride ourselves on our service, on the quality of our meats—and on being the best churrascaria in Westchester County," says owner Luiso.

The meal starts with appetizers from the salad bar, including peel-and-eat shrimp and tomatoes with mozzarella cheese. The meat course comes with side dishes—rice, beans, fried bananas, salsa, and yucca flour. If you prefer a single entrée, there's classic Brazilian fare, including moqueca (a fish stew), and for a modern twist, salmon with passion fruit sauce.

For the perfect drink to complement the meal, try a tangy caipirinha, the national drink of Brazil. Copacabana's version was voted Best of Westchester in 2015.

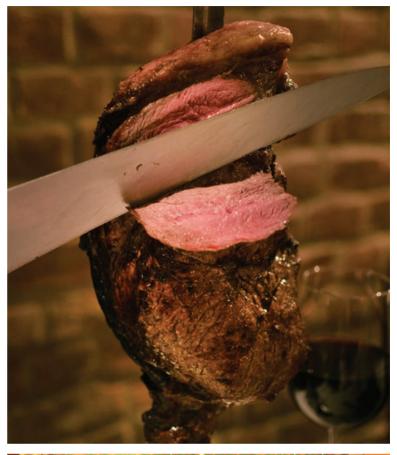
With all that, it may be surprising that people have room for dessert, but they often do, Luiso says. It could be that the various versions of cheesecake, flan, and mousse, all made in-house, are just that irresistible.

Diners enjoy the meals in a lively room with goldyellow walls. A patio section fills with fun-loving soccer fans for televised games. Luiso plans a tiki bar out back to open next spring. But the restaurant's newest venue is its wine bar, centered around a granite slab on wine barrels.

"This is going to be a big hit," Luiso predicts. When complete, the wine bar will add one more feature that makes Copacabana guests feel like they are, in fact, in Brazil!



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# O Dining

There are so many choices for dining out in our restaurant-rich county. Not just Indian, Italian, French, and Mexican but also Afghan, Persian, Ethiopian—even Nepalese! Westchester really is a foodie nirvana, and we've served it up for you in the pages that follow, with dishes from our top chefs and a dining guide highlighting the top choices in virtually every town.



Dining in Westchester has never been better. To pick the county's top dishes, we turned to the people who know our culinary landscape best. Read on to Find out what 20 of our most celebrated chefs are eating on their rare nights off—and what they'd order from their own menus.

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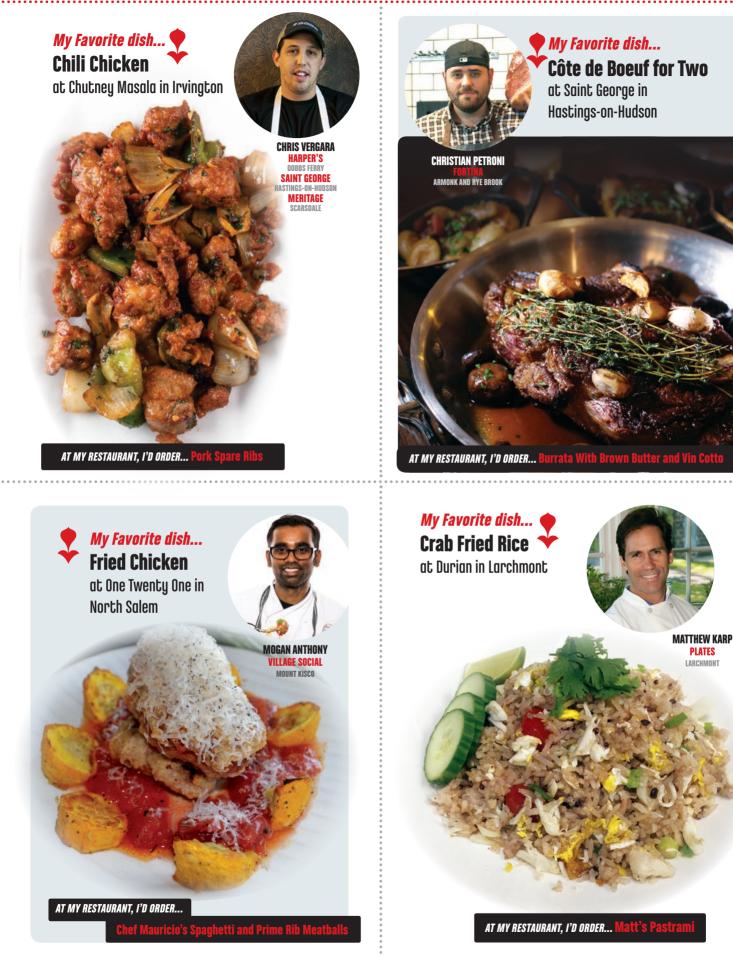
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AT MY RESTAURANT, I'D ORDER... Scallop Sala

# Roll WithIt: 23 Great Westchester Sandwiches

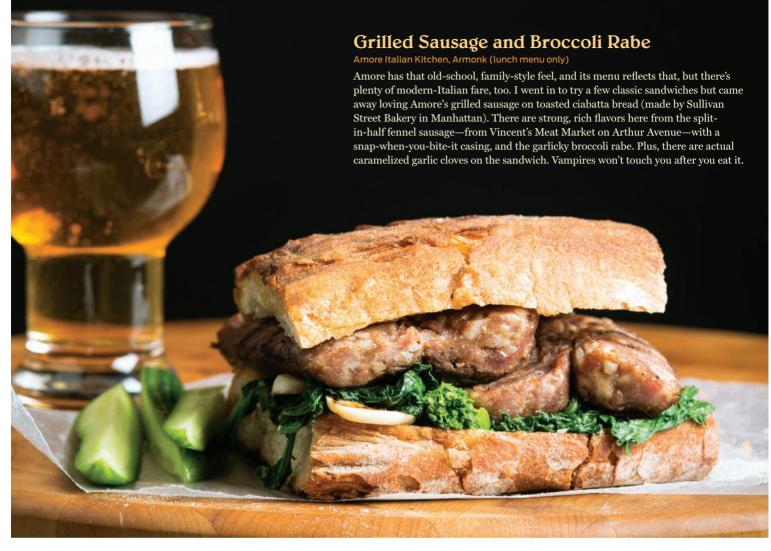
Hot or cold, piled high or melty with cheese, these are the county's must-have between-the-bread masterpieces.

#### **By Andrew Dominick**

The sandwich is arguably the supreme ruler of the food world what a simple concept yet so many permutations. Sandwiches are approachable, sometimes messy, downright delicious, and you probably find yourself scarfing one down more often than you'd care to admit. Still, a little more sandwich knowledge is a good thing, so embrace each one with both hands and an open mouth, and check out the **Great Sandwiches of Westchester** 

### Porchetta

Tarry Market, Port Chester I doubt there's a soul who can make a porchetta sandwich better than the Mario Batali/Joe and Lidia Bastianich-owned Tarry Market. The deboned pork is stuffed with hot sausage and slow-roasted to juicy perfection with crispy skin. The sandwich itself is simple: They slice and hack it up in front of you, including parts of the chicharrón-like skin, for added greasy crunch, and throw it on fresh Italian bread drizzled with EVOO.





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#### Cubano Iron Vine, Peekskill

A real Cubano is made with buttered Cuban bread and then pressed to toasty perfection—exactly what they're doing at Iron Vine. They keep it mostly original, with Cuban bread from Rockland Bakery and all the traditional ingredients, like country ham, tender mojo pork, pickles, and mustard. The only thing they do that deviates from the norm is they use Gruyère instead of Swiss, which makes it nuttier and, ultimately, better.





### Panino

#### Porta Napoli, Harrison



#### Balboa Larchmont Tavern, Larchmont

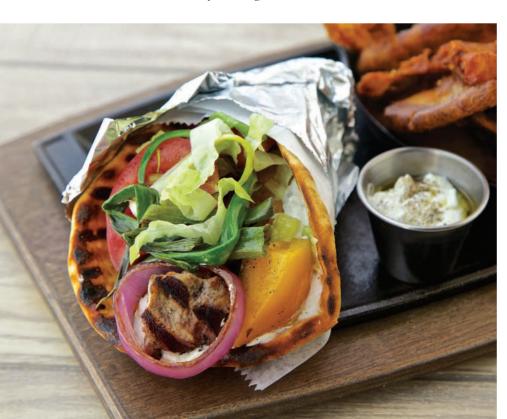
Toasty garlic bread, housemade rare roast beef smothered in melted Swiss, and ready to plunge into a vat of natural juices. Yeah, we're talking about that decades-old decadence known as the Balboa, whose gooey perfection can be enjoyed every day at one of the sandwich's earliest purveyors, Larchmont Tavern. Porta Napoli is doing wood-fired panini (I dare you to find one anywhere else) by using their very light pizza dough, which gets cut into a squarish shape, baked to rise, cut and stuffed, and fired again until that dough gets a perfect blistering. Their namesake panino (grilled chicken, avocado, homemade mozzarella, arugula, lemon vinaigrette) is fresh, fragrant, and on the lighter side. I have a feeling I'll be a regular for a long time to come.



## Chicken Souvlaki

MP Taverna, Irvington

The pita is light, not doughy, and stuffed with chunks of marinated broiled chicken and all the classic veggie ingredients (tomato, lettuce, onion, roasted red peppers) and tzatziki sauce that has so much flavor, they should bottle and sell it. What's perfect about the marriage of ingredients is there's not an overuse of any one thing, and it's not overdressed.





## Tammy Special (chicken cutlet) Royal Scarlet Deli, White Plains

It's no wonder Royal Scarlet Deli has been open for 75 years and counting. They serve up just about every classic sandwich you can think of, plus a bunch of original creations. Their chicken-cutlet flavor combos, stacked with thick pieces of fried, boneless breasts on crusty Italian wedges, are some of the best. I chose the Tammy Special, which marries the cutlets with plenty of roasted red peppers, fresh mozzarella, and lots of sweet honey mustard.

## **Parm Stars**

### Eggplant Parm

Amore Pizzeria & Italian Kitchen, Armonk

I judge eggplant by its tenderness and by whether you can tell it's eggplant. You see, I'm just not a fan. However, I kept wanting more of Amore's version, and having a rustic tomato sauce helps big time. If this eggplantparm non-fan liked it, true believers will love it.

#### Meatball Parm

Fortina, Armonk, Rye Brook, Stamford

It was a no-brainer for Fortina to take their already excellent deep-fried meatballs and tomato ragù and line them up on toasted Italian bread topped with copious amounts of grated Parmesan.

#### "BOH" Sandwich (chicken parm)

#### Amore Cucina & Bar, Stamford

While most spots make it classic, Bruno DiFabio's Amore puts their own spin on a chicken parm by adding a couple fried eggs and a touch of spicy Sriracha on top of house-made bread. Eggs and chicken parm? It works for brunch, lunch, or dinner.





## Crispy Calamari Sandwich

Lex is a cozy, classy restaurant, but to take down this seafood sandwich and its sides, you'll need your elastic-waist sweatpants. While Lex offers only a few sandwich options, the crispy calamari stands out because you don't see something like this very often. It's a weighty sandwich on crusty Italian bread, stuffed to the max with lightly breaded squid, which offers a slight crunch while remaining tender. The tartar sauce that consists of yogurt, tuna belly, caviar, and dill, adds elements of creaminess and saltiness with an herbaceousness really coming through.

## Fresh Roasted Turkey

Melt Sandwich Company, White Plains Melt Sandwich Company has endless options for creating your own sandwich. Some go together perfectly; with others, you can use your imagination and create something wild. It all starts with Melt's juicy roasted meats-done on the premises. They get serious props for their turkey, which somehow isn't at all dry. I paired the turkey with their cheddar-bacon-flavor profile. which means it comes with small chunks of smoked bacon, ripened tomatoes, gooey cheddar, and a spicy/smoky chipotle rémoulade.



## Italian Combo

#### Cosmo & Alex Pisano Bros, Mamaroneck

When you step into this Mamaroneck Avenue Italian deli, you have to stop for a second and remember you're in a place that only *looks* like it belongs on Arthur Avenue. You should order an Italian combo—on a wedge—so you can experience the bread's chewy softness. The meat in combos differs from place to place, but at Cosmo & Alex, they're giving us a variety of hams: domestic, mortadella, capicola, and prosciutto—all layered evenly, so as not to give too much of any single ham. All that is combined with a sharp and strong provolone, not too many veggies (lettuce and tomato) and a restrained use of oil and vinegar, so the cold cuts stand on their own.



### Curried Chicken Salad Sandwich

Bedford Gourmet, Bedford

Bedford Gourmet has a kicked-up chicken salad sandwich using its own curry blend, mixed with mayo and dill, that adds way more flavor than that bland, white mixture you're used to. It's served on Russian black bread that has a sweet, pumpernickel quality to it.





#### Mortadella Exit 4 Food Hall, Mount Kisco

They've got lots of choices under one roof (Italian, seafood, sushi, barbecue, local craft beer, and more) at Exit 4. One thing they're not short on is sandwiches. The mortadella on brick-oven-baked focaccia bread with arugula, Brie, and sweet-fig jam was my overall winner out of about 10 sandwiches sampled.

Andrew Dominick lives in Norwalk, Connecticut, and is a food blogger/photographer. His favorite sandwich while doing research for this story was the porchetta at Tarry Market. Photographs by Jennifer May (pages 127, 128 bottom, 130, 133 top, and 134); food & props by Kersti Bowser/Gournet Butterfly Media. Additional photography by Roy Gumpel (pages 129 top, bottom left, and right; 132, 133 bottom left and right; 135 top); Andre Baranowski (page 131 top).

#### Key to Symbols



\$ Average entrée \$10 or less \$\$ Average entrée between \$11 and \$17 \$\$\$ Average entrée between \$18 and \$24 \$\$\$\$ Average entrée above \$25 Restaurants reviewed starting January 2014 Reviewers judge restaurants in three categories: Food, Service, and Atmosphere. Reviewers dine anonymously and make at least two visits. \*\*\*\* Excellent \*\*\* Good \*\* Average \* Poor (Restaurants with one set of stars were reviewed before January 2014)

## Ardsley

#### Fiesta Mexico Restaurant Mexican \$\$

Try authentic Mexican fare along with a medley of Tex-Mex offerings. Grilled pork chops in a tomatillo sauce, enchiladas poblanas, tacos al carbón, and fajitas with grilled marinated shrimp are popular dishes. Lunch and dinner are served every day. Reservations recommended on weekends. *468 Ashford Ave, Ardsley (914) 478-4672 www.fiestamexicoardsley.com* 

#### La Catena Italian Restaurant Italian \$\$\$

On the menu at this white-tablecloth Italian restaurant: pappardelle Emiliano; chicken paesana (on-the-bone chicken with vinegar peppers, cottage potatoes, and mushrooms); pork braciola; and grilled swordfish. Desserts, including apple strudel, are homemade. Open every day for lunch and dinner. Reservations recommended. *871 Saw Mill River Rd, Ardsley* (914) 231-9260; *www.lacatenaardsley.com* 

#### L'inizio Italian \$\$\$\$

Executive Chef Scott Fratangelo's menu at L'inizio is divided along traditional Italian lines: antipasti, primi, pasta, secondi, and sides. Go with a pasta and choose from dishes like ricotta cavatelli with fennelsausage Bolognese and Parmesan or acorn-squash ravioli with Crown Maple brown butter; or opt for one of the secondi such as seared New York strip steak. Reservations recommended. *698 Saw Mill River Rd, Ardsley (914) 693-5400; www.liniziony.com Food:* ★★★½ *Service:* ★★★½ *Atmosphere:* ★★★ (08/2014)

## Armonk

#### **Amore Pizzeria & Italian Kitchen** Italian \$\$

This modern Italian eatery offers artfully prepared Italian fare in a casual, family-friendly atmosphere. The menu ranges from brick-oven-style pizza to a slew of traditional Italian pasta dishes, like aglio e olio, alla vodka, Amatriciana, and Bolognese, plus a variety of customizable and pre-fab salads. Open every day for lunch and dinner. *1 Kent Pl, Armonk* (914) 273-3535; www.amorearmonk.com

#### Beehive Restaurant Continental \$\$\$

Set in a modern country house with an open kitchen, this restaurant offers comfort fare along with Greek and Continental specialties. Braised short ribs, moussaka, and Belgian-style mussels are the entrées to try. Outdoor seating is available. Open every day for breakfast, lunch, and dinner, with brunch on Sun. 30 Old Rte 22, Armonk (914) 765-0688; www.beehive-restaurant.com

#### Fortina Restaurant Italian \$\$

Food Network's *Chopped* winner Christian Petroni, formerly of Barcelona Greenwich, serves wood-fired Italian specialties at this restaurant duo. Diners can enjoy entrées such as wood-roasted chicken and prime dry-aged rib-eye, or one of many specialty pizzas. An international wine list with most bottles from \$29 to \$100 is offered. Outdoor seating is available. Open Mon to Fri for lunch and dinner, Sat for dinner only, and Sun for brunch and dinner. Reservations recommended. *17 Maple Ave, Armonk* (914) 273-0900; *136 S Ridge St, Rye Brook* (914) 937-0900; www.fortinapizza.com **\*\*\*** (11/2013)

#### Moderne Barn New American \$\$\$

The Livanos Restaurant Group's (City Limits Diners, Molyvos, Oceana, Ousia) hometown eatery is a New American restaurant with Mediterranean touches served in a chic, modern setting. Executive Chef Ethan Kostbar uses natural, locally grown ingredients to create such dishes as black peppercorn seared tuna and lobster cobb salad. Open for lunch Mon to Fri, every day for dinner, and Sun for brunch. A \$20 two-course express lunch is offered. 430 Bedford Rd, Armonk (914) 730-0001; www.modernebarn.com **\*\*\*** (12/2010)

#### Restaurant North New American \$\$\$

The seasonal menu by Chef Matt Casino changes daily at this farm-to-table eatery. Menu selections have included pan-roasted Chatham cod, orecchiette with lamb Bolognese, and scallops with fennel soubise. Stephen Mancini, previously wine director at Union Square Cafe, is co-owner. Open for lunch Tues to Fri, dinner Tues to Sun, and brunch Sat and Sun. 386 Main St, Armonk (914) 273-8686 www.restaurantnorth.com

#### Zero Otto Nove Italian \$\$\$

Zero Otto Nove's owner Roberto Paciullo is widely credited for christening Arthur Avenue with serious Italian dining credentials (on top of being an Italian ingredient shopping destination) when he opened Roberto's there in the mid '80s. Zero Otto Nove is his second creation, with locations in the Bronx and Manhattan and, now, Armonk. Like its sister restaurants, it offers a wide selection of pizzas, antipasti, homemade pasta, and meats. Lunch and dinner Tues to Sun. 55 Old Rte 22, Armonk (914) 273-0089; www.089armonk.roberto089.com Food: **\*\*** Service: **\*\*\*** Atmosphere: **\*\*** (12/2014)

## Bedford

#### The Barn New American \$\$\$

Campagna's casual sister at Bedford Post Inn. On the menu: a white label burger made from chuck, brisket, short rib, and aged rib-eye; spaghetti with shrimp and Calabrian chilies; and branzino with charred fennel and gold bar squash. Breakfast and lunch Wed through Fri; brunch Sat and Sun. 945 Old Post Rd, Bedford (914) 234-6386; www.campagna-bedford.com

#### Bedford 234 New American \$\$\$

More than 20 local farms and purveyors supply the ingredients for the globally inspired seasonal comfort food served at this chic Bedford restaurant. Popular dishes include lobster knuckle "escargot"; Long Island duck lacquered with aged sherry; and roasted pork belly bao buns. Open for lunch and dinner Wed to Fri, brunch and dinner Sat and Sun, and dinner only Tues. Reservations are not accepted. 635 Old Post Rd, Bedford (914) 234-5656/(914) 234-2507; www.bedford234.com Food: **\*\*\*** Service: **\*\*\***/<sub>2</sub> Atmosphere: **\*\*\*** (09/2015)





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#### Campagna Italian \$\$\$\$

The Bedford Post Inn's flagship dining option, offering a range of antipasti, pasta, fish, meat, and sides. Dishes to try: creste nero — black pasta with shrimp, squid, scallop, Calabrian chilies, and tarragon; ippoglosso — pan-seared halibut in a shellfish broth with chickpeas and salsa verde; and bistecca — New York strip steak with bone marrow panzanella, roasted onion, red wine sauce, and aged balsamic. Open for dinner Wed through Sun. 945 Old Post Rd, Bedford (914) 234-6386; www.campagna-bedford.com Food: **\*\*\***<sup>1/2</sup> Service: **\*\*** Atmosphere: **\*\*** (02/2015)

#### La Crémaillère French \$\$\$\$

The regular dinner menu at this picturesque French stalwart features seared sea scallops, rack of American lamb, and mussel soup with saffron. Wonderful soufflés are for dessert. A spring and summer three-course, prix-fixe lunch menu (\$32) is offered from 12 pm to 2:30 pm Thurs to Sat and 1 to 3 pm Sun. Lunch is served Thurs to Sun and dinner Tues to Sun. Reservations advisable. 46 Bedford-Banksville Rd, Bedford (914) 234-9647; www.frenchcountryrestaurant.com

#### Ristorante Lucia Italian \$\$\$

A Tuscan-inspired farmhouse is the setting for this restaurant that serves Italian comfort food. Entrées offered include salmon limoncello, stuffed lobster tail, Parmesan-crusted chicken, and homemade gnocchi Bolognese. A selection of gourmet pizzas is also available. Outdoor seating is available. Open for lunch and dinner daily. 454 Old Post Rd, Bedford (914) 234-7600; www.ristorantelucia.com

#### **TRUCK** Mexican/Southwestern \$\$

The majority of produce is local and organic at this Southwestern restaurant (predominantly Northern New Mexican). On the menu: tacos (fried oyster, surf and turf), enchiladas (mushroom, grass-fed beef), burritos, and quesadillas. Signature desserts include snowball cake and "twinkies" (organic carrot cake filled with cream cheese icing). Open Tues to Fri and Sun for lunch and dinner; Sat dinner only. 391 Old Post Rd, Bedford (914) 234-8900; www.truckrestaurant.com **\*\*** (06/2013)

## **Briarcliff Manor**

#### Flames Bar And Grill Steakhouse \$\$\$

This steakhouse serves up old favorites like dryaged porterhouse steaks and Nova Scotia lobster. Dine in the 60,000-plus-bottle wine cellar or in the private dining room. Open Tues to Sun for dinner; Sun for lunch and dinner. Reservations recommended. 533 N State Rd, Briarcliff Manor (914) 923-3100; www.flamesbarandgrill.com

## Bronxville

#### Dumpling + Noodle Asian \$

Auston Chu and his wife IWen Chen opened Dumpling + Noodle in January 2013 and it's since become one of the most popular eateries in town. Menu selections include homemade soups and a variety of noodle and rice dishes. Delivery is offered Mon to Sat from 6 pm to 9 pm. Dumpling + Noodle is open daily for lunch and dinner. 26 Palmer Ave, Bronxville (914) 779-0902; www.dumplingnoodle.com ★ 1/2 (10/2013)

#### Park 143 Bistro & Fish Seafood \$\$

Andrew Hopkins is executive chef at this 65-seat seafood-centric bistro. On the menu: fried oysters, shrimp and grits with smoked cheddar, and a variety of mussels pots with internationally inspired flavors like chipotle, chorizo, and lime. Open weekdays for lunch, every day for dinner, and brunch on weekends. *143 Parkway Rd, Bronxville (914) 337-5100;* www.park143bistroandfish.com

#### Chappaqua

#### **Crabtree's Kittle House** New American \$\$\$\$

Jay Lippin is executive chef at this New American restaurant where the specialties include bigeye tuna served with a crispy sushi rice cake; Berkshire pork chop with Okinawa potato purée, glazed cipollinis and young carrots; and warm Valrhona chocolate "gift" dessert. The Grand Award-winning wine cellar houses 60,000 bottles. Go for dinner, breakfast, lunch on weekdays, or Sun brunch, but call ahead to reserve a spot. 11 Kittle Rd (off Rte 117), Chappaqua (914) 666-8044; www.kittlehouse.com

#### Le Jardin Du Roi French \$\$\$\$

A casual spot serving authentic French bistro fare. Popular dishes include French toast, croque madame, steak au poivre, and shrimp flambé. Open every day 8 am to midnight, for breakfast, lunch, and dinner with brunch on Sun. Alfresco dining available. Reservations recommended. 95 King St, Chappaqua (914) 238-1368; www.lejardinchappaqua.com

#### **Croton-on-Hudson**

#### **Hopscotch** New American \$\$\$

Expect a wide-range of culinary influences — Japanese, French, and Mediterranean among them — in the innovative and complex dishes at this small restaurant, e.g., acorn squash with miso, black barley, and burrata; short ribs with plums, peanuts, and celeriac; and lasagna with rock shrimp, sunchokes,



and sage. Outdoor seating is available on a newly constructed terrace. Open Tues to Sun for dinner from 5 pm to 10 pm. Reservations recommended. 8 Old Post Rd S, Croton-on-Hudson (914) 271-1100; www.hopscotchwestchester.com Food: ★★★ Service: ★★★ Atmosphere: ★★ (03/2015)

#### Ocean House Seafood \$\$\$

A small diner was transformed into a tiny (24-seat) dinner-only oyster bar and grill. Self-taught chef Brian Galvin presents New England-style seafood dishes including Maine lobster roll, fried West Coast oysters, and pan-seared Norwegian salmon with eggplant chutney and curry vinaigrette. Reservations are not accepted. BYOB. Open for dinner Tues to Sat. 49 N Riverside Ave, Croton-on-Hudson (914) 271-0702; www.oceanhouseoysterbar.com

#### **Tagine Restaurant & Wine Bar** French/Moroccan \$\$\$

Expect French dishes with a Moroccan twist at this restaurant. On the menu: classic steak frites, 15-minute fish stew (the restaurant's take on bouillabaisse), and traditional Moroccan dishes like lamb and vegetable tagine. Beer, wine, and sangria are available on tap. Open Tues through Sun for dinner. No reservations accepted. 120 Grand St, Croton-on-Hudson (914) 827-9393; www.taginecroton.com  $\star \star \frac{1}{2}$  (07/2013)

#### **Dobbs Ferry**

#### Cedar Street Grill Traditional American/Southern \$\$\$

It's a family affair at Cedar Street, where Chef Matt Kay along with brother Joe and mom Cathy, are co-owners of this 68-seat restaurant serving comfort food with an emphasis on Southern American dishes. Entrées worth trying include Southern fried chicken with house gravy; baby back ribs; and a cheddar burger with applewood-smoked bacon and caramelized onions. Live soft rock and country music weekly. 23 Cedar St, Dobbs Ferry (914) 674-0706; www.cedarstreetgrillny.com



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#### The Cookery Italian \$\$\$

This progressive Italian restaurant from Chef Dave DiBari serves some of the county's most creative fare with an emphasis on pork (smoked pig's head donut, crispy pork osso buco with apple mostarda), fresh pasta (radiatore with lamb Bolognese, cauliflower ravioli in brown butter), and unique specials. Small-plates brunch Sat and Sun; closed Mon. 39 *Chestnut St, Dobbs Ferry* (914) 305-2336; www.thecookeryrestaurant.com

#### Harper's New American \$\$\$

This 80-seat New American bistro by Chef Chris Vergara (also owner/chef at Meritage in Scarsdale and Saint George in Hastings) offers such dishes as monkfish stew, Hudson Valley duck breast, and lamb shank confit. Order a drink from the thoughtfully crafted cocktail list. Garden patio seating adjacent to the Croton Aqueduct wall is available in warmer months. Open for dinner every day, plus Sat and Sun brunch. Reservations recommended. 92 Main St, Dobbs Ferry (914) 693-2306;

www.harpersonmain.com

#### The Parlor Pizza \$\$

The latest from Chef David DiBari features a selection of craft pizzas à la his DoughNation pizza truck. Look for mainstays like the Nonna Pierina pizza with tomato, shallots, roasted garlic, and chili oil; housesmoked pepperoni; and polpette with meatballs from The Cookery (DiBari's other Dobbs Ferry eatery). Pizza specials include clam, smoked tripe, and bone marrow. Apps are largely vegetarian or seafood-based, and there's wine on tap, along with craft beer and "bottled" cocktails, which come in hip flasks. Open Wed to Sun for lunch and dinner; Tues, dinner only. 14 Cedar St, Dobbs Ferry (914) 478-8200; www.theparlordf.com Food: ★★★½ Service: ★★★ Atmosphere: ★★★ (03/2014

#### **Sushi Mike's Japanese Restaurant** Japanese \$\$\$

Popular for its special sushi rolls (the "Out of Control" is a favorite), this neighborhood Japanese restaurant is often packed. In addition to the sushi and sashimi specials and maki rolls, hot entrées are offered. Open for lunch and dinner Mon to Sat; dinner only on Sun. Reservations suggested. 146 Main St, Dobbs Ferry (914) 591-0054; www.sushimikes.com ★ ½ (10/2013)

## Eastchester

#### **Burrata Wood Fired Pizza** *Pizza* \$\$

This upscale pizzeria and restaurant offers woodfired, 10- to 12-inch personal pies baked in a goldmosaic Stefano Ferrara Napoli oven. Among the pizzas: burrata with fresh garlic and wild mushrooms, Gruyère and pancetta with cognac onions, and spicy sopressata with fresh mozzarella. Italian wines and beers are offered. A \$10 lunch prix fixe (a soup or salad and pizza) is available. Open every day for lunch and dinner. 425 White Plains Rd, Eastchester (914) 337-3700; www.burratapizza.com ★★★ (09/2012)

#### Piper's Kilt Pub \$\$

A county institution, this classic pub serves cold pints, ethereal onion rings, and pretty-near-perfect 1/2-pound burgers. Kitchen hours everyday until midnight. 433 White Plains Rd, Eastchester (914) 779-5772; www.piperskilt.com



#### Polpettina Italian/Pizza \$\$

Three kinds of meatballs — classic beer, Asianinflected chicken, and spicy pork — are just the beginning at Polpettina. Dishes to try include eggplant chips drizzled with honey, creatively topped pizzas, and pappardelle with white Bolognese. Along with the Brooklyn-esque vibe come seasonal cocktails and craft coffee. *102 Fisher Ave, Eastchester* (914) 961-0061; 147 Larchmont Ave, Larchmont (914) 341-1460; www.polpettina.com

#### Yefsi Estiatorio Greek \$\$\$

This upscale, 160-seat Greek restaurant (with a second location in Manhattan) serves refined takes on "homestyle Greek cuisine" in a stylish atmosphere. Many ingredients – olive oil, cheeses, herbs – are sourced from Crete, and expect an extensive selection of Greek wines and beers.

