

# 3 DAYS IN ROCKLAND

Culinary Itinerary



 **Rockland County**  
TOURISM

[ExploreRocklandNY.com](http://ExploreRocklandNY.com)

From Irish pubs to Japanese hibachi, the cuisine in Rockland County, NY is as diverse as its population. Diners satisfy comfort cravings, but you can elevate the experience by enjoying a meal in the country's oldest tavern. Some of New York State's best chefs call Rockland home, and several artisanal craft beverage makers have also set up shop.

This itinerary will get you started on a culinary adventure in Rockland County. Spend three days exploring the area's best restaurants, bistros, bakeries, breweries, and more. Look for the specially-marked "Detours" for must-see cultural, historic, and outdoor attractions that round out your overall experience.

***Please call ahead to ensure these sites are open during your visit.***

**S** = Seasonal attraction or activity

# DAY 1 — NORTHERN ROCKLAND

## History, American Classics, & River Views

### **HOGAN'S FAMILY DINER, STONY POINT**

Begin your three-day adventure with a breakfast of hearty diner classics in the cozy booth and bar seating at Hogan's. A family-friendly favorite, the portions are large and the staff is.

[www.hogansfamilydiner.com](http://www.hogansfamilydiner.com)

### ***DETOUR:***

### **STONY POINT BATTLEFIELD STATE HISTORIC SITE AND LIGHTHOUSE, STONY POINT (S)**

This National Historic Landmark commemorates the 1779 Battle of Stony Point, where General Anthony Wayne defeated the British in a daring midnight attack. The site features a historic lighthouse, museum, picnic area, and two hiking trails with epic Hudson River views. Demonstrations and reenactments every weekend between April and October give visitors a true taste of revolutionary life.

[www.parks.ny.gov/historic-sites/8/details.aspx](http://www.parks.ny.gov/historic-sites/8/details.aspx)

### **THE BURGER LOFT, NEW CITY**

Gourmet-style Burger Loft grinds its own beef daily from choice chuck, short rib, and brisket. Whether you pair your burger with a sampler of craft beers or a rich, creamy shake, it's sure to satisfy. The fish tacos, flat-grilled mac and cheese, and extensive bourbon collection are all noteworthy too.

[www.theburgerloft.com](http://www.theburgerloft.com)

### ***DETOUR:***

### **GARNERVILLE ARTS AND INDUSTRIAL CENTER, GARNERVILLE**

Located in a pre-Civil War textile factory off Railroad Avenue, this creekside complex houses small businesses, artists, and artisans. After checking out some of the galleries and workshops at GARNER Arts, head over to the onsite, state-of-the-art brew house for beer and a cheese plate.

[www.garnervillearts.com](http://www.garnervillearts.com)

### **HUDSON WATER CLUB, WEST HAVERSTRAW**

Enjoy incredible views of the Hudson River at this trendy Haverstraw Marina eatery serving updated classics prepared by a CIA-trained chef. Wood-fired pizzas and specialty pastas perfectly compliment seafood specialties, like scallops, swordfish, and freshly shucked oysters.

[www.hudsonwaterclub.com](http://www.hudsonwaterclub.com)

### **THE COPPER STILL, POMONA**

Just like its name, the hammered copper bar top, textured yellow walls, and Edison bulbs at The Copper Still pay homage to the Prohibition Era. End your night with a nightcap in the convivial, neighborhood joint. If you have room for another snack, the pulled pork nachos are a tasty midnight treat.

[www.facebook.com/pg/TheCopperStillNY](http://www.facebook.com/pg/TheCopperStillNY)

# DAY 2 — WESTERN ROCKLAND

## Farms, Hikes, & Hilltop Hibachi

### **ROCKLAND BAKERY, NANUET**

You will smell this Nanuet institution before you see it. One of the largest bakeries in the northeast U.S., the Rockland Bakery has been open for more than 40 years. Stop in today to watch bagels, rolls, and breads being made.

