













May 2015 ROOST "What were you impressed that you could find while shopping in Lake Placid?"

343 Written Responses

"Love the Adirondack merchandise"

"Love the local craftsman pieces and Saratoga oils"

"Beautiful woolen sweaters"

"Great Adirondack products ... "

"I can find outdoor sporting accessories that I cannot find at home. For example, there are quality brand hiking backpacks and shoes in several shops around town. Furthermore, I'm a fan of all the maple products."



May 2015 Which of the following activities attracted you to Lake Placid? (Check all that apply.)



































# <sup>May 2015</sup> R<sup>©</sup>ST "What would entice you to shop in Lake Placid more frequently?"

### 502 Written Responses

262 uses of the words "parking," "traffic," and "congestion."

"I always look for what I need in LP (or SL) before driving or ordering online - can't have everything, I spose!"

"I don't think there is anything particular that would entice me to shop more frequently. I only live an hour away and like to get up there whenever I have the opportunity."

"Bigger social security check"

"It's fine the way it is. Some shops are geared for visitors and don't have much for us, but that's the way it is and should be."





# May 2015 Visitors compared to Regional Residents ROOST What is your annual household income?









### May 2015

# LakePlacid.com

• "Dining" page views

- 2014: 243,497
- 2011: 62,074
- YTD: 71,248



## Lake Placid Dining

#### Where to eat in Lake Placid

Offering some of the best restaurants in the Adirondack, from traditional American culture, barbecue, sustainable organic foods, and family friendly dining, to gournet dinners within one of our <u>alegant hotels</u> or resorts, you're sun to find a diverse selection of foods to staffy your cultary desire.

Many of Lake Placid's restaurants incorporate locally grown foods and produce on their diverse menu. Take advantage of local specials unds at trout caught from one of our endess mountain streams or waffre topped with freshly-tapped maple symp. Lake Placid's restaurants provide an array of options amidist the <u>spectandar</u> <u>studence</u> that can only be found in the <u>diverse</u> that the Lake Placid region for diving superinences the tackfore that can only be found in the <u>diverse</u> that the <u>lake</u> Place for the <u>diverse</u> for diving superineses the tackfore that can only be found in the <u>diverse</u> that the <u>lake</u> Place for the <u>diverse</u> that the <u>lake</u> Place for the <u>diverse</u> that the <u>lake</u> that the <u>lake</u> Place for the <u>diverse</u> that the <u>lake</u> Place for the <u>diverse</u> that the <u>lake</u> Place for the <u>lake</u> that the <u>lake</u> the <u>lake</u> that that the <u>lake</u> that the <u>lake</u> that the <u>lake</u> t

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Did it meet your expectations? Why or why not? ALL ANSWERS
A
A great mix of shops
a lot o lower end items it used to have a lot more different choices for shoppin
A lot of different stores made for a fun shopping experience
A lot of good stores and great views
A lot to do, so much history!
Above all expectations!
accessible and reasonable prices
All ranges in prices.
All the shops on Main St are great. I go in each one multiple times during each of my visits.
Already know what to expect, sorry to see a couple of empty storefronts
Always a variety of items to look at.
Always does! Variety!!
always enjoy our vacation's there
always find a bargain
Always love it here.
Always new restaurants to choose from.
always something new
Amazing town, we had a blast even in a torrentially rainy day. Celebrating my moms 59th birthday.
As always, great items, reasonable pricesjust love the area
As expected from previous visits
Awesome shops, especially the ADK stores, specialty shops
Bakery had very poor selection, overcharged us abd did not have any cream for coffee, overpriced
Bargains
Beautiful shops!
Beautiful and fun.
Beautiful and interesting
beautiful countryside, comfortable atmosphere
Beautiful place but very busy.
Beautiful scenery and very friendly people.
Beautiful scenery, hikes and one great deals!
Beautiful scenery, nice shops & restaurants.
Beautiful town, beautiful lake, many shops and restaurants., love Lake Placid!
Beautiful village and friendly people. Wide variety of shops
Beautiful, would have liked the concerts in the park to be extended to the last 2 weeks of August
because here i feel free, and i enjoy
Because I have visited Lake Placid before.
Because I love it there
Been before. Love Ip
Been here before.
Been there before
Been there many times before
Been there many times before.
Being a figure skater, I was happy with the facility and I enjoy the town.
Boutique shops were nice and overall was pleasant experience. Even "touristy" shops were not over done.
Came back to visit a city we love.
Charming not too much. Not necessary. When there want to get away from it all
charming, friendly town with events/activities always going on.
Clean, friendly, many activities
Compact, variety, pricing, atmosphere
complete variety
concentrated area, parking ok-can be a problem at times
Cool shops
Cool at if Isidhook atmosphere
Cool stuff, laidback atmosphere Covers all of town, easy to walk to. Good variety of national and local stores