219 Main St, Eastchester (914) 779-8988; www.yefsiny.com Food: ★★½ Service: ★★★ Atmosphere:★★ (12/2016)

#### Elmsford

#### Pete's Saloon Traditional American \$\$\$

American-style pub serving burgers and steaks, as well as fish, wraps, and French onion soup. Psychic readings Tues at 5 pm; live jazz Tues at 9:30 pm; karaoke on Thurs; live rock and folk music Fri and Sat. A late-night menu is offered 10:30 to midnight. Open daily for lunch and dinner. 8 W Main St, Elmsford (914) 592-9849; www.petessaloon.com

#### Raasa Indian Cuisine Indian \$\$\$

Décor is modern at 100-seat Raasa, the county's latest full-bar-bearing Indian destination. Chef Peter Beck's menu is broken into the genre's usual categories — tandoori, lamb, chicken, fish, vegan, and vegetarian, plus an assortment of Mughlai dum biryani and British Goan curries. For dessert: order the mango shrikhand — strained yogurt made with mango pulp and cardamom, and topped with sliced mango. Open daily. 145 E Main St, Elmsford (914) 347-7890; www.raasamy.com Food:  $\star \star \frac{1}{2}$  Service:  $\star \star \frac{1}{2}$ Atmosphere:  $\star \star \star$  (05/2015)

#### Hawthorne

#### Tramonto Restaurant Italian \$\$\$

Antipasti platters and brick-oven pizzas are popular starters at this regional Italian restaurant. Entrées include veal Milanese, homemade gnocchi, and potato-crusted salmon. Open Mon to Fri for lunch and dinner; Sat and Sun, dinner only. Reservations suggested. *27 Saw Mill River Rd*, *Hawthorne* (914) 347-8220; *www.tramontos.com* 



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## Harrison

#### **Emilio Ristorante** Italian \$\$\$

Authentic regional Italian cuisine — with pasta made fresh on the premises — served in a classical Colonial home. Huge antipasto offerings brought tableside. A dessert favorite: poached pears with wine and cinnamon. Lunch and dinner served Tues to Fri; closed Mon; Sat and Sun dinner only. *1 Colonial Pl, Harrison (914) 835-3100; www.emilioristorante.com* 

#### Porta Napoli Italian/Pizza \$\$

This Southern Italian restaurant is from the owners of Kesté Pizza & Vino in Manhattan's West Village. There's 20-plus Neapolitan-style thin-crust pies from a Stefano Ferrara wood-burning oven, plus plated entrées such as tortellini in a cream sauce with prosciutto di Parma and chicken scarpariello. A number of gluten-free pizzas are also offered. 261 Halstead Ave, Harrison (914) 732-3232; www.portanapoliny.com

#### **273 Kitchen** Mediterranean \$\$\$

Constantine Kalandranis is executive chef at this cozy, 31-seat restaurant serving a Mediterraneaninspired menu that changes daily and is divided into small plates, medium-small plates, and entrées. Expect dishes such as Montauk fluke crudo sprinkled with pickled Rainier cherries; yuca fries served atop a smoky eggplant Romanesco sauce; and tender braised Spanish octopus. Open for dinner Mon to Sat and lunch and dinner Sun. 273 Halstead Ave, Harrison (914) 732-3333; www.273kitchen.com Food: \*\*\*<sup>1/2</sup> Service: \*\*\*\* Atmosphere: \*\*\*<sup>1/2</sup> (10/2015)

#### Hartsdale

#### Fantasy Cuisine Chinese \$\$

Fantasy offers Szechuan-inspired Chinese at affordable prices. Dumplings, in all forms, are a must-try, and classic Szechuan entrées come in "styles," like kung pao, salt 'n' pepper, and scallion. More familiar dishes (beef and broccoli, General Tso's) are offered as well. Open every day for lunch and dinner. 20 N Central Ave, Hartsdale (914) 358-9046; www.fantasy cuisine.com Food: **\*\*\*** Service: **\*\*** Atmosphere:**\*\***<sup>1/2</sup> (01/2015)

#### Frankie & Fanucci's Wood Oven Pizzeria Italian \$\$

Frankie & Fanucci's offers customers thin-crust pizza cooked in an 800-degree wood-fired oven. Choose from one of the 20-plus toppings (from pepperoni to roasted peppers) or order one of their favorites (spicy sausage and onion; di Parma; meatball, sausage, and pepperoni; white



clam; and zucchini, mushrooms, caramelized onions, and roasted peppers). At the Mamaroneck location is a Pour-Your-Own Taproom with more than 30 pay-by-the-ounce craft beers plus wines. 202 E Hartsdale Ave, Hartsdale (914) 725-8400; 301 Mamaroneck Ave, Mamaroneck (914) 630-4360; www.fandfpizza.com

#### Saigonese Vietnamese \$\$

On the menu at this Vietnamese restaurant are summer rolls (i.e., Saigon roll with dried Vietnamese sausage, jicama, scrambled egg, vermicelli, and black-bean sauce); banh cuon cha lua (steamed rice crêpes); and six versions of pho. Try the lychee drink and, for dessert, the traditional Vietnamese rainbow ice with coconut milk. Open Tues to Sun for lunch and dinner. *158 S Central Ave, Hartsdale* (914) 288-9088 **\*\*\*** (08/2013)

## Hastings-on-Hudson The Mill Gastropub \$\$\$

The menu at The Mill focuses on seasonal and local ingredients. Look for gastropub dishes like stout-braised brisket sliders and a lamb burger with Kalamata olives, red onion, oregano, and feta sauce, along with burgers and pizza. Happy Hour runs Tues to Thurs from 5 pm to 7 pm and includes drink and food specials. Reservations accepted on weekdays for parties of eight or more. Open Tues to Sun for dinner. 583 Warburton Ave, Hastings-on-Hudson (914) 231-7772; www.themillhastings.com

#### Saint George Bistro French Bistro \$\$\$

From Executive Chef Chris Vergara (Meritage and Harper's Restaurant), this contemporary French bistro offers dishes like cod confit with piperade, olives, and marcona almonds; steak frites; and local duck breast, along with a raw bar, charcuterie and French cheeses, and an all-French wine list. Open Tues to Sun for dinner only. Reservations recommended. *155 Southside Ave, Hastings-on-Hudson* (914) 478-1671; www.saintgeorgebistro.com

#### Irvington

#### Chutney Masala Indian \$\$\$

Chef Navjot Arora offers an under-\$10 small-plates menu (crispy okra slivers, onion fritters, lamb kebab) at this modern Indian bi-level bistro, named "Best New Indian Restaurant 2009" by Westchester Magazine. Popular dinner entrées include tandoori shrimp in a pomegranate-and-yogurt marinade and lamb curry. Specials offered weekly. Open every day for lunch and dinner. Reservations suggested. *76 Main St, Irvington (914) 591-5500; www.chutneymasala.com* 

#### Il Sorriso Italian \$\$\$

Traditional Italian fare served in a charming Colonial house with river views. Lamb osso buco, grilled jumbo shrimp, and veal scaloppini with artichokes are favorite dishes. A private wine cellar for up to 16 guests is offered. Open Tues through Sun for lunch and dinner. 5 N Buckhout St, Irvington (914) 591-2525; www.ilsorriso.com

#### La Chinita Poblana Mexican \$\$\$

In the space that was formerly Sixty One Bistro, Chef Juan Aguilar serves gourmet Mexican with an eye on presentation. Look for a mix of Mexican-American and authentic Mexican dishes like grilled cactus and stuffed chiles rellenos. Tacos, salads, and soups served as well. Open Mon thru Sat for lunch and dinner; Sunday from 2 pm to 9 pm. 61 Main St, Irvington (914) 231-9398; www.chinitapoblanany.com Food: **\*\*\*** Service: **\*\*\*** Atmosphere: **\*\*\*** (06/2015)

#### Mima Vinoteca Italian \$\$\$

The owners of Zuppa in Yonkers run this trattoria serving Italian "home-cooking." Dishes to try include: orecchiette with egg, black pepper, onion, smoked bacon, and Parmigiano Reggiano; braised short ribs; and wild salmon. A 25-plus wine-by-the-glass menu is offered. Open for lunch Tues to Fri and dinner every day. Reservations recommended. 63 Main St, Irvington (914) 591-1300; www.mimarestaurant.com  $\star \star \star$  (02/2013)



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#### Red Hat On The River French Bistro \$\$\$

There are stunning Hudson River views to be enjoyed at this stylish bistro. Menu selections include steak frites, steamed mussels, and frisée aux lardons. Don't skip the apple tarte Tatin. Live jazz on Wed nights. Reservations recommended. Open for lunch weekdays; dinner every day; brunch on Sun. 1 Bridge St, Irvington (914) 591-5888; www.redhatbistro.com

#### Katonah

#### **Peppino's Ristorante** Northern Italian \$\$\$

Lots of regulars come to this family-owned (since 1991) restaurant, located in a converted train station, to sit at candlelit tables and dine on veal Sorrentino, eggplant Parmigiana, tilapia marechiare, and any of more than 12 pasta dishes. The predominantly Italian wine list has bottles that mostly range from \$30 to \$70. Outdoor dining is available in warmer temps. Open every day for lunch and dinner. Reservations recommended. *116 Katonah Ave, Katonah (914) 232-3212;* www.peppinosristorante.com

#### Larchmont

#### Encore Bistro Français French \$\$\$

Enjoy savory French cuisine in a charming bistro setting, including homemade pâté, escargot, breast of duck, and sweetbreads. Sidewalk dining available. Open every day for lunch and dinner. A three-course prix fixe lunch is offered Mon to Sat for \$14.50. Reservations suggested on the weekend. 22 Chatsworth Ave, Larchmont (914) 833-1661; www.encore-bistro.com

#### Lenny's Seafood And Steakhouse Steakhouse \$\$\$\$

At Lenny's, all steaks are dry-aged for 21 days. Take your pick: a 46-oz. porterhouse for four; a 6-oz. petite filet; or a 16-oz. New York strip (there are more choices, too). A range of seafood and pasta dishes



and a raw bar are available as well. Reservations recommended. Open Tues to Sun for lunch and dinner; Mon for dinner. 2047 Boston Post Rd, Larchmont (914) 630-7800; www.lennyssteakhouse.com Food: ★★★½ Service: ★★★½ Atmosphere: ★★★ (04/2016)

#### Lusardi's Italian \$\$\$

Upscale Italian restaurant with Mediterranean accents from the same owner as Moscato and Chat American Grill (Scarsdale) and Chat 19 (Larchmont). Veal martini, house-made fettuccine with mixed mushrooms; rollatini montanara (pasta filled with spinach, ricotta, and porcini); and sea bass encrusted in almonds are the standout dishes. Open every day for lunch and dinner. Reservations a must for weekends. *1885 Palmer Ave, Larchmont (914) 843-5555; www.lusardislarchmont.com* 

#### Madison Kitchen New American \$\$\$\$

Chef and Owner Nick DiBona's menu features creative small plates (fried chicken and blue cheese waffle skewers, "everything"-crusted ahi tuna) and a select number of large dishes, mostly pastas, meant for sharing. For dessert, don't miss his signature Bona Bona ice cream in flavors like rainbow cookie and backyard mint. Open Mon to Sat for dinner; brunch Sat; closed Sun. 7 Madison Ave, Larchmont (914) 732-3024; www.mklarchmont.com

#### Plates New American \$\$\$\$

Chef Matthew Karp's menu is New American cuisine accented with Italian, French, and Asian influences. On the dinner menu: a smoked beef short rib and brisket tacos appetizer, buttermilk fried chicken, Crescent Farms local duck, and three local, grass-fed burgers. A commuter special (half-price apps and cocktail specials 5 pm to 7 pm) is also offered. Lunch is served Tues to Fri and dinner Tues through Sun. 121 Myrtle Blvd, Larchmont (914) 834-1244; www.platesonthepark.com

#### Mamaroneck

#### Il Castello Mediterranean/Italian \$\$\$

Expect homemade pastas and elaborate table presentations at this Italian restaurant, located a stone's throw from the Mamaroneck Metro-North station. On the menu: branzino, veal Siciliano, pappardelle Bolognese, chicken Calabrese, and shrimp scampi. A prix fixe \$20.95 lunch is offered weekdays. Open Tues to Fri for lunch and dinner; Sat and Sun dinner menu all day. Reservations recommended. *576 Mamaroneck Ave, Mamaroneck* (914) 777-2200; www.ilcastellomenu.com

#### Millwood

#### Spaccarelli's Ristorante Italian \$\$\$

This 80-seat Italian eatery specializes in the cuisine of the Abruzzo region. Try the homemade gnocchi, branzino al forno, and pappardelle Bolognese. Specials are offered daily, and alfresco seating is available, weather permitting. Visa and MasterCard only. Closed Mon. 238 Saw Mill River Rd, Millwood (914) 941-0105; www.spaccarellirestaurant.com

#### **Mount Kisco**

#### Cafe Of Love New American \$\$\$\$

Leslie Lampert, owner of gourmet shop Ladle of Love, owns this 55-seat restaurant showcasing local ingredients. Dishes to try include butternut squash, sweet potato, and apple soup with maple syrup; pan-roasted John Fazio Farms duck breast with confit figs and sautéed mustard greens; and truffled





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#### Exit 4 Food Hall Eclectic \$\$

The food-hall trend comes to Mount Kisco with nine stations, serving everything from wood-fired pizzas to barbecue to sushi (plus craft beers and nitro coffee at X4 on Tap). Rustic communal tables made of salvaged and reclaimed wood constitute the majority of the seating. 153 Main St, Mount Kisco (914) 241-1200; www.exit4foodhall.com Food:  $\star \star \star$  Service:  $\star \star \frac{1}{2}$  Atmosphere:  $\star \star \star$  (10/2016)



Exit 4 Food Hall

#### Lexington Square Cafe New American \$\$\$

This casual New American eatery offers lots of seafood and dishes such as braised fish-of-the-day in a green Thai curry, fresh oysters daily, and simply grilled steaks. Elaborate birthday cakes are available. A sweeping staircase leads to a 60-seat private party room popular for showers and christenings. Open for lunch and dinner seven days a week. Reservations recommended on weekends. 510 Lexington Ave, Mount Kisco (914) 244-3663; www.lexingtonsquarecafe.com

#### Little Drunken Chef Global Tapas \$\$\$

This fifth and largest venture from chef-owner Bonnie Saran serves globally inspired tapas (Tibetan momos, Spanish ham-and-cheese croquettes, Scandanavian flatbreads), oysters, and funky craft cocktails (popsicle sangria) in an eclectic, 84-seat space. Expect a popular nightlife scene centered around the bar, which is open late Thurs to Sat. Open daily. 36 E Main St, Mount Kisco (914) 242-8800

#### Village Social New American \$\$\$

Chef Mogan Anthony creates inventive, often Asian-inflected cuisine at this popular Mount Kisco restaurant. The menu includes a variety of small plates, pizzas, and mains ranging from wood-fired chesnut lasagna to salmon with misocitrus butter to a steak sandwich with Manchego, sweet onions, and sambal aioli, plus craft cocktails and beers. Ample outdoor seating. Dinner daily; Lunch Mon-Sat. 251 E Main St, Mount Kisco (914) 864-1255: www.villagesocialkb.com

#### Winston New American \$\$\$

It took three years to design and build this 81-seat, three-story warehouse-style eatery. Executive Chef Michael Williams proffers New American dishes such as New York strip steak with a cumin and mustard rub; Moroccan duck breast glazed with citrus honey and spices; and pan-seared striped bass with citrus-and-pear relish. An open-air rooftop bar and lounge is open during warm weather. Open Tues through Sun for dinner only. 130 E Main St, Mount Kisco (914) 244-9780; www.winstonrestaurant.com

## **Mount Vernon**

#### The Bayou Cajun/Creole \$\$\$

Just blocks from the Cross County Parkway in Mount Vernon, The Bayou is a New Orleans-themed bar where funky decorations, lip-smacking food, and wicked good music combine to give visitors one of the most complete bar experiences in the county. Open for lunch and dinner seven days a week. 580 Gramatan Ave, Mount Vernon (914) 668-2634; www.bayourestaurantny.com

## **New Rochelle**

#### A Place 2 Go Caribbean \$\$

Across from Metro-North is this Caribbean restaurant serving entrées such as jerk chicken, braised oxtail, Dutch pot chicken, and red snapper. For dessert: Jamaican black cake made with rum and dried fruit. Live music weekly on Thurs and Fri. Open Tues to Sun for dinner only. 273 North Ave, New Rochelle (914) 365-2525; www.aplace2gowestchester.com Food:  $\star \star \star \frac{1}{2}$  Service:  $\star \star \star \star$  Atmosphere:  $\star \star \frac{1}{2}$  (01/2014)

#### **Alvin & Friends** Southern/Caribbean \$\$\$

This contemporary Southern and Caribbean eatery features entrées such as jerk-rubbed duck, jumbo lump crab cakes, and the 2011 Best of Westchesterwinning crispy fried chicken. Besides the main dining room, a rear dining room is available for private events. Open for lunch (noon to 3 pm) and dinner

(5 to 11 pm) Tues through Sun, plus brunch and dinner on Sun. 14 Memorial Hwy, New Rochelle (914) 654-6549; www.alvinandfriendsrestaurant.com ★★½ (01/2012)

#### Coromandel Cuisine of India Indian \$\$\$

Enjoy the cuisine that hails from the Southern coast of India in a colorful neon-lit setting. Among the dishes not to be missed are calamari Coromandel, shamm savera, spinach wrapped around mild Indian cheese, sabjo Bhaji (an Indian vegetable stir-fry), and kolmino patio (a dish of crisp, sweet shrimp). Open seven days for lunch and dinner. 30 Division St, New Rochelle (914) 235-8390; coromandelcuisine.com/new-rochelle

#### Modern Restaurant & Lounge Italian \$\$\$

Old-school Italian fare in a contemporary setting. Dishes to order are the chicken parmigiana, veal Sorrentino, pork chop contadina, and whole-wheat spaghetti puttanesca. A selection of brick-oven pizzas is also offered. An 85-person catering room is available. Open Mon for dinner only and Tues through Sun for lunch and dinner. Reservations recommended. 310 Huguenot St, New Rochelle (914) 633-9479; www.modernrestaurant.com

#### NoMa Social Tapas \$\$\$

Chef Bill Rosenberg, formerly of F.I.S.H. and Barcelona, is serving a menu of mostly small plates at the 125-seat NoMa Social in the Radisson Hotel. On the dinner menu entrées include wood-fired pizzas, paella Valenciana, and grilled Colorado lamb. The restaurant also features an extensive wine and beer menu, plus a bar menu. Open for lunch weekdays and dinner every day. Reservations required. 1 Radisson Plz, New Rochelle (914) 576-4141; www.nomasocial.com

## **North Salem**

#### **One Twenty One** New American \$\$\$

CIA grad Beck Bolender returns to One Twenty One as executive chef after beginning his career there at 14. With him comes a menu heavy on seasonal and locally sourced ingredients, changing with the stocks of area farmers' markets. Look for entrées (roasted black bass, tagliatelle with little neck clams, grilled beef tenderloin) and small plates (shrimp ceviche, blackened mango salad, lamb ribs), along with a selection of wood-fired pizzas. Décor is rustic and elegant; veranda seating available. Reservations strongly recommended. Open lunch and dinner Mon to Fri; brunch and dinner Sat and Sun. 2 Dingle Ridge Rd, North Salem (914) 669-0121; www.121restaurant.com Food: **\*\*\*** Service: **\*\*\*** Atmosphere: **\*\***  $\frac{11}{2014}$ 



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#### **Purdy's Farmer & The Fish** Seafood \$\$\$

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#### Ossining

#### Basta Pasta/Pizza \$\$

If you seek out this hidden gem, you're likely to be rewarded with classic Italian appetizers, pastas, pizzas, and mains, expertly executed with an eye toward simplicity and fresh ingredients. The restaurant does not have a liquor license. Closed Mon. 27 *Campwoods Rd*, *Ossining (914) 236-3400; www.basta27.com* 

## Peekskill

#### **Birdsall House** Gastropub \$\$\$

American craft beers (20 on tap) and Hudson Valley ingredients are the focus at this Art Deco tavern with original 1940s booths. Chef Krista Espinal (also executive chef at Gleason's) presents a menu featuring organic fried chicken, an Umami Burger with kimchi butter, and housemade charcuterie. A patio with seating opens in summer months. Open for lunch and dinner every day; Sat and Sun brunch. 970 Main St, Peekskill (914) 930-1880; www.birdsallhouse.net  $\star \star \frac{1}{2}$  (07/2010)

#### Gleason's Pizza \$\$

Tim Reinke and John Sharp, owners of nearby Birdsall House, own this 60-seat restaurant named after actor and former Peekskill resident Jackie Gleason. Krista Espinal, chef at Birdsall House, oversees the kitchen. On the menu: artisan flatbread pizzas, pasta dishes, soups, and salads. Dishes to try are the Margherita pizza, sausage and broccoli rabe pizza, and orecchiette with lamb. Open Mon to Sat for lunch and dinner. 911 South St, Peekskill (914) 402-1950; www.gleasonspeekskill.com ★★★ (04/2013)



#### Iron Vine Tapas \$\$\$

Owner Gabriel Arango restored this 1863 building using only materials found in Peekskill and the Hudson Valley. The result is a warm, 52-seat restaurant and wine bar serving tapas dishes like adobo chicken wings, bacon-wrapped dates, and squid, shrimp, blue crab, and avocado ceviche. A small selection of lunch plates and entrées available as well. Brunch Sat and Sun. Open 11 am to 2 am Mon through Sat; 11 am to 4 pm Sun. 992 Main St, Peekskill (914) 930-8506; www.ironvinepeekskill.com Food: **\*\*** Service: **\*\***<sup>1/2</sup> Atmosphere: **\*\*\***<sup>1/2</sup> (08/2015)

#### Kathleen's Tea Room English \$\$

This English-style tearoom serves more than 60 loose teas; the menu includes soups, sandwiches, salads, plus high tea. For dessert, try the mixed berry shortcake. Kathleen's Tea Room also holds parties such as bridal showers, baby showers, kids' parties, and corporate events. Open 11 am to 5 pm Mon through Thurs, 10:30 am to 7 pm Fri and Sat. 979 Main St, Peekskill (914) 734-2520; www.kathleenstroom.com

#### Peekskill Brewery Traditional American \$\$ (tavern menu) \$\$\$ (pub menu)

This brew pub includes a brew house and tap room on the first floor; a pub and dining room on the second; gallery/private event space on the third; and private dining on the fourth. Expect craft-brewed beers and dishes using seasonal, local ingredients. Among the popular entrées: jägerschnitzel, fish and chips, braised chicken, and a falafel burger. Taproom is open every day for lunch and dinner; restaurant is open every day for dinner only. 47-53 Water St, Peekskill (914) 734-2337; www.peekskillbrewery.com ★★ (10/2013)

#### **12 Grapes Restaurant** New Americam \$\$\$

This SoHo-inspired restaurant and wine bar located in historic downtown Peekskill offers such dishes as pan-seared brook trout, ovenroasted salmon, crispy-skin Catalan chicken, and grilled hanger steak. Monthly wine tastings are also offered. An award-winning wine list includes 12 reds and 12 whites by the glass. The restaurant offers a ladies night Wed; live music Thurs through Sun and includes rock, blues, R&B, swing, and singer/songwriters. Open for dinner Wed through Sun and brunch on Sun. Reservations suggested, especially on weekends. *12 N Division St, Peekskill* (914) 737-6624; www.12grapes.com

## Pelham

#### Jordan Hall 10803 Italian/Steakhouse \$\$\$ (pastas and most entrées) \$\$\$\$ (steaks)

Eric Mauro is the executive chef at this Italian steakhouse serving lobster ravioli in a Champagne-butter sauce; pan-roasted wild-caught salmon; chicken marsala, and wet-aged prime steaks. Baby grand piano music on Fri and Sat nights. Open daily. 142 Fifth Ave, Pelham (914) 222-5494; www.jordanhall10803.com

### Pleasantville

#### Little Mumbai Market Crêperie/Indian \$

Chef/Owner Bonnie Saran's fourth "Little" restaurant is this Pleasantville location (Saran also owns Little Kebab Station, Little Drunken Chef, and Little Crêpe Street in Mount Kisco). The menu is inspired by the street foods of Paris and Mumbai and includes savory and sweet crêpes, Bombay frankie rolls (Indian flatbread stuffed with spiced chicken, lamb, or vegetables), and a variety of rice bowls (also with chicken, lamb, or vegetables). All dishes are \$10 or less. Open daily for lunch and dinner. 475 Bedford Rd, Pleasantville (914) 773-0500

#### Wood & Fire

#### Italian \$\$ (pizza); \$\$\$ (entrées)

Neapolitan cuisine is the name of the game at this family-run establishment with a menu spanning salads, pizzas (everything from Margherita to the "Wood & Fire" with fried chicken, cherry peppers, tomato, and fresh mozzarella), small plates (mussels, butternut squash arancini), pastas, and mains (pepper-crusted yellow-fin tuna, veal Milanese). Half-off wine Wednesdays. Open every day for lunch and dinner. 59 Marble Ave, Pleasantville (914) 747-2611; www.woodandfirepizza.com Food: **\*\*\*** Service: **\*\*\*** Atmosphere: **\*\***<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> (11/2015)

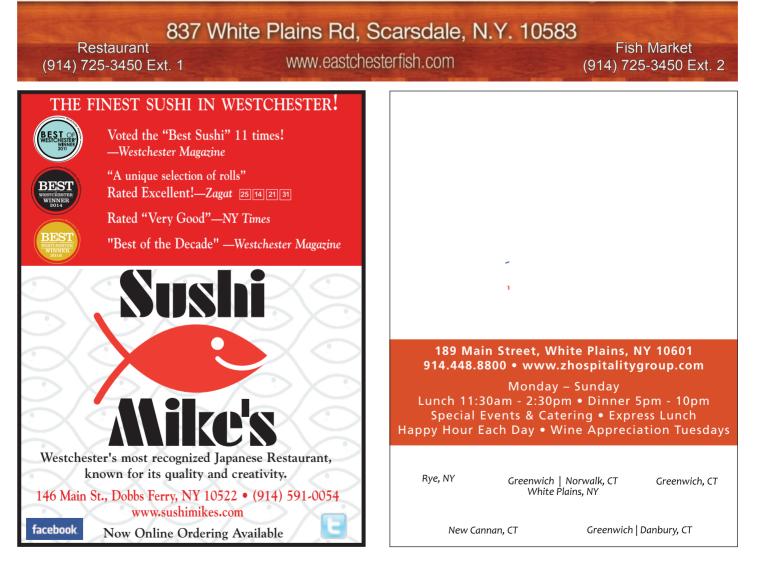
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### **Port Chester**

#### bartaco Mexican \$

From the owners of Barcelona in Greenwich, Connecticut, comes this taqueria serving — what else — tacos: baja fish, falafel, pork belly, spicy chorizo, curry shrimp, and portobello with queso fresco (\$2.50 to \$3.50). Also on the menu: small plates including tamales and ceviche. Outdoor seating is available overlooking the Byram River. Open every day for brunch, lunch, and dinner (until late). 1 Willett Ave, Port Chester (914) 937-8226; www.bartaco.com  $\star \star \star \frac{1}{2}$  (06/2012)

#### Copacabana Brazilian \$\$\$

This *rodizio*-style restaurant, or AYCE Brazilian steakhouse, offers a parade of 14 grilled meats brought tableside plus a salad bar and five sides for \$42. Salad bar only (\$24), a weekday lunch special (\$20.95), and a la carte options are offered as well. Open daily. *29 N Main St, Port Chester* (914) 939-6894; www.copacabanasteakhouse.com

#### Coals Pizza \$\$

Pies are not baked but grilled on a flattop at this pizzeria and craft-beer restaurant duo. The Dean Martin, with Fontinella, pecorino, mozzarella, tomato, and pepperoni, and the Smokey Joe with Fontinella, smoked mozzarella, tomato, pecorino, red onion, and sweet coppa are popular choices. Pies are made using cheeses imported from Italy and olive oil cold pressed in Sicily. The original location of Coals is in the Bronx's Morris Park section. Open Tues through Fri for dinner and Sat and Sun for lunch and dinner. *35 N Main St, Port Chester (914) 305-3220; 131 Parkway Rd, Bronxville (914) 337-1901; www.coalspizza.com* **\*\*\*** (11/2012)

#### Heartland Black and Gold Gastropub \$\$

Housed in the 1890 Port Chester Train Station and packed with wooden tables—both in the wainscoting-and-brick-lined interior and the spacious outdoor beer garden—the focus here is on a selection of craft brews from the Hall's brewmaster, Kelly Taylor. Food options cover salads, burgers, and sandwiches, with mains including Maui fish tacos, steamed mussels, and mac and cheese. Open Mon to Thurs 4 pm to 10 pm; Fri 4 pm to 2 am; Sat noon to 2 am; and Sun noon to 10 pm. 3 Broad St, Port Chester (914) 305-8383; www.heartlandbandg.com

#### Q Restaurant & Bar Barbecue \$\$

From the owners of venerated The Kneaded Bread, this barbecue eatery offers mouthwatering smoky brisket, pulled pork-and-coleslaw sandwiches, Texas no-bean chili, and heaping sides of collard greens and house-cut fries. Open every day for lunch and dinner. *112 N Main St, Port Chester* (914) 933-7427; *www.qrestaurantandbar.com* 

#### Rye House Gastropub \$\$\$

Small-batch whiskies, craft beer, cocktails, and a wide array of other spirits make for a formidable drink menu at 100-seat Rye House, which has a sister location in Union Square. Food is American with a Southern flare. On offer: grilled oysters and shrimp fritters for starters plus sandwiches and entrées like Hudson Valley duck breast and buttermilk-fried chicken. Open every night for dinner; bar open late. *126 Main St, Port Chester* (914) 481-8771; www.ryehousepc.com

#### Saltaire Oyster Bar And Fish House Seafood \$\$\$

Leslie Barnes, owner of the popular London Lennie's in Queens, has transformed a historic 18th-century warehouse into one of Port Chester's most notable eateries. Executive Chef Cedric Lamouille is behind a seafood-centric menu full of shareable starters, large plates, plus an extensive raw bar. Expect dishes such as red snapper ceviche with charred lime; fried Point Judith calamari; and grilled short line swordfish drizzled with a spicy cherry glaze. Open for dinner every day. 55 Abendroth Ave, Port Chester (914) 939-2425; www.saltaireoysterbar.com

#### Sonora Nuevo Latino \$\$\$

Chef Rafael Palomino's first county venture is perhaps his best; popular are the ceviches, Spanish cocas, seafood paella, and for dessert, churros (cinnamon and sugar sticks). Outdoor patio in the summer. Open for lunch Wed to Fri; dinner every day; brunch on Sun. Reservations recommended on weekends. 179 Rectory St, Port Chester (914) 933-0200; www.sonorarestaurant.net

#### Tarry Lodge Italian \$\$\$

The Roman-style, wood-fired brick-oven pizzas and artisan pastas are available to go at this classic trattoria owned by famed restaurateurs Joe Bastianich and Mario Batali. The kitchen is helmed by Partner/ Chef Andy Nusser, and dishes include fusilli with roasted cherry tomatoes, garlic, beet greens, goat cheese, and walnuts; grilled pork chops with parsnips and quince; and gourmet personal pizzas. Open every day for lunch and dinner. *18 Mill St*, *Port Chester (914) 939-3111; www.tarrylodge.com* 

#### **Pound Ridge**

#### The Inn At Pound Ridge By Jean-Georges New American \$\$\$\$

Jean-Georges Vongerichten's eatery, located in a restored 19th-century residence (and later inn), features local ingredients and dishes. The 250-seat restaurant includes two dining areas, plus an inkitchen chef's table and a wine cellar for private dining. Look for dishes like signature tuna tartare, plus sautéed diver scallops; and prosciutto-



wrapped Berkshire pork chop. Open Tues to Sat for dinner only. Reservations highly recommended. 258 Westchester Ave, Pound Ridge (914) 764-1400; www.theinnatpoundridge.com Food: **\*\*\*** Service: **\*\*\*** Atmosphere: **\*\*\*** (06/2014)

#### Purchase

#### Trattoria 632 Italian \$\$\$\$

Brick-oven pizzas (try the arugula, goat cheese); pastas (squid-ink tagliatelle; orecchiette with fresh ricotta and porcini-pork Bolognese); and mains such as chicken scarpariello, veal osso buco, and pan-seared branzino are served at this 110-seat regional Italian restaurant. WiFi and a large private dining room are available. Live entertainment Thurs 8 to 11 pm. Open every day for lunch and dinner. Reservations suggested. 632 Anderson Hill Rd, Purchase (914) 481-5811; www.trattoria632.com

#### tredici NORTH Italian \$\$\$\$

Chef Giuseppe Fanelli runs the kitchen at this stylish 68-seat Italian eatery. Expect indulgent dishes like mozzarella-stuffed meatballs and smoked short ribs with balsamic onions and stoneground polenta. Closed Mon. *578 Anderson Hill Rd, Purchase* (914) 997-4113; www.tredicinorth.com Food **\*\*\*** Service **\*\*\*** Atmosphere **\*\*** (07/2016)

## Rye

#### Aurora Northern Italian \$\$\$

Northern Italian cuisine served in a Venetian-inspired dining room. Popular dishes include Parmesancrusted halibut, red wine-braised short rib, and Kobe beef and spinach ravioli. Open seven nights for dinner and Mon through Sat for lunch. Reservations recommended. 60 Purchase St, Rye (914) 921-2333; www.zhospitalitygroup.com/aurora

**Frankie & Johnnie's** Steαkhouse \$\$\$\$ Upscale steakhouse with a posh bar and lounge area. Specialties include porterhouse steak for two, Chilean sea bass, and lobster ravioli. Open for lunch Tues to Fri and dinner every day. Reservations recommended. 77 Purchase St, Rye (914) 925-3900; www.frankieandjohnnies.com

#### La Panetière French \$\$\$\$

Fine French cuisine served in an elegant setting. Signature dishes include slow-poached Atlantic salmon, seared duck breast, grilled Dover sole, and roasted rack of lamb. Lunch Tues to Fri plus Sun; dinner daily 6-9:30 pm. Reservations always advisable. 530 Milton Rd, Rye (914) 967-8140; www.lapanetiere.com

#### Morgans Fish House Seafood \$\$\$

This casual seafood restaurant offers a dinner menu featuring such dishes as blackened Montauk swordfish, porcini-dusted halibut, and filet mignon with lobster mashed potatoes. Lunch and dinner served Mon to Sat; brunch and dinner on Sun. Reservations recommended. 22 *Elm Pl, Rye* (914) 921-8190;

www.morgansfishhouse.net

#### **Rosemary and Vine** *Mediterranean* \$\$

On Rye's main drag, this casual-chic vegetarian spot serves Mediterranean dishes with Middle Eastern touches, including smokey baba ganoush, avocado crostini, and roasted beets with pomegranate molasses and labneh. Closed Sun. 29 Purchase St, Rye, (914) 481-8660; www.rosemaryandvine. com Food  $\star \star \frac{1}{2}$  Service  $\star \star \frac{1}{2}$  Atmosphere  $\star \star \frac{1}{2}$  (11/2016)

#### Ruby's Oyster Bar & Bistro Seafood Bistro \$\$\$\$

A seafood bistro serving Continental food with a French flair. Popular entrées include broiled sole with lobster caperbutter sauce, barbecue-rubbed salmon, and bacon-crusted sea scallops. Come for breakfast (Mon to Sat at 8 am), lunch, and dinner or Sun brunch. Reservations recommended. 45 Purchase St, Rye (914) 921-4166; www.rubysoysterbar.com

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## Rye Grill & Bar

*Traditional American* \$\$\$ Expect unpretentious American fare — burgers, pan-seared scallops, grilled cowboy steak — at this bi-level eatery in Rye's Metro-North parking lot. Serves Sunday brunch. 1 Station Plz, Rye (914) 967-0332; www.ryegrill.com

## Rye Brook

#### The Atrium At Doral Arrowwood Continental \$\$\$

This conference center/hotel restaurant serves buffet-style lunches and à la carte dinners amid verdant views through floor-to-ceiling windows. The Saturday night dinner dance is a popular event. Sun brunch is served from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm, accompanied by live music. Open seven days. Reservations suggested. 975 Anderson Hill Rd, Rye Brook (914) 935-6600; www.doralarrowwood.com

## Scarsdale

#### Eastchester Fish Gourmet Seafood \$\$\$

Monday is Lobster Night at this casual restaurant serving fresh seafood, including a raw bar with oysters and clams. Popular dishes include fish and chips, Parmesan-crusted cod, grilled branzino, Dover sole, crispy octopus, and soufflé for dessert. Thurs night is Raw Bar night. Reservations accepted only for parties of five or more. Dinner every day; lunch on Thurs and Fri only. 837 White Plains Rd, Scarsdale (914) 725-3450; www.eastchesterfish.com

#### Kumo Sushi & Lounge Sushi \$\$\$

A Scarsdale location joins two Rockland County locations. Chef Hua Chen studied sushi making in Japan for 15 years and incorporates specialty fish like Japanese madai and New Zealand shima aji into his dishes. Try the lobster pancake appetizer and the Good 4 You roll (spicy crab and avocado topped with lobster salad, mango, and peanuts). Open daily for lunch and dinner. 777 White Plains Rd, Scarsdale (914) 713-8899; www.kumoscarsdale.com

#### Taiim Cellar Mediterranean \$\$

Executive Chef/Owner Erion Hasko drew influences from "wherever the hot Mediterranean sun touches" namely Israel, Greece, Albania, Turkey, Southern Italy and France, and Spain — to craft his menu of small plates, salads, and panini. Small plates include arancini (truffle risotto balls, fried quail egg, Parmesan); ceci fritti (fried chickpeas); and gambas a la plancha (shrimp, saffron, spicy aioli). Live music on Sun from 6:30 to 9:30 pm. Open daily (closed between 3 and 5 pm however). 11 Boniface Cir, Scarsdale (914) 723-6900; www.taiimcellar.com

#### Sleepy Hollow Bridge View Tavern Pub \$\$

This tavern lives up to its name with views of the Tappan Zee Bridge, Tarrytown Lighthouse, and Hudson River. On the menu: burgers, sandwiches, slow-cooked barbecue items, plus mains such as Dr. Pepper-braised boneless short rib, steak frites, and Atlantic salmon. A selection of craft brews is offered, including 18 on tap. Late-night menu Thurs to Mon; 10 pm to midnight. Open Mon for dinner only and Tues to Sun for lunch and dinner. Reservations suggested. 226 Beekman Ave, Sleepy Hollow (914) 332-0078; www.bridgeviewtavern.com

## Somers

#### **The Burger Barn** Traditional American \$\$

The Tesone Family, led by Justin, is running this burger spot featuring half pound Angus beef patties on Martin's potato buns and handcut fries. Fried pickles, house-made chili, and salads (warm breaded goat cheese salad) are among the starters. Outdoor seating is available in warmer months.

