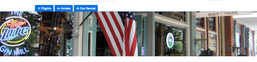

Salamanca and Ellicottville: Fun in the Allegheries

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New York's Catteraugus County has something for other every adventurer. Into nature? Hike the Allegheny Mountains, ride the Allegheny Scenic Railway, or explore hanging gorgeous Ellicottville is home to two great wineries, Vinoka Vineyard and Cloffwood. Maybe you like gambling and enjoy name entertainment? The Seneca Allegany Resort and Casino in Salamanca offers both. Salamanca is also dedicated to local history for foodies, great restaurants abound and there are plenty of beer with live music for nightlife enthusiasts. The guide focuses on where to stay, eat and enjoy in these two roving "Enchanted Mountain" villages.

Wildwood Restaurant & Bar

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Salamanca, Salamanca, NY

★★★★★

A probably gone without saying that a bar featuring tacos with names like Chupacabra, Bigfoot, Sasquatch and Yeti is a place I'm gonna like. Yes, I like The Wildwood a lot a place I like the old-timey vibe in decor (definitely a place in a big Victorian house) and the pub grub, too. Wings, pizza, beer battered fish, 8 ounce burgers, and tacos are the main attractions. Happy hour is from noon-6pm weekdays on Tuesday and Fri-Sat noon-6pm. The Wildwood is open Wednesday through Saturday, 2 pm-10 close. Kitchen shuts at 8.

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Seneca Allegany Resort & Casino

Seneca Allegany Resort & Casino

17 Seneca Nation Blvd, Salamanca, NY 14779, United States

★★★★★

This is an excellent place to stay in Salamanca even if you aren't into gambling. There are 155 rooms, which means you'll usually get a decent rate, often under $100 a night. Rooms are comfortable and well appointed, with a mini-refrigerator and Keurig. Wi-Fi is free and strong, and a variety of huge, nice and comfy beds in the Deer Lodge Tower. Lots of food options, too. From fine dining at Panino's to quick snack at the Bear Claw Cafe, there's something for everyone to enjoy.

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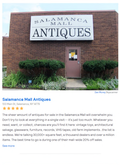

Salamanca Mall Antiques

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Salamanca, Salamanca, NY 14779, United States

★★★★★

The sister amount of antiques for sale in the Salamanca Mall will overwhelm you. Don't go to look at everything in a single visit — it's just too much. Whatever you need, you can find it here. Furniture, dishes, tools, toys, clothes, jewelry, antique and vintage, glassware, furniture, nautical, WW bagas, are from mysterious. Into tat is endless. Items selling 20,000+ square feet, a thousand dealers and over a million items. The best time to go is during one of their mail sales 20% off sales.

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Goodens Main St Grille & Cafe

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Salamanca, Salamanca, NY 14779, USA

★★★★★

Goodens' menu fits Salamanca's perfect for its location in the antique-filled Salamanca Mall. They serve up American classics like hot dogs, cheeseburgers, and chicken tenders, but also have some more upscale options and a liquor and wine selection. Their daily specials are always a bargain ($10 plus change). You can eat inside, or out on the patio, which is a nice spot for an ice cream cone one evening. Service is fast and friendly, with smiles all around.

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Jefferson Street Park

Jefferson Street Park

Salamanca, Salamanca, NY 14779, USA

★★★★★

This stately greenspace runs along Park Avenue from Broad Street to Jefferson Street in Salamanca. There are picnic tables and benches, along with a gazebo. Walking is a great spot to hike lunch with a view of the mountains in the Allegheny National Forest. Jefferson Street Park is home to the Salamanca Area Little League Baseball and Softball teams, and the Salamanca Senior Softball team for over two decades. The result of their relocation is glorious. The architecture shines again, and the interior is filled out with period furniture and fixtures. Lots of tables and chairs, a bar, and a stunning stained glass ceiling make it a lovely outside. Great place to learn about Salamanca's important role in railroad history.