Cozy tourist area! Not to mention the most beautiful scenery!
cute shops, lots of choices
Cute town with cute shops. Was surprised there weren't more restaurants.
did not feel like a tourist
Enjoyed browsing and buying at the outlet shops and gift shop.
Even though the weather was a bit dreary, it was a great environment with lots to do and enjoy. Loved every minute of it!
Everthing was awesome! Food shopping people
Everyday things needed not available. Very high prices in most shops.
Everyone is friendly, the stores carry lots of different items, and there's plenty of food
Everything I expected! Been here before!
Everything was so beautiful including our drive to get here.
Everything we wanted was within walking distance
Excellent quality shops
Excellent variety of things to do
Excellent variety! Something for everyone.
Feel like home
Food and views
For the most part yes it did. However, I did notice several unoccupied storefronts.
Found everything we were shopping for
Found items that were made local as well as awesome cheese and wines. Hope to do more shopping after completing this survey too.
Friendly. Well-priced.
From a FREQUENT local who used to enjoy every minute in LKPI'm gonna' tell it like it is! Lack of SKI WHITEFACE SEASON MEMORABILIA was atrocious! Lack of dining on the main drag was SORELY LACKING! LKP is looking like a shoddy tourist trap! Main St. public restroom was filthy! "Lakes" on Main St. sidewalks were inexcusable! Olympic venues were as nice as everout-of-state visitors enjoyed them despite other shortcomings! SORRY! It's just become a less attractive alternative visit.
generally there is enough variety
Generally, it does. It would be great if there were some more unique shops in the area. Artisan shops that weren't ridiculously expensive. The typical tourist shops are ok, but they all sell the same items, and for those of us who visit on a fairly regular basis they get so boring after a while. I don't even walk in them anymore.
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Great small shops
Great store, decent prices.
Great town!!!
Great vacation!
great varied shops in a small walking area
Great variety of brand stores & hometown local which gives lp it's charm
Great variety of stores and deals!
Great views, food, atmosphere. White Face great!
great visit
Great visit always love LP
Great weekend with friends
Had a mix of restaurants and shopping all in walking distance.
Had great company of college classmates. One knew the area well and was a good "guide" Including a boat tour of the Lake.
Have been many times and always find good stuff
I always love visiting Lake Placid! Always find things to do.
I am a mother of three girls and I also have my own business as a faux painter/muralist. When I come to Lake Placid it is just what I need to find rest for my extremely tired body and soul. I am able to enjoy a beautiful run, have fabulous food, and simply NOT have to rush anywhere. Having a cup of coffee by Mirror Lake is one of my favorite things to do. Also, my husband and I just renewed our wedding vows on Mirror Lake last fall. It truly is a special place for me.
I am from Tupper Lake and live south near Albany. I always love to visit "home" and enjoy what Lake Placid has to offer.
I am local and have options to shop elsewhere but I prefer to shop locally.
I didn't go shopping I went to see the olympic sites
I didn't really have any expectations.
I do miss some of the "old" Lake Placid retailers that were for the type of tourists back in the 1960s. But, I still love Lake Placid.
I enjoyed the views and food from the restaurants.
I expect to see at least some specialty style shops when going to tourist areas. Lake placid met that expectation
I expected it to be geared towards tourist and it was.
I expected more luxury shops for such a beautiful areatoo many outlets
I found the abundance of unique shopping and retail locations very fun and refreshing.
I had always heard that the Lake Placid area was beautiful. It really exceeded my expectations in terms of the things to do in the area and the views.
I had been here before, so I knew what stores to expect. However, it has been about 5 years or so since I've visited, and it seems like not much has changed. Would have enjoyed more restaurant options along the main strip.
I have been a visitor to the area for 40 years. I have seen the area grow and have seen stores come and go and now it appears to have a good anchor of stores that meet visitor requirements. Would like to see a "Target" or "Walmart" or "Kmart" (there used to be a kmart) to get some things. had to head to Plattsburg for things I couldn't get in Lake Placid.
I have been to Lake Placid before. It is beautiful
I have been to Lake Placid several years ago and love the variety of shops, but was sorry the cuckoo clock shop was gone
I heard good reviews from friends
I know what is there, so I know in advance what stores I am going into and what I expect to find there.
I like the Bass shoe outlet
I like the variety of places to eat and grab a drink in lake placid, like Generations, the Interlaken Inn, the Good bite kitchen, and Liquids and Solids. Also there are some cool stores on Main Street.
I like to shop
I love going to the little shops.
I LOVE Lake Placid!
I love that it's a very friendly environment. It feels safe and welcoming.
I love the atmosphere and the shopping and the food. A beautiful place to visit.
I love the general ambiance of Lake Placid. I did notice an in tease in real estate for sale or lease in the main shopping area, I hope to see more shops fill those
I love the little shops, Main Street is unmatched in small town America.
I love the non commercial shops
I love the unique shops where there is not many franchise stores. Love supporting the local shops great organic coffee and one of a kind items. I love the whole atmosphere. It seems safe to walk around without "being on guard" It has a great variety of shops (different price ranges as well as variety). Overall a great experience.
I loved the Gap outlet store as well as The Candyman
I visit the Adirondacks several times a year. Lake Placid never lets me down!
I was able to find the specific items I was looking for.
I was able to get what I wanted/needed while walking along the strip. No need to go out of my way.
I was aware from pevious viats.
I was looking for gifts for people
I've been here before. Worked at the Club while in college