289 Rte 100, Somers (914) 276-0600; www.theburgerbarn.com

#### Tarrytown

#### Cooper's Mill New American \$\$

Dine on Hudson Valley duck breast over wild rice with Brussels sprouts; seared Skanka Bay salmon, roasted baby lamb chops, or one of five signature flatbreads at this New American restaurant next to the Tarrytown Marriott. The chef is Claude Moreau, previously at Andaz 5th Avenue in Manhattan. Reclaimed barn wood is used in the dining room, including seven barn doors that double as sliding walls. Open every day for breakfast, lunch, and dinner. Reservations recommended. 670 White Plains Rd, Tarrutown (914) 631-1216: www.coopersmillrestaurant.com

#### **Equus Restaurant** French \$\$\$\$

Expect French-inspired auberge cuisine at Equus Restaurant, which is housed in a spectacular royal setting, the Castle Hotel & Spa. A fivecourse, \$85 prix-fixe dinner is offered in elegantly designed dining rooms or on the terrace during the summer. Open daily for breakfast, lunch, and dinner. Champagne brunch on Sun. Reservations required. 400 Benedict Ave, Tarrytown (914) 631-3646; www. castlehotelandspa.com  $\star \star \frac{1}{2}$  (08/2012)

#### Lefteris Gyro Greek \$\$

Open seven days, these quaint Greek restaurants lay claim to what many consider to be the best gyros, souvlaki, and baklava in the county. The Greek salad alone — with or without anchovies — is a treat. Reservations not accepted. 1 N Broadway, Tarrytown (914) 524-9687; 190 E Main St, Mount Kisco (914) 242-8965; 232 Market St, Yonkers (914) 437-8490; www.lefterisgyro.com

#### Mint Premium Foods Eclectic \$\$\$

Previously just a gourmet food shop, offering an international selection of cheeses, cured meats, olive oils, olives, beer, preserves, and premium dark chocolate, Mint has morphed into a gourmet food shop and a sit-down restaurant. The menu changes frequently but expect dishes such as moules frites in a French butter saffron broth; Niçoise salad topped with caviar and seared foie gras; and jambalaya. Open from 10 am to 10 pm for lunch and dinner Tues through Sun. 19 Main St, Tarrytown (914) 703-6511;

www.mintpremiumfoods.biz

#### Pik Nik Barbecue \$\$

Hassan and Alberta Jarane, proprietors of nearby Mint Premium Foods, also own this counter-service barbecue joint serving smoked meats (with mangoquince barbecue sauce), down-home sides, and vintage sodas. Closed Mon. 45 Main St, Tarrytown (914) 631-5600

#### **RiverMarket Bar And Kitchen** New American \$\$\$\$

This New American restaurant with Mediterranean influences comes via the owners of Crabtree's Kittle House and uses primarily local, sustainable ingredients in dishes such as Hemlock Hill pasture-raised chicken and seared Sunburst Farms trout. Local produce, dairy products, fish, meat, and prepared foods are offered at an onpremise farm market; RiverMarket Wine & Spirits, carrying many locally produced selections, is located next door. Open daily for lunch and dinner. Reservations recommended.

127 W Main St, Tarrytown (914) 631-3100; www.rivermarketbarandkitchen.com Food: **\*\*\*** Service: **\*\*\*** 

*Atmosphere:* ★★★ (04/2014)

#### The Taco Project Mexican \$\$

This Cali-style, hipster taco shop uses locally made white-corn tortillas for its approximately nine taco varieties, plus offers seasonal ceviche, homemade apple-habanero salsa, burritos, and salads. Try the house-made aguas frescas in varieties like tamarind, hibiscus, or horchata. Open every day for lunch and dinner.

18 Main St, Tarrytown (914) 909-4455; www.thetacoprojectny.com

#### The Twisted Oak New American \$\$\$\$

Chef Michael Cutney's menus change daily at this New American restaurant

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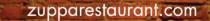
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with an Italian flair (Cutney was trained in Florence, Italy). Look for classic comfort dishes like poutine, chicken and dumplings, butternut squash caponata, and house-made pasta (i.e., duck lasagna with mushrooms, kale, and a duck egg). Open Tues to Sat for dinner; lunch Thurs through Sun. 61 Main St, Tarrytown (914) 332-1992; www.thetwistedoakny.com Food:  $\star \star \frac{1}{2}$  Service:  $\star \star \star$  Atmosphere:  $\star \star \frac{1}{2}$  (09/2014)

## Tuckahoe

#### **Angelina's Ristorante** Southern Italian \$\$\$

Enjoy authentic Italian fare from Chef Peter DiNardi at this cozy restaurant. Try tagliatelli with King crab leg meat and shrimp; ricotta- and spinach-stuffed eggplant, or Chilean sea bass portofino topped with rock shrimp. The mostly Italian wine list includes about 700 selections. Open every day for lunch and dinner. Reservations recommended on weekends. 97 Lake Ave, Tuckahoe (914) 779-7944; www.angelinasoftuckahoe.com

#### Growlers Beer Bistro Gastropub \$\$

A turn-of-the-century power station is now a beer bar with 17 taps split between locally (New York,

Delaware, Pennsylvania) and distantly brewed selections; four bottled beers (from the US and Europe); cask-conditioned ale; and Fentiman's craft sodas. The menu proffers snacks such as blue-cheese-stuffed prunes wrapped with bacon plus salads, sandwiches, and charcuterie and cheese. Tues is Trivia Night, and on Wed and Sat, there's live music. Open daily. 25 Main St, Tuckahoe (914) 793-0608; www.growlersbeerbistro.com

#### **The Tap House** Gastropub \$\$\$

Gastropub offering dishes like pan-roasted organic chicken in a lemon white wine sauce; ramen noodle bowl; and grilled bratwurst, plus salads and small plates. More than 70 craft beers are available, including 14 on tap. Serves Sunday brunch. *16 Depot Sq, Tuckahoe* (914) 337-6941; www.thetaphouseny.com  $\star \star \frac{1}{2}$  (05/10)

## Valhalla

#### Mughal Palace Indian \$\$

Across from the Valhalla train station is this 60-seat Indian eatery where both savory dishes (coconut milk-simmered beef Muglai and chicken masala) and vegetarian selections (boiled eggplant sautéed with onions, sag paneer — Indian cheese in a spinach gravy) are available. Remember to order some naan (flat bread) to mop up the gravy. Open every day. *16 Broadway, Valhalla* 

(914) 997-6090; www.mughalpalace.com

## White Plains

#### Anthony's Coal-Fired Pizza Italian/Pizza \$\$

"Italian soul food" like meatballs and ricotta pizza, roasted cauliflower pizza, and eggplant Marino, are all baked in an 800°F coal oven at this first New York location of the Dan Marino-co-owned chain. Try the signature oven-roasted chicken wings with caramelized onions for an app. Live Music Wednesdays from 6 to 9 pm for Meatballs & Martinis night. Open every day for lunch and dinner. 264 Main St, White Plains (914) 358-9702; www.acfp.com

#### **Benjamin Steakhouse** Steakhouse \$\$\$\$

This 350-seat restaurant owned by ex-Peter Luger staffers is a sibling of midtown Manhattan's





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250 main street, white plains, NY 914.368.2525 | www.spaviadayspa.com Benjamin Steakhouse. Offerings include dry-aged steaks and chops, Chilean sea bass, and a 4-lb jumbo lobster broiled or steamed. Open Tues to Sun for dinner and Sun for brunch and dinner. Reservations recommended. 610 W Hartsdale Ave, White Plains (914) 428-6868; www.ben jaminsteakhouse.com **\* \***<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> (05/2011)

#### **City Limits Diner** Traditional American \$\$

The diner's menu offers a broad selection of dishes: Oriental chicken salad, grilled salmon sandwich, and homemade desserts and breads. A selection of gourmet pizzas (\$12 to \$14) are also on the White Plains menu. White Plains also has an expanded bar/ lounge section where at 9 pm daily glasses of wine or draft beer are \$4, cocktails at the bar are \$7, and all apps are 25 percent off. Open daily for breakfast, lunch, and dinner. 200 Central Ave, White Plains (914) 686-9000; 135 Harvard Ave, Stamford, CT (203) 348-7000; www.citylimitsdiner.com

#### Don Coqui Puerto Rican \$\$\$

Jimmy Rodriguez's (Manhattan's Sofrito, Jimmy's Bronx Café) upscale and lively Puerto Rican restaurant offers dishes such as seafood stew, plantain-crusted red snapper, braised oxtail, and slowroasted pork with pigeon-pea rice. A cooking school is on the premises and live music is offered on weekends. Open for lunch and dinner Tues to Sun. Reservations suggested. *107 Mamaroneck Ave, White Plains (914) 576-7676; www.doncoqui.nyc* 

#### **Emma's Ale House** Comfort American \$\$\$

Among the entrées on this neighborhood pub's menu: brick chicken, braised short ribs, and sesamecrusted ahi tuna. For dessert, try the famous Krispy Kreme bread pudding. A large assortment of craft brews are offered; bottles of wine are half price on Mon. Emma's is a Certified Green Restaurant. Open daily for lunch and dinner; brunch on Sat and Sun. Reservations suggested. *68 Gedney Way, White Plains* (914) *683-3662; www.emmasalehouse.com* 

#### **Gaucho Grill** Argentinian \$\$\$\$

An Argentinian steakhouse that also serves Italian specialties in a spacious downtown White Plains location. Entrées to try: homemade gnocchi and broccoli rabe pesto, almond-crusted tilapia, Argentinian mixed grill, and grilled colossal shrimp. A three-course, \$19 prix fixe and a wine and tapas menu are also available. Open every day for lunch and dinner, plus brunch on Sun.

1 N Broadway, White Plains (914) 437-9966; www.gauchogrillnewyork.com ★½ (05/2013)

#### Kee Oyster House Seafood \$\$\$\$

Lulzim Rexhepi (formery of Le Bernadin) is executive chef at this New York-style oyster bar serving seafood and a handful of surf-and-turf options. The bar stocks 40 bourbons and single-malt Scotches. 126-128 E Post Rd, White Plains (914) 437-8535; www.keeoysterhouse.com Food  $\star \star \frac{1}{2}$  Service  $\star \star \star$ Atmosphere  $\star \star \star \star (09/2016)$ 

#### Lazy Boy Saloon Pub \$\$

This alehouse is beer heaven with more than 500 craft beers offered. A full menu of burgers, topnotch wings, jumbo salads, thin-crust grilled pizzas, and specialty sandwiches are offered. Live music on Wed and Fri. Open late every day. 154 Mamaroneck Ave, White Plains (914) 761-0272; www.lazuboysaloon.com





#### Mediterraneo Mediterranean \$\$\$\$

With two other locations in Fairfield County, this eatery, set in a three-story marine-colored glass and crisscrossed beam building at the center of downtown, boasts an open kitchen and a woodburning oven turning out a handful pizzas and other wood-kissed dishes. Serves Sunday Brunch. 189 Main St, White Plains (914) 448-8800; www.zhospitalitygroup.com/mediterraneo

#### Mokomiya Ramen \$\$

Chefs Junzo Miyajima and Shuichi Kotani specialize in three classic, authentic styles of ramen: traditional soy-based shoyu, salty shio, and nutty miso. Open for lunch and dinner Tues to Sun from 11:30 am to 3:30 pm and 5 to 9:30 pm; open until 10 pm Fri and Sat. 51 Court St, White Plains (914) 949-3712; www.mokomiya.com Food: ★★ Service: ★★ Atmosphere: **★**<sup>1</sup>⁄<sub>2</sub> (12/2015)

#### Mulino's of Westchester Italian \$\$\$\$

Winners of more than 10 "Best of Westchester" awards through the years, Mulino's serves traditional Northern Italian fare in a classy setting, and provides superb service. Fans love the atmosphere, especially during the holiday season when the restaurant is decked out in red and green. Open Mon to Fri for lunch and dinner plus dinner only on Sat; closed Sun. Reservations recommended for Sat night. 99 Court St, White Plains (914) 761-1818; www.mulinosny.com

#### Pax Romana Italian \$\$

Chef Cristian Petitta, formerly of La Bocca in White Plains, serves up a pasta-centric menu (all made fresh on-site) highlighting the flavors of Rome. Late-night dining Friday and Saturday until 1 am. 189 E Post Rd, White Plains (914) 437-5791; www. paxromanany.com Food **\* \* \*** Service **\* \***<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> Atmosphere ★★★ (08/2016)

#### Sushi Nanase Japanese \$\$\$\$

Sushi master Yoshimichi Takeda (Nobu, Masa) and his artful, exacting cuts of pristine fish take center stage at this tiny but superb restaurant. Try the omakase (\$85), which includes three appetizers, a broiled fish, sushi, and dessert. Lunch and dinner Thurs through Sun. 522 Mamaroneck Ave, White Plains (914) 285-5351

## Yonkers

#### **Dan Rooney's** Sports Pub \$\$\$

This pub located at Empire City Casino offers free valet parking with a \$50 purchase. Look for



classic pub appetizers like spicy potato wedges and crispy chicken wings, plus entrées like half or whole chicken and corned beef and cabbage. Open daily. Empire City Casino at Yonkers Raceway, 810 Yonkers Ave, Yonkers (914) 457-2531; www. yonkersraceway.com

#### Dolphin Restaurant Bar Lounge Seafood \$\$\$

The Rugova family of Yonkers runs this bi-level restaurant where Executive Chef Denzil Richards, formerly of Alvin & Friends in New Rochelle, proffers a menu of seafood, pasta, steaks, and big salads. A 100-seat patio lends views of the Hudson River. The wine list features selections mostly from Italy, France, and California. Open for lunch and dinner every day. 1 Van Der Donck St, Yonkers (914) 751-8170; www.dolphinrbl.com ★★ (09/2011)

#### Neha Palace Indian \$\$\$

Located on Yonkers' southern border. Neha Palace is an authentic Indian restaurant that doubles as a 300-person banquet hall. On the menu is regional Indian cuisine - myriad tandoori dishes, equally comprehensive biryani, meat, seafood, and vegetarian selections, plus a host of Indian-Chinese and South Indian offerings. A popular lunch buffet runs from noon to 3 pm. Open for lunch and dinner daily. 27 Meyer Ave, Yonkers (914) 476-5900; www.nehapalaceyonkers.com

#### Nonna's Trattoria Italian \$\$\$

Classic Italian-American fare can be had at this casino restaurant. Pastas, heroes, and entrées such as chicken Francese, veal picatta, and panseared salmon with shaved fennel are dishes to expect. Open Wed through Sun. Empire City Casino at Yonkers Raceway, 810 Yonkers Ave, Yonkers (914) 457-2457; www.yonkersraceway.com

#### X2O Xaviars On The Hudson New American \$\$\$\$

Venerated four-star chef Peter Kelly's restaurant sits on the historic Yonkers Pier offering breathtaking views of the Hudson River. Separate menu available in the casual Dylan Lounge Tues to Sun; there's also a sushi bar. Lunch Tues to Fri; dinner Tues to Sun; brunch — one of the best deals in the county — Sun. The Hudson Room on the upper tier can seat 80 for a private party. Reservations highly recommended. 71 Water Grant St, Yonkers (914) 965-1111; www.xaviars.com

#### Zuppa Italian \$\$\$

Paskual Dedi is the executive chef at this urbane Italian restaurant serving brick-oven pizzas, creative homemade pastas, and top-notch entrées. For dessert, don't miss the warm bag of zeppole. Lunch three-course prix-fixe (\$24) weekdays. Three private rooms are available for parties. Open Mon through Fri for lunch and dinner every day. Reservations recommended for large parties and on weekends. 59 Main St, Yonkers (914) 376-6500; www.zupparestaurant.com

#### Yorktown

#### Peter Pratt's Inn New American \$\$\$

This American restaurant, located in a 1780 Colonial home, serves a perpetually changing menu that may include Berkshire pork bellystuffed clam, grilled breast of Rohan duck, and grilled lamb loin noisettes. Once a month, specialty theme dinners, e.g., "Scottish Wild Game Dinner," are offered. Open Wed to Sun for dinner only. 673 Croton Heights Rd, Yorktown Heights (914) 962-4090; www.prattsinn.com

#### Thyme

#### New American \$\$\$\$

Owner and executive chef Tom Costello, formerly owner of Bao Noodles and the Sunburnt Cow in Manhattan, mans the kitchen at this steak and seafood house. Mains worth trying include steak frites, roasted salmon, and scallop risotto. Open Tues to Sun for lunch and dinner, plus Sun brunch. 3605 Crompond Rd, Yorktown Heights (914) 788-8700; www.thymerestaurant.net  $\star \star \star \frac{1}{2}$ (02/2011) **UG** 

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## Crafts at Lyndhurst

Taking place in both September and April, this massive event includes 300 artists offering a range of one-of-a-kind gifts and artwork. Live music, kids activities, gourmet food, and craft demonstrations are also on hand. *www.artrider.com* 



## Hudson Valley Restaurant Week

Offered twice yearly for 14 days in March and November, this is the region's largest dining event, with more than 200 participating restaurants offering bargain prix-fixe meals to more than 250,000 diners. www.hudsonvalley restaurantweek.com



## Lightscapes

Stare in awe as Croton-on-Hudson's Van Cortlandt Manor erupts into an incredible nighttime display of sculptures, special effects, sounds, and state-of-the-art illumination. A bevy of spring-themed sweets and organic ice cream are also offered. *www.hudsonvalley.org/events/lightscapes* 



## Caramoor Summer Music Festival

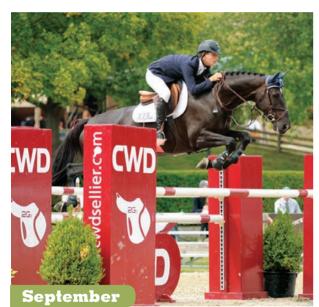
Performers of classical, roots, jazz, and other music genres take the stage at this popular family-friendly event at Caramoor in Katonah. Taking place June through August, this festival features some of the nation's biggest names in classical music. *www.caramoor.org* 



## Clearwater's Great Hudson River Revival

There is something for everyone at Croton Point Park's massive (its hosted more than 15,000 people) outdoor extravaganza, which includes seven stages of diverse music, dance, and storytelling along with clowns, jugglers, a children's area, and a farmers' market.

www.clearwaterfestival.org



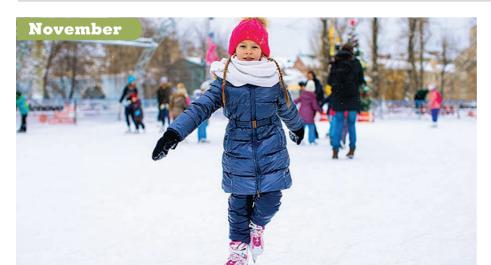
## American Gold Cup

Olympic-caliber horses and riders compete at this annual North Salem event where show jumping is the main attraction. There's also boutique shopping and family fun, like pony rides, face-painting, and more. *www.theamericangoldcup.com* 



## Stone Barns Center's 14th Annual Harvest Fest

A wide-ranging community celebration of life on the farm, this yearly event features festivities for the entire family, such as live music, hands-on farming and food activities, hayrides, a turkey parade, and much more. *www.stonebarnscenter.org/visit/harvest-fest.html* 



## Westchester's Winter Wonderland

Get in the holiday spirit at Kensico Dam Plaza when this very merry extravaganza comes to town. Kids can meet Santa Claus, enjoy unlimited rides on the Wonderland Express, and experience a musical light show. Refreshments, shopping, and iceskating are also offered. www.wwinterwonderland.com

# Calendar of **Events**

## January

#### First Day Hike and Family Fun

The John Jay Homestead in Katonah hosts a day of family fun, where kids can warm themselves by a roaring bonfire, sip hot cocoa or take a scenic hike through the homestead's sprawling grounds. *www.johnjayhomestead.org/events.html* 

#### Winter Extravaganza Baseball Card Show

One of the region's largest shows for sports collectibles, this popular White Plains event features a range of autographed athletic memorabilia, vintage hobby boxes, and more baseball cards than you can shake a bat at. *www.nyshows.org/white-plains-show* 

### The Great Westchester Train and Toy Show

Roughly 300 tables of new, used, and antique toys and trains come to White Plains during this annual affair. Kids and adults alike can pick up toy soldiers, die-cast cars, trains, tracks, and a wealth of other playthings. *www.westchestertoytrain.com* 

## February

#### Annual Hudson River EagleFest

See some of the planet's most impressive animals as Croton Point Park plays host to this annual event featuring hourly bird walks, close encounters with owls and eagles, and stage shows on everything from rearing raptors to backyard birding. www.teatown.org/teatown-events/eaglefest.html

#### **Big Brew Beer Festival**

Leave the kids at home for this beer-fueled affair. More than 70 beer distributors converge on the Westchester County Center in February to offer 200+ different brews along with food, music, and entertainment. *Visit www.bigbrewny.com for additional dates and locations throughout the year.* 

#### March

#### St. Patrick's Day Parades

Floats, bands, dancers, and a wide range of holidaythemed entertainers overtake Yonkers, White Plains, Mount Kisco, Sleepy Hollow, and Tarrytown during these annual parades.

#### Spring Westchester County Home Show

The largest and longest-running show of its kind in the region, this extravaganza of everything domestic features local, state, and national vendors presenting an assortment of home goods and household technologies in fascinating displays at the Westchester County Center. www.jenksproductions.com/westches.html

#### Hudson Valley Restaurant Week

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#### Lyndhurst Family Fun Day

Take your kids to this popular family event when the grounds of the Lyndhurst mansion are populated with amazing LEGO sculptures, moving displays, a play tent, petting zoo, and scavenger hunt. *www.lyndhurst.org/lego* 

#### Westchester Comedy Festival

Watch local comedians and celebrity headliners crack more than a few jokes at this festival, which takes place at a number of Westchester locales. Plus, a portion of the event's proceeds go to benefit local nonprofits. *www.westchestercomedyny.com* 

#### Crafts at Lyndhurst

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**Lightscapes** For description see Must-Do Events on page 60

## June

#### White Plains Outdoor Arts Festival

Peruse a variety of paintings, photographs, jewelry, textiles, ceramics, and glasswork for sale by a number of emerging and established artists. This event also features a free children's arts-and-crafts table, as well as a host of unique food vendors. *www.whiteplainsoutdoorartsfestival.com* 

#### Caramoor Summer Music Festival

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#### Clearwater's Great Hudson River Revival

For description see Must-Do Events on page 61

#### Westchester Magazine's Wine & Food Festival

The most inspired culinary event of the year comes to various locations throughout the area as *Westchester Magazine* holds its annual celebration of top edibles and fantastic wine and spirits. Enjoy the Burger & Beer Blast, Grand Tasting Village, An Evening with Westchester's Tastemakers, and some of the very best eats in the region.

www.winefood.westchestermagazine.com



## **Best of Westchester Party**

Upwards of 3,000 guests come to celebrate the winners from *Westchester Magazine*'s annual Best Of issue at the beautiful Glen Island Harbour Club on the Sound Shore. A bounty of food and drink samples, spa and salon services, multiple bands, dancing, and



**Bicycle Sundays on the Bronx River Parkway** One of Westchester's longest-running recreational programs, this event, which takes place on select Sundays in May, June, and September, shuts down a portion of the Bronx River Parkway to traffic for the exclusive use of joggers, cyclists, and walkers. *parks.westchestergov.com/featured-events/bicycle-Sundays* 

more make this the Westchester party of the year. *www.westchestermagazine.com/ Westchester-Magazine/Best-of-Westchester/Home/* 

#### Mamaroneck Firemen's Carnival

The popular annual carnival leads up to Independence Day with parades and family-friendly activities. Beginning in late June, enjoy rides, games, a dunk tank, food, and raffles while raising money to support Mamaroneck's Volunteer Fire Department.

#### Peekskill Riverfront Summer Concert Series

Big-name rock and country artists converge on Riverfront Green Park at this swinging concert series featuring fireworks, as well as numerous children's specials. www.peekskill.rocks

#### Pirates of the Hudson

This swashbuckling festival for all ages brings the trials and tribulations of pirates to vivid life with an engaging stage performance at the Tarrytown Music Hall. *www.hudsonvalley.org/events/pirates-hudson* 

#### Independence Day Celebrations

Expect live entertainment, refreshments, and lots of fireworks at these annual celebrations, which take place in locations throughout Westchester County, like Rye Playland, Kensico Dam Plaza, and Louis Engel Waterfront Park.

## August

#### **Moonviewing Concert**

Celebrate the this time-honored Japanese tradition by wandering through a Japanese Stroll Garden lit by paper lanterns and enlivened by traditional Japanese musicians and a Japanese tea ceremony. www.hammondmuseum.org

## September

#### American Gold Cup

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#### New Rochelle ArtsFest

Various locations in New Rochelle and Pelham play host to breathtaking performances by a range of dancers, singers, and entertainers, as well as numerous exhibitions, walking tours, and various other artistic events over this weekend celebration. www.newrochellearts.org

#### Yorktown Grange Fair

With carnival rides, midway games, and livestock and produce exhibitions, this four-day event is one of the most well-attended and celebrated fairs in the region. www.yorktowngrangefair.org



**Pleasantville Music Festival** This nonstop music-fueled weekend combines national acts and local up-and-coming bands from New York City and Westchester with famous food vendors, craft beer, positive vibes, play space for children, good friends, family, and charitable organizations. *www.pleasantvillemusicfestival.com* 

#### Armonk Outdoor Art Show

Nearly 185 artisans from across the county (and the country) exhibit at this annual, nationally recognized art show that showcases a variety of mediums, including painting, printmaking, jewelry, and photography. *www.armonkoutdoorartshow.org* 

## October

#### The Great Jack O'Lantern Blaze

More than 7,000 individually hand-carved pumpkins light up the night in a unique walkthrough experience on the grounds of the Van Cortlandt Manor. Past years have included such awe-inspiring sights as a pumpkin planetarium, flying pumpkin ghosts, and a giant sea serpent. *www.hudsonvalley.org/events/blaze* 

#### Horseman's Hollow

On selected evenings throughout the month, Philipsburg Manor brings The Legend of Sleepy Hollow to horrifying life with this haunted-housestyle event featuring a frightening trail of terrors. Not recommended for children under 10. www.hudsonvalley.org/events/horsemans-hollow

#### YoFi Fest: The Yonkers Film Festival

Get ready for four days of film at this annual event that takes place in various locations throughout Yonkers and includes screenings by emerging and acclaimed filmmakers, as well as kids movies, workshops, and nightly after-parties. *www.yofifest.com* 

#### Stone Barns Center's 14th Annual Harvest Fest

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#### Tarrytown Halloween Parade

The streets of Tarrytown take on a distinctly celebratory feel at this beloved yearly event that includes a massive parade, block party, live performances, a DJ, and street-side dining. www.tarrytownhalloweenparade.com

#### November

## Westchester's Winter Wonderland

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#### Valenti Thanksgiving Day Parade

Celebrating its 53rd year, this popular Thanksgiving Day Parade winds its way from North Avenue to Main Street in New Rochelle. Spectators can enjoy marching bands and various holiday-themed floats. *www.newrochellechamber.org/calendar-of-events* 

#### Frosty Day

One of the county's most popular holiday traditions, this free event on Main Street in Armonk provides a firsthand glimpse of seasonal splendor with numerous activities and family events, including a grand parade featuring Frosty himself. www.armonkfrosty.com

#### December

#### **Tree-Lighting Ceremonies**

Experience the very best of what the holiday season has to offer when several Westchester towns (Katonah, Irvington, White Plains, and Yonkers among them) celebrate the lighting of their holiday trees. Many of the events offer various forms of refreshments, entertainment, and general merry-making.

## New Year's Eve Celebration and Ball Drop

White Plains, Peekskill, New Rochelle (which celebrates New Year's Eve at noon with a kid-friendly balloon drop) and other area towns and cities hold events ringing in the New Year with food, drink, music, and other attractions.

# Venue Listings

Performance spaces, museums, galleries, historic houses, and more

## Armonk

#### Hudson Stage Company

This professional theater company formerly based in Croton-on-Hudson presents a mix of bigger mainstage productions of contemporary plays, such as *Stones in His Pockets, God of Carnage*, and *Rabbit Hole*, along with smaller staged readings. Performances take place at the Whippoorwill Hall Theatre at the North Castle Public Library. 19 Whippoorwill Rd E, Armonk (914) 271-2811;

#### Chappaqua

#### Ars Antiqua

This ensemble doesn't just perform classical music; it tries to put the works in a historical and cultural context. For example, an English early Baroque performance of "*Sweet Sorrow*, music for broken consort from Britannia and Germany," was followed by a buffet of English cheeses and German mulled wine. The programs, which are held at the Gothic Church of St. Mary the Virgin, often feature a guest speaker and an illustrated program book.

26 N Greeley Ave, Chappaqua (914) 238-8015; www.ars-antiqua.org

## **Croton Falls**

#### Schoolhouse Theater

Located, fittingly, in the old Croton Falls elementary-school building, the Schoolhouse Theater is a professional regional theater, presenting plays like *The Crucible, Nora* (both of which have also been launched Off-Broadway), and *The Seafarer*. 3 *Owens Rd, Croton Falls* (914) 277-8477; www.schoolhousetheater.org

#### Elmsford

#### Westchester Broadway Theatre

A staple in the county theatrical scene since 1974, the Westchester Broadway Theatre is the longestrunning 52-week-a-year Equity theater in the state of New York. At this dinner theater, many of the actors hail from Broadway or touring companies, and a lot of big names—such as *Chicago* director Rob Marshall and *The Producers* director Susan Stroman—came up through its ranks. While most of the schedule is devoted to musicals, there are



#### Katonah Museum of Art

Edward Larrabee Barnes designed the modernist gray stucco building that the Katonah Museum of Art occupies; inside is no less impressive. Since it's a non-collecting institution, the museum is able to offer a wide variety of exhibitions, and it's recently featured prints by Jasper Johns, quilts by American quilt-makers, 3-D animation art by Blue Sky Studios (the studio behind the *Ice Age* and *Rio* movies), and artwork that ranges from an Egyptian bust to a Chuck Close portrait. Art continues outside in the sculpture garden, mingled among 100-year-old Norwegian spruce trees. *134 Jay St, Katonah* (914) 232-9555; *www.katonahmuseum.org* 

also dance, comedy, and music performances. 1 Broadway Plz, Elmsford (914) 592-2222; www.broadwaytheatre.com

#### Hastings-on-Hudson

#### **Spoken Interludes**

For a different twist on a book reading, Spoken Interludes' guests are treated to a buffet dinner prior to readings and discussions by three authors about their new works. Recent authors have included Meg Wolitzer, Ben Marcus, Rebecca Mead, and Jennifer Egan. Events take place at The Rotunda at Mercy College in Dobbs Ferry.

www.spokeninterludes.com

### Irvington

#### Irvington Town Hall Theater

This Classical Revival theater was built in 1902 and patterned after the Ford Theater in Washington, DC. Today, it hosts concerts, plays, dance performances, family shows, and a "Best Of" film series, in addition to a yearly spelling bee, which benefits the local library. *85 Main St, Irvington* (914) 591-6602; www.irvingtontheater.com

## Katonah

#### Caramoor Center for Music and the Arts

On the 90-acre grounds of Caramoor, you can find Mediterranean-style architecture, landscaped gardens, Asian and Renaissance art—and plenty of music. Classical, folk, bluegrass, and jazz performances take place in the grand outdoor Venetian theater, the intimate Spanish Courtyard or gorgeous Sunken Garden, or the elegant Music Room inside the historic Rosen House. Performances take place year-round but really ramp up every summer, during Caramoor's International Music Festival, when artists like Joshua Bell and Roseanne Cash come to play. 149 Girdle Ridge Rd, Katonah (914) 232-5035; www.caramoor.org

#### John Jay Homestead State Historic Site

This historic house and formal estate grounds were once the home of Founding Father John Jay, first chief justice of the US Supreme Court. Today, the 1800s house, along with an 1820s schoolhouse and an 1830s barn, often host tours and special events (especially historical lectures). Its annual Barn Dance is an anticipated yearly event.

400 Jay St, Katonah (914) 232-5651; www.johnjayhomestead.org

#### Katonah Art Center

The focus at the Katonah Art Center is on its classes; students come here for instruction in Theatre and Dance Arts (TADA), visual art, music, and even fitness and yoga. There are also special events, such as exhibitions, moonlight jams for adults, and open houses. Parents also can rent out the center for birthday parties. 131 Bedford Rd, Katonah (914) 232-4843; www.katonahartcenter.com

#### Muscoot Farm

Admission to Muscoot Farm, founded in 1880 as a "gentleman's farm," is always free. Once inside, kids can get up close to cows, pigs, goats, sheep, chickens, and other animals. (Visits are best in spring, when there are baby animals about.) They live in a series of historic farm buildings, from an 1890s barn and a dairy barn built in 1910 to a 1930s milk house. On the weekends, the farm hosts events, along with a farmers' market every Sunday. 51 New York 100, Katonah (914) 864-7282; www.muscootfarm.org

## Larchmont

#### Mamaroneck Artists Guild

Incongruously located in Larchmont, the Mamaroneck Artists Guild is the oldest artists' cooperative in the county. (It was founded in 1953.) Today, the co-op maintains a nonprofit gallery with rotating exhibitions from its 200-plus members. Many look forward to its yearly Small Works show, as well as a holiday-time art show and sale with pieces priced for gift giving. 126 Larchmont Ave, Larchmont (914) 834-1117; www.mamaroneckartistsguild.org

## Mamaroneck

#### Emelin Theatre

You can find a little of everything at this intimate, 275seat theater. Music performances range from classical to bluegrass, and there are also series devoted to theater, comedy, dance, film, and children's events. Recent performers include indie singer-songwriter Nicole Atkins, folk-rock legend Art Garfunkel, music/

## Copland House at Merestead

For the last 30 years of his life, celebrated composer Aaron Copland lived and worked at Rock Hill, a hilltop house in Cortlandt Manor. Copland House, Inc., is the organization charged with keeping his legacy alive, and it does so by hosting performances at nearby Merestead, a 130-acre estate with a 26-room Georgian Revival mansion designed by famed architects Delano & Aldrich. Composers such as John Corigliano, Richard Danielpour, David Amram, Stephen Schwartz, and Steve Reich have all appeared at Copland House at Merestead programs to conduct, play, and/or discuss their work. *455 Byram Lake Rd, Mount Kisco (914) 788-4659; www.coplandhouse.org* 



Photo courtesy of Copland House

literature variety show Wesley Stace's Cabinet of Wonders, contemporary dance troupe Taylor 2, and experimental theater piece *The Table*. 153 Library Ln, Mamaroneck (914) 698-0098; www.emelin.org

## Westchester Sandbox Theatre

This year-round, 90-seat theater puts on a few mainstage productions each year, including regional premieres of musicals such as *Next to Normal, Dirty Rotten Scoundrels*, and *Avenue Q*. But its real emphasis is on shows for kids and teens, hosting 10 shows for young people each year. 931C E Boston Post Rd, Mamaroneck (914) 630-0804; www.wstshows.com

## **Mount Vernon**

#### St. Paul's Church National Historic Site

St. Paul's Church is notable for its role in the Revolutionary War, when it served as the site of a wartime hospital after the Battle of Pell's Point; graves in the church's cemetery date back to 1704. Today, you can see living-history interpretations, take a tour that climbs a wooden staircase to see the 1758 bronze bell in the church tower or hear a history lecture or organ concert. During "First Thursdays," free events are held from 1 pm to 9 pm. 897 S Columbus Ave, Mount Vernon (914) 667-4116; www.nps.gov/sapa

## **New Rochelle**

#### Museum of Arts & Culture

The Museum of Arts & Culture at New Rochelle High School stands out as being the only museum in Westchester located on a high-school campus; in fact, it's the only Regents-chartered museum in a school in New York State. Exhibitions often have a local focus, such as the inaugural exhibition centered on Norman Rockwell (who lived in New Rochelle for a time), or another about *Ragtime* that included a visit from writer E.L. Doctorow. 265 *Clove Rd, New Rochelle (914)* 576-4657; *www.nredfund.org/museum* 

## The Symphony of Westchester

This professional orchestra started off as the Westchester Chamber Orchestra and grew until the name no longer applied to the full, symphonic works it was presenting in its programming. Guest soloists like pianist Alon Goldstein, flutist Carol Wincenc, and pianist Adam Kent have joined founder/artistic director Maestro Barry Charles Hoffman for the symphony's four-concert season. Performances are held at the Christopher J. Murphy Auditorium at Iona College in New Rochelle.

Christopher J. Murphy Auditorium at Iona College, 715 North Ave (914) 654-4926; www.thesymphonyofwestchester.org

#### **Thomas Paine Cottage Museum**

The unassuming white saltbox house in New Rochelle looks like it could belong to any family, but, in the early 1800s, it belonged to Thomas Paine, the Revolutionary War author of Common Sense and The American Crisis. Today, it's set up as a museum, and visitors can learn about 18th-century life and see local historical artifacts.