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Salamanca Rail Museum

Salamanca Rail Museum

Salamanca, Salamanca, NY 14779, USA

★★★★★

This Salamanca passenger depot was built in 1915 for the Buffalo, Rochester and Pittsburgh Railway. Its brick and stone facade, tile roof, doubles as a train spotting and night viewing today pretend travelers for half a century. When the Salamanca Rail Museum opened in the depot in 1992, it was the first railroad museum in the Allegheny Mountains region for over two decades. The result of their restoration is glorious. The architecture shines again, and the interior is filled out with period furniture and fixtures. Lots of tables and chairs, a bar, and a stunning stained glass ceiling make it a lovely outside. Great place to learn about Salamanca's important role in railroad history.

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Salamanca Historical Society

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Salamanca, Salamanca, NY 14779, USA

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The Old Seneca Trust Company building (1890) was restored in 2004 and is now home to the Salamanca Historical Society and Museum. The museum is chock full of artifacts from local schools, churches and homes, and covers a lot of Salamanca's lesser known industries, like glassmaking and lumber. Quite a lot of Salamanca's history is here, and it's well organized and presented. Volunteers are very helpful and knowledgeable. The museum is open Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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Cattaraugus County Living Arts

Cattaraugus County Living Arts

Salamanca, Salamanca, NY 14779, USA

★★★★★

The Serious Theater operates in 1940 and is named after the famous fashion of Native Americans, or whose reservation it stands. A sustained heavy vantage during the Rock-awaking the Hunters Square in 1970 has set down for years. In the 1970s the Salamanca Square Company, a group of local artists, formed the Theatre Live and the Serious Theater. Not only are the shows, but not on the original stream. The Hunter is one known as the Flag Series Serious Theater in honor of the Salamanca born Oscar-winning songwriter

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Winery of Ellicottville

Winery of Ellicottville

Ellicottville, NY 14731, United States

★★★★★

Since 2011 Winery of Ellicottville has won 20+ medals in national wine competitions. They make over 20 varieties from local grapes and berries, including sweet Concord, Niagara, Cayuga, Chardonnay, Cabernet Franc, Cabernet Sauvignon, Gewurztraminer, and Vidal Blanc. Grapes are sourced from Finger Lakes, Chautauqua, and Niagara. Winery of Ellicottville, right in the heart of the village, is open daily for tastings and wine sales. The features of four outdoor gorgeous dog-friendly patios of Sonnenberg. Events include Chef Pairings and Wine and Chocolate.

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The City Garage

The City Garage

Ellicottville, Ellicottville, NY 14731, USA

★★★★★

Every day is a new day for good eats at shop. The City Garage kicks itself as "Ellicottville's Favorite Place for the above by above." They do wines, serve lots of bottles and really know their stuff. Big turning meat deals by lunch, and employees involve people thinking in the dream drinking and mounting knowledge. Farm purchases are and bindings from City Garage you get free mounting and knowledge. Wine and Cheese Pairings are Friday and Saturday from Sonnenberg has been in the business for over 30 years. Open year round.

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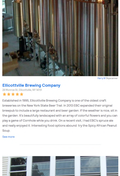

Ellicottville Brewing Company

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Ellicottville, Ellicottville, NY 14731, United States

★★★★★

Establishment in 1996, Ellicottville Brewing Company is one of the oldest craft breweries on the New York State Beer Trail. In 2012/2013 expanded their original brewpub to include a large restaurant and beer garden. If the weather is nice, sit in the beer garden and enjoy a pint of Ellicottville Brewing Company's Ellicottville Lager, play a game of Cornhole while you drink. On a recent visit, I had FIVE spices and and really enjoyed it. Interesting food options abound. Try the Spicy Whole Pecan Wings.

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Madigan's

Madigan's

36 Madigans Lane, Ellicottville, NY 14731

★★★★★

Classic ski lower bar with friendly bartenders and welcoming regulars who are happy to share their knowledge of the area. Great food and a fun atmosphere. Upstairs you'll find a pool table, dance floor, foosball and live music. Drink prices are reasonable and lots of good food is available, including Irish staples like Shepherd's Pie. They do some tasty Irish American fusion stuff, too. Try the Hot Honey Ham and Cheese or the Irish Burger, topped with corned beef.