[www.rocklandbakery.com](http://www.rocklandbakery.com)

### **MIA'S KITCHEN, SUFFERN**

Vegetarians, vegans, and carnivores alike will appreciate the specialty paninis, wraps, and soups at this casual family-owned restaurant with walls covered by record albums. Make-your-own salads, smoothies, and gluten-free desserts provide even more health-conscious options.

[www.miaskitchensuffern.com](http://www.miaskitchensuffern.com)

### ***DETOUR:***

### **DATER MOUNTAIN PARK, SLOATSBURG**

Walk off some of the trip's calories on one of Dater Mountain's hiking trails. The pristine refuge, once inhabited by the Munsee Indians, is heavily wooded and laced with streams, giving trekkers a peek into local wildlife as well as incredible vantage points and photo ops.

[www.rocklandgov.com/departments/environmental-resources/county-parks-and-dog-runs/dater-mountain-park](http://www.rocklandgov.com/departments/environmental-resources/county-parks-and-dog-runs/dater-mountain-park)

### **TORNE VALLEY VINEYARDS, HILLBURN**

Brothers Jon and Stephen France transformed a rundown farm estate into Torne Valley Vineyards in 2009, launching the first fully functioning winery in Rockland. Taste their Riesling, Seyval Blanc, Chardonnay, Cabernet Franc, and Cabernet Sauvignon as you admire the property's stunningly restored mansion and grounds.

[www.tornevalleyvineyards.com](http://www.tornevalleyvineyards.com)

### **MOUNT FUJI, HILLBURN**

A winding driveway leads customers up the 45-acre private mountain to Mt. Fuji. In addition to extraordinary views of the county below, Mount Fuji serves up spectacular hibachi cuisine, sushi, and steak. Laughs and flavor are never in short supply.

[www.mtfujirestaurants.com](http://www.mtfujirestaurants.com)



# DAY 3 — SOUTHERN ROCKLAND

## Ecology, Art, & Fine Dining

### **STRAWBERRY PLACE, NYACK**

Rise and shine with over-the-top pancakes and specialty French toast in the exposed brick environs at Strawberry Place in South Nyack. This is a popular spot on weekend mornings, but the Nutella, whipped cream, and fresh fruit are worth the wait.

[www.facebook.com/pg/StrawberryPlace](http://www.facebook.com/pg/StrawberryPlace)

### ***DETOUR:***

### **EDWARD HOPPER HOUSE, NYACK**

Great American painter Edward Hopper grew up in a charming two-story home just off Nyack's Main Street that's now a museum. Discover artifacts and photographs from Hopper's childhood and see works inspired by his legacy.

[www.edwardhopperhouse.org](http://www.edwardhopperhouse.org)

### **LULU'S CAFÉ, WEST NYACK**

Natural, organic ingredients star in the sandwiches, wraps, and salads at Lulu's, a cozy West Nyack café dripping with retro décor. Weekend brunch is the most popular time to visit. Just be sure to save room for the ice cream and Crumb's cupcakes tempting patrons from the display case.

[www.ocu.com/places/lulus-cafe-west-nyack-us](http://www.ocu.com/places/lulus-cafe-west-nyack-us)

### ***DETOUR:***

### **DEFIANT BREWING CO., PEARL RIVER**

Tour Defiant microbrewery to learn about its 10-year history of making outstanding craft beers. Then, take a refreshing glass of Muddy Creek Amber Lager or Medusa IPA to the tables out front. Ribs, pulled pork tacos, and other barbecue bites complete the experience.

[www.defiantbrewing.com](http://www.defiantbrewing.com)

### **'76 HOUSE, TAPPAN**

At the '76 House, both history and fine fare are on the menu. The oldest tavern in New York and the third oldest restaurant in America, this National Landmark has hosted the likes of George Washington and acted as holding cell for infamous British spy John André before his execution. Rumor has it a ghost from Rockland's revolutionary past may join you for the meal.

[www.76house.com](http://www.76house.com)