20 Sicard Ave, New Rochelle (914) 633-1776; www.thomaspainecottage.org

#### **North Salem**

#### Hammond Museum and Japanese Stroll Garden

The Hammond Museum features a gallery with a rotating series of concurrent exhibitions. But the art continues outside on the grounds, where a quaint garden path takes visitors through a variety of landscapes, from a pond with lily pads to a tea garden to a bamboo grove. The garden also hosts special events, such as a yearly moon-viewing concert and an annual blessing of the animals. 28 Deveau Rd, North Salem (914) 669-5033;

www.hammondmuseum.org

#### Peekskill

#### Hudson Valley Center for Contemporary Art (HVCCA)

The HVCCA turned a massive 12,000-squarefoot former paneling factory in Peekskill into a space for cutting-edge contemporary art by artists like Folkert de Jong, Thomas Hirschhorn, and Skewville. It was founded by Livia and Marc Straus, who were included as part of the "The Top 100 Collectors in America" by Art & Antiques Magazine.

1701 Main St, Peekskill (914) 788-0100; www.hvcca.org

#### Paramount Hudson Valley

Paramount Pictures built this grand all-talking movie palace in 1930, and it operated for more than 75 years until it closed in October 2012. But it's back-rechristened Paramount Hudson Valley and under new management-and hosting performers again, including Herman's Hermits, the Marshall Tucker Band, Belinda Carlisle, and Daisy Jopling. 1008 Brown St, Peekskill (914) 739-0039; www.paramounthudsonvalley.com

#### Pelham

#### Pelham Art Center

The Pelham Art Center regularly hosts free art events that focus on some aspect of world culture. A cherry-blossom festival held in April, for

#### New Rochelle Opera

The New Rochelle Opera was started in the early 1980s by singer Camille Coppola as a way to bring opera to Westchester and foster an appreciation of live opera. The company continues in this mission today, staging productions of favorites like Madama Butterfly, Cavalleria Rusticana, I Pagliacci, Tosca, and others. PO Box 55, New Rochelle (914) 576-0365; www.nropera.org



example, offered workshops in Ikebana (flower-arranging), a demonstration on weaving a cherry blossom using a traditional hand-weaving method, and a performance of Japanese classical dance. The center also offers regular classes and workshops, in addition to a rotating art exhibition.

155 Fifth Ave, Pelham (914) 738-2525; www.pelhamartcenter.org

#### The Picture House Regional Film Center

A group of concerned citizens saved this 1920s theater from the wrecking ball in 2002. Now, it operates as an art-house cinema, specializing in documentaries, repertory classics screened in 35mm, family films, and curated series such as the Westchester Italian Film Festival. Classes are also offered for students through 12th grade.

175 Wolfs Ln, Pelham (914) 738-7337; www.thepicturehouse.org

#### Pleasantville

#### Jacob Burns Film Center

Expect top independent, documentary, and foreign films to play here, sometimes with their directors in tow, ready to answer questions at a post-screening Q&A. (Werner Herzog, Danny Boyle, and Steven Spielberg have attended events.) In addition to first-run features, the center hosts ongoing film series-past series have focused on dance on film, issues of social justice, or the cinema of a particular country, like Romania-and director Jonathan Demme hand-picks his personal underrated favorites for the "Rarely Seen Cinema" series. The center also runs the Media Arts Lab, which offers classes for students, along with a residence for international filmmakers.

364 Manville Rd, Pleasantville (914) 747-5555; www.burnsfilmcenter.org

#### **Pocantico Hills**

#### Historic Hudson Valley

Historic Hudson Valley maintains and runs programs at a number of historic properties in Westchester's Rivertowns: Kykuit, an estate (once owned by the Rockefeller family) that houses a world-class collection of art; Washington Irving's Sunnyside, a cottage that belonged to the author of The Legend of Sleepy Hollow; Philipsburg Manor, an 18th-century Anglo-Dutch farming, milling, and trading center; and the Union Church of Pocantico Hills, which features stained-glass windows by Matisse and Chagall. Festivals and other special events take place at these sites



#### **Clay Art Center**

For those who appreciate the ceramic arts and all things pottery, the Clay Art Center has a gallery with a rotating exhibition of sculptural and functional ceramics, as well as The Shop at CAC, where invited guest artists from around the nation sell their wares. For those who aren't content just to look at the works, there are also classes, workshops, and demonstrations where you can make your own. 40 Beech St, Port Chester (914) 937-2047; www.clayartcenter.org

throughout the year, including the annual Great Jack O'Lantern Blaze, where 5,000 illuminated, carved pumpkins.

639 Bedford Rd, Pocantico Hills (914) 631-8200; www.hudsonvalley.org

#### **Port Chester**

#### The Capitol Theatre

The 1926 Thomas W. Lamb-designed Capitol Theatre was a haven for touring artists like the Grateful Dead and Pink Floyd in its heyday during the '60s and '70s, and, after a period of disuse, came roaring back in 2012 with a grand-reopening Bob Dylan concert. Today, when the biggest names in music come to the county, they come here. Since its reopening, Al Green, the Alabama Shakes, Elvis Costello, My Morning Jacket, Pixies, Queens of the Stone Age, and Sleigh Bells have performed here. 149 Westchester Ave, Port Chester (914) 937-4126; www.thecapitoltheatre.com

#### Purchase

#### Neuberger Museum of Art

Located on the campus of Purchase College in a building designed by Philip Johnson, the Neuberger Museum of Art showcases the art of the 20th and 21st centuries. African art is a large part of the Museum's collection, with a special focus on the arts of Central Africa. Rotating exhibitions in the past have focused on Andy Warhol, Forrest Bess, Hannah Wilke, Chuck Close, and William Wegman. Free family events take place on the second Saturday of each month. *Purchase College, 735 Anderson Hill Rd, Purchase* (914) 251-6100; www.neuberger.org

#### **Performing Arts Center**

There are four theaters that comprise the Performing Arts Center complex, also located on the campus of Purchase College, and each one is optimized for a different type of live performance including orchestras, solo classical artists, film, chamber music, dance, theater, and family events. For the popular "Talk Cinema" series, film critic and historian Harlan Jacobson screens a yet-to-be-released film and then discusses it with a critic or filmmaker afterward.

*Purchase College, 735 Anderson Hill Rd, Purchase* (914) 251-6200; *www.artscenter.org* 

## Arts & Entertainment 🕫

#### Rye

#### **Rye Arts Center**

Head to the gallery at the Rye Arts Center to see works by local, national, and international artists. Once inspired, you can register for one of the Center's classes, which focus on art, music, and dance. For those with more of a scientific mind, there's a new STEM+Arts program, which has classes with a scientific, technological, engineering, or math component.

51 Milton Rd, Rye (914) 967-0700; www.ryeartscenter.org

## **Sleepy Hollow**

#### Hudson Valley Writers' Center

Located in the former Philipse Manor train station, the Center offers writing classes in fiction, nonfiction, and poetry, in addition to hosting readings, open-mic nights, and other literary events, many with authors published by the HVWC's Slapering Hol Press. 300 Riverside Dr, Sleepy Hollow (914) 332-5953; www.writerscenter.org

#### Tarrytown

#### Lyndhurst

The Gothic Revival mansion has been home to a number of prominent New York families, including New York City Mayor William Paulding, merchant George Merritt, and railroad tycoon Jay Gould. Visitors are invited to walk the landscaped grounds, which overlook the Hudson River, or tour the mansion during one of its special events. 635 S Broadway, Tarrytown (914) 631-4481; www.lyndhurst.org

#### Tuckahoe

#### Westchester Italian Cultural Center

This is where to go as a source for all things *Italia*, from language classes to films to—our favorite—cooking demonstrations. (There are adult classes, and the "Piccoli Cuochi" series is a cooking class for kids.) Professors often stop by to give a lecture in an area of their expertise, and sometimes they even lead trips to Italy. 24 Depot Sq, Tuckahoe (914) 771-8700; www.wiccny.org

#### Yonkers

#### Alamo Drafthouse Cinema

Food made from scratch on-site and drinks, including a large selection of local and craft beers, are served at your seats while you watch a movie. The cinema shows first-run features and indie movies, and also hosts special events like a *Ghostbusters* quote-along, '80s dance party, or movie quiz night. 2548 Central Ave, Yonkers (914) 226-3082; www.drafthouse.com/nyc\_area/yonkers

#### Empire City Casino at Yonkers Raceway

Gaming entertainment can be had in the county on more than 5,300 slot machines including electronic roulette, video poker, and keno at this racino. There's also a one-half-mile standardbred harness racing dirt track featuring racing 5 nights a week, live entertainment, and two full-service restaurants. *810 Yonkers Ave, Yonkers (914) 968-4200; www.empirecitycasino.com* 

#### Hudson River Museum

Overlooking the Hudson River and Palisades, the museum's exhibitions often highlight the connection to the River; many Hudson River School artists are represented in its collection. The on-site Andrus Planetarium underwent a significant technological upgrade in 2013 for state-of-the-art weekend star shows. *511 Warburton Ave, Yonkers (914)* 963-4550;

www.hrm.org

#### Tarrytown Music Hall

#### Philipse Manor Hall

Dating all the way back to the 1600s, the manor house has had many lives—it was, for example, Yonkers' first City Hall. Today, the site offers selfguided tours (be sure to check out the 1750s papiermâché Rococo ceiling), a museum of art and history, and space for special events like lectures, book signings, and festivals.

29 Warburton Ave, Yonkers (914) 965-4027; www.nysparks.com/historic-sites/37/details.aspx

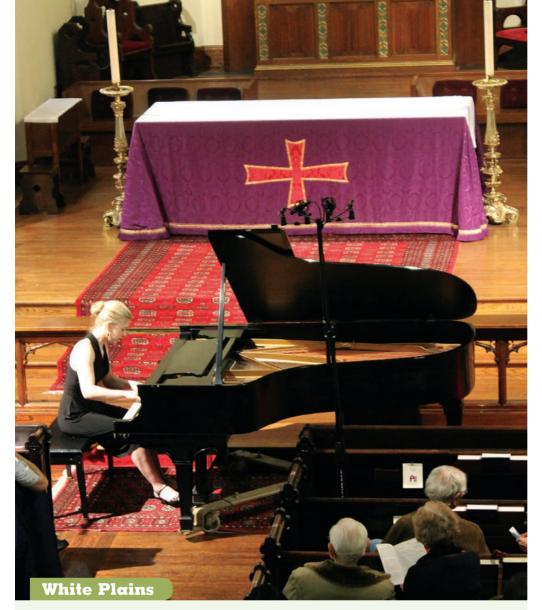
## **Yorktown Heights**

#### **Axial Theatre**

The Axial Theatre was founded by playwright, director, and acting teacher Howard Meyer with a mission to produce and present new plays. The Theatre presented Meyer's *Radiance*, for example, which was a two-time semifinalist at the esteemed O'Neill National Playwright's

This 843-seat theater earned the right to be a National Landmark building for its mix of Queen Anne, Victorian, and Art Deco architectural elements. Its programming is no less diverse, with a year-round lineup of music, dance, comedy, film, and family events. Recent presentations have included Melissa Etheridge, Kris Kristofferson, 10,000 Maniacs, Lisa Lampanelli, a production of *The Cat in the Hat*, and a screening of *The Shining*. 13 Main St, Tarrytown (914) 631-3390; www.tarrytownmusichall.org





#### Downtown Music at Grace

Members of the Metropolitan Opera Orchestra and other major ensembles—along with professional singers and members of West Point Brass—form the core of three resident ensembles dedicated to bringing a variety of music to downtown White Plains. The cornerstone of Downtown Music at Grace's programming is its Noonday Getaway series, consisting of free, half-hour concerts, usually held on Wednesdays at 12:10 pm and designed to fit within a lunch hour. *Grace Church, 33 Church St, White Plains (914) 949-0384; www.dtmusic.org* 

Conference. Performances usually take place at St. John's Episcopal Church Community House in Pleasantville.

PO Box 1004, Yorktown Heights (914) 286-7680; www.axialtheatre.org

#### Yorktown Stage

Beloved family-friendly musicals are usually on the marquee at the Yorktown Stage, and past productions have included *Little Shop of Horrors, Fiddler on the Roof,* and *Grease.* The theater mounts between two and four main-stage productions each year. For budding theatrical stars, there are camps and workshops for children and teens.

1974 Commerce St, Yorktown Heights (914) 962-0606; www.yorktownstage.org

#### Valhalla

#### Smart Arts event series at Westchester Community College

Westchester Community College is known primarily for the degrees it offers, but the Smart Arts event series brings world-class cultural offerings to students and nonstudents alike in its Academic Arts Theater. Events range from professor-led forums on classic works of literature to contemporary ballet to a magic show with famed illusionists The Spencers. The college also hosts an international film series.

75 Grasslands Rd, Valhalla (914) 606-6600; www.sunywcc.edu/about/smartarts

## White Plains

#### **ArtsWestchester**

Since 1965, the nonprofit organization now known as ArtsWestchester has been working to support the arts in the county. Its home at the Arts Exchange, a former bank building, hosts exhibitions, live performances, and classes. It's also a haven for those who want to create art, as there are artists' studios and rehearsal spaces for rent.

Arts Exchange 31 Mamaroneck Ave, White Plains (914) 428-4220 www.artswestchester.org

#### Westchester County Center

The Art Deco Westchester County Center, opened in 1930, is known to host bigger happenings, like sporting events (it's home to the Westchester Knicks) and live trade shows. But there are cultural offerings as well, including an annual performance of *The Nutcracker* by the Westchester Ballet Company. Past events, put on by WM Concerts & Events, include performances by Aretha Franklin and Itzhak Perlman. 198 Central Ave, White Plains (914) 995-4050; www.countycenter.biz

#### Westchester Philharmonic

The Westchester Philharmonic is led by two principal conductors: Jaime Laredo and Ted Sperling. Laredo has received worldwide acclaim as a soloist, conductor, recitalist, pedagogue, and chamber musician. Sperling has more than 30 years experience in the New York theater and concert world. The Philharmonic is based in White Plains, but most performances take place at the 1,300seat Concert Hall at the Performing Arts Center in Purchase.

123 Main St, 9th Fl, White Plains (914) 682-3707; www.westchesterphil.org

#### White Plains Performing Arts Center

Look for big-name musicals to make regional stops at the White Plains Performing Arts Center, where past productions have included *Les Misérables*, *Rent*, and *Man of La Mancha*. In addition to bigger main-stage shows, the venue hosts one-night-only special events, including live music, comedy, and family events.

11 City Pl, White Plains (914) 328-1600; www.wppac.com



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# Shopping

Westchester boasts an enviable potpourri of shopping options that rivals almost anywhere in the nation. From quaint mom-and-pop shops and exclusive BoHo-chic boutiques to futuristic village-style outdoor malls and classic big-box retailers, chances are that if it's worth having, you'll find it in Westchester.

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### Miller's Toys

Founded as a bicycle and baby-carriage shop in Harlem in 1908, the store has prospered since moving to Mamaroneck in 1948, when it began to offer toys, too. The business has stayed within the family throughout the decades. Miller's also sells a wide range of equipment for outdoor fun, plus specializes in water activities, carrying everything for the pool, including swimwear and sun protection.

335 Mamaroneck Ave, Mamaroneck (914) 698-5070; www.millerstoys.com



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### Kelloggs & Lawrence

In business since 1887, this family-owned hardware store sells more than home-project staples like hammers, screws, and bolts. Shop here for specialty items, like grills, distinctive mailboxes, fireplace accessories, gifts, outdoor gear, and apparel. 26 Parkway, Katonah (914) 232-3351; www.kelloggsandlawrence.com

### Rothman's

The one-stop designer for the well-suited man, you'll find topdrawer casual separates, fine suits, and formalwear. Also onsite is Lubin's children's specialty shop with a selection of boy's suits, jackets, and dress pants for your dapper darling. *1 Boniface Cir, Scarsdale* (914) 713-0300; *www.rothmansny.com* 





### beehive designer collective

This earthy boutique features jewelry, accessories, apparel, home décor, and gifts from independent designers around the US, most handcrafted with a modern perspective. Colorful minimalist-style resin necklaces, hand-painted Mason jar to-go glasses, and silk saris have all been spotted here. 337 Main St, Mount Kisco (914) 218-8700; www.beehivemtkisco.com



### **Tarry Market**

Celebrity restaurateurs Mario Batali and Joe Bastianich added to their ever-growing roster of shops and eateries when they opened Tarry Market in 2014. You'll find towering racks of freshly made bread, bright baskets of seasonal produce, and cases of locally farmed meats at this indoor specialty market that is perfect for casual browsing and shopping. Specialty-food items from Italy, Spain, and France, along with highlights from local vendors, are available. Head to the casual lunch counter, La Cucina, and try the delicious porchetta sandwich before treating yourself to coffee and pastry at the espresso bar. 179 N Main St, Port Chester (914) 253-5680; www.tarrymarket.com



### Farm Store at Stone Barns

Cookbooks, local pottery, heirloom seeds, farm eggs, honey, and handwoven napkins are among the many treasures at this shop, which celebrates the best of the region. From the Stone Barns Center's very own sheepskins, vegetables, meats, and farm-made compost to beautiful mixed-metal jewelry and vibrantly colored tea towels, the selection offers the perfect marriage of an eclectic gift shop and farm stand. While you're shopping for housewarming gifts, don't forget to treat yourself to a little something, too, guilt-free, as all proceeds benefit the center's programs. 630 Bedford Rd, Pocantico Hills (914) 366-6200; www.stonebarnscenter.org/store



### Mariani Gardens

Liven up any outdoor space with the vibrant plant selection at Mariani. Within a climate-controlled greenhouse, you'll find high-end and rare trees and shrubs. Complete your garden with outdoor accessories from a wide selection of furniture, statuary, and fountains. 45 Bedford Rd, Armonk (914) 273-3083; www.marianigardens.com



### LOLA New York

LOLA offers glamorous Boho-style pieces to complete any shabby-chic look. It delivers on style and sass with its collection of beaded bracelets, glitzy clutches, and eye-catching scarves, fit for even the biggest accessory-aholic.

396 Mamaroneck Ave, White Plains (914) 358-1314; www.lolany.com

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### Ardsley

### Mosiello & Sons Jewelry

Since 1982, Lou Mosiello — and now also sons Michael and Brian — have been a dependable source for jewelry with brands such as Alex and Ani, Pandora, Sara Blaine, and Michael Kors. Also offered in the 3,000-square-foot showroom are watches (Michael Kors, Luminox, Bulova), wedding bands/engagement rings (Gabriel & Co., Benchmark), and custom-made pieces. 545 Saw Mill River Rd (914) 693-5672; www.mosielloandsons.com

Armonk

### All About the Dress

Having done the Bar Mitzvah circuit with their kids, a pair of savvy local moms launched this shop, offering fashion-forward special-occasion dresses and separates for girls 7 to 18 who are hosting or attending religious ceremonies, sweet-16 parties, or proms. A well-edited selection from top designers in a variety of prices, plus a custom option via designers Jesus Estrada (of *Project Runway* fame) and his brother Antonio, delivers a stress-free shopping experience for both the pickiest mini-fashionista and her maternal funding source.

480 Main St (914) 219-5300; www.allaboutthedressny.com

### Eye Designs of Westchester

Discover trendy, upscale eyewear styles among brands like Chanel, Oliver Peoples, and Silhouette. Here, you'll find designs that not only suit your face but your personality, as well. A second location is in Scarsdale.

575 Main St (914) 273-7337; www.eyedesignswestchester.com

### Hickory & Tweed

This sporting goods shop specializes in bicycle, ski, and snowboard gear for outdoor fun yearround. Browse through brands like Cannondale, and Specialized for bicycles, or Volkl, Nordica, and Burton for skis and snowboards. Keep warm with fall and winter fashions from top brands like The North Face and Patagonia, among stylish European lines from Jus, Bogner, and Toni Sailer. *410 Main St (914) 273-3397;* 

www.hickoryandtweed.com

### **HIPCHIK Home**

The vibe in this funky-with-an-edge home shop is anything but boring vanilla. Its hip jewelrydesigner/fashion-industry-vet owner has an eye for fresh and distinctive accessories, like pillows with of-the-moment phrases, cool colored Lucite trays and serving accents, and other fashion-forward pieces for the home. Our faves include a sleek Lucite desk-accessory line, into which you just pop a photo for an instantly personalized present.

381 Main St (914) 273-4600; www.hipchikhome.com

### Moderne Barn Wines & Spirits

Wine shopping can be intimidating if you're not an expert, but Moderne Barn, specializing in small-production bottles, makes the experience simple and enjoyable. Entertaining? Select a wine to suit your menu from selections recommended for seafood, poultry, and meat. All bottles are labeled with tasting notes and eight bottles are opened and available for tasting daily. 430 Bedford Rd (914) 273-1000; wwww.modernebarnwine.com

### **Bedford**/ **Bedford** Hills

### Bedford House

There's a lot to take in at this furnishings, gift, and fine consignment shop. Browse through an artfully staged showcase of distinctive objects for the home, from new furniture to intriguing antiques: a sculptural "deer head" mounted high among framed contemporary art and extravagant mirrors of all shapes and scales; a horsehoof shaped wooden lamp; a vintage ornate bare wood armchair; or, perhaps, a graphic dresser tray from Morocco.

17 Depot Plz (914) 241-0415; www.bedfordhouse.com

### **The Horse Connection**

The ultimate shop for equestrians and hippophiles, here you'll find everything for your riding and caretaking needs. From boots and apparel to stirrups and horse treats, this is where trainers send their clients for the best quality horse products and riding essentials. *38 Village Green* (914) 234-2047;

www.horseconnectionbedford.com

### The Preppy Turtle

Owner Ann Hardy, a graduate of The Fashion Institute of Technology, offers better-brand clothing, accessories, toys, books, and gifts for women of all ages at competitive prices. The store sells a mix of new and select used items.

 $2 \ Depot \ Plz \ (914) \ 666\text{-}8500; \ www.the preppy turtle.com$ 

### **Briarcliff Manor**

### **March Boutique**

March brings SoHo style to the streets of Briarcliff with an eclectic collection of women's

wear, jewelry, and accessories. Shop more than 50 designers, including established names like BB Dakota, Nicole Miller, and Trina Turk, alongside emerging brands.

1207 Pleasantville Rd (914) 923-2100; www.marchboutique.com

### Holbrook Cottage

Specializing in gourmet gift baskets, the retail space is organized into various departments by specialty including the Gourmet Market for delicious fine foods, the Baby Cottage for adorable layette items, and the Personal Spa Collection for luxurious skincare products. 1253 Pleasantville Rd (914) 944-0734; www.holbrookcottage.com

### Bronxville

### Mano a Mano

Poke through the personally packed selection of pretty decorative items in this tiny wonderland of a boutique. It's bursting with fragrant Pacifica spa collections, cherry-blossom table runners from Kim Seybert, Jonathan Adler frames, and MacKenzie Child's checkered floor mats. *81 Pondfield Rd* (914) 793-8329

### The Silk Road

Fill your home with exotic treasures from China, India, Peru, South Africa, Thailand, and Vietnam without ever leaving Westchester. You'll stumble upon eclectic home décor collections, gifts, jewelry, textiles, and clothing — some of which are handmade showstoppers.

101 Pondfield Rd (914) 337-2177; www.thesilkroadny.com

### Womrath Bookshop

For 76 years, this independent bookseller has been servicing Westchester book fanatics with a wide selection of hardcovers, paperbacks, children's books, and now e-books. Don't miss their fun events, including children's book-themed parties, signings and visits from celebrities like Tina Fey. *76 Pondfield Rd* (914) 337-0199; www.womrath.com

### Chappaqua

### Breeze

Looking to impress at your next soiree? This charming Chappaqua boutique is the ultimate destination for any stylish entertainer. The colorful, yet simplistic table linens, glassware, and serveware are perfect for creating a gorgeous dining scape, while the wide array of decorative accessories can take any home or garden to the next level.

1 King St (914) 238-1900; www.breezegifts.com

### The Cosmetic Boutique

Personalized makeup consultations and complimentary refreshments truly put the "U" in beauty at this store. Shop quality products from top brands Too Faced, Laura Mercier, Becca, and Kevyn Aucoin, among organic and natural lines. The staff also performs various spa services, such as facials, waxing, and tanning in an intimate setting. 18 S Greeley Ave (914) 861-2552; www.thecosmeticboutique.net

### **Family Britches**

While clothing trends have come and gone in the store's 40-plus years of business, it has remained constant in providing classic, country-club style fashions for the whole family. Shop luxurious suits for dad, cozy cashmere sweaters for mom, and both casual and formal wear for boys. Family Britches has another location in New Canaan, Connecticut. 70 King St (914) 238-8017; www.familybritches.com

### **Cortlandt Manor**

### Nancy's Bridal Shop

You'll never have to skimp on style at this budgetfriendly formalwear boutique. Find "the one" among bridal gown designers like DaVinci Bridal, House of Wu, and Impression Bridal, and even bridesmaid dresses to complement your look. Come prom season, the shop is filled with young and fun selections in a wide range of sizes. 17 Main St (607) 662-4247; www.nancusbridalshop.com

### **Croton-on-Hudson**

### Lifestyles and Interiors by Lisa

Browse through a showroom of elegant home décor pieces selected from talented vendors, craftspeople, and artists. Skeptical about how an item will fit in your home? Borrow it and find out before putting



### **Dobbs Ferry**

**Hocus Pocus Magic Shop** The store offers much more than bunnies in hats, card tricks, and magic wands. Lessons, shows, and celebrity appearances are frequently held on premises, and visits to see store mascots Trixie the dove and Magic the cockatoo are always welcome. *35 Cedar St* (914) 755-1450

down any money. After, shop the sample room for fabrics, wallpaper, and trim to complement your new statement pieces. Interior design services are also offered.

4 Croton Point Ave (914) 862-4163; www.lifestylesandinteriors.com

### Serious Toyz

Whether you're a committed collector or just looking for a cool find, this unique toyshop carries an elaborate stash of nostalgic toys. Although many of the items are for auction, you can purchase old superheroes, trucks, action figures, and lunch boxes at prices starting at \$10 and on up into the thousands. *1 Baltic Pl* (914) 271-8699; www.serioustoyz.com

### **Cross River**

### The Bedford Sportsman

A fisherman's on-land paradise, this fly shop will prepare you for finding some serious catch — before you get your feet wet. Shop poles, bait, wire, and more, or stop in for fishing tips from experts and enthusiasts. 759 Rte 35 (914) 666-8091; www.bedfordsportsman.com

### The Yellow Monkey

A picturesque little enclave of local shops offer shopping, pampering, and munching in the setting of 18th-century homes and red brick paths. Shop Yellow Monkey Antiques for eclectic vintage collections, or its sister store Modern Monkey, for a mix of old and new tabletops, linens, gifts, and accessories. For the ultimate relaxation experience, visit AER Living yoga studio, spa, and cafe. *792 Rte* 35 (914) 763-5848;

www.yellowmonkey.com; www.o2living.com

### **Dobbs Ferry**

### Home Again Consignments

Like pieces with provenance? Treasure hunt here for gently used and almost-new furniture and accessories, including antiques and collectibles from local homes and estates. You'll find everything from mid-century chairs and stools in turquoise and au courant orange to mahogany buffets and old Coca-Cola signs. Lighting includes crystal chandeliers, wrought-iron fixtures, and Chinese porcelain lamps. 121 Main St (914) 693-8900; www.homeagaindf.com

### **Popshop Style**

This trendy clothing and accessories boutique features fabulous styles at fierce prices for women and girls of all ages. Vibrant colored dresses, witty graphic tees, and funky tribal print pants reflect its popinspired collection. Most items are under \$50 to keep you looking your best while staying in budget. 32 *Cedar St* (914) 693-0072; www.popshopstyle.com

# Shopping 🗎

### Eastchester

### Fox's

Feed into your love of shopping with brandname women's wear from top designers at great prices. Fashion-savvy shoppers will find career, casual, and active wear, as well as accessories and shoes that are not only high-quality and on-trend but also under budget. 440 White Plains Rd (914) 793-1573; www.foxs.com

### Elmsford

### The Cigar Republic

Owned by third-generation tobacconists, this smoke shop offers one of the largest boutique selections of cigars in New York. Find fine cigars imported from around the world, some from popular brands and others from private, boutique, and homegrown labels. Also in Danbury, Connecticut.

116 S Central Ave (914) 592-1580; www.thecigarrepublic.com

### Harrison

### Harrison Wine Vault

A vast selection of wines and spirits are showcased in a three-level, 2,500-square-foot store. The space features a temperature-controlled room for fine wines, a "Whiskey Room" that houses the largest whiskey selection outside of Manhattan and a classroom for in-store events. Complimentary tastings are offered every Friday and Saturday.

289 Halstead Ave (914) 835-0125; www.harrisonwinevault.com

### Hartsdale

### Ethan Allen

Shop livable luxury at this furniture and homeaccessories megastore, where you'll find classic designs with modern finishes. Chic items for sale include a table lamp made of fallen Liana driftwood, a diamond-tufted leather chaise lounge, and a hand-quilted silk comforter.

152 S Central Ave (914) 684-0360; www.ethanallen.com

### Innovation Luggage

Browse high-quality products like backpacks, briefcases, duffel bags, suitcases, wallets, and leather goods from today's top travel brands. Shop Johnston & Murphy, Kipling, Pathfinder, Samsonite, Victorinox, and Tumi. 84 S Central Ave (914) 683-1403; www.innovationluggage.com



### Clockwork Records

Vinyl enthusiasts, rejoice. With a wide variety of out-of-print and new releases, the shop specializes in '60s underground, hardcore, punk, and metal records. More interested in ska, dub, jazz, folk, or mainstream rock? You're in luck. Bands like Agnostic Front and The Misfits have made appearances, rocking out with fans and Clockwork regulars.

24 Main St (914) 478-0241; www.clockworkrecordsny.com

### **Hastings-on-Hudson**

### Maisonette

From furnishings to flatware, Maisonette offers exciting and elegant pieces that transform a house into a home. Surround your living space with unique items like a hammered brass table, marble and wood cutting board, and an extensive selection of home fragrances. 578 Warburton Ave (914) 231-7454; www.maisonetteshoppe.com

### Hawthorne

### **Rosedale Nurseries**

This full service landscape and retail nursery holds the widest selection and size range of trees, shrubs, perennials, roses, and groundcovers in the region. Rosedale also offers garden planning and installation services to help you create your dream yard. *51 Saw Mill River Rd* (914) 769-1300; *www.rosedalenurseries.com* 

### Irvington

### DoctorMac

As the only authorized Apple reseller and service provider in Westchester, DoctorMac offers the same products and service as The Apple Store without a trip to the mall. Whether you're looking to purchase a new laptop or fix a shattered iPhone screen, this local tech store will service all your needs, without the long lines and the fuss. *64 Main St (914) 591-1010; www.doctormac.com* 

### Tra La La

At this exquisite children's furniture boutique, decorating for baby and brood is nothing short of luxurious. Fill his or her bedroom with a French wood toy chest, hand-painted personalized rocking chair, or a Dupioni silk bassinet. Clothing, cuddle toys, and dress up accessories sold here also make great gifts.

46 Main St (914) 591-5312; www.tralalakids.com

### Katonah

### Italy Direct

Italian suits and sportswear don't mean big bucks at this menswear marvel in Katonah. Here you'll find high-end imported silk ties, cotton spreadcollar dress shirts, and cashmere sweaters — all at 30 to 40 percent off.

284 Katonah Ave (917) 500-6222; www.italydirectmenswear.blogspot.com

### Oak & Oil

Quaint, perfect-for-browsing Katonah is home to this charming art and home furnishings gallery, which showcases impeccably crafted work by local artists and craftspeople. The vibe is unpretentious, and the collection is eclectic and ever-changing. Discover handmade silk pillowcases and wool rugs, earthy ceramics, folk art paintings, Navaho design floor art, stunning glass art, and striking wood and glass tables. *89 Katonah Ave* (914) 232-8100; www.oakandoil.com

### Larchmont

### Clutch

This accessories boutique carries popular labels like MZ Wallace, maker of the perfect black everyday bag, plus lesser-known lines. Light up over classic straw hats, pastel-stone statement necklaces, soft-fringed scarves, fun sunnies, bold-color leather totes, some tunics and wraps — and, of course, outfit-making clutches. A second location can be found on Purchase Street in Rye.

1905 Palmer Ave (914) 315-1434; www.palmerandpurchase.com

### Pet Pantry Warehouse

With the largest selection of pet supplies, holistic, natural, and fresh foods, it's no wonder many Westchester animal lovers consider Pet Pantry to be the area's premier pet superstore. Shop products for dogs, cats, reptiles, birds, small animals, and both fresh and saltwater fish. Also find Pet Pantry in Rye and three Connecticut locations. 2444 Boston Post Rd (914) 833-3444; www.ppwpet.com



### Glass Onion Originals

Glass Onion features the works of some of the finest artists and designers across America—some even from Westchester. Eye-catching gifts and housewares serve as unique and functional art pieces, many of which are handmade. From jewelry to kitchenware, clocks to kaleidoscopes, the shop doesn't disappoint in selection or style. *4 Washington Ave* (914) 741-6294; www.glassonionoriginals.com

### Sweeets

This gourmet candy and artisanal confection shop — Martha Stewart called its Connecticut sister shop "charming" — offers fine chocolate, specialty sweets, and addictive treats like licorice, marshmallows, and macarons from England, France, Germany, Sweden, and the Netherlands. Do sample its "Westchester County Crack" — Paso Almond Brittle — and check out boxed candies, gift baskets, and centerpieces for fun gifts. 1935A Palmer Ave (914) 630-4400; www.sweeetsusa.com

### The Voracious Reader

This community children's bookshop is a haven for young readers, where baby's first books and the hottest teen series can both be found. Pop in for storytime or an author signing, and enjoy music, coloring, and snacks from the store's tea shop, A Proper Cup. 1997 Palmer Ave (914) 630-4581; www.thevoraciousreader.com

### Lewisboro/ South Salem

### The Cottage

Within this vintage home superstore, you'll spot antique decorative pieces and gifts alongside newer finds. Items like vintage Russel Wright dinnerware, wrought-iron fencing, and a rustic stepback cabinet have all been collected from local estate and moving sales, brought back for new owners to love. 74 Westchester Ave (914) 763-1310; www.cottageantiqueshome.com

### Mamaroneck

### Knit Shoppe

With this cozy yet not-your-grandma's shop, a lifelong knitter dispels the notion that her craft is just for the rocking-chair set. You'll be tempted by alpaca, linen, cotton, silk, mohair, and bamboo yarns — some with sequins, some with a metallic touch — made domestically as well as imported from Italy, Spain, and Peru — plus a full array of supplies and classes for knitting newbies. 501 E Boston Post Rd, Mamaroneck (914) 630-7647

### Siren Boutique

SoHo mixes with spunky at this suburban women's clothing boutique. Browse through one-of-akind items like silky beaded jumpers, handmade pearl brass earrings, genuine leather handbags, and even bridal gowns from Nicole Miller. 224 Mamaroneck Ave (914) 777-2122; www.sirenboutique.com

### **Mount Kisco**

### **Blithewold Home**

A collective mix of antique and contemporary furnishings and accessories, this home boutique features some of today's most lusted over brands and designs. Here, you'll find a pair of 19th-century French porcelain lamps, vintage Chinese glazed cermanics, and a cozy fringed lamb's wool throw. 495 Lexington Ave (914) 666-7533; www.blithewoldhome.com

### **Churchills of Mount Kisco**

This luxury boutique for both men and women serves the socialite Northern Westchester set, and those who value luxurious European styles. Loyal fans call the store "better than Barneys" with designer casual wear, outerwear, and footwear and a selection of leather goods, furs, and jewelry. *41 S Moger Ave* (914) 666-4800; www.churchillsmountkisco.com

### Elephant's Trunk

Since 1971, this fashion-forward boutique that sells eveningwear, special-occasion clothes, and accessories has become a county stylemaker. Expect designers such as Jovani, La Femme, Marisa Baratelli, Constance McCardle, Scala, Stephen Yearick, Suzanne Ermann, and Paula Varsalona. 111 E Main St (914) 666-7666; www.elephantstrunk.com

### Wilson & Son Jewelers

This fourth generation family-owned jeweler has been a part of the Westchester community since 1926. Wilson & Son has continued to provide timeless jewelry pieces from high-end brands like David Yurman, Forevermark, and Rolex, alongside other brands like Swiss Army, Raymond Weil, and Mont Blanc for handsome watches and timepieces. 29 South Moger Ave (914) 241-4500; www.wilsonandsonjewelers.com

### **New Rochelle**

### Consign It on Main

Within this fine furnishings/accessories store you'll browse consignment finds from theater and movie sets, local homes, and renowned furniture makers like Julia Gray, Baker, Stark, and George Smith. Staging, interior design, upholstery, and lighting services are all offered.