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I've been many times and know what to expect
I've bought lots of stuff: Lake Placid Shirts (3), A piece of art from the artisans shop, gifts, etc
in between, Lake placid needs more variety, to many classic tourism shops and not enough shops for locals/people looking for everyday stuff.
Interesting shops, great restaurants and spectacular views
It actually exceeded our expectations. I thought it was perfect really, not overwhelming.
It always does I love the cute town
It always does Unique items and shopping experience.
It exceeded expectations. It had been several years since I had been here, and I was pleasantly surprised at its growth. Cant wait to return with friends.
It exceeded our expectations. The town was gorgeous. We went to amazing restaurants. The views of mirrow lake were stunning. People were friendly & helpful & the hiking was incredible!
It had a simple and homey atmosphere which is what I expected
It had almost everything for which we were looking. It would have been nice though to have a little gallery in town with photographs, watercolors and oil paintings of the area.
it had quaint and unique shops
It has what I need.
It is a lovely place and a great atmosphere!
It more than met our expectations.
It reminds us a great deal of Gatlinburg, TN.
It was a nice small area with a variety of shops. Nice break from the camping/fishing/hiking.
It was a very cute laid back atmosphere
It was amazing. Everything you can want was available.
It was beautiful and a very relaxing place to be.
It was beautiful there as expected
It was beautiful. The views were wonderful and such clean air! We walked sooo much and we ate soo well and we loved it!
It was exactly what I thought
It was fun and I was able to find fun new things that I wanted to purchase and do.
it was great
It was mostly nice but a store featuring Lake Placid merchandise and area specialties would be nice in the mix. There was only a little of that.
it was so accessible
It was surprisingly beautiful with home staples like subway, starbucks, Gap, Eastern Mountain Sports and many other familiar stores, as well as the smaller lake placid tourist shops one would expect. All were beautifully blended into the Adirondack style and decor as they should be.
It would be nice to have more options
It's a great little strip!
It's a great venue for shopping!
It's always great here.
It's awesome there!
It's beautiful and has a great atmosphere
It's great! There are a lot of interesting stores with unique and Adirondack themed gifts. Love it!
It's just beautiful!!
It's perfect
Just a beautiful area We have been visiting for around 30 years summer, fall, and winter. Love the Olympic venues, White face, the Pub, and the restaurants- Hungry Trout. Our kids are grown up now and bring their kids. They enjoy swimming and hiking well worth the 400 miles very relaxing!
Just a great place to be at
Just did
Just terrific
Knew about the quality of the stores and restaurants
Lake Placid is a favorite destination - never a letdown
Lake Placid is a very beautiful and clean area to visit. The views were outstanding. The shops were really nice and the shopkeepers were so friendly. We generally enjoyed our time spent in Lake Placid and hope to visit again.
Lake Placid is Beautiful! I was only able to stay a night i would love to come back!
Lake placid is the best!
Lake Placid is truly a mix of the good with the bad. Some businesses in town appear to remain open only because of a constant stream of new tourists that don't know any better (Soul Shine bagels to name one, Goose Winery as well); while others make you feel like they are in business merely to serve you, to chat, to provide you with an experience and not just a product. The Smoking Cork for example is just such a business where you get the impression that the owners care more about making your stay in Lake Placid special then they do selling a bottle of wine. That's the kind of business that keeps us coming back over and over to enjoy long weekends in the Adirondacks and specifically Lake Placid!
Lake Placid was just an all around amazing place and atmosphere.
like it
Like specialty shops
Liked the active nature of EMS