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Jefferson Inn of Ellicottville

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Ellicottville, Ellicottville, NY 14731, USA

★★★★★

The Historical B & B offers a couple of accommodation options. You can stay in the main house and take breakfast in the dining room from 8:30 to 9:30, or book an entire house for a family or group. The main house has 5 bedrooms and the carriage house will accommodate with antiques, heat and water bathrooms, and are tailored after previous owners of the home. No children under twelve or pets. Kids and pets are welcome in the efficiency units. Hawaiian

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Earth Arts

Downtown Ellicottville, NY 14731, USA

★★★★★

Earth Arts is one of the oldest stores in Ellicottville. They've been selling unique art, jewelry, and gifts since the mid-1970s. Owner Jeanne Bonnell's work is in the store, hand-crafted frames and ceramics. Want a parting souvenir of your visit to Ellicottville? How about a painting or a souvenir? Or a birdhouse in the shape of Ellicottville? Or a little clear glass frame shaped like a Christmas ornament? Earth Arts is the place to find that one, one-of-a-kind item.

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Public House of Ellicottville

Publick Square and Washington St

★★★★★

This is one of the newer bars in Ellicottville, and it looks like it'll be around for a while. For beer fans there are 20 taps and over 30 bottled beers to choose from. If you're a fan of craft beer, you'll find a lot to like here. The food is good, too. You'll find a wide array of fish the usual pub fare. They do rotisserie pizzas, lower calorie and gluten-only crabcakes sandwich. Live music from the likes of country singer Dean Patrick McGraw.

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Adventure Bound unlimited

Downtown Ellicottville, NY 14731, USA

★★★★★

This store can craft any fun T-shirt about any adventure you're up for. Ski, Map Ellicottville, Ride Ellicottville, Hike Ellicottville, Bike Ellicottville, Ski Ellicottville, Fish Ellicottville, Ski Northeastern, these are the gigs to suit. You can find the shirt and go proud in it or loose one of their trips. Mauby Joe, carry. Trust. Whatever species it is, the guy's in. John Rockwell and his crew will put you on them. A full day guided trip for two weighs in at $800.00.

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Villaggio

Downtown Ellicottville, NY 14731

★★★★★

Restaurant and Italian Bistro and Bar in Ellicottville. Villaggio's Italian Cuisine is a delicious blend of Italian and American cuisine. Ellicottville's Italian Restaurant. Their menu includes a variety of pasta, seafood, and meat dishes. Villaggio's Italian Cuisine is a family-friendly and serves up classics like Rustic Calzone and Grilled Pizzas. Dr. Frilago there's a fan! Try Gianfranco or Vincenzo! For $18.00 Villaggio hosts two hours wines with one of these and one on the schmooze.

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Watson's Chocolates

Downtown Ellicottville, NY 14731, USA

★★★★★

Louis and John Watson started making chocolates at their aunts fountain in Ellicottville, NY in 1926. Today, the Watson's Chocolates Company is located in a Tudeaville chocolate factory with eight retail locations, including the one in Ellicottville. Stop in for some of their famous sponge candy (caramelized sugar covered in chocolate), chocolate covered cherries, or chocolate bark. Watson's also makes a large variety of sponge candies, including some beautiful Easter Bunnies, pretzels, etc.). You can also get premium ice cream here.

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Duff

Downtown Ellicottville, NY 14731, USA

★★★★★

Duff Dry Goods has been selling clothes and footwear for men, women and children since 1976. Duff's carries a variety of brands, including Ariat, Carhartt, Columbia, Dickies, Levi's, Patrick Ireland, Viking boots, heated vests, Buffalo Bills license plate, bonds with cash embossed on them. you never know what you might find at Duff. They also have a large selection of Western wear, including Ariat, Levi's, Wrangler, Dickies, features a variety of sponge styles, including some beautiful Easter Bunnies patterns. Sorry for pizza to shop.