543 Main St (914) 637-7600; www.consignitonmainllc.com

### The Curtain Shop

Discover much more than curtains at this twofloor home accessories superstore. Shop both readymade and custom curtains and valances, blinds, rugs, table linens, appliances, dishes, tupperware, and even sewing items. You'll find something for every room of your home. 541 Main St (914) 636-8794; www.curtainshop.com

### North Salem

### **Union Hall General Store**

Among a selection of international crafts, refined textiles, food products, home accessories, and apparel, the store sells fair-trade, hand-crafted, and harvested goods. Shop for olive oil soaps from the deserts of Syria, Danish candles, and European embroidered linens. *2 Keeler Ln (914) 485-1550;* 

www.unionhallgeneral store.com

### Ossining

#### Melita's Home

This home accessories boutique features handmade and hand-painted pottery and linens largely imported from Portugal. Score colorful floral dinnerware and serveware, like pitchers, plates, and trays, plus quilted cotton coverlets and paneled decorative shams.

125 Main St (914) 923-0351; www.melitashome.com



### Mike Risko Music School & Store

Purchase or rent acoustic and electric guitars. bass guitars, amps, drums, as well as a full line of string, brass, and woodwind band instruments. Mike Risko also offers lessons and workshops for children and adults, plus instrument repairs. 144 Croton Ave (914) 762-8757;

www.mikeriskomusicschool.com

### Peekskill

### **Bruised Apple Books and Movies**

Although it's home to more than 50,000 books in 250 categories, Bruised Apple is more than a bookshop. Sift through its collection of records, CDs and movies, or curl up with a good book in one of their antique leather-bound chairs. 923 Central Ave (914) 734-7000; www.bruisedapplebooks.com

Pelham

### Pelham Bicycle Center

Whether you're looking for a custom racing bike, a mountain bike, or your child's first tricycle, you'll find everything you need from high-quality brands like Trek and Fuji. Shop bike accessories for both casual and competitive riding.

109 Wolfs Ln (914) 738-3338; www.pelhambikes.com

### Pleasantville

### Heller's Shoes

Find shoes for every season and occasion. Shop top-name brands like Adrianna Papell, Birkenstock, New Balance, Sperry, Totes, and UGG Australia-all at affordable prices. Also visit Heller's second location in Mount Kisco. 4 Pleasantville Rd (914) 243-1144: www.hellersshoes.com

**Port Chester** 

### A.I. Friedman

This 30,000-square-foot artistic superstore has carried crafty tools, graphic art supplies, and framing materials for more than 80 years. When creativity calls, shop for art supplies like brushes, pastel sets and easels, or specialty products like foam cutters, photo paper, and collector's boxes. 495 Boston Post Rd (914) 937-7351; www.aifriedman.com

### Tarry Wine

Co-owned by two world-renowned restaurateurs, Mario Batali and Joe Bastianich, Tarry Wine carries an impressive array of imported wines and liquors. It's located next to Tarry Market, Port Chester's gourmet Italian food store, so you can pair your wine with whatever is on your menu. 175 North Main St (914) 939-7234; www.tarrywine.com

### **Pound Ridge**

### Hedgerow

Although better known for its creative floral arrangements for homes, weddings, and other large-scale events, Hedgerow also features tableware, home accessories, gifts, and treats for purchase. You'll find black-fig Madagascan chocolate, vegan floral hand and body soaps, and a half-frosted glass vase with in-house-designed floral scapes. 70 Westchester Ave (917) 733-3383; www.hedgerowandco.com

### Rye

### **Great Stuff**

Score designer clothing, shoes, handbags, and accessories for women of all generations. Spot topname brands like Diane Von Furstenberg and Vince, alongside exclusive new lines from Avant Toi, Nili Lotan, and Kamali Kulture. Other Westchester locations are in Chappaqua and Scarsdale, plus in Greenwich and Westport, Connecticut.

54 Purchase St (914) 967-1377; www.greatstuffny.com

### **R&M** Woodrow Jewelers

For 30 years, this family-owned jeweler has sold high-quality pieces from internationally acclaimed designers. You'll spot luxurious Breitling watches, timeless Mikimoto pearls, and sparkling Temple St. Clair diamond necklaces, among names like Hermes, Roberto Coin, and Aaron Basha. 21 Purchase St (914) 967-0464; www.woodrowjewelers.com

### Walin & Wolff

Upon visiting this specialty shoe, handbag, accessories, and jewelry retailer, you're sure to find sophisticated styles and designer brands. Among them are Valentino, Chloé, Jimmy Choo, Michael Kors, Tory Burch, L.K. Bennett, Rebecca Minkoff, Alexis Bittar, and Stuart Weitzman. 62 Purchase St (914) 305-6601; www.walinandwolff.com

### **Rye Brook**

### **Rye Ridge Shopping Center**

Sure, you'll spot a Chipotle and a Starbucks, but you won't find any big corporate shopping chains at this top-tier shopping plaza. Shop local boutiques like Lv2bfit athletic wear, Landsberg Jewelers, Lester's family clothing, Shoe-Inn shoe store, and All Dressed Up formal wear.

142 South Ridge St (914) 701-4005; www.ryeridgeshoppingcenter.com

### Scarsdale

### **Ardsley Music Instrument Services**

Whether you're a pro performer or a budding musician, Ardsley Music offers handcrafted European models and durable student band and orchestral instruments for every level and ability.

219 Sprain Rd (914) 693-6639; www.ardsleymusic.com

### Pamela Robbins

For that favorite piece you'll wear to death, head to this sharply focused women's boutique with an impeccable eve for up-and-coming designers. The "sport shop" features everyday wear from hot labels like Elizabeth and James, Vince, and J Brand. The "collection shop" showcases lines from Stella McCartney, Chloe, Moschino, and Celine. 10 Chase Rd (914) 472-9033

### Wilson & Son Jewelers

This fourth generation family-owned jeweler has been a part of the Westchester community since 1926. Wilson & Son has continued to provide timeless jewelry pieces from high-end brands like David Yurman, Forevermark, and Rolex, alongside other brands like Swiss Army, Raymond Weil, and Mont Blanc for handsome watches and timepieces. 18 Chase Rd (914) 723-0327; www.wilsonandsonjewelers.com

### **Vernon Hills Shopping Center**

Adjacent to Lord & Taylor, this outdoor shopping mall includes various stores to fulfill all your shopping needs, like American Eagle Outfitters, Gymboree, Ann Taylor, Barnes & Noble, Brooks Brothers, Smith & Hawken, Talbots, and more. 700 Post Rd (914) 472-2000

### Zachys Wine and Liquor

A family business founded in 1944, this upscale bottleshop offers an extensive range of fine bottles. The store often hosts complimentary wine tastings where the wines range from everyday California Chardonnays to First Growth Bordeaux. 16 East Pkwy (914) 874-8000; www.zachys.com

### Somers

### Once Upon a Child

Buy or sell gently used clothes, toys, games, books, movies, baby equipment, and furniture at this children's consignment boutique. The store frequently holds saving days and sale events to help you save even more. 80 Rte 6 (914) 621-0003; www.onceuponachildsomers.com



### **Cross County Shopping Center**

More than 100 stores and restaurants make this 72-acre outdoor shopping center a great place to spend the day with the family. Shop at popular retailers like Steve Madden, Zara, Adidas, Macy's, and Old Navy. Have a post-shopping meal at restaurants like Shake Shack, Chipotle, Red Lobster, Panera Bread, Olive Garden, and Longhorn Steakhouse. You can even see a movie at Cross County Multiplex Cinemas. *8000 Mall Walk (914) 968-9570; www.crosscountycenter.com* 

### Tarrytown

### Flying Fingers Yarn Shop

Knitting nerds and crocheting queens rejoice— Flying Fingers is the perfect stop for your creative needs. Stock up on yarn, buttons, needles, and other notions, and you'll be creating something spectacular in no time. The shop also offers knitting and crocheting classes for both children and adults. 15 Main St (914) 631-4113; www.flyingfingers.com

### The Village Soccer Shop

Soccer fanatics score big at this specialty sports shop. It carries top quality soccer gear, stylish lifestyle sportswear, and sturdy sneakers and cleats to keep you performing your best on the field and looking your best off it.

40 Main St (914) 231-7577; www.villagesoccershop.com

### Tuckahoe

### Epstein's Dry Goods

Epstein's is a family-owned department store, serving the Westchester community since 1933. Discover fashionable finds for the whole family among essential and seasonal clothing items. Unique to the store is its wide selection of camping goods, gear, and accessories for outdoor excursions. 21 Columbus Ave (914) 961-2833;

www.epsteinscampsupplies.com

### White Plains

### Bloomingdale's

From handbags to baby booties, cosmetics to home accessories, and men's and women's cloth-

ing, this acclaimed department store has it all. Browse top designers like Tory Burch, Kate Spade New York, Vince, and more. Take a shopping break at one of two restaurants—Forty Carrots for low-calorie, healthy dishes or La Provence for sumptuous French fare.

175 Bloomingdale Rd (914) 684-6300; www.bloomingdales.com

### Chef Central

Whether you're looking for a specialty item like a watermelon cutter or garlic press, Chef Central is the ultimate stop for restaurantquality equipment and supplies. Within the 15,000-square-foot store, you'll also find electric items like espresso makers alongside gourmet and ethnic-food products. *419 Tarrytown Rd* (914) 328-1376;

www.chefcentral.com

### The Galleria at White Plains

With more than 130 retailers at this indoor shopping mall, you'll find well known brands like H&M, Forever 21, Aldo, and Victoria's Secret, among large-scale department stores like Macy's and Sears. *100 Main St* (914) 682-0111;

www.simon.com/mall/the-galleria-at-white-plains

### HNY

Feed into your sneaker fetish at this high-end sports shoe and apparel store. The family business opened early in 2015, carrying popular brands like Air Jordan, New Balance, and Nike for athletic shoppers and sportswear enthusiasts. *339 Mamaroneck Ave (914) 615-9273; www.shophny.com* 

### The Westchester

This 890,000-square-foot shopping mall offers 150 high-end retailers and luxury brands. Shop popular names like Tiffany & Co., Louis Vuitton, Burberry, Brooks Brothers, The Apple Store, Crate & Barrel, and even top department stores, like Neiman Marcus and Nordstrom. 125 Westchester Ave, (914) 421-1333; www.simon.com/mall/the-westchester

### Yonkers

### Amelia's Bridal Boutique

Flood yourself with flouncy white fabrics, sophisticated strapless silhouettes, and mermaid-style marvels from top bridal designers like Allure Couture, Amelia Carrara, and Maggie Sottero. Beautiful dresses for your bridesmaids, mother, and flower girl are also available in a range of sizes.

1955 Central Park Ave (914) 779-5900; www.ameliasbridal.com

### **Ridge Hill**

Primarily an upscale outdoor shopping center, there are also condominiums and office space on the premises. Shop top brand names like Banana Republic, Clarks, The Limited, Lord & Taylor, Sephora, and Uniqlo, or grab a bite at Yard House, 5 Napkin Burger, Angelo's, Texas de Brazil, or Lefteris Gyro. Also on-site, you'll find a 32,300-square-foot LEGOLAND Discovery Center—one of the biggest in the country. *One Ridge Hill Blvd* (914) 207-2900; www.ridgehill.com

### Yorktown

### Jefferson Valley Mall

More than 90 stores within this indoor mall cater to different needs and specialties. Check out New York & Company and Loft for women's clothing; Men's Warehouse and Express for menswear; Gap Kids and Justice for the kids; fitness apparel from Olympia Sports and Finish Line; and flagship department stores Macy's and Sears.

650 Lee Blvd (914) 245-4688; www.simon.com/mall/jefferson-valley-mall

### Wishes Boutique

Presents from this eclectic gift boutique will please women of all ages. Inside you'll find a pink patterned travel bag for the woman on the go, or a peace sign tie-dye pillow—perfect for a tween bedroom—and even tiny Mary Jane printed socks for your baby. 1811 Commerce St (914) 962-9474; www.wishesboutique.com **UC** 

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# Education 🔶

Some might say our county residents are just a bit competitive when it comes to academic prowess. Those high expectations—and subsequent achievement levels—are on display throughout the various tiers of schooling. Peruse the following pages for important education numbers, charts, and guides.

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# Our Public High Schools: By The Numbers

High School	ZIP Code	Median Household Income in High School's ZIP Code	Mean SAT Scores: Total/Critical Reading/ Math/Writing	Aspirational Performance Measure (APM) Rate*	Students Who Qualify For Free Lunch	
Alexander Hamilton (Elmsford)	10523	\$81,667	1399/460/478/461	33.9%	37%	
Ardsley	10502	\$135,139	1812/593/607/612	79.2%	5%	
Blind Brook (Rye Brook)	10573	\$66,629	1911/627/645/639	91.1%	<1%	
Briarcliff	10510	\$144,414	1751/575/592/584	87.2%	3%	
Bronxville	10708	\$95,815	1821/605/601/615	73.5%	0%	
Byram Hills (Ārmonk)	10504	\$182,292	1852/598/634/620	90.9%	1%	
Croton-Harmon	10520	\$102,807	1724/573/581/570	83.5%	0%	
Dobbs Ferry	10522	\$105,000	1645/544/558/543	58.7%	7%	
Eastchester	10709	\$92,098	1581/520/541/520	63.9%	0%	
Edgemont Jr/Sr	10583	\$168,571	1839/591/633/615	85.0%	0%	
Fox Lane (Bedford)	10506	\$180,823	1649/542/561/546	61.4%	6%	
Harrison	10528	\$99,888	1577/518/539/520	52.5%	11%	
Hastings	10706	\$125,960	1808/610/587/611	74.0%	3%	
Hendrick Hudson (Montrose)	10548	\$93,000	1601/525/552/524	49.6%	17%	
Horace Greeley (Chappaqua)	10514	\$202,414	1893/618/641/634	90.2%	1%	
Irvington	10533	\$131,522	1727/571/583/573	82.0%	4%	
John Jay (Katonah-Lewisboro)	10518	\$192,045	1744/575/593/576	53.6%	2%	
Lakeland (Shrub Oak)	10588	\$71,686	1569/525/525/519	56.5%	9%	
Mamaroneck	10543	\$87,316	1706/563/573/570	68.5%	8%	
Mount Vernon-Mount Vernon High	10552	\$64,001	1227/415/410/402	8.1%	47%	
Mount Vernon-Thornton	10550	\$39,954	1185/404/385/396	9.3%	55%	
New Rochelle	10801	\$54,504	1472/483/496/493	36.4%	32%	
North Salem	10560	\$127,604	1584/524/537/523	73.2%	3%	
Ossining	10562	\$74,896	1506/500/505/501	44.9%	21%	
Peekskill	10566	\$58,226	1329/444/453/432	24.9%	51%	
Pelham	10803	\$140,000	1655/551/553/551	61.5%	4%	
Pleasantville	10570	\$123,778	1657/550/559/548	74.3%	3%	
Port Chester	10573	\$66,629	1372/451/473/448	31.2%	46%	
Rye	10580	\$153,640	1795/587/600/608	79.1%	3%	
Rye Neck (Mamaroneck)	10543	\$87,316	1692/560/568/564	77.1%	10%	
Scarsdale	10583	\$168,571	1935/633/656/646	82.2%	0%	
Sleepy Hollow (And Tarrytown)	10591	\$80,814	1438/477/488/473	45.2%	44%	
Somers	10540	\$98,462	1658/549/561/548	65.1%	5%	
Tuckahoe	10709	\$92,098	1497/496/509/492	60.2%	16%	
Valhalla	10595	\$107,708	1541/503/530/508	56.6%	6%	
Walter Panas (Cortlandt Manor)	10567	\$105,199	1530/509/510/511	57.4%	11%	
Westlake (Mount Pleasant)	10594	\$114,286	1517/502/515/500	51.1%	4%	
White Plains	10605	\$108,047	1493/500/504/489	39.0%	38%	
Woodlands (Greenburgh)	10530	\$92,923	1418/480/473/465	38.3%	28%	
Yonkers-Gorton	10703	\$57,116	1080/374/347/359	2.2%	87%	
Yonkers-High	10705	\$47,358	1447/477/485/485	40.4%	59%	
Yonkers-Lincoln	10703	\$67,091	1125/385/373/367	7.8%	84%	
Yonkers- Palisade Preparatory	10703	\$57,116	1123/389/364/370	4.5%	81%	
Yonkers-Riverside	10701	\$43,767	1123/369/364/370	2.6%	81%	
Yonkers-Roosevelt	10710	\$43,767	N/A	3.9%	81%	
Yonkers-Saunders Trades and Technical	10701	\$43,767	1245/422/414/409	2.6%	75%	
Yorktown	10598	\$106,576	1627/532/560/535	73.2%	1%	

ZIP codes: high school's ZIP code. Median household income: US Census Bureau 2009-2013 American Community Survey 5-year estimates and corresponds to ZIP code in preceding column; Somers corresponds to zip code 10589. Mean SAT scores: furnished by The College Board and reflects the 2012-2013 school year; Yonkers-Gorton furnished by Yonkers Public Schools. All other data: obtained from NYSED School Report Card and reflects 2012-2013 school year.

4-Year Graduation Rate	Graduates to 2-Year College/ Graduates to 4-Year College/ Graduates to College	Senior Class Enrollment	Average Class Size **	Limited English Proficient Students	Teachers MA+30 Hours/PhD	Teacher Turnover Rate
94%	26%/58%/84%	59	18	13%	57%	16%
97%	6%/93%/99%	175	18	N/A	67%	11%
99%	1%/99%/>99%	102	20	N/A	54%	18%
100%	4%/95%/99%	129	16	N/A	81%	4%
99%	3%/94%/97%	102	24	N/A	79%	12%
97%	<1%/99%/>99%	208	22	N/A	48%	6%
96%	6%/90%/96%	125	21	N/A	61%	13%
97%	18%/75%/93%	108	16	N/A	56%	13%
97%	20%/75%/95%	229	23	1%	71%	4%
99%	3%/95%/98%	138	20	1%	51%	6%
95%	21%/75%/96%	343	21	6%	46%	7%
95%	14%/85%/99%	259	20	2%	37%	8%
98%	8%/84%/92%	123	18	1%	64%	10%
94%	22%/66%/88%	216	22	2%	45%	16%
98%	3%/96%/99%	307	21	N/A	73%	7%
99%	8%/92%/>99%	157	21	N/A	72%	6%
98%	6%/90%/96%	288	22	4%	51%	6%
97%	28%/66%/94%	252	23	N/A	61%	4%
94%	11%/81%/92%	378	23	1%	56%	8%
71%	40%/33%/73%	280	25	4%	55%	10%
83%	43%/47%/90%	144	21	3%	31%	4%
83%	27%/53%/80%	764	25	4%	61%	6%
97%	13%/84%/97%	117	17	N/A	64%	4%
78%	30%/60%/90%	350	21	9%	68%	7%
75%	32%/35%/67%	181	22	8%	66%	10%
98%	10%/84%/94%	191	21	1%	57%	6%
96%	14%/82%/96%	152	16	1%	33%	10%
81%	44%/49%/93%	292	24	15%	50%	8%
97%	3%/94%/97%	223	22	2%	48%	14%
97%	11%/82%/93%	99	23	1%	29%	8%
99%	1%/97%/98%	322	21	1%	77%	9%
91%	37%/55%/92%	214	21	15%	46%	16%
100%	12%/84%/96%	269	23	1%	58%	9%
96%	23%/ 74%/97%	88	24	N/A	59%	28%
97%	27%/ 71%/98%	108	18	2%	72%	19%
92%	2%/98%/>99%	261	25	2%	40%	9%
98%	20%/ 76%/96%	138	22	1%	54%	17%
84%	32%/54%/86%	561	23	9%	72%	9%
95%	29%/65%/94%	126	24	4%	56%	25%
65%	32%/20%/52%	252	27	9%	62%	14%
94%	24%/72%/96%	286	28	8%	73%	5%
70%	44%/43%/87%	258	26	8%	79%	12%
83%	64%/30%/94%	87	26	6%	62%	6%
73%	55%/32%/87%	241	25	6%	66%	12%
58%	27%/68%/95%	198	27	15%	69%	30%
86%	40%/36%/76%	268	25	2%	49%	5%
95%	16%/ 77%/93%	327	23	1%	73%	8%

\*Aspirational Performance Measure is an indicator of college and career readiness and reflects the percentage of students who earned a Regents diploma with advanced designation. \*\*Average Class Size: reflects the sophomore class during the 2012-2013 school year.

# Education 👝

# **Our Private Schools: By The Numbers**

HIGH SCHOOL Location; Website	Year Founded <sup>(1)</sup>	Grades	Religious Affiliation	Student Body	High School Enrollment	Dress Code or Uniform	Average Class Size	Annual Tuition	
<b>Andalusia School</b> Yonkers; www.andalusiaschool.org	1999	Pre K-12	Islamic	Coed	350	Uniform, including hijab and jilbab for girls	20	\$5,400	
Archbishop Stepinac High School White Plains; www.stepinac.org	1948	9-12	Catholic	All boys	750	Shirt, tie, dress slacks	13	\$10,000	
<b>EF International Academy</b> Tarrytown; www.ef.com/academy	2008	9-12	None	Coed	780	Casual	15	\$37,200	
French-American School Of New York Scarsdale, Larchmont, Mamaroneck; www.fasny.org	1980	Pre K-12	None	Coed	230	Students must be "well groomed and neatly dressed"	18	\$24,980- \$29,970	
German International School New York White Plains; www.gisny.org	1980	Pre K-12	None	Coed	85	None	16	\$20,000	
<b>Hackley School</b> Tarrytown; www.hackleyschool.org	1899	K-12	None	Coed	400	Collared shirts, pants, dresses, skirts, blouses; no sneakers or jeans	16	\$42,650	
Hudson View Christian Academy Yonkers; www.hudsonviewbaptistchurch.org	1980	Pre K-12	Baptist	Coed	14	Uniform	5	\$6,000	
<b>Iona Preparatory School</b> New Rochelle; www.ionaprep.org	1916	Pre K-12	Catholic	All boys	750	Jacket, tie, dress pants	23	\$16,800	
John F. Kennedy Catholic High School Somers; www.kennedycatholic.org	1928	9-12	Catholic	Coed	675	Casual and dress uniforms	27	\$9,800	
<b>Keio Academy Of New York</b> Purchase; www.keio.edu	1990	9-12	None	Coed	347	Uniform once a week and on special occasions	19	\$24,700	
<b>Maria Regina High School</b> Hartsdale; www.mariaregina.org	1957	9-12	Catholic	All girls	540	Uniform	25	\$9,200	
<b>Montfort Academy</b> Mount Vernon; www.themontfortacademy.org	2001	9-12	Catholic	Coed	122	Uniform	25	\$10,750	
<b>Rye Country Day School</b> Rye; www.ryecountryday.org	1869	Pre K-12	None	Coed	404	Relaxed	15	\$23,300- \$37,700	
Sacred Heart High School Yonkers; www.sacredhearths.net	1923	9-12	Catholic	Coed	334	Uniform	24	\$8,500	
<b>Salesian High School</b> New Rochelle; www.salesianhigh.org	1920	9-12	Catholic	All boys	497	Uniform	22	\$6,975	
School Of The Holy Child Rye; www.holychildrye.org	1904	5-12	Catholic	All girls	300+	Uniform	15	\$28,800- \$32,200	
Solomon Schechter School of Westchester White Plains, Hartsdale; www.solomon-schechter.com	1966	K-12	Jewish	Coed	286	Casual	17	\$21,500- \$37,200	
Soundview Preparatory School Yorktown Heights; www.soundviewprep.org	1989	6-12	None	Coed	58	Casual	7	\$37,000- \$39,000	
<b>The Harvey School</b> Katonah; www.harveyschool.org	1916	6-12	None	Coed	364	Collared shirts for boys, no jeans, etc.	10	\$34,550- \$37,550	
<b>The Masters School</b> Dobbs Ferry; www.mastersny.org	1877	5-12	None	Coed	490	Casual	11	\$41,110 (Day) \$57,810 (Boarding)	
<b>The Ursuline School</b> New Rochelle; www.ursuline.pvt.k12.ny.us	1897	6-12	Catholic	All girls	800	Uniform	15	\$17,900	
Thornton-Donovan School New Rochelle; www.td.edu	1901	K-12	None	Coed	170	Uniform	15	\$17,750	
Westchester Hebrew High School Mamaroneck; www.whhsny.org	1971	9-12	Jewish	Coed	120	Collared shirt/ sweatshirt for boys, skirts for girls	11	\$30,500 (9-11) \$30,750 (12)	

Note: "N/A" means data were "not available" because they weren't submitted. (1) All information from schools themselves or greatschools.org; (2) Combined 4- and 2-year percentages

% Students Receiving Financial Aid	4-Year Graduation Rate	% Students Entering 4-Year/2-Year College	Guidance Counselor-to- Student Ratio	% Teachers with MA/ PhD	% Juniors Taking AP/College-Level Courses	Description
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Dedicated to providing a foundation in math, science, language arts, social studies, Islam, and the Qur'an; students often participate in science fairs and spelling bees
10	100	93/7	1:75	75	25	17 AP classes, award-winning drama club, champion athletic teams; alumni include Alan Alda, Jon Voight, and Bob Hyland
N/A	100	100/0	1:135	90	N/A	Cited as the fastest growing international private high school; International Baccalaureate Diploma programs
9	100	100/0	1:20	95	90	Bilingual, bicultural curriculum; more than 45 nationalities represented in the student body
5	100	100/0	N/A	95	20	Emphasis on critical thinking; curriculum meets both Germany's and New York State's official requirements; most courses taught in German
25	100	100/0	N/A	83	N/A	300-acre campus with its original 1800s mansion; more than 60 athletic teams
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Scores in top 20% of all schools nationally; SAT scores on par with more expensive private schools in the County
35	100	98/2	1:130	78	22	27-acre campus with state-of-the-art fields; 15 interscholastic teams; many graduates go on to NCAA schools
18	100	100 (2)	N/A	91	66	Founded as St. Mary's; contemporary courses such as Mandarin and nanotechnology; 52 squads across 17 sports on new athletic surfaces
7	99.5	100/0	1:173	57	0	Authorized as an "overseas educational institution" by Japan's Ministry of Education; courses such as Kokugo (Japanese), Koten (classical literature), and Japanese history
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Almost 20 extracurricular clubs and activities
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Four graduates of the class of 2012 received more than \$3.8 million in scholarship offers; college-prep curriculum including liberal arts with Regents and AP courses
16	100	100 (2)	1:34	87	88	College-prep program that encourages students in academic, athletic, creative, and social endeavors; actively committed to diversity; promotes moral responsibility
31	98	85/15	1:167	75	30	AP and college-level courses; enrichment programs include peer ministry, student council, student newspaper, drama, and sports
40	99	98 (2)	1:200	N/A	20	College bridge and college link program with Iona College
24	100	100 (2)	N/A	88	N/A	18-acre campus with Tudor mansion dating to 1930
52	100	N/A	1:70	64	N/A	Dual curriculum in English and Hebrew; students accepted to colleges including Columbia, Duke, and Harvard; competitive sci-tech program
20	100	100/0	1:18	76	50	Believes that students develop best in a noncompetitive environment
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	Optional five-day residential program for grades 9 through 12
25	100	100/0	1:30	75	62	Seminar-style classes for grades 8 and up; 97-acre campus includes fitness center, theater, art studio, and more
43	100	100 (2)	N/Ā	90	>50	Broad range of activities in leadership, service, performance, publications, and culture; recent graduating class won more than \$16 million in academic scholarships
N/A	100	100 <sup>(2)</sup>	N/A	N/A	N/A	Course placement based on interest and ability, not grade level; emphasis on "learning through discovery"
35	100	98/2	1:20	90	55	Partnered with Binghamton University and the 2IS School in China for college-level courses; partnership with the Children's Museum of the Arts in New York; online electives offerings through Johns Hopkins Center for Talented Youth.

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# Westchester U

The county's diverse roster of colleges and universities includes state universities, community colleges, and private schools. With innovative degree programs, prestigious alumni, dynamic arts programs, and some of the most affordable tuitions in the country, each of these Westchester institutions offers students opportunities across a number of fields. We break down each school by the numbers (see chart on page 76) and highlight the best the country has to offer. **By Juliana Brittis** 



### **The College of New Rochelle**

Founded in 1904 as the first Catholic college for women in New York State (they went coed in the Fall of 2016), the College of New Rochelle is home to four diverse schools. The School of Arts and Sciences continues the all-women tradition and offers degree programs that include English, psychology, and business, as well as pre-professional programs and teacher education programs. The School of New Resources is designed for adults who wish to return to their undergraduate studies. In addition to the range of undergraduate and certificate programs, the graduate school comprises a number of master's degrees, from mental-health counseling and communication studies to public administration. The college is also known for its School of Nursing-a program that incorporates a compassionate approach to its rigorous curriculum.

Notable Alumnae: Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist Madeleine Blais; Women's Wear Daily Executive Editor Bridget Foley; Shiba Russell, anchor, WNBC-TV/News 4 NY; and former co-chair of Disney Media Networks and president, Disney-ABC Television Group, Anne Sweeney

### **The College of Westchester**

Recently celebrating its centennial, the College of Westchester focuses its course offerings and programs on career-relevant experience. The college is a close-knit community, and its graduates make up 25 percent of its employees. The college's six schools include the School of Digital Media, Accounting, and Allied Health, all of which offer flexible class times to easily accommodate adult learners. Hybrid classes are also offered across the curriculum, and in 2011, authorization was granted to offer the BBA degree and AAS degree in a fully online format.

**Notable Alumnus:** founder of Right Choices, Inc. Wade Young

### **Purchase College**

Named by *Kiplinger's Personal Finance* as a Best College Value 2016, Purchase College sits on 550 acres in Purchase—just 35 miles from New York City. The renowned School of the Arts includes the popular theatre arts program, which boasts alums that have gone on to successful show-business careers. Purchase's liberal arts and sciences programs include a School of Humanities, Natural and Social Sciences, and the School of Film and Media Studies, which was recently added in 2010. The campus is home to the Neuberger Museum of Art, the 10th-largest university museum in the country, with 6,000 works in its permanent collection and 10 temporary exhibitions each year.

**Notable Alumni:** *actors Edie Falco, Stanley Tucci, and Parker Posey* 

### **Berkeley College**

In 1931, Berkeley College began as a finishing school for women in New Jersey. Since then, it has expanded to nine different locations. Berkeley College's White Plains campus offers seven different majors from its schools of Professional Studies, Health Studies,





Business, and Criminal Justice Studies—their most popular major. In addition to its on-campus classes, the college offers an online program, ranked as one of the best online bachelor's degree programs for two consecutive years by U.S. News & World Report. Notable Alumni: fashion designer Vanessa Deleon; boxer Paweł Wolak; television personality Teresa Giudice

### **Concordia College**

Concordia College is a private college of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, located on 33 acres on White Plains Road in Bronxville. Founded in 1881, the college has gone through many transformations in its 135 years, evolving from a high school to a pre-seminary religious training school to its current incarnation as a four-year coed college. For the past three years, Concordia has been ranked in the "Top 5 for Ethnic Diversity" among colleges in the North, and it was named a Christian College of Distinction in 2015. At the foundation of Concordia's academics is "The Concordia Distinctive," a core curriculum that combines a liberal arts background with experiential learning through internships, service trips, and study abroad opportunities.

**Notable Alumni:** *baseball players Mike Avilés, John Doherty, and Dell Alston; actor Jason Cerbone* 

### **Pace University**

Pace University's Westchester campus covers 200 acres in Pleasantville and offers 80 majors to undergraduate and graduate students. After celebrating its 50th anniversary, the campus received a \$100 million facelift, which added two new residential buildings, an expanded student center, a reconstructed athletic center, and new athletic fields. The school recently put its Briarcliff campus on the market in order to keep the university centrally located in Pleasantville. The renovations also include the relocation and construction of Pace's Environmental Center, with outdoor classroom space, a nature museum, and field-study labs for students in Pace's newly launched Environmental Studies and Science Department. **Notable Alumni:** television personality Rachael Ray; radio host and environmental activist Robert F. Kennedy Jr.; former chairman and CEO of Verizon Communications Ivan G. Seidenberg; senior writer for FoxSports.com Jay Glazer; actress Michelle Borth; writer Andrew Revkin

### Sarah Lawrence College

Eschewing the traditional college system, Sarah Lawrence students build their own unique courses of study from more than 500 courses within four central areas: creative and performing arts: history and the social sciences; humanities and natural sciences; and mathematics. Traditional classes are replaced with "seminars"-a time for in-depth class discussion-while homework comes in the form of "conference work," allowing students to work on individual projects with their seminar professors every other week. With a 10-to-1 student-to-teacher ratio, SLC stresses the importance of the individual student through its advisor program, in which students are assigned a "don" who guides them through their academic careers through weekly meetings. With so many undergraduate students residing on the Bronxville campus, the tight-knit community enjoys an array of campus activities, from open-mic nights and instrumental ensembles to basketball games and independent-film screenings.

**Notable Alumni:** actress Julianna Margulies; designer Vera Wang; Yoko Ono; and Chicago Mayor Rahm Emanuel

### Mercy College

Overlooking the Hudson, Mercy College's Dobbs Ferry campus not only offers students the convenience of being steps from the village's downtown, it also boasts on-campus access to the Metro-North Station, which puts students just 30 minutes from Manhattan. Founded by the Sisters of Mercy, the college offers one of the lowest private tuition rates in the United States and the lowest rate in New York State, which makes it no surprise that it was ranked as one of the colleges with the greatest lifetime return on investment. Among Mercy's five schools is the School of Social and Behavioral Sciences, which not only ranks as the college's most popular academic program, it also makes Mercy one of the few schools in the nation that offers a degree in behavioral science. Notable Alumni: actress Gabourey Sidibe;

athlete Simone Forbes; boxer Dewey Bozella; writer Joan Wolf; CEO and former editor for Parade Publications Walter Anderson

### Iona College

Iona College's maroon flags decorate New Rochelle's North Avenue, marking the entrance to the 45-acre campus that provides nearly 4,000 undergraduate and graduate students with classes from more

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than 45 majors and 35 minors. Highlights of Iona's academic offerings include the Hagan School of Business's Fast Track MBA program, a computer science program with a cyber security concentration, and a popular mass communications department. Having celebrated its 75th year in 2015, Iona recently completed a new North Avenue Residence Hall, added an on-campus Starbucks, and has plans to relocate and refurbish the Hynes Athletic Center, as well as expand and modernize the Hagan School of Business.

