THINGS TO DO NEARBY

BUFFALO AREA

NIAGARA FALLS, NEW YORK
Niagara Falls State Park, a 400-acre gateway to the Falls which straddle the Canadian border. In Niagara Falls State Park, the Observation Tower, at Prospect Point, juts out over Niagara Gorge for a view of all 3 waterfalls. Trails from the Niagara Gorge Discovery Center lead to other viewpoints. You’re likely to catch the Falls in all their snow-white frosted majesty — and there’s no better place to catch a view (and a selfie!) than the park’s Prospect Point. NiagaraFallsStatePark.com

OLD FORT NIAGARA
The history of Old Fort Niagara spans more than 300 years. During the colonial wars in North America, a fort at the mouth of the Niagara River was vital, for it controlled access to the Great Lakes and the westward route to the heartland of the continent. With the completion of the Erie Canal in 1825, however, the strategic value of Fort Niagara diminished. It nonetheless remained an active military post well into the 20th century.
Oct. 16 - Dec. 31: Open Wednesday through Sunday, 10:00 am to 4:00 pm
OldFortNiagara.org

THE BROADWAY MARKET
Longtime market with an array of local produce, meats, baked goods, specialty foods & live music.
BroadwayMarket.org

SOUTHERN TIER BREWERY
Lively venue with a brewery, beer-inspired food & televised sports, plus an on-site gift shop.
Taprooms.stbc.beer.com

BIG DITCH BREWERY
Spacious taproom serving comfort eats, small plates & house-brewed beer in an industrial-chic setup.
BigDitchBrewing.com

SORRENTINO’S
This is a hidden gem. Great family owned, home cooked sauce, reasonable prices, fun atmosphere any time you visit! (the pizza & wings are amazing)
SorrentinosSpaghettiHouse.com

ON YOUR WAY TO ERIE

From Buffalo be sure to visit BARCELONA HARBOR PIER. Spring through Fall this a is a very busy Lake Erie boat launch seeing over 100 boats some days. There is also a cool lighthouse and museum to visit.

Another great stop as you travel to Erie is CHAUTAUQUA LAKE. Formed during a glacial retreat at the end of the Ice Age, this beautiful lake is home to many aquatic plants and animals. 52 different species of underwater plants have been inventoried as being present at times in Chautauqua Lake since 1937. 81 species of fish have been catalogued in Chautauqua Lake since 1902. During the last 100 years Chautauqua Lake has become a significant recreational area.

TO LEARN MORE:
ChautauquaLakeAssociation.org
CLEVELAND AREA

CLEVELAND AQUARIUM
The Greater Cleveland Aquarium is an aquarium in Cleveland, Ohio. Occupying the historic FirstEnergy Powerhouse building located on the west bank of the Cuyahoga River in the city’s Flats district, the aquarium, which opened in January 2012, consists of approximately 70,000 square feet of exhibition space and features 55 exhibits over 9 thematic concentrations representing both local and exotic species of fish. The facility is the only independent, free-standing aquarium in the state of Ohio and ended a 26-year period that the city lacked a public aquarium.
GreaterClevelandAquarium.com

BOTANICAL GARDEN
The Cleveland Botanical Garden, located in the University Circle neighborhood of Cleveland, offers a year-round serpentine path through over 9000 plants. The garden is open daily, except holidays.
https://holdenfg.org/

ROCK & ROLL HALL OF FAME
Born from the collision of Rhythm & Blues, Country, and Gospel, Rock & Roll is a spirit that is inclusive and ever-changing. The Rock & Roll Hall of Fame celebrates the sound of youth culture and honors the artists whose music connects us all.
RockHall.com

PITTSBURGH AREA

PITTSBURGH BOTANIC GARDEN
Pittsburgh Botanic Garden inspires people to value plants, garden design and the natural world by cultivating plant collections of the Allegheny Plateau and temperate regions, creating display gardens, conducting educational programs, and conserving the environment.
PittsburghBotanicGarden.org

THE DUQUESNE INCLINE
Take a step back in time on a century-old cable car and see the best views of downtown Pittsburgh while riding one of the few remaining inclines in the country. Opened on May 20, 1877, the Duquesne Incline was rescued & restored by a group of local residents in 1963 and still delights residents and visitors with its original, elegant, wooden cable cars.
DuquesneIncline.org

ON YOUR WAY TO ERIE

From Pittsburgh be sure to check out PYMATUNING STATE PARK. This is a Pennsylvania state park covering 21,122 acres right off of I-79. Locals say there is great fishing year-round at the reservoir.

Another favorite stop along the drive is the GROVE CITY OUTLET MALL.

POINT STATE PARK
Point State Park, located at the confluence of three rivers, is at the tip of Pittsburgh’s “Golden Triangle.” The park commemorates and preserves the strategic and historic heritage of the area during the French and Indian War (1754-1763). Point State Park is a National Historic Landmark.
DCNR.pa.gov/StateParks/FindAPark/PointStatePark

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