Limited selections
Looking for less touristy items
Lot of variations
Lots of different types of shops! Great variety!
Lots of great shops and restaurants
Lots of great shops with good variety - something for everyone
Lots of high quality merchandise
lots of items, good quality stores not too busy
Lots of shopping options
Lots of unique things!
Lots of variety
lots of variety
Lots of variety and great sales!
Lots of variety of shops and restaurants.
Lots of variety of stores with tons of products to choose from.
Lots of variety. Something for everyone
lots there
Love coming to lake placid
Love it here
Love it here.
Love lake placid
Love lake placid hiking crown plaza the people skiing dining
Love LP, the atmosphere, views and things to do.
Love LP:)
Love meeting people from all over the globe! The shopping never disappoints and the views are gorgeous!
love the area
Love the area it is nice to walk around and look in the shops
Love the charm of LPV
Love the gap!
Love the lake atmosphere in the summer and fall.
Love the little shops-there are some unique ones.
Love the local offerings and different types of stores.
Love the people of the town!
Love the shops
Love the shops, hate the parking meters! When the sun is shinning you can't see them
Love the town !
Love the whole atmosphere of downtown shopping!
love the whole package!
Love the wonderful downtown
Love this town!!!
Loved everything
loved everything about it
Loved the ambiance of the small town feel!
Loved the variety
LP is awesome. Was there for a conference but was able to enjoy all that LP has to offer. Great views, shopping, fantastic food. Never disappointed.
Main Street met my needs for retail shopping for clothes, winter gear, souvenirs and dining
Many choices
Many different varieties of shops.
many small shops to browse
Merchants always welcoming and helpful. Plenty of unique items.
More unique shops than your average resort town, and a wide variety of options.
Much of the merchandise was out of my price range. Very nice to look at though.
MUCH OVERPRICED BUT WE WERE LOKING FOR KEEPSAKE OF OUR VISIT. RESTAURANTS WERE O.K.
My family and I LOVE to come visit Lake Placid! It's such a beautiful place full of friendly people!
My favorite place!
My husband bought a raincoat for our hike the next day.