**Notable Alumni:** basketball players Jeff Ruland, Scott Machado, and Richie Guerin; singer/songwriter Don McLean; media executive Randy Falco

### Manhattanville College

The beautiful and lush grounds of Manhattanville College—once the former estate of Whitelaw Reid encompass 100 acres of Purchase, all of which can be looked upon from Reid Castle, the historical hub of the campus. Four on-campus residence halls are home to 80 percent of the diverse undergraduate population, who represent more than 50 countries and 35 states in the nation, earning the college its 12th ranking on the list of "Best Schools for Foreign Students." The college recently added new degree programs, including majors in marketing, accounting, digital media production, and sports studies. Notable Alumni: social activist Ethel Kennedy; sister of John F. Kennedy Eunice Kennedy Shriver; musician Joan Bennett Kennedy; diplomat Jean Kennedy Smith; actor James Badge Dale; journalist Maria Shriver; CNN anchor Kitty Pilgrim

### Monroe College

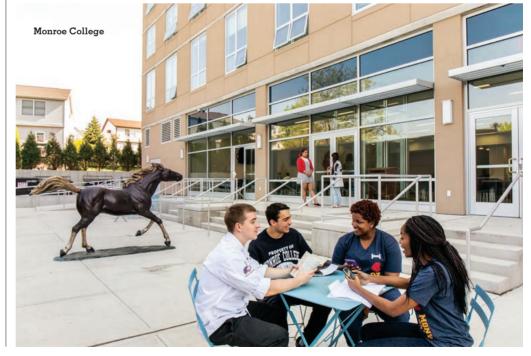
Located in downtown New Rochelle, Monroe College's Westchester campus features unique academic opportunities without an exorbitant cost, making it the most affordable private college in New York. Monroe's academic calendar consists of three semesters, giving many students the opportunity to complete their undergraduate degree in just three years. Amongst the many program offerings are the prestigious hospitality and culinary program—one of the largest programs in the nation—and the School of Criminal Justice, which was founded in 2003 as a "service-oriented response" to 9/11.

Notable Alumni: basketball players Orlando Sanchez and Maurice Ndour; New York City council members Annabel Palma and Maria Baez; politician Hector John; Olympic athlete Suwaibou Sanneh; soccer player Sandra Žigić

### Westchester Community College

As the largest college in Westchester County, Westchester Community College offers its 13,000 undergraduate students the opportunity to earn an associate's degree in more than 65 academic areas. Westchester Community College's main campus in Valhalla serves as the central location for academics, but it's also home to the Fine Arts Gallery and the Native Plant Center, the first national affiliate of Lady Bird Johnson's Wildflower Center. In addition to the Valhalla campus, nine extension sites around the county provide students access to classes and academic resources, including the Center for the Arts in White Plains, state-of-the-art Science and Health Skills Labs in Ossining, and the Center for Digital Arts in Peekskill.

**Notable Alumni:** basketball players Jarrid Famous, Luis David Montero, and Darryl McDonald; Morning DJ on The Peak Chris Rodriguez; promoter Paul Heyman



# **Our Colleges: By The Numbers**

College	Number of Undergrads	Annual Tuition	Number of Majors	6-Year Graduation Rate	Students Living On Campus	Students Receiving Jobs Upon Graduation	Students Receiving Financial Aid	In-State Students
<b>Berkeley College</b> (White Plains)	450	\$23,100	7	31%	38%	75%*	89%	70%
<b>The College of New Rochelle</b> (New Rochelle)	515	\$32,450	24	N/A	38%	N/A	97%	91%
<b>The College of Westchester</b> (White Plains)	1,050	\$20,115	6	N/A	0%**	N/A	88%	95%
<b>Concordia College</b> (Bronxville)	944	\$28,570	10	39%	60%	84%*	93%	67.5%
<b>Ionα College</b> (New Rochelle)	3,301	\$35,324	60*	63%	43%	86%	85%	76%
<b>Manhattanville College</b> (Purchase)	1,800	\$34,870	50+	61%	80%	63%	95%	70%
<b>Mercy College</b> (Dobbs Ferry)	7,939	\$17,466	90+	30%	8%	N/A	82%	91%
Monroe College (New Rochelle)	2,059	\$12,840	19	71%	43%	87%	96%	71%
<b>Pace University*</b> (Pleasantville)	2,321	\$39,728	50+	62%*	43%	84%	92%	71%
<b>Sarah Lawrence College</b> (Bronxville)	1,437	\$50,780	N/A*	77%	81%	N/A	73%	20%
<b>Purchase College</b> (Purchase)	4,289	\$6,170*	47	67.8%	66%	93.7%*	64%	85%
Westchester Community College (Valhalla)	13,916	\$4,280	66	N/A	0%**	85%	70%	99%

All data provided by colleges; numbers listed are the most recent numbers available. \*Berkeley: Students who graduated during the academic year ending June 30, 2013 and secured employment in positions related to their programs of study prior to December 31, 2013. \*Concordia: Students who are employed (full-time) within 18 months of graduation, 2014 number. \*Iona: # of undergraduate degree programs of study. \*Pace: All numbers refer to Pleasantville campus (not Manhattan); graduation rate is for 2008 cohort. \*Sarah Lawrence: School does not have majors, but rather concentrations. \*Purchase: In-state tuition (annual tuition for out-of-state students is \$15,820); jobs rate applies to those employed or in graduate/professional school. \*\*The College of Westchester/WCC: There are no student dorms.

# **Our Pre-K/Nursery Schools: By The Numbers**

Town Name	Address	Phone	Website	Age Range	Half Day	Full Day	*Extended Day	**School Age Care
Ardsley								
Ardsley Community Nursery School	21 American Legion Dr	(914) 693-4932	www.acns.us	2-5 years	Yes	No	Yes	No
Armonk								
Bright Horizons at TimberRidge Family Center	15 Old Post Rd	(914) 273-4411	www.brighthorizons.com	Infant-5 years	No	Yes	No	No
Little Sparrows Nursery School	448 Bedford Rd	(914) 273-9760	www.hillsidechurch.org	2-4 years	Yes	No	Yes	No
Montessori Children's Room	67 Old Rte 22	(914) 273-3291	www.armonkmontessori.com	18 months- 7 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Tutor Time	73 Old Rte 22	(914) 273-3360	www.tutortime.com	Infant- 4 years	Yes	Yes	No	No
Bedford								
Bedford Tiny Tots	44 Village Green	(914) 234-3020	www.bedfordtinytots.com	2 years	Yes	No	Yes	No
Country Kids Schoolhouse	28 Virginia Ave	(914) 234-0590	www.countrykidsschoolhouse.com	2-12 years	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Landmark Preschool 1	44 Village Green	(914) 393-2293	www.landmarkpreschool.org	l-4 years	Yes	No	No	No
St. Matthew's School	382 Cantitoe St	(914) 234-7890	www.stmatthewsschool.org	2-4 years	Yes	No	Yes	No
St. Patrick's Parochial School	483 Old Post Rd	(914) 234-7914	www.stpatricksbedford.com	3-4 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Temple Shaaray Tefila Early Childhood Center	89 Baldwin Rd	(914) 666-3133	www.shaaraytefila.org	2-4 years	Yes	No	Yes	No
Bedford Hills								
American Gymnastics Gym-Care Nursery School	317 Railroad Ave	(914) 241-1997	www.americangymnastics.us	2-4 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Bedford Discovery Early Childhood Center	190 Harris Rd	(914) 666-5437	www.bdecc.com	Infant- 12 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Briarcliff Manor								
Children's Corner Learning Center	325 S Highland Ave	(914) 923-2223	www.childrenscornernursery.com	Infant- 4 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Congregation Sons of Israel Nursery School	1666 Pleasantville Rd	(914) 762-2700	www.csibriarcliff.org	2-5 years	Yes	No	No	No
For Kids Only Child Care	577 N State Rd	(914) 923-1889	www.forkidsonlyny.com	2y 9m- 12 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Garden House School	25 S State Rd	(914) 941-0404	www.gardenhouseschool.org	2.5-6 years	Yes	Yes	No	No
Scarborough Presbyterian Children's Center	655 Scarborough Rd	(914) 941-1142	www.scarboroughchurch.com	12 months- 4 years	Yes	No	Yes	No
Young Wonders	446 N State Rd	(914) 944-9434	www.youngwonders.com	Infant- 5 years	No	Yes	Yes	No
Bronxville								
Bronxville Montessori School	101 Pondfield Rd W	(914) 793-2083	www.bronxvillemontessori.com	18 months- 6 yeαrs	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
The Chapel School <sup>2</sup>	172 White Plains Rd	(914) 337-3202	www.thechapelschool.org	3 years-Grade 8	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
Early Childhood Center at Sarah Lawrence College	l Mead Way	(914) 395-2353	www.sarahlawrence.edu	2-6 years	Yes	Yes	No	No
Eliza Corwin Frost School	17 Sagamore Rd	(914) 779-4852	www.elizacorwinfrost.org	2-4 years	Yes	No	No	No
Reformed Church Nursery School	6 Kraft Äve	(914) 337-6332	www.rcns.info	2-5 yeαrs	Yes	No	No	No

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Chappaqua								
Beginning Years Early Childhood Center Nursery School	220 S Bedford Rd	(914) 238-5735	www.bethelnw.org	Infant-5 years	Yes	No	No	No
Chappaqua Friends Nursery School	420 Quaker Rd	(914) 238-6831	www.chappaquafriends nurseryschool.com	2-5 years	Yes	No	No	No
Oak Lane Child Care Centers	49 Memorial Dr	(914) 238-3756	www.oaklaneccc.org	18 months- 5 years	No	Yes	Yes	No
Play Care Early Learning Center	210 Orchard Ridge Rd	(914) 238-6206	www.playcarepreschool.com	6 weeks- 5 years	Yes	No	Yes	No
World Cup Nursery School and Kindergarten	160 Hunts Ln	(914) 238-9267	www.worldcupnurseryschool.com	2-6 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Cortlandt								
Happy Tots Childcare	18 Radio Terrace	(914) 737-7900	www.happytots.org	Infant- 5 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Julie's Little School	824 Oregon Rd	(914) 736-5527	www.julieslittleschool.com	Infant- 5 years	No	Yes	Yes	No
Key Institute Pre-K & K Montessori School	2223 Maple Ave	(914) 737-1391	www.thekeyinstitute.com	4-6 years	Yes	No	No	No
Little Learners of Westchester	3565 Crompond Rd	(914) 402-1149	www.littlelearnersofwestchester.com	2-5 years	Yes	Yes	No	No
A Rising Star Children's Center	29 William Puckey Dr	(914) 788-4582	www.arisingstarchildrenscenter.com	Infant- 4 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Saint Columbanus School <sup>3</sup>	122 Oregon Rd	(914) 739-1200	www.st-columbanus.com	4 years-Grade 8	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Croton-on-Hudson								
Childrenspace	119 Maple St	(914) 271-5056	www.childrenspacepreschool.com	2-5 years	No	Yes	No	No
Circle School	56 Cleveland Dr	(914) 271-8950	www.crotoncircleschool.com	2-4 years	Yes	No	No	No
Croton Community Nursery School †	25 Van Wyck St	(914) 271-4451	www.crotoncommunity.org	2-5 years	Yes	No	No	No
Holy Name of Mary Montessori School	114 Grand St	(914) 271-5182	www.hnmmontessori.org	2.9-5 yeαrs	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Temple Israel Nursery School	31 Glengary Rd	(914) 271-4705	www.tinw.org	2-4 years	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
Dobbs Ferry								
Alcott Montessori School †	535 Broadway	(914) 693-4443	www.alcottschool.org	2-5 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Christian Preschool	43 Ashford Ave	(914) 693-0026	www.dfchristianpreschool.com	2.5-4 years	Yes	No	Yes	No
Community Nursery School	343 Broadway	(914) 693-9072	www.cnsdobbsferry.com	2-5 years	Yes	Yes	No	No
Days of Wonder Child Care Program	343 Broadway	(914) 693-2980	www.daysofwonderchildcare.com	18 months- 4 years	No	Yes	No	No
Greenburgh Hebrew Center Early Childhood Center	515 Broadway	(914) 693-4907	www.g-h-c.org	2-4 years	Yes	No	Yes	No
The Little Village	l Echo Hills	(914) 648-3535	www.littlevillagedaycare.org	Infant- 5 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Eastchester								
Lincoln Academy	11 Woodlot Rd	(914) 346-8811	www.ecclincolnacademy.org	2y 9m- 5 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Elmsford								
Bright Horizons at Westchester Executive Park	77 Executive Blvd	(914) 592-2890	www.brighthorizons.com	Infant-5 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	No

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Harrison								
Harrison Children's Center	300 and 480 Harrison Ave, 251 Underhill Ave	(914) 835-4271	www.harrisonchildrenscenter.org	2y 9m- 4 years	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Little Language League	210 Halstead Ave	(914) 921-9075	www.littlelanguageleague.org	3-5 yeαrs	Yes	No	No	No
Please and Thank You Children's Place	7 Ann St	(914) 468-6656	www.pleaseandthankyou childrensplace.com	2y 9m- 5 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Saint Gregory the Great Early Childhood Enrichment	94 Broadway	(914) 835-1278	www.stgregoryearly childhood.com	3-4 years	Yes	Yes	No	No
Webster Avenue Nursery School <sup>4</sup>	300 Harrison Ave	(914) 835-4504	www.websteravenurseryschool.com	3-4 years	Yes	No	No	No
Hartsdale								
Creative Beginning Children's Center	112 W Hartsdale Ave	(914) 428-1200	www.crebeg.com	18 months- 5 yeαrs	No	Yes	Yes	No
Early Childhood Program	475 W Hartsdale Āve	(914) 949-2745	ecp.greenburghcsd.org/pages/ Early_Childhood_Program	3-5 years	Yes	Yes	No	No
Rainbow Nursery School	130 N Central Ave	(914) 949-3736	www.rainbow-nursery-school.com	2-5 years	Yes	Yes	No	No
Sacred Heart School Pre-Kindergarten <sup>5</sup>	59 Wilson St	(914) 946-7242	www.sacredhearthartsdale.org	3 years-Grade 8	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hastings-on-Hudson								
The Goddard School <sup>3</sup>	l Jackson Ave	(914) 478-1390	www.goddardschool.com	Infant- 5 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hastings Nursery School †	7 Farragut Ave	(914) 478-3777	www.hastingsnurseryschool.com	2-4 years	Yes	No	Yes	No
Little Leaf at Andrus-on-Hudson	185 Old Broadway	(646) 489-7757	www.littleleafschool.com	2.5 months- 6 years	Yes	No	No	No
Temple Beth Shalom Nursery School	740 N Broadway	(914) 478-3833	www.tbshastings.org	2-4 years	Yes	No	Yes	No
Hawthorne								
Little Years Day Care & Learning Center	l Skyline Dr	(914) 347-7682	www.littleyearsdaycare.com	6 weeks- 5 years	No	Yes	No	No
Trinity Preschool	292 Elwood Ave	(914) 773-1108	www.trinity-preschool.com	3-4 years	Yes	No	No	No
Irvington								
Good Shepherd Early Childhood Center	25 N Broadway	(914) 591-4104	www.goodshepherdirvington.com	2-4 years	Yes	No	Yes	No
Katonah								
Country Childrens Center	412 αnd 466 Cross River Rd	(914) 242-0520	www.countrychildrenscenter.org	Infant- Middle School	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
Katonah Playcare	44 Edgemont Rd	(914) 232-7825	www.katonahplaycare.com	18 months- 5 years	Yes	No	Yes	No
Katonah Playschool	31 Bedford Rd	(914) 232-5903	www.katonahplayschool.org	2-5 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Perfect Fit Preschool	68 Beford Rd	(914) 767-0585	www.perfectfitpreschool.com	2-5 yeαrs	Yes	No	No	No
Larchmont								
Discovering Me Nursery School	2051 Palmer Ave	(914) 833-1756	www.discoveringmenurseryschool.com	2.75-5 years	Yes	Yes	No	No
Larchmont Avenue Church Preschool	60 Forest Park Ave	(914) 834-3984	www.lacpreschool.org	2-5 yeαrs	Yes	No	Yes	No
Larchmont Temple Nursery School	75 Larchmont Ave	(914) 834-9244	www.larchmonttemple.org	l-4 years	Yes	No	No	No
St. John's Nursery School	4 Fountain Square	(914) 833-2870	www.sj-larch-nurseryschool.org	2-4 yeαrs	Yes	No	No	No
Mamaroneck								
Liberty Montessori International School	631 W Boston Post Rd	(914) 777-1382	www.libertymontessori schools.com	18 months- 8 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Mamaroneck Community Nursery School	501 Tompkins Ave	(914) 381-2655	www.mcnschool.org	2-4 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	No

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Westchester Jewish Early Childhood	175 Rockland Ave	(914) 698-2960	www.wjcenter.org	2-4 years	Yes	No	Yes	No
Mohegan Lake								
Children of America	3093 E Main St	(914) 930-6084	www.childrenofamerica.com	6 weeks- 12 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Strawberry Early Childhood Development Center	1770 Strawberry Rd	(914) 526-4401	www.strawberryecdc.com	6 weeks- 12 years	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Tom Thumb Preschool	1949 E Main St	(914) 528-5600	www.tomthumbpreschool.com	18 months- 5 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Montrose								
Mt. Airy Nursery School	2124 Albany Post Rd	(914) 736-1447	www.mountairyschool.com	2.5 months- 6 years	Yes	No	No	No
Mount Kisco								
Bet Torah Nursery School	60 Smith Ave	(914) 666-7595	www.bettorah.org	2-4 years	Yes	No	Yes	No
Boys & Girls Club Early Childhood Education Center	351 Main St	(914) 666-8069	www.bgcnw.com	3-5 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Jennie's School	605 Millwood Rd	(914) 666-4001	www.jenniesschool.com	3-5 years	Yes	No	No	No
Kaleidoscope Childcare Center	100 S Bedford Rd	(914) 244-1100	www.kaleidoscopemtkisco.com	Infant-Grade 5	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
A Kid's World Preschool	236 S Bedford Rd	(914) 244-8504	www.akidsworldpreschool.com	Infant- 5 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Little Blessings Christian Preschool	15 S Bedford Rd	(914) 666-0644	www.lcronline.org	2-4 years	Yes	No	No	No
Mount Kisco Child Care Center	95 Radio Circle	(914) 241-2135	www.mkccc.org	3 months- 12 years	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Rippowam Cisqua School <sup>1</sup>	325 W Patent Rd	(914) 244-1200	www.rcsny.org	3 years-Grade 9	No	Yes	No	Yes
Mount Vernon								
Emmanuel Children's Mission	32 S 5th Āve	(914) 664-1810	www.ecmission.org	3 years-Grade 8	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Friendship for Tots Inc.	261 E Lincoln Ave	(914) 668-1210	www.friendshipfortots.com	18 months- 5 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
The Milestone School	70 W Broad St	(914) 667-3478	www.themilestoneschool.com	2 years-Grade 4	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Our Lady of Victory School <sup>5</sup>	38 N 5th Ave	(914) 667-4063	www.ourladyofvictoryschool.org	3 years-Grade 8	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
New Rochelle								
A Child's Dream	10 Mill Rd	(914) 633-4332	www.achildsdreamnursery.com	2-4 years	Yes	No	Yes	No
Hudson Country Montessori School	340 Quαker Ridge Rd	(914) 636-6202	www.hudsoncountry.org	2 years-Grade 8	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Liberty Montessori International School	155 Beechmont Dr	(914) 636-3461	www.libertymontessorischools. com	18 months- 8 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Mount Tom Day School	48 Mount Tom Rd	(914) 636-8130	www.mounttomdayschool.com	2-6 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
New Rochelle Day Nursery	115 Clinton Ave	(914) 632-2093	www.newrochelledaynursery.org	18 months- 5 years	No	Yes	No	No
The Pre-school & Kindergarten Learning Center	95 Eastchester Rd	(914) 654-0339	www.preschoolkindergarten.com	2 years-Grade 5	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Kehillah School For Early Learning	1000 Pinebrook Blvd	(914) 235-1800	www.kehillahschool.org	Infant- 6 years	No	Yes	No	No
Transitional Learning Center	555 Davenport Ave	(914) 738-6760	www.tlcpreschool.info	18 months- 7 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Weekday Nursery School	1200 North Ave	(914) 632-6758	www.weekdayns.org	2-5 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
North Salem								
The Community YMCA Learning Center	106 Titicus Rd	(914) 276-1350	www.ymca-cnw.org	18 months- 5 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

# Education 👝

Town Name	Address	Phone	Website	Age Range	Half Day	Full Day	*Extended Day	**School Age Care
Ossining								
All Aboard Child Care	255 N Highland Ave	(914) 923-1700	www.allaboardchildcare.com	Infant- Grade 5	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Briarcliff Nursery School	40 Morningside Dr	(914) 941-4373	www.briarcliffnurseryschool.com	2-5 years	Yes	No	No	No
Ossining Children's Center <sup>8</sup>	90-92 S Highland Ave	(914) 941-0230	www.ossiningchildrenscenter.org	Infant-Grade 5	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Torbank Nursery School †	108 Pinesbridge Rd	(914) 941-1563	www.torbanknurseryschool.com	2-4 years	Yes	No	No	No
Peekskill								
Child's World Academy	50 Dayton Lane	(914) 539-7389	www.childsworldacademy.com	Infant- 12 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Lil' Sprouts Early Learning Center at First Hebrew Congregation	1821 E Mαin St	(914) 739-0504	www.firsthebrew.org	2-5 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Little Kings & Queens Daycare	822 Paulding St and 1825 Crompond Rd	(914) 734-2371	www.littlekingsnqueensdaycare.com	Infant- 12 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Nana's Place Child Care, Inc.	165 Benefield Blvd	(914) 734-7888	www.nanasplacechildcareinc.com	2 months- 12 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Pelham								
Huguenot Nursery School	901 Pelhamdale Ave	(914) 738-6346	www.huguenotschool.org	2-4 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Junior Wonders Nursery School	448 Washington Ave	(914) 738-6518	www.juniorwonders.com	2-4 years	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
The Montessori School in Pelham Manor	1415 Pelhamdale Ave	(914) 738-1127	www.montessorischool pelhamny.com	2-5 years	Yes	Yes	No	No
Pelham Children's Center	20 Fifth Ave	(914) 738-3900	www.pelhamchildrenscenter.org	18 months- 5 years	No	Yes	Yes	No
Pleasantville								
Great Beginnings Preschool	400 Bedford Rd	(914) 773-0414	www.great-beginnings.org	2-4 years	Yes	No	No	No
Pleasantville Children's Center	400 Bedford Rd	(914) 769-8613	www.pcckids.org	2-4 years	Yes	No	No	No
Pleasant Hill Nursery School	197 Manville Rd	(914) 769-3418	www.pleasanthillnursery school.com	2-4 years	Yes	No	No	No
Port Chester								
All Souls Preschool	55 Parkway Dr	(914) 939-4301	www.allsoulspreschool.com	3-4 years	Yes	No	No	No
St. Paul's Child Care Center	761 King St, Rye Brook	(914) 939-3079	www.stpaulsryebrook.com	Infant- 5 years	No	Yes	Yes	No
Tots Place	8 Bent Ave	(914) 939-1617	www.preschoolwestchesterny.com	18 months- 5 years	No	Yes	Yes	No
Westmore Day Care Center	80 S Regent St	(914) 937-5250	www.westmoredaycare.com	8 weeks- 5 years	Yes	Yes	No	No
Pound Ridge								
Pound Ridge Community Church Play School	3 Pound Ridge Rd	(914) 764-4360	www.prccplayschool.com	2-4 years	Yes	No	Yes	No
Pound Ridge Montessori School <sup>6</sup>	5 Highview Rd	(914) 763-3125	www.poundridgemontessori.com	2.5-5 years	Yes	No	No	No
Purchase								
Mali's Day Care	26 Glen Park Rd	(914) 683-1011	www.malisdaycare.com	Infant- 8 years	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Purchase Children's Center	3095 Purchase St	(914) 948-2414	www.purchasechildrenscenter.com	2-5 years	Yes	No	Yes	No
Rye								
Christ's Church Nursery School	Rectory St (no street number available)	(914) 967-5758	www.ccnsrye.org	2-5 years	Yes	No	No	No
Greek Orthodox Church Of Our Saviour Preschool	2195 Westchester Ave E	(914) 967-1675	www.gocoos.org	3-5 years	Yes	No	Yes	No

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Little Angels Child Care Center	601 Midland Ave	(914) 935-2563	www.lacccrye.org	Infant- 5 years	No	No	Yes	No
Little Language League	22 Purdy Ave	(914) 921-9075	www.littlelanguageleague.org	3-5 years	Yes	No	No	No
Rye Presbyterian Nursery School	882 Boston Post Rd	(914) 967-2073	www.rpnskids.org	2-5 years	Yes	No	No	No
Rye Brook								
Ridge Street Country School	431 N Ridge St	(914) 939-5460	www.ridgestreetcountryschool.com	2-4 years	Yes	No	Yes	No
Scarsdale								
Alcott Montessori School †	27 Crane Rd and 46 Fox Meadow	(914) 472-4404 (914) 595-7551	www.alcottschool.org	2-5 yeαrs	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Children's Corner Learning Center	10 Alkamont Ave	(914) 725-1719	www.childrenscornergroup.com	18 months- 5 years	No	Yes	No	No
Creative Playtime Nursery School	59 Grand Blvd	(914) 472-4777	www.creativeplaytimescarsdale.org	2-4 years	Yes	No	Yes	No
Greenville Church Nursery School	270 Ardsley Rd	(914) 723-1262	www.greenvillechurch nurseryschool.org	3-4 years	Yes	No	Yes	No
Hitchcock Nursery School	6 Greenacres Ave	(914) 723-0922	www.hitchcockschool.com	6 months- 4 years	Yes	No	Yes	No
Mazel Tots Early Childhood Program	2 Ogden Rd	(914) 723-3001	www.sstte.org	18 months- 4 years	Yes	No	Yes	No
Scarsdale Community Baptist Nursery School	51 Popham Rd	(914) 722-0278	www.scarsdalenurseryschool.org	2-4 years	Yes	No	Yes	No
Scarsdale Congregational Church Nursery School	l Heathcote Rd	(914) 723-2440	www.sccnurseryschool.com	2-4 years	Yes	No	Yes	No
Scarsdale Friends Nursery School	133 Popham Rd	(914) 472-6550	www.scarsdalefriends.org	2-5 years	Yes	No	No	No
Somers								
Little People's Learning Center	25 Lincoln Ave	(914) 248-4020	www.littlepeopleslearningcenterwebs.com	2-4 years	Yes	No	No	No
South Salem								
St. John's Early Learning Center	82 Spring St	(914) 763-3671	www.stjohnselc.com	2-5 years	Yes	No	Yes	No
ThistleWaithe Learning Center	1340 Rte 35	(914) 977-3662	www.thistlewaithe.org	18 months- 6 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Tarrytown								
Early Childhood Program of the Harold and Elaine Shames JCC on the Hudson	371 S Broadway and 25 Leroy Ave	(914) 366-7898 (914) 631-1607	www.jcconthehudson.org	2-5 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes/No
New Beginnings Nursery School	42 N Broadway	(914) 372-6377	www.newbeginnings nurseryschool.com	2-4 years	Yes	No	No	No
Tarrytown Nursery School	15 W Elizαbeth St	(914) 631-8227	www.tarrytownnurseryschool.org	2-4 years	Yes	No	Yes	No
Tuckahoe								
Andrus Early Learning Center	65 Main St	(914) 337-4492	www.andruscc.org	18 months- 5 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Asbury Nursery School	167 Scarsdale Rd	(914) 779-3762	www.asburynurseryschool.com	2-4 years	Yes	No	Yes	No
Koala Park Day Care	7 Armourvilla Ave and 42 Pleasant Pl	(914) 337-0110	www.koalaparkdaycare.com	Infant- 12 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Valhalla								
All Aboard	400 Columbus Ave	(914) 741-1500	www.allaboardchildcare.com	Infant- 5 years	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Project Explore	70 Columbus Āve	(914) 328-1578	www.easterseals.com	18 months- 5 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Valhalla United Methodist Church	200 Columbus Ave	(914) 289-0489	www.valhallaumc.org	2-4 years	Yes	No	No	No
White Plains The Church in the Highlands Early Childhood Center	35 Bryant Ave	(914) 946-6132	www.churchinthehighlandsecc.org	18 months- 4 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	No

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Early Childhood Program at Congregation Kol Ami	252 Soundview Ave	(914) 949-4717 Ext. 107	www.nykolami.org	14 months- 5 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
The Early Childhood Center at Memorial United Methodist Church	250 Bryant Ave	(914) 949-4187	www.earlychildhoodcentermumc.org	21 months- 5 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Eastridge Enrichment Center	109 Corporate Park Dr	(914) 696-0700	www.brighthorizons.com	Infant- 4 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Elmwood Day School	900 Dobbs Ferry Rd	(914) 592-8577	www.elmwooddayschool.com	2 years-Grade l	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Ethical Culture Nursery School	7 Saxon Wood Rd	(914) 948-1132	www.ecswnurseryschool.com	2-5 years	Yes	No	Yes	No
The Little Disciples Learning Center	348 S Lexington Ave	(914) 428-4727	www.littlediscipleswp.com	3-4 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Lois Bronz Children Center	30 Manhattan Ave	(914) 761-6134	www.lbcc4kids.org	18 months- 4 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Mohawk Country Day School †	200 Old Tarrytown Rd	(914) 949-2635	www.campmohawk.com	2-6 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Montessori Garden Preschool	468 Rosedαle Ave	(914) 948-2247	www.montessorigardenschool.com	18 months- 5 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Prosepect Academy of Westchester (Renamed)	82 Prospect St	(914) 946-0628	www.paow.us	20 months- 5 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Ridgeway Nursery School	465 Ridgeway	(914) 949-3134	www.ridgewaynurseryschool.org	2-4 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Temple Israel Center Nursery School	280 Old Mamaroneck Rd	(914) 948-2800	www.templeisraelcenter.org	2-4 years	Yes	No	Yes	No
United Preschool Center	456 North St	(914) 937-3800	www.cpwestchester.org	3-5 years	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
White Plains Family YMCA	250 Mamaroneck Ave	(914) 949-8030	www.whiteplains.ymca-cnw.org	Infant- 5 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
White Plains Presbyterian Church Preschool	39 N Broadway	(914) 761-5528	www.wppcns.com	2-4 years	Yes	No	No	No
Yonkers								
Bright Horizons at South Westchester Executive Park	7 Odell Plz	(914) 376-3241	www.brighthorizons.com	Infant- 4 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Butler Nursery School 7	100 Underhill St	(914) 779-7449	www.butlernurseryschool.org	2-4 years	Yes	No	No	No
The Children's Playhouse	286 Mill Square Rd and 378 Park Hill Ave	(914) 965-9491	www.thechildrensplayhouse.net	2-4 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Early Einstein Learning Center	262 Croydon Ave	(914) 361-1942	www.earlyeinstein.webs.com	Infant- 5 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Little Angel Child Development	83 Alta Ave	(914) 613-7680	www.littleangelschilddevelopment.net	6 months- 5 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Small World North	15 Leroy Ave	(914) 423-2694	www.smallworldnorth.com	3 years-Grade 2	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
St. Mark's Lutheran School	7 St. Mark's Pl	(914) 237-4944	www.smlsyonkers.com	3 years-Grade 8	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Yorktown								
Bright Beginning Preschool	1974 Commerce St and 39 Granite Springs Rd	(914) 962-2929	www.brightbeginpreschool.com	18 months- 6 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Country Children's Center	823 Pinesbridge Rd	(914) 242-0520 Ext. 412	www.countrychildrenscenter.org	Infant- 4 years	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
The Goddard School <sup>3</sup>	62 Triangle Center	(914) 245-2864	www.goddardschool.com	Infant- 5 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Grow With Grace Daycare	514 Yorkhill Rd	(914) 527-4320	www.growwithgracedaycare.com	Infant- 5 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
The Learning Experience	3555 Mohegan Ave	(914) 528-7970	www.yorktown.tlechildcare.com	Infant- 5 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
The Learning Garden	141 Tomahawk St	(914) 243-0870	www.learninggardendaycare.com	Infant- 4 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Little Red School House	333 Kear St and 2754 Old Yorktown Rd	(914) 245-3150	www.littleredschoolhouseny.com	2-6 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	No

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Our Montessori School	2300, 2405 Crompond Rd	(914) 962-9466	www.ourmontessorischool.com	Infant- 5 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Pied Piper Preschool	2090 Crompond Rd	(914) 962-5196	www.piedpiperschoolpreschool.com	18 months- 5 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
The Seed Day Care Center	2175 Crompond Rd	(914) 962-9622	www.theseeddaycare.com	18 months- 6 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Wiggles n Giggles Preschool	2731 Hedwig Dr	(914) 962-1925	www.wiggles-n-giggles.net	3-5 years	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Yorktown Community Nursery School	247 Veterans Rd	(914) 962-7868	www.ycns.org	2-4 years	Yes	No	No	No
Yorktown Presbyterian Preschool	2880 Crompond Rd	(914) 962-8712	www.fpcyorktown.org	3-5 years	Yes	No	No	No

All schools listed, except those noted, are New York State certified or NAEYC (National Association for the Education of Young Children) certified. Private schools operating for less than three consecutive hours are not required to be certified under New York State law. † School is NYS-chartered.

1 Landmark in Bedford and Rippowam in Mount Kisco are certified by National Association of Independent Schools, Landmark also by Connecticut Association of Independent Schools

2 The Chapel School is accredited by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools - Commission on Elementary Schools and National Lutheran Schools Accreditation

3 Saint Columbanus and the Goddard School are accredited by AdvanceED (see www.advanc-ed.org/)

4 Webster Avenue Nursery School is accredited by the New York City Department of Education 5 Our Lady of Victory School and Sacred Heart School accredited by the Archdiocese of New York

6 Pound Ridge Montessori is certified by the American Montessori Society

7 Butler Nursery School is Certified by the National Association of Episcopal Schools

8 Ossining Children Center's Pre-K (Age 4) is part of Ossining's public schools and is free to Ossining residents.

\*Extended Day: programs that offer extra care before or after school hours for preschool-aged children. \*\*School-age Care: programs that offer extra care before or after school hours for school-aged children.