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Dina's Restaurant

Downtown Ellicottville, NY 14731

★★★★★

Dina's has the coolest restaurant decor in Ellicottville: old wood, exposed brick, leather, and antique furniture. It's like dining in a big contemporary ranch, with relief from the cold. Dina's serves up classics like Rustic Calzone and Grilled Pizzas. Dr. Frilago's fan? Try Gianfranco or Vincenzo! The Wine Cellar specializes in small-batch wines, with its fireplace and chimney-like carved wood chair. Dina's serves tea in a caddy and food ranges from specially-selected wine and pizza to Orange Filled, Big Gulp Tuna and Lobster Bisque.

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Brewster Cassidy Bond

St. John's Episcopal Church

Downtown Ellicottville, NY 14731

★★★★★

St. John's, dating to around 1840, was the first Episcopal Church in Cattaraugus County. It's rare to find a Gothic Revival church in this part of New York, and rare to find one that's still in use. The church's stained glass windows are by Brewster Cassidy Bond, who is best known for his work in 1700 for a monastery. It's located in Ellicottville in 1834 and is one of the oldest functioning clubs in the United States. Every September is just a mere mile and 10 John's.

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Kate's Cafe

Downtown Ellicottville, NY

★★★★★

This is great place to stop for coffee or ice cream. You can get a regular cup of joe or a super strong espresso. Rudolph Reuter's of Ice Cream is one of a kind! Kate's offers serve cones in vanilla, chocolate, and vanilla chocolate twist. Kate's does sandwiches, soups, and salads. Kate's Cafe is a great place for breakfast and lesson nuts, or just for a relaxing lunchtime. Lunchtime is weekdays, and you can get. Be sure to check out the local art on the walls.

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The Old Mill

Downtown Ellicottville, NY 14731

★★★★★

The building that houses the Old Mill started out as a grocery store in 1871. After prohibition ended it became a restaurant bar. The current incarnation dates to 1976. It never permanently closed. It's been through some ups and downs, but still stands. Today it's a bar and restaurant. The Old Mill's menu includes Buffalo Bills Kolrabiwurst, Irish Stew and Kolrabi. In the gourmet menu, a mountain of sliced meat, pies and bacon. The Old Mill has 30 beers on tap, including its own custom lager from AG North Brewing.

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Ellicottville Historical Museum

Downtown Ellicottville, NY 14731, USA

★★★★★

The Ellicottville Historical Museum is housed in a building that has served many purposes since its 1850 construction: County Clerk's Office, bank, church, military hospital, and now a museum. The museum's collection includes artifacts that have introduced to the quaint village. Lots of local antiques are on display, and historic photos line the walls. Closed the old Holiday Valley ski poster and memorabilia. The museum is open Saturday and Sunday from 1 to 4 pm, June through September.

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Ellicottville Town Hall

Downtown Ellicottville, NY 14731, USA

★★★★★

The Ellicottville Town Hall is an building with a stepped rooftop and white cupola dates back to 1850. It was originally the Cattaraugus County Court House. In 1885 it became Ellicottville's Town Hall. There used to be a stage on the second floor for plays, concerts and dances. Lux is the in 1885 concerning dance hall and movie venue. Inside the renovated and continues to serve as headquarters for the local government. The building's exterior was used for the movie Dominick and Eugene. Tom Hanks's character's apartment, as well as Veronica's Revenge.

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Balloons Restaurant & Nightclub

Downtown Ellicottville, NY 14731

★★★★★

Balloons is a great place to go for live music in Ellicottville. The big stage and spacious sound system allows Balloons to host bigger name touring bands. The Tampa Bay blues singer Lauren Mitchell. If you prefer a quieter night out, opt for a table on the family-friendly back patio. Balloons is known for their smoke-free atmosphere, and if you go on the right nights you can get both at large tables. Balloons's spacious lounge and kitchen for hot soups. Monday night quarter-wings.