Never fails to please!
New and old shops provide a great atmosphere.
New products and two new stores. Saratoga Olive Oil
Nice atmosphere and good variety of shops
Nice balance of village and nature
Nice mix of shops
Nice place to visit and live.
Nice quaint little shops with lots of interesting stuff.
Nice selection of shops; not just t-shirt shops.
Nice Shops
nice stores but not a "shopping mall" atmosphere
nice to visit
nice variety
Nice variety
Nice variety of shops and restaurants
Not enough local crafts
Not many chain stores. Great local and llympic shopping.
Numerous specialty retail stores carrying high-quality merchandise
Over the top !!
Past visitor and always wanted to return.
Plenty of stores and food locations
Prices are very good!
Prior visitor for Ironman in 2004 so we knew what was in town and surrounding, and that's why we returned for a non-Ironman vacation just to enjoy it as a relaxing vacation.
Prior visits
purchased both practical items needed as well as 'gift' items
Quaint shops keep w the atmosphere
Quaint.
quality goods
quiant town friendly people besutiful atmosphere
Reasonable outlet pricing
Regular visitor at Lake Placid. First time was to visit Olympic/Mountain installation, then discover the village.
Relaxing and time spend at White Face Mtn
relaxing time and visited the Olympic venue also
Retail stores are available for all your needs and much of Adirondack Design products.
Sam old dull stores for decades.
Shopping on Main St. makes me happy. I I ove walkong up and down the ave.
Small town, unique shops
Some cute stores - antiques and new merchandise (mostly Adirondak oriented).
Some items were overpriced
Some of the outlet stores have deceptive advertising.
Some really trashy stores near the movie theater. Not quality products.
Something for both genders
Something for everyone
Sports store
Stores all along Main Street made it easy
Stores were nice compared to other Tourist Towns. Parking and Public restrooms were a problem, especially signage for the only two restrooms.
Such a beautiful town!
Such a great, friendly environment and absolutely picturesque!
Such a quaint village
The area has a little bit for everyone at varing prices.
The area is beautiful and small town atmosphere
The atmosphere of Lake Placid is so magical and unique. It is unlike anywhere else and always offers something exceptional to take home, both in terms of memories and something material to remember the visit.
The downtown has a nice mix of independent and outlet stores, specialty stores and cafes and restaurants
The eclectic mix of stores with beautiful scenery is always a treat.

The people are always friendly, the atmosphere is fantastic, and the views are breathe taking. It exceeds my expectations every time. My wife and the trip ends, refer The Whiteface Lodge as home - by far the best place within the Lake Placid area.	1 I, before
The retail area has a great array of stores and shops, something for everyone.	
The sales were just scams, 75% off to 25% plus an additional 60 %, jeez, now it's back down to the price it should be	
The shop owners were friendly loved the variety	
The shopping in lake placid is always an enjoyable experience	
The shops were quaint and regional.	
The shops were very nice and the shopkeepers were very genial and friendly. I enjoyed seeing the Adirondack and local merchandise.	
The stores are unique.	
The town is amazing and has a great feel to it! The town of Lake Placid has a wonderful diversity of shopping and culinary choices. My visit is one that i look forward to wvery year and plan on vi	siting for
more to come.Just a wonderful place to be.	
The town of Lake Placid was fantastic. Very quaint and welcoming, but the food and products were very high quality.	
The variety of stores & quality of goods were excellent.	
There is a little for everyone. Good outdoor selection	
There is a little of everything.	
There is always something in LP in many of the stores to make me smile and bring out my wallet!	
There is no drive thru coffee shop place ex: Dunkin Donuts. Parking is also an issue	
There is something for everyone here. If you are outdoorsy, there is hiking, biking, water sports, etc. If you like history, you can go to the olympic s like shopping, there are many different types of stores in town. On top of all the activities, you can go back to your lodging and feel relaxed becaus views.	
There is such a wide variety of shopping	
there should be a maybe. LP has the ability to support higher end outlets including Brooks Brothers, Michael Kors, lacoste considering the cliente visits.	elle that
There was more than enough to do and see in LP.	
There were a variety of great shops from which to choose.	
There were both outlets as well as souvenir shops. It was just what I was looking for in a brief shopping trip.	
They had some good deals	
This is a beautiful and very welcoming place to be!	
to many antique stores, not many stores of interest for me	
Too many tourist tchotchkes stores	
Too pricy. Too touristy.	
traffic and parking are impossible. For these reasons, I visit LP very seldom.	
Unique outdoors things	
Unique shopping for everyone.	
Unique shops, can usually find some good deals	
Variety	
variety and good prices for the most part	
Variety of items offered.	
variety of shops	
Variety. Unique gifts . A combination of tourism and craft.	
Very cute, nice shops.	
Very expensive	
Very friendly. Small area but lots to do!	
Very much. So and perfect weather every one is so friendly Very nice shore, some of the items seemed everyriced compared	
Very nice shops - some of the items seemed overpriced compared	
Very nice, loved it.	
very pleasant place	
Views are beautiful. Shopping the boutiques great!	
Was already familiar with and knew what the shops had to offer	
Was raised here and come back often to visit and to enjoy all the memories.	
Was very nice	
Wasn't planning on making trip up there from Saratoga but took boys since haven't been since where young now 13 and 15 and once there staye nites.	d next 2
Way overpriced and not much of a realistic selection.	
We enjoy walking and shopping on Main St	
We enjoyed it	
We found a good restaurant, we like the chocolate store, my daughter found a hockey-themed hoody she really liked.	