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### Outdoor Recreation 🗍





## Rye Nature Center

The Nature Center offers programs for kids like weekly ecology classes, a June preschoolers' class aptly named June Bugs, Summer Ecology Camp, and a variety of one-off and annual family events. *873 Boston Post Rd, Rye* (914) 967-5150;

www.ryenaturecenter.org



# **Atlantic Kayak Tours**

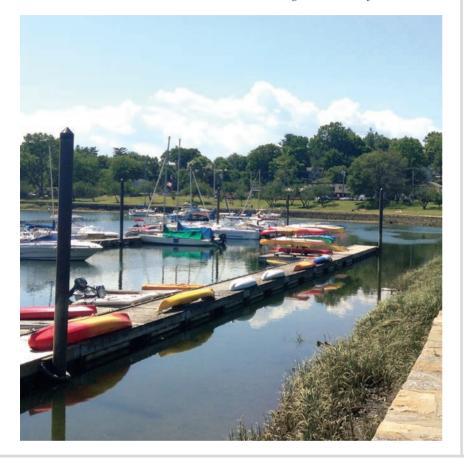
The Annsville Creek Paddlesport Center is situated on a three-acre section of Hudson Highlands State Park, just south of the Bear Mountain Bridge. Rent kayaks or canoes by the hour or for a full day for a self-propelled excursion on Annsville Creek (a small body of water between Route 6 and the Metro-North Railroad tracks), or, if you're feeling adventurous, out onto the Hudson River. 1 Annsville Cir, Cortlandt Manor

(914) 739-2588; www.atlantickayaktours.com



# Harbor Island Park

The saltwater beach is the main draw at Harbor Island, located at the end of Mamaroneck Avenue. But there's much more than sand and calm (kid-friendly) water here—baseball fields, tennis courts, and prime boat-watching round out the offerings. *123 Mamaroneck Ave, Mamaroneck (914)* 777-7784; www.village.mamaroneck.ny.us





### Riverfront Green Park

A covered pavilion, small dock, boat launch, and large playground make up this popular-with-kids Peekskill hangout, which sits a stone's throw from the Peekskill Metro-North station and walking distance from restaurants and a top-notch ice cream parlor, Hudson Creamery. It's also a go-to spot for city events: The park's calendar (worth a peek) features events like the annual Fourth of July Concert and Fireworks Display. 50 Hudson Ave, Peekskill (914) 734-7275; www.cityofpeekskill.com



Untermyer photo on this page by Andre Baranowski

# Untermyer Park

The most recent restoration at the former gardens of lawyer and investor Samuel Untermyer is the Temple of Love gazebo, which now has a restored wrought-iron dome and multiple waterfalls. Nonprofit, the Untermyer Gardens Conservancy, along with the City of Yonkers, continue to work on bringing the 43-acre park to reflect its early-20th-century glory. Stroll through the Walled Garden, an exercise in symmetry, walk along the Carriage Trail past the Rock Garden to the unicorn and lion statues, or head to one of the park's striking Hudson River vistas.

945 N Broadway, Yonkers (914) 512-4818; www.untermyergardens.org

### Outdoor Recreation 🌲

### Bedford

### Mianus River Gorge Preserve

Open from April 1 to November 30, 8:30 am to 5 pm, this 877-acre private preserve was established with the goal of protecting the old-growth hemlock forest around the Mianus River. For you, that means five miles of hiking trails through pristine forest (sorry, no biking, vehicles, picnicking, or pets). 167 Mianus River Rd, Bedford (914) 234-3455; www.mianus.org

### Bronx

### Pelham Bay Park

Technically a New York City park, Pelham Bay Park is in the Bronx but extends to Westchester. Three times the size of Central Park, it offers 13 miles of saltwater shoreline, two golf courses, hiking trails, Orchard Beach, plus fields and courts.

Bronx County Line and Middletown Rd, Bronx, NY (718) 430-1891; www.nycgovparks.org

### Chappaqua

### **Pruyn Sanctuary**

This Saw Mill River Audubon Society HQ was established to protect Gedney Swamp, a 57-acre state-designated wetland, which drains to the New Croton Reservoir. Go for a walk on Pruyn Trail, which meanders along a boardwalk through the swamp, or visit the butterfly-and-hummingbird garden.

275 Millwood Rd, Chappaqua (914) 666-6503; www.sawmillriveraudubon.org

### **Croton-on-Hudson**

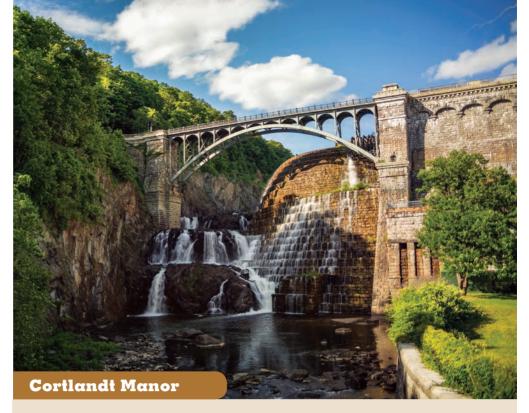
### **Croton Point Park**

Surrounded by water on three sides, Croton Point juts out into the Hudson's widest span, making it an ideal spot for riverside picnicking, camping, soccer playing, and dog walking. There's a beach for swimming, plus a nature center, two playgrounds, and great fishing spots.

1A Croton Point Ave, Croton-on-Hudson (914) 862-5290; parks.westchestergov.com/croton-point-park

### **Croton Sailing School**

Charters, rentals, and lessons are offered at this school operating at Haverstraw Bay, the widest section of the Hudson River. Don't know the difference between a mainsail and a jib? Beginners are welcome at Croton Sailing, where lessons for all skill levels are offered on 24-foot Rainbow sailboats. Adults can register for lessons in classes that usually have just two or three people. Children and teens ages 9 to 15 can do the same or enroll in EAST



### **Croton Gorge Park**

Enjoy Croton Gorge from below, where you can picnic, fish, or sled, and marvel at the New Croton Dam's majestic, 200-foot-tall spillway. Or, enjoy it from atop the dam itself, where 34 billion gallons of water sit to your north, with the park to your south. Either way, it's a sight you shouldn't miss. *Rte 129, Cortlandt Manor (914) 827-9568; parks.westchestergov.com/croton-gorge-park* 

Sailing Academy, the school's summer camp, to learn small-boat sailing and racing.

2 Elliot Way, Croton-on-Hudson (914) 271-6868; www.crotonsailing.com

### Hastings-on-Hudson

### Hillside Park and Hillside Woods

Predominantly a wooded area, Hillside sits west of the Saw Mill River Parkway and slopes toward the Hudson, offering a pool, tennis courts, a children's village, and a number of walking and hiking trails. *Farlane Dr and Hillside Ave*, *Hastings-on-Hudson* (914) 478-2380; www.hras.org/wtobird/hillside.html

### Katonah

#### Muscoot Farm

Westchester County acquired this former dairy farm in the 1960s to "maintain and interpret" the county's agricultural past. Farm animals are the main attraction here—cows, sheep, goats, turkeys, chickens, ducks, pigs, horses, and donkeys—but so are hayrides and seasonal events like Sheep Shearing and Meet the Baby Animals in May or the Autumn Celebration and Halloween's Boo Walk in the fall.

51 Rte 100, Katonah (914) 864-7282; www.muscootfarm.org

### Larchmont

### Larchmont Manor Park

Larchmont residents flock here for the private beach, but the public can enjoy the "park section," which offers walking trails and green space along 5,000 feet of shoreline. *Larchmont* (914) 834–4309; www.larchmontmanorpark.org

#### Sheldrake Environmental Center

Offerings here include camps, events, and activities for kids, plus community/family ecoevents, like "Reservoir Cleanup" and composting workshops. 685 Weaver St, Larchmont

(914) 834-1443; www.sheldrakecenter.org

### Mamaroneck

#### **Otter Creek Preserve**

This "productive tidal marsh," is an essential breeding ground for migratory birds and a natural sea barrier to guard against land erosion. A 3/4-mile loop carries you through deciduous forest and wet woodland depressions where you can observe more than 100 species of plants and birds.

Taylors Ln, Mamaroneck (914) 234-6992; www.westchesterlandtrust.org/?page\_id=1837

### Montrose

### George's Island Park

Nestled in Montrose-on-the-Hudson, George's Island comprises 208 acres of pristine waterfront grass and woodlands, dotted with covered pavilions for out-of-the-sun picnicking and group events, plus grills, picnic tables galore, and trails. Also popular for boat launching and bald-eagle watching (in winter).

158 Dutch St, Montrose (914) 737-7530; parks.westchestergov.com/georges-island-park

### New Rochelle

### **Five Islands Park**

Three of the five islands in this small archipelago are accessible via a steel connecting bridge. The park features a pavilion, sunbathers' beach, horseshoe courts, a dock for fishing, and barbecue pits. The largest island has an outdoor amphitheater.

Le Fevre Ln, New Rochelle (914) 654-2087; www.newrochelleny.com

### **Glen Island Park**

Glen Island is the second-most widely used park in Westchester, after Playland. There is a beach, the Glen Island Harbour Club (formerly the Glen Island Casino), a boat ramp that handles around 70 launches per weekend on average, picnic pavilions, and a bathhouse. 1 Pelham Rd, New Rochelle (914) 813-6720; parks.westchestergov.com/glen-island-park

### Ward Acres Park

This is a mainstay among New Rochelle dog owners who, with proper certification, can unleash their pups in a three-acre section known as Paws Place. It's also home to Ward Acres Community Garden, which houses 10' x 12' plots doled out annually on a first-register, first-receive basis. *Quaker Ridge Rd and Sussex Rd, New Rochelle* (914) 654- 2087; *www.newrochelleny.com* 

### **North Salem**

### Hammond Museum & Japanese Stroll Garden

Situated in a quiet corner of North Salem, Hammond draws on Eastern influences to form a small collection of artwork and a snaking garden pathway that leads from one picturesque scene to another. Open Wednesday to Saturday from noon to 4 pm. 28 Deveau Rd, North Salem (914) 669-5033; www.hammondmuseum.org



### Ossining

### Hudson Hills Golf Course

With an open vista atop the first tee, Hudson Hills offers golfers a view of nearly one-third of the 7,000-yard, par-71 championship course while they play. The course's restaurant is aptly named the Lookout Grille, and it has a drive-up snack bar available for players who need a quick bite in-between nines. Complete with a social center, pro shop, and premium rentals, Hudson Hills is a Westchester gem.

400 Croton Dam Rd, Ossining (914) 864-3000; www.hudsonhillsgolf.com

### Scarsdale

### Saxon Woods

Colorful foliage and historical significance are said to give character to Saxon Woods. Designed by architect Tom Winton, Saxon Woods was first opened to the public in 1931. Today, the course measures in at 6,293 yards, for a par 69. The environs of the course's main drag are filled with verdant scenics and deep woods. Spend a Thursday night dancing, or enjoy live music at the Saxon Grill. A driving range is also available. *Saxon Woods Park, Scarsdale (914) 231-3461; parks.westchestergov.com/saxon-woods-park* 

### White Plains

### Maple Moor Golf Course

Named for the towering maples that occupy the grounds, the 6,374-yard, 71-par Maple Moor Golf Course offers its golfers lush, green scenery, complete with streams and ponds. The property was originally a farm settled by Howard J. Griffen in 1879; it was taken over by the county in 1925. While you're there, don't forget to stop by for a bite from North Street Tavern and Wood Fired Pizza, which has an elegant outdoor patio overlooking the 18th fairway.

1128 North St, White Plains (914) 995-9200; golf.westchestergov.com/maple-moor-golf-course

### Yonkers

### Dunwoodie Golf Course

With its share of steep slopes, narrow treelined fairways, and sprawling landscapes, Dunwoodie Golf Course is as equally beautiful as it is challenging. The 18-hole course lies on top of Dunwoodie Heights in the center of Yonkers and measures 5,778 yards for a par of 70. With a driving range available for night play, a multipurpose catering facility in the clubhouse, and practice greens and a pro shop, Dunwoodie can fulfill all your golfing needs. *1 Wasylenko Ln, Yonkers* (914) 231-3490;

golf.we stche sterg ov.com/dunwoodie-golf-course

### Sprain Lake Golf Course

Bodies of water and a long, narrow layout make Sprain Lake Golf Course an interesting game. The 6,110-yard, par-70 course has a slope rating of 122, along with rental availability, practice greens, a driving range, and a pro shop run by veteran PGA member Tom Avezzano and his son. Enjoy fine organic and sustainable fare at the course's Sprain Grill. 290 E Grassy Sprain Rd, Yonkers (914) 231-3481; golf.westchestergov.com/sprain-lake-golf-course

### Yorktown

### Mohansic Golf Course

Rolling hills and tight holes make the 6,558yard, 70-par Mohansic Golf Course the most challenging of Westchester's public golf courses. Golfers can enjoy updated greens, newly renovated holes, and amenities, including a driving range and pro shop. Located inside the course's clubhouse is the Mohansic Grill and Lounge, which offers live music and open-mic nights.

1500 Baldwin Rd, Yorktown Heights (914) 862-5283; golf.westchestergov.com/mohansic-golf-course

### Outdoor Recreation 🇳

### Ossining

### Teatown Lake Reservation

Teatown is known in Northern Westchester and beyond for its environmental-education program, 15 miles of all-season trails, and 1,000-acre reserve spanning three towns. Plus, there's the Hudson River Eagle Fest and Wildflower Island, a two-acre wildflower sanctuary.

1600 Spring Valley Rd, Ossining (914) 762-2912; www.teatown.org

### Peekskill

### Briarcliff-Peekskill Trailway

Running 12 miles from Ossining to Peekskill's Blue Mountain Reservation, this trail passes through Croton Gorge Park and Teatown Reservation. The best part? Sweeping Hudson River views from 560-foot Spitzenberg Mountain in Blue Mountain Reservation. *Multiple on & off points* (914) 864–7275; parks.westchestergov.com/trailways

Pleasantville

### **Rockefeller State Park Preserve**

Built at the request of John D. Rockefeller Jr. himself and, thanks to a series of carriage roads he built to navigate the 1,400-acre (acreage that's generously grown with each bequeath from the Rockefeller family) landscape, the park offers abundant opportunities for nature hikes, bird-watching, fishing, walking, jogging, and even horseback riding. 125 Phelps Way, Pleasantville (914) 631-1470; www.nysparks.com/parks/59/details

### **Pocantico Hills**

### Stone Barns Center for Food & Agriculture

A nonprofit collaborative farming organization designed to promote sustainable, farm-to-table food practices in Westchester and beyond. Visitors, welcome Wednesday through Sunday, can take a self-guided tour of the grounds, which feature greenhouses, live animals, pastures, and woodland trails. Sign up for a family tour for a guided go-around. The annual Harvest Fest in October is always a sold-out event.

630 Bedford Rd, Pocantico Hills (914) 366-6200; www.stonebarnscenter.org

### **Pound Ridge**

### Ward Pound Ridge Reservation

It's Westchester's largest park, so don't set off into the 4,315 acres of wilderness without a map—seriously, there are 35 miles of trails. You'll be glad you did set off, though—there's Gallery in the Park, which exhibits local artists' work, and the Trailside Nature Museum, home to a large collection of mounted animals and American Indian artifacts. You can even camp here.

Routes 35 and 121 South, Pound Ridge (914) 864-7317; parks.westchestergov.com/ward-pound-ridge-reservation



### **Greenburgh Nature Center**

A wide variety of animals roam the center's 33 acres, comprising woods and wetlands, and migratory birds have made a habit of resting here during their seasonal travels. Check the calendar of events for a host of family-oriented environmental awareness events. 99 Dromore Rd, Scarsdale (914) 723-3470; www.greenburghnaturecenter.org

### Purchase

### Donald M. Kendall Sculpture Gardens at PepsiCo Headquarters

Donald M. Kendall was the CEO of PepsiCo when the company moved its headquarters from New York City to Purchase. He envisioned an outdoor museum open to employees and the public alike, and the result is the 168-acre sculpture garden open to the public year-round (admission and parking are free). The gardens are open daily from 7 am to 7 pm, April to October, and from 7 am to 5 pm, November to March.

700 Anderson Hill Rd, Purchase (914) 253-2000

### Rye

### Marshlands Conservancy

Three miles of trails and a half-mile of shoreline along the Long Island Sound draw locals for hiking, nature-center perusing, and bird watching the Conservancy is situated along the Atlantic migratory flyway. Group environmental-education programs are offered to schools, clubs, etc. 220 Boston Post Rd, Rye (914) 835-4466; parks.westchestergov.com/marshlands-conservancy

### Playland

On the shores of the Long Island Sound sits this 280-acre Art Deco amusement park opened in 1928. There are a variety of attractions, from fullscale thrill rides (the Dragon Coaster is the most famous) to the ever-popular Kiddyland to a Ferris wheel. It also has a boardwalk, ice rink, beach, and pool. (There's also an adjacent children's museum and wildlife sanctuary.) Owned and operated by the county, Playland is open from May to September. Check out the calendar of events for fireworks, concerts, and more.

1 Playland Pkwy, Rye (914) 813-7010; www.ryeplayland.org

### Rye Town Park & Beach

Rye residents have been staking their umbrellas in the sand at this 34-acre beach, next door to Playland, since 1907. Dine at Pier Restaurant & Tiki Bar or Seaside Johnnies, the seafood restaurant overlooking Oakland Beach and the Sound. 95 Dearborn Ave, Rye (914) 967-0965; www.townofryeny.com

### Scarsdale

### Weinberg Nature Center

Parents with young kids, take note: The Weinberg Nature Center offers a slew of outdoor- and conservation-themed camps and classes for kids, like June Bugz, a drop-off mini-camp for preschoolers; Nature Tots, a weekly mommyand-me activity series; and Weinberg's Nature Adventures, Saturday wildlife and environmental programs.

455 Mamaroneck Rd, Scarsdale (914) 722-1289; www.weinbergnaturecenter.org

### **Sleepy Hollow**

### **Kingsland Point Park**

Just north of the Tappan Zee Bridge, and home of the historic Tarrytown Lighthouse, Kingsland is one of Westchester's oldest (established in 1926) and most scenic parks. There's a waterside walkway to soak in the views, picnic tables and benches to do the same, and plenty of open space (plus a baseball field) for whatever activity happens to be on your (or your kids') agenda. 299 Palmer Ave, Sleepy Hollow (914) 366-5109; parks.westchestergov.com/kingsland-point-park

### Somers

### North County Trailway

The longest of the four connected rail-trails repurposed from the defunct New York Central Railroad's Putnam Division line, this 22.1-mile section runs from Eastview in Mount Pleasant to the Putnam County border. It's part of a paved 40-plus-mile bike path stretching from Van Cortlandt Park in the Bronx to Carmel in Putnam County—to the south it connects with the South County Trailway and to the north the Putnam Trailway. Ride this paved former rail bed with the Saw Mill River Parkway on your right and woodlands on the left. Enjoy gorgeous views of the Croton Reservoir along the way. *Multiple entry & exit points (914) 865-7275; visit parks.westchester.gov for more detailed information* 

### Tarrytown

### RiverWalk

More than 30 miles of the planned 50-plus-mile walk are open, but, once complete, you'll be able to make your way up the county's entire riverfront along one quasi-unified path. The Croton-on-Hudson and Tarrytown portions in particular are teeming with bikers and walkers, and we expect no less from Dobbs Ferry portion now open.

Multiple locations (914) 631-8347;

www.scenichudson.org/parks/riverwalkparktarrytown

### Valhalla

### Kensico Dam Plaza

Three hundred feet high and 1,843 feet long, the dam was completed in 1915 and is on the National Register of Historic Places. It forms a magnificent backdrop for the park at its base, which includes paths and picnic areas. A popular spot for concerts, heritage celebrations, a Winter Wonderland event, and *Westchester Magazine*'s Wine & Food Festival; it's also the home of the The Rising, the county's 9/11 memorial. *1 Bronx River Pkwy, Valhalla (914) 231-4033; parks.westchestergov.com/kensico-dam-plaza* 

### White Plains

### **Colonial Greenway Trail**

Popular among trail runners, this 15-mile loop passes through seven parks along the way, hitting Saxon Woods Park and Twin Lakes County Park, among others. If 15 miles scares you (and you're not alone), there's a connector trail that passes through the center of the loop, so you can easily cut the distance in half. *Multiple entry & exit points, but try Saxon Woods* 1800 Mamaroneck Ave, White Plains

### **Cranberry Lake Preserve**

Lily-covered Cranberry Lake, wetlands, hiking trails, an active bird population, and a small manmade stone "cave" are the main attractions at the preserve, situated just northeast of the Kensico Dam. Visitors can trek to 19th-century ruins scattered throughout the park, including those of an old farmhouse and an abandoned quarry from a



### Lenoir Preserve

This nature preserve situated between Route 9 and the Hudson River in Yonkers, offers 40 acres of biodiversity. It is home to a number of tree species imported from around the world, including copper beeches from Europe, ginkgo trees from Asia, and Douglas firs from the Pacific Northwest. A butterflyand-hummingbird garden is popular in summer, while birdwatching is the main draw in fall and spring for the hawk migration. *19 Dudley St, Yonkers (914) 968-5851; parks.westchestergov.com/lenoir-preserve* 

20th-century stone-mining operation. 1609 Old Orchard St, White Plains (914) 428-1005; parks.westchestergov.com/cranberry-lake

### Delfino Park

The main attraction of this near 18-acre park just outside of downtown is Ebersole Ice Rink, an outdoor, roofed rink with lighting, locker rooms, food and skate concessions, warming room, and party room. The park also features two baseball fields, six lighted tennis courts, and a paddletennis wall.

110 Lake St, White Plains (914) 422-1348; ny-whiteplains.civicplus.com/facilities/ facility/details/Delfino-Park-37

### Saxon Woods Park

This is not your average picnic-tables-and-trees park. In addition to the standard picnic areas, soccer field, and trails, Saxon Woods boasts an 18-hole golf course, a mini-golf course, the county's largest swimming pool, and a children's aquatic playground. 1800 Mamaroneck Ave, White Plains (914) 995-4480; parks.westchestergov.com/saxon-woods-park

### Silver Lake Preserve

Bordering West Harrison in White Plains, this 236acre preserve is popular among trail seekers thanks to a three-mile loop around Silver Lake (sorry, fishing rods and bathing suits are not allowed here). Keep your eyes peeled in the northern section for ruins from 19th-century Quaker settlers, who occupied some 26 homes in the park. Lake St, White Plains (914) 231-4500; parks.westchestergov.com/silver-lake-preserve

### Yonkers

### **Tibbetts Brook Park**

Tibbetts Brook resembles a bona fide water park more than it does something built and operated by the county. Westchester's first large-scale recreational development, it features a spray playground, a lazy river, water slides, in-pool basketball and volleyball, and lap lanes. Perfect for families and kids during summertime.

355 Midland Ave, Yonkers (914) 231-2870; parks.westchestergov.com/tibbetts-brook-park

### Yorktown Heights

### Franklin D. Roosevelt State Park

Water recreation is the attraction here, with a mammoth pool that accommodates 3,500 swimmers, along with two bodies of fresh water: Mohansic Lake and Crom Pond. Both are ideal for fishing (bass, perch, and sun fish are popular catches; fishing license required) and boating (rent a pedal boat or rowboat, or launch your own with a regional permit). There's plenty to do on land, as well, with picnic areas, basketball and volleyball courts, and softball and soccer fields.

2957 Crompond Rd, Yorktown Heights (914) 245-4434; www.nysparks.com/parks/148



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# Our Towns 👉

Distinct main streets oozing charm, lots of history, and vibrant shopping and dining options make Westchester a dynamic place to live.

The Greenburgh Public Library

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# Our Towns 🚹 The Numbers You Need To Know

Municipality	Population (2014)	Median Household Income (2010-2014 estimates)	Median Home Sale Price (2015)	Estimated Avg Property Taxes (2015) Based on School District Tax Rates*	# of Houses Sold (2015)	Avg # of Days on the Market (July 2016)	
Ardsley	4,555	\$135,972	\$653,000	\$29,886	108	83	
Armonk	4,535	\$177,821	\$999,000	\$24,569	151	95	
Bedford	17,335	\$172,847	\$820,000	\$21,127	225	91	
Briarcliff Manor	7,991	\$144,006	\$795,000	\$28,424	65	112	
Bronxville	6,418	\$193,333	\$2,175,000	\$51,998	62	97	
Buchanan	2,262	\$92,955	\$413,000	\$11,979	122	154 (2015 number)	
Chappaqua	1,436	\$101,016	\$909,000	\$26,855	219	70	
Cortlandt	42,247	\$95,733	\$413,000/\$360,000	\$12,013/\$13,188	122/266	154/102	
Croton-on-Hudson	8,235	\$131,546	\$553,000	\$21,603	117	62	
Dobbs Ferry	11,098	\$113,062	\$722,000	\$32,499	95	27	
Eastchester	19,800	\$104,891	\$719,000	\$21,343	117	55	
Elmsford	4,776	\$83,829	\$470,000	\$18,606	57	144	
Greenburgh	90,135	\$112,216	\$475,000	\$16,051	148	77	
Harrison	28,151	\$111,122	\$1,040,000	\$25,890	145	107	
Hartsdale	5,346	\$84,341	\$475,000	\$16,051	148	75	
Hastings-on-Hudson	7,975	\$119,474	\$785,000	\$34,838	83	30	
Irvington	6,581	\$137,500	\$925,000	\$39,203	71	36	
Larchmont	6,111	\$152,448	\$1,250,000	\$31,782	267	36	
Lewisboro	12,576	\$141,477	\$597,500	\$15,517	219	67	
Mamaroneck	19,302	\$116,969	\$1,250,000	\$34,342	267	36	
Mount Kisco	11,103	\$71,727	\$820,000	\$21,642	225	91	
Mount Pleasant	44,249	\$105,820	\$555,000	\$15,231	103	165	
Mount Vernon	68,458	\$49,268	\$365,000	\$18,226	134	104	
New Castle	17,786	\$186,493	\$909,000	\$26,855	219	102 (2015 number)	
New Rochelle	79,637	\$68,270	\$650,000	\$21,676	371	62	
North Castle	12,054	\$159,031	\$999,000	\$24,569	151	95	
North Salem	5,162	\$126,569	\$436,000	\$12,569	52	117	
Ossining	25,359	\$82,009	\$385,000	\$16,332	207	94	
Peekskill	24,058	\$51,961	\$288,297	\$11,983	85	138	
Pelham	7,025	\$118,125	\$860,000	\$28,646	145	42	
Pelham Manor	5,582	\$173,140	\$860,000	\$27,904	145	42	
Pleasantville	7,154	\$105,714	\$615,000	\$23,821	65	60	
Port Chester	29,522	\$56,134	\$465,000	\$14,538	97	75	
Pound Ridge	5,170	\$173,839	\$820,000	\$17,223	225	91	
Purchase	5,391	\$183,686	\$1,040,000	\$25,890	145	107	
Rye Rye Brook	16,000 9,553	\$159,422 \$139,741	\$1,675,000 \$797,000	\$31,631 \$21,290	96	48	
Scarsdale	17,729	\$241,453	\$1,450,000	\$33,895	231	46	
Sleepy Hollow	10,208	\$58,672	\$607,000	\$22,664	88	39 90	
Somers	20,876	\$114,367	\$525,000	\$13,958	149	39	
Tarrytown	11,537	\$91,906	\$607,000	\$26,259	88		
Tuckahoe	6,623	\$87,727	\$698,487	\$24,256	44	22	
White Plains Yonkers	58,035	\$81,743 \$61,132	\$614,383 \$430,000	\$20,054 \$11,355	236 481	34 56	
Yorktown	36,566	\$100,837	\$435,000	\$14,815	183	55	
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Population: www.city-data.com; Median Household Income: based on 2010-2014 American Community Survey 5-year Estimates on www.factfinder.census.gov; Median Home Sale Price: Houlihan Lawrence; Median Property Taxes: Mary Beth Murphy, Westchester County Tax Commission; # of Houses Sold, Average # of Days on Market: Houlihan Lawrence; Property and Violent Crime Rate: www.bestplaces.net; Average Commute to Grand Central and Train Stations: Metropolitan Transit Authority; Main School District and Public High Schools: www.trulia.com

Property Crime Rate** (2014)	Violent Crime Rate*** (2014)	Average Train Commute to Grand Central (in mins)	Train Station	Main School District	Public High Schools	
27	20	44	Dobbs Ferry/Scarsdale	Ardsley UFSD	Ardsley	
22	19	44	North White Plains	Byram Hills CSD	Byram Hills	
26	23	62	Bedford Hills	Bedford CSD	Fox Lane	
9	15	53	Scarborough	Briarcliff Manor UFSD	Briarcliff	
17	25	35	Bronxville	<b>Bronxville UFSD</b>	Bronxville	
32	32	56	Cortlandt	Hendrick Hudson CSD	Hendrick Hudson	
34	26	54	Chappaqua	Chappaqua CSD	Horace Greeley	
27	23	56	Cortlandt	Hendrick Hudson / Lakeland CSD	Walter Panas, Lakeland	
28	26	54	Croton-Harmon	Croton-Harmon SD	Croton-Harmon	
24	25	42	Dobbs Ferry	Dobbs Ferry UFSD	Dobbs Ferry	
22	21	37	Tuckahoe	Eastchester UFSD	Eastchester	
52	44	44	North White Plains	Elmsford UFSD	Alexander Hamilton	
29	40	44	Ardsley-on-Hudson	Greenburgh CSD	Woodlands	
19	27	43	Harrison	Harrison CSD	Harrison	
33	25	41	Hartsdale	Greenburgh CSD	Woodlands	
33	29	39	Hastings-on-Hudson	Hastings-on-Hudson UFSD	Hastings	
12	13	46	Irvington	Irvington UFSD	Irvington	
25	19	37	Larchmont	Mamaroneck UFSD	Mamaroneck	
10	14	66	Katonah	Katonah-Lewisboro SD	John Jay	
16	28	40	Mamaroneck	Mamaroneck/Rye Neck UFSD	Mamaroneck, Rye Neck	
30	48	59	Mount Kisco	Bedford CSD	Fox Lane	
16	20	44	Mount Pleasant	Mount Pleasant CSD	Westlake, Valhalla	
42	80	30	Mount Vernon East/West	Mount Vernon City SD	Nelson Mandela, Mount Vernon, Nellie A. Thornton	
15	16	54	Chappaqua	Chappagua CSD	Horace Greeley	
31	50	35	New Rochelle	New Rochelle City SD	New Rochelle	
15	14	44	North White Plains	Byram Hills CSD	Byram Hills	
26	23	76	Croton Falls	North Salem CSD	North Salem	
21	40	54	Ossining	Ossining UFSD	Ossining	
19	35	61	Peekskill	Peekskill City SD	Peekskill	
30	51	32	Pelham	Pelham UFSD	Pelham Memorial	
19	20	32	Pelham	Pelham UFSD	Pelham Memorial	
5	18	52	Pleasantville	Pleasantville UFSD	Pleasantville	
43	42	47	Port Chester	Port Chester SD	Port Chester	
37	10	68	New Canaan, CT	Bedford CSD	Fox Lane	
19	27	40	White Plains	Harrison CSD	Harrison	
38	25	44	Rye	Rye City SD	Rye	
20	17	47	Port Chester	Blind Brook-Rye UFSD	Blind Brook	
24	19	38	Scarsdale	Scarsdale UFSD, Edgemont SD	Scarsdale, Edgemont	
	33	46	Tarrytown	UFSD of the Tarrytowns	Sleepy Hollow	
20	15	46 69	Goldens Bridge	Somers CSD	Sieepy Hollow Somers	
13	25	46	_			
			Tarrytown	UFSD of the Tarrytowns	Sleepy Hollow	
6	25	37	Tuckahoe	Tuckahoe UFSD	Tuckahoe	
36	43	40	White Plains	White Plains Public Schools	White Plains Saunders Trades and Technical, Riverside, Gorton, Lincoln,	
28	58	37	Glenwood, Greystone, Ludlow, Yonkers	Yonkers Public Schools	Palisade Preparatory, Yonkers Middle/High, Roosevelt	
24	26	54	Croton-Harmon	Yorktown CSD	Yorktown	

#: There are multiple numbers in certain columns because of Cortlandt's two school districts. \*In cases where a town is served by multiple school districts, the district tax rates were averaged. \*\*Property crime, on a scale from 1 (low crime) to 100. Offenses include burglary, larceny-theft, motor vehicle theft, and arson. The US average is 43.5. \*\*\*Violent crime, on a scale from 1 (low crime) to 100. Composed of four offenses: murder and nonnegligent manslaughter; forcible rape; robbery; and aggravated assault. The US average is 41.4.

## Our Towns 🛖

# Cities

### **Mount Vernon**

This city of nearly 70,000 residents has neighborhoods that range from quaintly suburban to densely urban. There are three Metro-North Stations and several shopping districts. The city hosts events such as the Arts on Third Festival, one of the largest arts and entertainment festivals in the county.

### **New Rochelle**

Known as the "Queen City of the Sound," the city boasts miles of Long Island Sound shoreline. Between estates on private islands, older homes on quiet suburban streets, and urban skyscrapers downtown, housing options are diverse. New Rochelle is home to both Iona and Monroe College, as well as historical sites like Execution Rocks Lighthouse and Leland Castle and fun destinations like the 105-acre Glen Island Park and New Roc City, an entertainment and cinema complex complete with an IMAX theater, mini-golf course, and an arcade.

### **Peekskill**

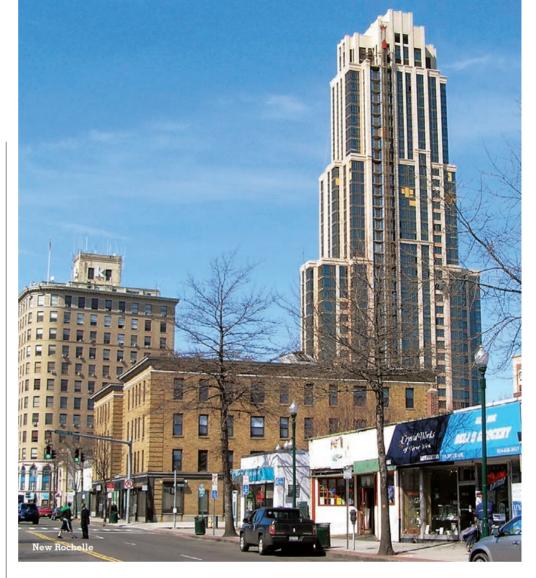
Between Hudson River waterfront views, art galleries, and live-in artist work lofts, Peekskill is the ultimate arts destination. The Hudson Valley Center for Contemporary Art regularly features exhibitions and programs, while Paramount Hudson Valley offers live entertainment, drawing in top comedy acts and musical performers. Throughout the year, trendy java joints like the Peekskill Coffee House and the BeanRunner Café host open mic nights for musicians to perform. Don't miss the Hudson Hop & Harvest Festival in the fall, featuring locally brewed craft beer and live music.

### Rye

Although it's the smallest city in Westchester, tony Rye does not fall short of activities. Playland amusement park is easily the city's most renowned destination, complete with the famous Dragon Coaster and old-fashioned boardwalk. Picturesque Oakland Beach stretches down the Long Island Sound, and Rye's downtown district along Purchase Street is nearby for upscale shopping and dining.

### White Plains

Commercial center by day, White Plains is a hub for corporate offices and shopping, including two major malls: The Westchester and The Galleria, as well as a freestanding Bloomingdale's. After dark, its nightlife scene surfaces with a number of bars, pubs, and lounges. Top-notch dining options are clustered around Mamaroneck Avenue, within walking distance to the luxurious Ritz-Carlton, Westchester.





### Yonkers

The fourth most populous city in New York State, Yonkers sits right at the border with the Bronx. Ridge Hill and the Cross County Shopping Center serve as major shopping destinations within the city; both are outdoor malls with renowned retail and dining options. Empire City Casino at Yonkers Raceway has harness racing and a casino with 5,300 slot machines. Nearby is the Hudson River Museum, where you can find six art galleries, a planetarium, and the historic Glenview Mansion museum. Dine at Chef Peter Kelly's X2O Xaviars on the Hudson at the historic Yonkers pier.

# Towns

### Bedford

This chic rural haven, known for its miles of trails and horse-grazing pastures, offers residents the peace and quiet of tranquil countryside life. The town consists of three hamlets: Bedford Village, Bedford Hills, and Katonah—the most notable which features destinations like Muscoot Farm, Caramoor Center for Music and the Arts, and the Katonah Museum of Art. Celebrities like Bruce Willis, Ralph Lauren, Ryan Reynolds and Blake Lively, and Martha Stewart make their homes here. The queen of living well has been a Bedford resident since 2000, while actor Richard Gere is a co-owner of the quaint Bedford Post Inn.