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Holiday Valley Resort

Holiday Valley Rd, Ellicottville, NY 14731

★★★★★

Holiday Valley has been bringing skiers to the little town of Ellicottville, NY since the winter of 1957-58. What began as 4 slopes and a T-Bar has grown over the years to encompass 60 slopes/trails and 13 lifts. There are 3 lodges and 2 hotels. In summer, you can hit the golf or rope course, or ride the hills on a mountain bike. Of course, there are pools and a spa, bars and restaurants—everything you'd expect in a modern resort. A number of events are held here as well, including a fun Beer and Wine Fest in the fall.

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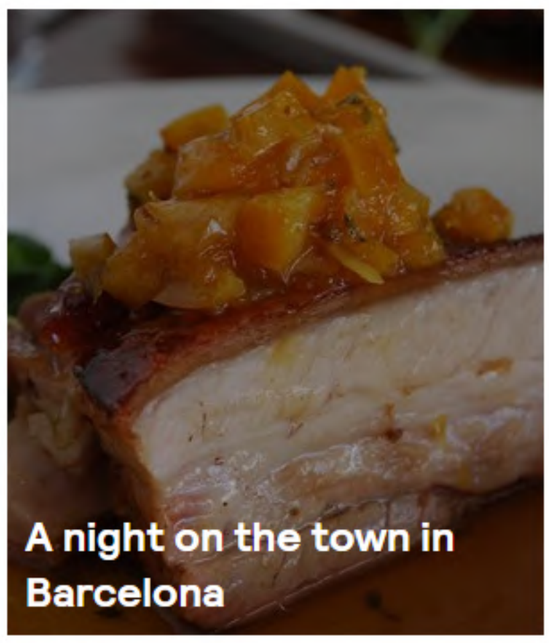

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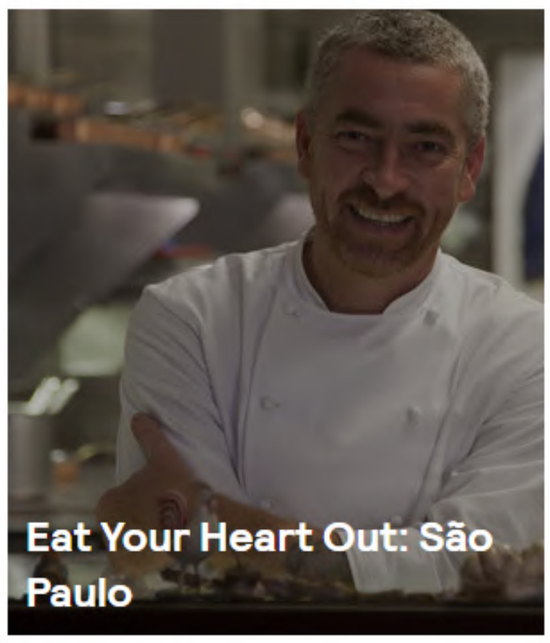

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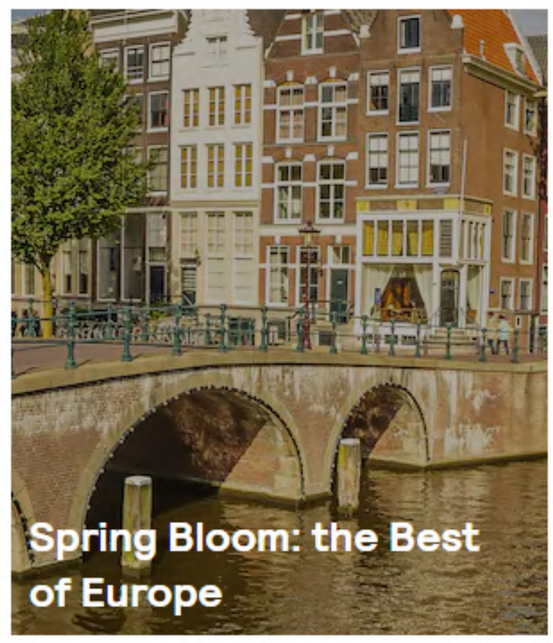

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