### Cortlandt

Defined by its many wooded hills, streams, and wetlands, this rural north-county town sits partially along the Hudson River, just south of Putnam County. Cortlandt is divided into two villages, Croton-On-Hudson and Buchanan, and multiple hamlets, including Montrose, Crugers, and Verplanck. The Cortlandt Town Center, which has a Walmart, big-name retail clothing stores, and a movie theater, is a favorite among locals.

### Eastchester

The villages of Bronxville and Tuckahoe make up this family-friendly town. Spend the day out with the kids at Twin Lakes County Park or Interlaken Reservoir, or enjoy one of the county's best burgers at Piper's Kilt. Eastchester is an educational hub with award-winning public school districts and Concordia and Sarah Lawrence College campuses (both in Bronxville).

### Greenburgh

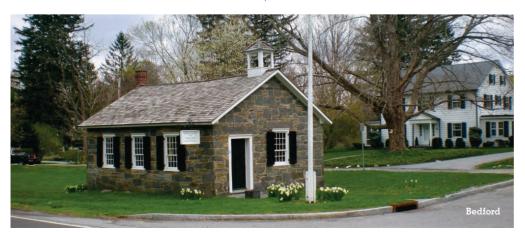
Greenburgh's 36-square-mile border includes a whopping six villages—Ardsley, Dobbs Ferry,



Elmsford, Hastings-on-Hudson, Irvington, and Tarrytown—and three hamlets: Fairview, Edgemont, and Hartsdale. Visit the impressively modern Greenburgh Public Library in Elmsford, one of the biggest libraries in the Westchester Library System. Foodies will want to visit the Westchester Greenhouses & Farms for fresh produce. The hamlet of Hartsdale includes Poets' Corner, a neighborhood of neatly groomed 1950s ranch houses and Cape Cods built on 26 streets named for illustrious poets.

### Harrison

Modest homes as well as a multitude of large estates, gated communities, and private country clubs constitute this south-county town. Within it is the hamlet of Purchase, home to the corporate headquarters of MasterCard and PepsiCo and two college campuses: Purchase College and Manhattanville College. While you won't find a downtown shopping district in Purchase, Harrison has shopping and restaurants along Halstead Avenue.



Mamaroneck photo by June Marie; Bedford photo by Sonja Lovas

### Lewisboro

This rural town borders western Connecticut, arching over the hamlets of Cross River, Goldens Bridge, South Salem, and Waccabuc. Lewisboro is known for its scenic charm with horse farms, riding trails, wooded fields, and seven lakes. Mountain Lakes Park and the Ward Pound Ridge Reservation span hundreds of acres, offering plenty of space for hiking, biking, camping, and fishing.

### Mamaroneck

Nine miles of this town's beachy Long Island Sound coastline are lined with marinas, yacht clubs, and shorefront parks. Inland, you'll find a vibrant town known for its antique and vintage furniture and accessory stores, as well as trendy boutiques and mainstay eateries like Sal's Pizza and Walter's Hot Dog Stand. The town includes two villages—Larchmont and Mamaroneck.

### Mount Kisco

Although spanning just three miles, Mount Kisco is packed with shopping destinations and a variety of dining options. Find large department stores like Target and Kohl's, chain retailers like Gap and Ann Taylor, and locally owned standouts like Wilson & Son Jewelers, Heller's Shoes, Beehive Designer Collective, Blithewold Home, and Churchills. Choose from Greek, Indian, Italian, and Mexican restaurants all close by. Café of Love, Winston, Village Social, or Little Drunken Chef are a few to try.

## Our Towns 🛖



### **Mount Pleasant**

With a total area of more than 24 square miles, Mount Pleasant encompasses the Village of Pleasantville and the eastern portion of Briarcliff Manor. Its several hamlets include Hawthorne, Pocantico Hills, Thornwood, and Valhalla. Visit Stone Barns Center for Food & Agriculture in Pocantico Hills for a tour of the farm and seasonal activities, or take a stroll around the impressive Kensico Dam in Valhalla.

### **New Castle**

Comprised of the affluent hamlets of Chappaqua and Millwood, New Castle is famous for its topnotch school district, quaint little towns, and celebrity residents, including Bill and Hillary Clinton, Ben Stiller, and Vanessa Williams. Some of the homes here are historic, dating back to the days of the Revolutionary War. While in Chappaqua, check out the area around King Street for local food and shopping experiences such as Susan Lawrence Gourmet Foods, Local Ice Cream, and Family Britches.

### **North Castle**

A cohesive blend of rural and suburban living, homes within North Castle's hamlet of Armonk sit on large plots of land, and the village is always bustling with its good eats and high-end boutiques. The town also includes the hamlets of Banksville and North White Plains. Visit Wampus Pond for scenic walks year-round and ice skating come cold weather. In September, check out The Armonk Outdoor Art Show, a gathering of more than 185 local artists at the IBM world headquarters.

### **North Salem**

This quiet rural town is said to have more horses than people. Driving through, you'll spot several farms and open fields where horses and cattle graze. In the fall, apple picking at Outhouse Orchards and fresh-baked goods and produce at Harvest Moon Farm & Orchard won't disappoint.

### Ossining

Home to the Sing Sing Correctional Facility since 1826, this Rivertown contains two villages: the Village of Ossining and a part of Briarcliff Manor. Ossining's Hudson River waterfront has several marinas and three boat clubs. On a clear day, residents are able to see the Manhattan skyline on the horizon. Also notable is Teatown Lake Reservation, a 1,000-acre reserve with 15 miles of hiking trails and diverse habitats as well as Wildflower Island, a sanctuary for more than 230 native and endangered wildflower species.

### **Pound Ridge**

Within its 23 square miles, you'll find a country vibe among the hamlets of Sarles Corners and Scotts Corners. It's an affluent town filled with several restaurants, antique shops, and even Westchester's largest park, Ward Pound Ridge Reservation, which spans 4,300 acres into Lewisboro.

### Scarsdale

Westchester's wealthiest town, Scarsdale has a Tudor-style downtown district lined with trendy boutiques, cafés, and restaurants. Beautiful homes and massive estates lie on the outskirts of the town, still in reach of Scarsdale's stellar school district (SAT score averages reach hundreds of points higher than the national average).

### Somers

Bordering Putnam County, Somers offers a country feel with large areas of open land. Visit Stuart's Fruit Farm for fresh produce, pumpkin picking, and apple cider donuts in fall or to cut your own Christmas tree during the holidays. Historic to the town is the Elephant Hotel, built by Hachaliah Bailey between 1820 and 1825 (he brought one of the first elephants to America and toured with menageries of exotic animals). Today, the hotel stands as the Somers Town Hall.

### Yorktown

Yorktown residents enjoy country pleasures with the convenience of suburban living. There are five hamlets within the town (Mohegan Lake, Shrub Oak, Crompond, Jefferson Valley, and Yorktown Heights). The Jefferson Valley Mall and the Cortlandt Town Center fulfill residents' shopping and entertainment needs.

# Villages

### **Ardsley**

As part of the town of Greenburgh, this tiny village spans only one square mile. While the town itself isn't bustling, the series of small strip malls down Saw Mill River Road offer a cohesive mix of independent shops, chain stores, and top foodie destinations like Riviera Bakehouse, La Catena, and L'inizio.

### **Briarcliff Manor**

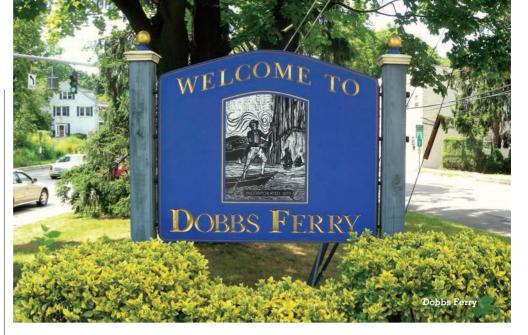
Ranked in 2014 by www.safechoicessecurity.com as the safest place to live in New York State, Briarcliff Manor offers a small-town setting with upscale amenities close by. This tiny village prioritizes education; its public school district is ranked among the top 100 in the country, and the village has one of Pace University's campuses within its border. It's also home to the awardwinning Trump National Golf Club.

### **Bronxville**

Previously home to Joseph and Rose Kennedy, this picturesque, affluent village maintains a reputation for luxurious living—with a 36-minute Metro-North commute to Manhattan. While the village spans only one square mile, its downtown area is vibrant and extensive with a variety of restaurants, bars, and independent shops. Bronxville's public schools are among the best in the nation and are all housed in one building, close to the village's downtown area.

### Buchanan

Located within the town of Cortlandt, this village (known as East Haverstraw during colonial times), comprises 1.4 square miles. It's home to Indian Point Energy Center, which produces 10 percent of the state's electricity.



### **Croton-on-Hud**son

An artsy Rivertown with relatively affordable housing stock, Croton offers an abundance of public parks from which to admire its waterfront views and abundant green spaces. Visit Senasqua Park for picnics on the Hudson, Croton Point Park for the annual music-in-support-of-the-environment Clearwater Festival, or Croton Gorge Park for breathtaking views of the Croton Dam. The village has a small downtown with neighborhood eateries like Memphis Mae's and Ocean House, as well as standouts The Blue Pig ice cream shop and The Black Cow Coffee Co.

### **Dobbs Ferry**

Part of the town of Greenburgh, Dobbs Ferry offers single-family homes plus a handful of condos and co-ops in close proximity to its downtown. There, you'll discover a busy dining scene, speckled with a few independent shops—the perfect college town for students at nearby Mercy College. For outdoor enjoyment, visit the Old Croton Aqueduct Trailway, a scenic jogging and biking route, or one of the village's many parks: Memorial, Gould, or Waterfront Park, overlooking the Hudson.



### Elmsford

A hot spot for local businesses because of its numerous office parks, Elmsford is a workingclass community with a modest downtown strip. Destinations like Westchester Skating Academy, Sportime USA, and the Westchester Broadway Theatre offer distinct entertainment experiences.

### **Hastings-on-Hudson**

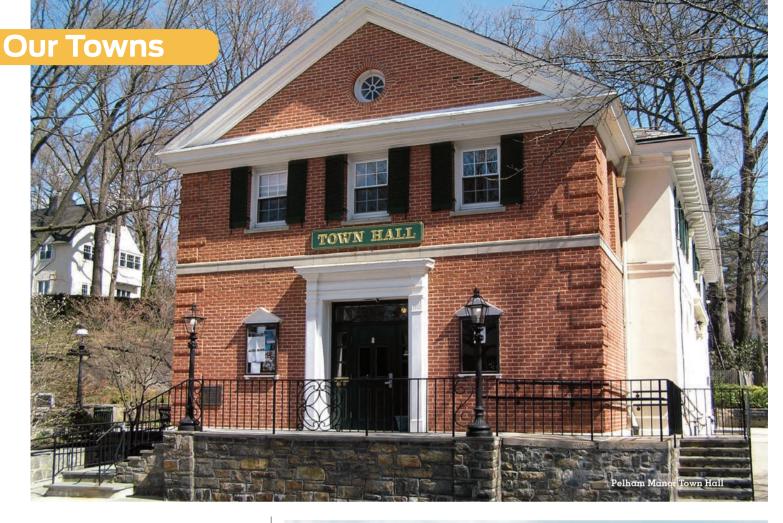
Known for attracting successful writers, artists, and academics, this river village is home to playwright Richard Dresser, actor Kevin O'Rourke, fine art printer Ben Diep, and multiple Nobel Prize winners. The downtown area has an artsy vibe with a noticeable absence of chain stores. It's home to a vinyl-record store, gluten-free bakery, a handful of excellent restaurants, and several yoga studios.

### Irvington

This historic riverfront village was once home to the great American author Washington Irving. Visit landmarks open for public viewing, such as the Stiner-Ross House, McVickar House, and Washington Irving Memorial. Along the tree-lined thoroughfare, which slopes down toward the Hudson, you'll find dozens of local businesses and eateries. Dine at one of the many restaurants with waterfront views, like Sambal, Il Sorriso, MP Taverna, or Red Hat on the River.

### Larchmont

Named after its abundance of larch trees, Larchmont is widely recognized as a "Tree City USA" for its lush, natural beauty. Admire the village's greenery in one of its many quiet parks, including the 27-acre Flint Park or scenic Manor Park with gazebos, nature trails, benches, and spectacular views of the Long Island Sound. The charming downtown is replete with antique stores, art galleries, boutiques, and dining destinations.



### **Pelham Manor**

Part of the town of Pelham, this tiny, well-todo village lies on the southernmost border of Westchester County next to the Bronx. With a smaller population than its sister village, Pelham, it maintains a preppie vibe. Various shopping and dining options are close by and easily accessible at Post Road Plaza, featuring a 75,000-square-foot Fairway Market, Dave & Buster's, Marshall's Shoes, HomeGoods, Lane Bryant, and Smashburger. You'll also find the New York Athletic Club at Travers Island, where members can participate in a wide variety of athletic programs.

### Pelham

Art enthusiasts flock here for exhibits at the Pelham Art Center. The Picture House, a renovated 1920s theater showing mainstream, arts, and indie films, hosts a film club with critic Marshall Fine and special screenings with big-name actors like Ryan Reynolds and George Clooney.

### Pleasantville

Located in the center of the county, Pleasantville is a charming village within the town of Mount Pleasant. Its downtown district is always bustling with visitors, who can stroll down its tree-lined streets and pop in and out of its numerous independent shops and restaurants



and visit its bustling farmers' market on Saturday. Well known to the village is the Jacob Burns Film Center, which regularly shows independent, foreign, and documentary films.

### **Port Chester**

A village with a city-like feel, Port Chester offers a lively downtown area with an abundance of restaurants. Its culinary scene is vibrant with an array of cuisines to choose from, including Mexican, Peruvian, Colombian, Brazilian, French, Italian, and Indian. The village is home to the Capitol Theatre, a music venue where rock 'n' roll legends have performed and modern musicians still do. Also in Port Chester is The Waterfront, a mall featuring a 14-screen movie theater, Costco, Bed Bath & Beyond, Stop & Shop, and a range of dining options.

### **Rye Brook**

While you won't find a historic downtown or train station in this Westchester village, the newly revamped Rye Ridge Shopping Center should service all your shopping and dining needs. It's filled with trendy independent stores like Lv2bfit and Indigo Chic Boutique, along with eateries like Fortina, Buddha, Chipotle, and Chop't. Rye Brook is also home to the 35-acre Crawford Park, which has softball fields, a playground, and the Crawford Mansion—rentable for special events.

### **Sleepy Hollow**

The setting for the spooky tale "The Legend of Sleepy Hollow," the town has embraced its identity as a Halloween town. Come October, the village celebrates in style with haunted hayrides past the Old Dutch Church, Horseman's Hollow (which includes an appearance by the Headless Horseman), and the Sleepy Hollow Festival of Witches. Historic sites abound as well, such as the Rockefeller's Kykuit estate, colonial Philipsburg Manor, and Sleepy Hollow Cemetery—where notables like John D. Rockefeller, Brooke Astor, Washington Irving, and Andrew Carnegie are buried.



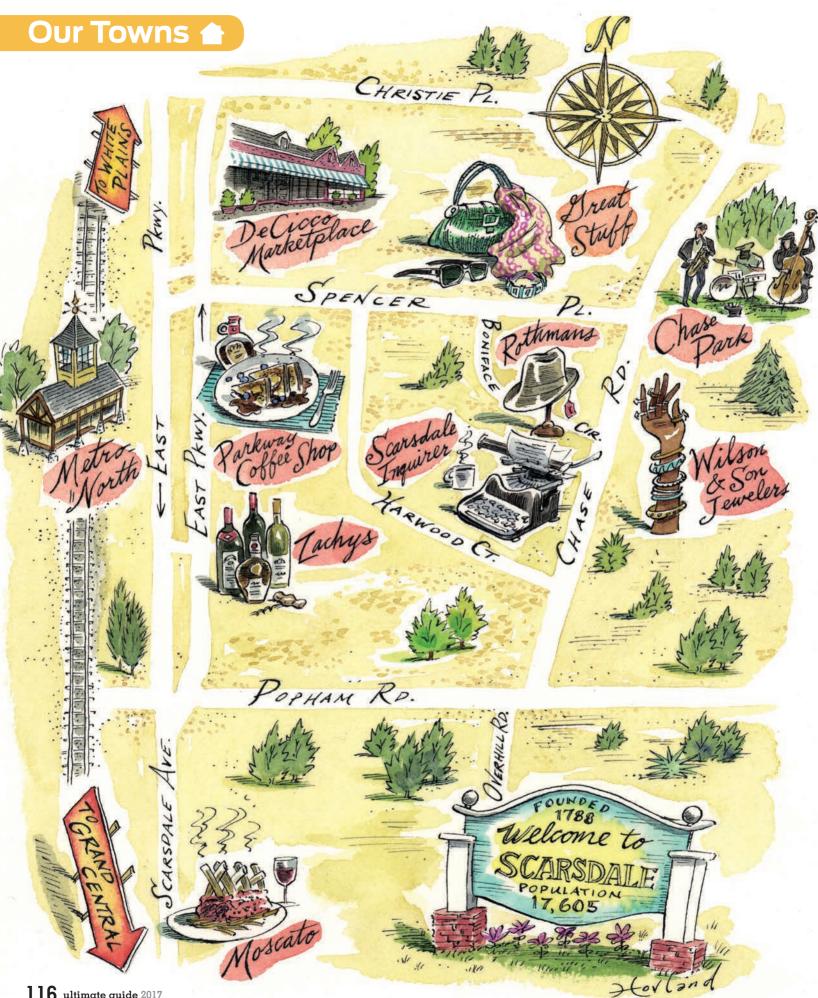
### Tarrytown

Anchored by a slew of antique shops and farm-totable restaurants, this Rivertown exudes a fun energy and earthy vibe. Many single-family homes and townhouses have been built along the Hudson River, and they afford breathtaking views of the water and the Tappan Zee Bridge. Unique to Tarrytown is Lyndhurst, a historic Gothic Revival mansion built in 1838. Also standing since the 19th century is the 843-seat Tarrytown Music Hall, where a range of performers have graced the stage, including Ani DiFranco, BB King, Cyndi Lauper, Gregg Allman, Michael Bolton, Norah Jones, Tony Bennett, and Wynton Marsalis.

### Tuckahoe

Although spanning less than one square mile, Tuckahoe manages to squeeze two train stations, a bustling Village Square, and an old-timey Main Street within its borders. Notable stops include Growlers Beer Bistro, Roma Restaurant, Martine's Fine Bake Shoppe, and the Westchester Italian Cultural Center. **UG** 





## Scarsdale

### DeCicco Marketplace

Originally a tiny storefront grocery in the Bronx, DeCicco's has grown into a regional fine-food-market empire that includes ten county locations (12 overall). Look for weekly flyers with deals on staples such as Fage Greek yogurt (10 for \$10) and Ronnybrook Ice Cream (\$3.99/pint). Yes, ice cream is a staple!

### **Great Stuff**

Style mavens shop here for cool designer clothes, accessories, jewelry, and outerwear (Searle, etc.); other stores are in Rye, Chappaqua, and Westport and Greenwich, Connecticut.

### Chase Park

This tidy bit of green space hosts free events including Bike and Blade Night and The Westchester Band concerts.

### Parkway Coffee Shop

Traditional American standards can be had at this throwback eatery with cozy booths and mismatched plates. Try the massive turkey club or French toast.

### Rothmans

There's no excuse for the men of Westchester to not look sharp with this high-end men's clothier, open here since 2003; its sister store is in Union Square. Lubin's Boys Clothing, a young men's suiting and dress-separates institution, shares space within.

### Scarsdale Inquirer

In 1901, the first year of publication for the newspaper (then oncea-fortnight; now weekly), single copies were 3 cents, an annual subscription was 60 cents, and advertisements were 25 cents an inch. Advertisers included B. Schweitzer Carriage and Wagon Builder of Scarsdale, M. Luikert Butcher of Tuckahoe ("Dealer in choice beef, mutton, veal, lamb, pork, poultry"), and Boyce Photographer of White Plains ("Sit till you're satisfied. No extra charge.").

### Wilson & Son Jewelers

The business started by Morris Wilson, on Amsterdam Avenue on Manhattan's Upper West Side in 1905, is continued by his great-grandsons and Gemological Institute of America grads Michael and Matthew in Scarsdale (and Mount Kisco).

### Zachys Wine & Liquor

If you can't find your bottle at Zachys, you probably won't find it anywhere. The family-owned wine and liquor store, founded in 1944, offers expert in-store service, plus thousands of selections online that include label images, tasting notes, and an inventory system that frequently updates.

### Moscαto

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# Peekskill

### The Coop

From folk art and jewelry to home accessories, baby clothes, and cards, the majority of the items at this artisan gift boutique are handmade and one-of-a-kind from local artists.

### **Paramount Hudson Valley**

Formerly known as the Paramount Center for the Arts, this 1,100-seat theater built in 1930 is the artistic anchor for a downtown that's home to many visual artists. (Downtown is zoned for artist loft living.) The seats, stage, and concession stand have been restored to their former glory.

#### **Beale Street Barber Shop**

Opened in May 2012, this retro-cool unisex barber shop has oodles of Elvis memorabilia, a live-music stage, local artist exhibits, and a tufted bluevelvet sofa in the waiting area.

### Gleason's

There's lots to like about this sister restaurant to Birdsall House: apps and flatbread pizzas made using local ingredients, a wall of movie posters (a healthy percentage of which feature former Peekskill resident Jackie Gleason-and yes, that's who the eatery is named after), and a crafty craft-beer selection.

### **Arthur Weeks & Sons I**ewelers

Customers may not arrive in horsedrawn buggies as they did in 1896 when this jewelry shop opened, but they can be assured a Weeks family member will still be there to assist.

For more than 116 years, generations of the Ford family have been involved in the three "R"s of the piano business: rebuilding, restoring, and refinishing. Ford Piano has worked on pianos for Duke Ellington, Stephen Sondheim, and John Lennon.

### The Gazebo

Located on Jan Peek Square-named for the New Amsterdam merchant and fur trader who arrived in the area in the mid 1600s to trade with the Lenape people-the gazebo is the location of the annual city holiday tree-lighting, among other civic events.

### **Moorish Revival Tower**

Among the contributing elements to the Peekskill Downtown Historic District is this tower, an example of the Moorish Revival architectural style especially popular in Europe and the US after the mid-19th century. La Villetta II Pizza and Pasta currently occupies the circa-1880s building.

### Kathleen's Tea Room

Raise a cup of tea (there are 52 loosetea varieties) steeped tableside in gorgeous teapots at this English-style tearoom that's as authentic as its teas are delicious.

### Birdsall House

A craft-beer gastropub located in the spot that was once the headquarters of George Washington and the Continental Army. The British razed Peekskill twice during the Revolutionary War-those dang Redcoats!



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# **Mount Kisco**

### **Bicycle World**

Owners Eric and Ilene Marcos often serve as advocates for improved bike paths in the Hudson Valley; they stock more than 600 bikes, all assembled in-house.

### Billy's Hair Salon

For approximately 30 years, Billy Galasso and staff have made Westchesterites that much more beautiful.

### Cafe of Love

Sister to nearby soup maestro Ladle of Love, this 55-seat, French/New American farm-to-table restaurant serves such dishes as seafood bouillabaisse, short ribs bourguignon, and a farmhouse salad chock full of local ingredients. Whatever entrée you order, don't forget a side of the truffled chickpeas.

### Chief Kisco Statue

This painted zinc-alloy sculpture atop a water-less fountain, originally installed at Main Street and Moger Avenue, was one of 20 stock figures exhibited at Philadelphia's Centennial International Exhibition in 1876. On the base of the pedestal are the words: "God's Only Beverage For Man and Beast." There is no evidence that a Native American named Chief Kisco ever existed.

### Lalibela Ethiopian Cuisine

You may ask for utensils at Westchester's only Ethiopian restaurant, but the traditional way to eat this cuisine is by using the spongy injera flatbread to scoop up a variety of stews and dips.

### Mount Kisco Village Hall

Trivia question: Is Mount Kisco a village or a town? Answer: It's both! Starting in 1875, Mount Kisco was an incorporated village—one half of it in the Town of Bedford, and the other in the Town of New Castle. In the mid '70s, the Village seceded from the Towns and emerged as a coterminous and independent Village/Town of Mount Kisco effective January 1, 1978. The name on the building was never changed to include "Town."

### Elephant's Trunk LTD

No, you'll never forget that this formalwear and designer jewelry and accessories boutique has been open since 1971.

### NEO World Bistro & Sushi Bar

Far from a commonplace pan-Asian restaurant, NEO offers innovative dishes like a sushi tortilla, udon crawfish étouffée, and a grilled New Zealand rack of lamb with mesclun/ Fuji apple/basil vinaigrette.

### Frannie's Goodie Shop

A frozen yogurt café serving probiotic-friendly YoCream out of Portland, Oregon, with 12 flavors daily and more than 80 toppings.

### **Heller's Shoes**

This Best of Westchester-winning (2011) footwear specialist has been around since 1960.

### St. Francis of Assisi Parish

This Catholic church honors the patron saint of animals and the environment, St. Francis, who created the first nativity scene in 1223 (a "living" version).



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# Bronxville

### NewYork-Presbyterian/ Lawrence Hospital

In 1906, after real estate/pharmaceutical mogul William Van Duzer Lawrence's son Dudley almost died of an appendicitis attack en route to a New York City hospital in the baggage car of a train, he decided Bronxville needed its own hospital; Lawrence Hospital was founded in 1909. Bronxville residents can pay their respects at William's grave in Valhalla's Kensico Cemetery.

### Park 143 Bistro & Fish

Many of Chef Andrew Hopkins' best dishes at this seafood-centric bistro are found on starter section of the menu including mussels prepared three ways, shrimp and grits, and mahi mahi fish tacos.

### **Chantilly Patisserie**

Macarons, those pastel-colored, meringue-based confections (a box of six is \$10.50), are a specialty at this Parisian-inspired bakery. Also, belly up to the new cupcake bar.

### House of Botticelli Bridal Boutique

Guido and Fernanda Botticelli own this bridal boutique, which won a Best of Westchester Readers' Pick in 2010. Bridal collections include Lazaro, Pronovias, and Reem Acra, among other exotically and intriguingly named designers.

### Adrian East

Longtime village residents will remember this upscale children's boutique in its former life as Fierson's, which opened in 1960.

### Scalini Osteria

Just off Bronxville's main thoroughfare and featuring the cuisine of the regions of Italy that border the Adriatic (i.e., Puglia, Abruzzo, Marche), this restaurant offers fabulous seating during warmer temps in the Europeanstyle snug back courtyard with planters and paved brick.

### Lange's Deli of Bronxville

The go-to sandwich spot in Bronxville, Lange's has been around for more than 25 years. Signature sandwich to try: the Morning Glory with Ovengold turkey, pepper Jack cheese, sliced green apple, and honey mustard on seven-grain bread.

### J.C. Fogarty's

Across the street from the Metro-North, Fogarty's is a traditional dark mahogany Irish pub split into a bar area (with a common burgers/wingstype menu) and a more formal dining area (offering a separate menu of more complex fare).

### Savanna at Home

A fire that began at an adjacent spa in 2011 forced owner Patty Canale to move her luxury home store from Kraft Avenue to the current digs on Pondfield.

### La Gravinese Jewelers

A third-generation "bench jeweler" (an artisan who uses a mixture of jewelry-making skills to craft/repair jewelry), Robert La Gravinese opened his Bronxville store in 1976. Say hi to Lotus, the sweetheart Golden Retriever often found relaxing behind the counter.



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## **Port Chester**



### The Capitol Theatre

This 1,800-seat concert venue on the National Register of Historic Places has had previous incarnations as a catering hall and vaudeville and cinema theater. Acts ranging from the Stones and Dylan to the Dead and Courtney Love have performed here. The grand-opening performance in 1926 included "The Star Spangled Banner" by a 10-piece orchestra and a showing of The Sea Wolf (based on the Jack London novel). A double feature at the time cost a nickel.

### El Tio

Jay and Patty Barajas have been serving genuine Mexican fare (try the chimichangas and taco trio) since 1991.

#### Hubba

Formerly know as Pat's Hubba Hubba, Hubba is a greasy-spoon institution where seating consists of 13 counter stools, dollar bills stand in for wallpaper, and menu items are scribbled on paper plates in marker. Whatever you order, get chili on it.

### Berger True Value Hardware

Skip the nearby Home Depot and opt instead for this independently owned hardware store for everything from key-cutting to painting and plumbing supplies to a new grill.

#### Pollo A La Brasa - Misti Restaurant

The name refers to blackened or rotisserie chicken, so you know the signature dish to order at this Peruvian restaurant.

#### Spanish-American War Memorial

Okay, so it's no World War II or Civil War (it lasted but 4 months), but the 1898 Spanish-American War did give the US two of its five unincorporated territories: Guam and Puerto Rico. The names of 22 Port Chester men who died serving in the conflict are inscribed here.

#### La Placita Supermarket

Aisles of Latin American foods— Mexican, Colombian, Brazilan—can be found here.

#### bartaco

California-beach-bar-inspired décor; Mexican street fare; a curated tequila list; and a stylish patio facing the Byram River make this a hotspot for people-watching and hook-ups.

#### Landmark Condominium (former Life Savers factory)

Remember the giant Life Savers replicas that once adorned the lawn at this former factory from 1920 to 1984? Production of Life Savers now happens in Montreal, Canada.

### The Kneaded Bread

If you find better artisan loaves in the county (must-tries are the provolone bread and seasonal holiday fruit bread), please inform us.

#### Tarry Lodge

Celeb chef/*The Chew* co-host Mario Batali and restaurateur/*MasterChef* judge Joe Bastianich are behind this bustling and fashionable Italian restaurant with rooftop seating.



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# Chappaqua

### Susan Lawrence Gourmet Foods

Outfitted with a copper-gilded tin ceiling and Carrara marble-topped tables, this breakfast/lunch café offering 40+ entrées, salads, and sandwiches, as well as fresh-baked breads and pastries, is also a well-respected caterer.

### Desires by Mikolay

Open since 2004, this jewelry boutique has won multiple Best Of Westchester awards; brands sold at the store include Hermès, Alex Woo, and Mizuki, plus a Tudor-inspired collection by owner and master jeweler Scott Mikolay.

### sherry b dessert studio

With a French Culinary Institute/ Institute of Culinary Education alum at the helm, this sweets shop's classic American confections (e.g., custom cookie ice-cream sandwiches, swirled brownies, top-notch chocolate chip cookies, and marshmallows in an array of flavors) are not only delicious but beautiful.

### Le Jardin du Roi

French bistro fare can be had for breakfast, lunch, and dinner at this enduring eatery with an inviting garden patio.

### Horace Greeley House/New Castle Historical Society

The former home of the man who helped found the Republican Party as well as the New-York Tribune (one of the widest read American newspapers during the mid-20th century) is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The New Castle Historical Society (Chappaqua is a hamlet in the Town of New Castle) purchased the house in 1998 and restored it by 2000.

### New Castle Community Center

The New Castle Recreation and Parks Department manages this facility, offering classes ranging from yoga to tap dancing and women's self defense plus preschool and senior programs.

### Family Britches

Many Chappaqua denizens dress well due to this family-run clothier that offers top-quality fashions from upscale designers for him (Canali, Toscano, and Allegri) and for her (0039 Italy, Niu, and M. Missoni).

### Chappaqua Village Market

Owners Tony Milazzo and son Vinny have been feeding residents of Chappaqua and the surrounding area prime meats, fresh produce and fish, local dairy, and baked goods (don't miss the almond biscotti) for more than 40 years.

### Always the Children

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### **Mutant Manor**

Settle the debate: Is Xavier's School for Gifted Youngsters located in North Salem or Salem Center, and has it changed over the years, or is it different for different media, e.g., in the movies or (totally awesome) TV cartoon vs. the comic books? -Mike Ferlazzo, Mount Vernon



Okay, well, first of all, thanks for coming up from your mom's • basement to ask this burning X-Men question.

But let's be crystal clear: The X-Men don't actually exist. That didn't, however, deter your humble correspondent from putting the question to Jon Jordan, the publisher of Crimespree Magazine and a Marvel Comics expert. According to Jordan: "Sometimes the location is listed as merely 'Westchester, New York,' like in the 2011 X-Men movie, and other times it's listed as 'Salem Center."





### Under the Leather

A few years ago, there was talkof unearthing the Leatherman's grave and doing DNA testing to find out who he was and where he was from. What ever happened to that?

-Olivia Martell, South Salem

The Leatherman was a—let me find the right politically correct term-homeless individual? Vagabond? Explorer? Well, anyway, he was this guy who roamed the mountains and woods from the Connecticut River to the Hudson River from about 1858 to 1889. clad head-to-toe in a homemade leather outfit. His body was believed to be found near Mount Pleasant in 1889 and buried in Sparta Cemetery on Route 9. In 2011 the grave was exhumed. "...We found coffin nails, but there were no remains left, like teeth or bones, that would stand up to DNA testing," said former Ossining Museum president Norm MacDonald, who oversaw the project. "We know no more about the Leatherman than we ever did."

### Aboard the **Mothership**

•I seem to recall that Jackie Gleason had some sort of UFO museum in Peekskill. Is it still standing, and what can you tell me about it? -Roger Guifre, White Plains

Known as the Great One, Jackie Gleason is a cultural icon in America. Gleason had a deep interest in UFOs and all things extraterrestrial, though he was reluctant to admit it publicly. He reportedly maintained an extensive library on the subject, but it wasn't an actual museum he built; it was his home (which actually has a



Cortlandt Manor address). He referred to the secluded house on 196 Furnace Dock Road as The Mothership, and it looks remarkably like a classic flying saucer. Everything in the house was circular or rounded, which was no doubt an homage to the subject of his fascination.

There's an urban legend that one day, after playing a round of golf with friend and fellow UFO fanatic Richard Nixon, Gleason was treated to a private tour of an alien morgue by the 37th POTUS. Gleason's ex-wife even spoke of this incident in an Esquire magazine interview, saying that it traumatized Gleason. The two divorced shortly after that, so her veracity is uncertain.



### The Dogs of War

I went with my friend when he had his cat buried at Hartsdale Pet Cemetery. While I was there, I went by a memorial for war dogs. How did that come about? -Brianna Gutierrez, Scarsdale

Founded in 1896, the Hartsdale Pet Cemetery is the oldest pet ceme-• tery in the US, and it is on the National Register of Historic Places. After World War I, in 1923, the War Dog Memorial was made to pay tribute to the thousands of dogs that served in "The War to End All Wars." In World War II, the US Army employed 12,000 dogs, and they played an important role in Pacific Theater battles. The memorial recognizes the service of canines in the time of war. The dog in the statue is looking off in the distance, to symbolize its commitment to vigilance, while its paw rests on a dented Army helmet, signifying the rescue of a wounded soldier.

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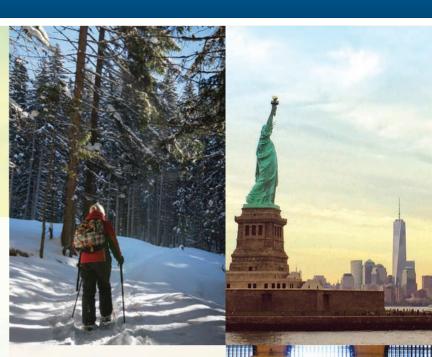


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