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We go there every year.	
We had visited before.	
We have a lovely shopping area, but more variety would be nice!	
We have been coming to LP for years and I can truthfully say that it is my very favorite small town. I am however hoping the big name st downtown (GAP, etc).	tores don't take over
We have been to Lake Placid several times in the past and keep coming back. We love it. We also took a boat cruis on Lake Placid and cemetary to pay our respects to Kate Smith.	went to St. Agnes
we have been to LP before	
We knew it would be small town feel as far as the shops go so there wouldn't be a ton but there was great variety	
We knew what to expect.	
We love Lake Placid and visit at least once every year.	
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We love not only the general atmosphere, but also the Olympic history of Lake Placid.	
we love strolling main street	
We love the atmosphere	
We love the local artists and specialty stores	
We love the quaint atmosphere of Lake Placid and the many activities it has to offer. We keep coming back year after year :)	
We love wandering in and out of all the little shops on Main St. It has everything from Adirondack Mountain patches and pins, to stuffed a hiking and kayaking gear at Eastern Mountain Sports.	animals at Critters, t
We loved it!!!	
We loved the shopping	
We visit every year and look forward to eating and shopping in Lake Placid. We always eat at Ere's restaurant. We look forward to shop Bookstore Plus and the adirondack decorative arts store. We now enjoy visiting and shopping at Cornerstone rustic & craft gallery.	ping at The
We Were Looking To Pick Up A Few Necessary ClothingI tems and footwear And We Were AbleToAccomplishAll.	
We've been here 5 or 6 times and love itfor the beauty of the region, for the fun shopping, for the lakes and river.	
what an amazing place this was for my family. There is so much to do. our hotel was also amazing, right on the lake with plenty of kids a	ctivities.
While I like shopping in Lake Placid, I find there are too many stores with cheap souvenirs. I also feel like the storefronts need a facelift - resort villages, the shopping area is much more appealing -	When I visit other
Wide variety Clean	
Wonderful shops	
yes	
Yes	
Yes more than i could even express. My favorite place in the United States.	
Yes the visitor website does a great job	
Yes we have always liked L. P. and its amenities.	
yes we shopped from gap outlet and critters store. it was lovely walk around the lakethe mirror lake reflection is soo beautifulwe staye beautiful view and hotel and ate at one of chinese retaurantsthe coffe shops are too cute to miss with great views. a great experience s again	
Yes, but I wish there were better restaurants with healthier food choices	
Yes, great variety of retail shops in Lake Placid.	
Yes, very good set up	
Yes, we always go to lake placid for dinner and shopping.	

What were you impressed that you could find while shopping in Lake Placid?
1980 Olympic stuff
A bit of everything.
A great bookstore
a great variety of things.
A lot of sugar things ! Cupcakes, cakes, popcorn, etc. and on a positive note : comfort wear
A mix of everything
a small screwdriver to repair my broken glasses around 7PM!
A wide variety of items.
Adirondack items
adirondack stuff
Adirondack style items.
Adk stuff
affordable clothing
Affordable quality clothes
After many years of visiting the area I just love to visit Lake Placid once or twice a year!
Alex and Ani Jewelry Bass Shoes Outlet clothing Vera Bradley Bags
Alex and Ani Jewelry and Saratoga Oils
All kinds of differant gifts
All of the local artistry and crafts.
all of the specialty carved wood, from bears to beautifully finished door stops.
All types of beef (or non-beef) jerky
Always new items to choose from everytime I go
Amazing, AMAZING food
Antique
antique lacrossesticks
antiques
Antiques
Antiques
anything
Ari and anni
art.
Arts
Artwork
Athletic goods
Atmospher and friendilyness
Authospher and unique food. Very nice people and atmosphere.
Balsamic vinegar
Bass shoe outlet
Bass shoe outlet Beautiful crafts
Beautiful Indian throws, unusual jewellry, costume and hand-made, fine greeting cards, anything in
Beautiful woolen sweaters
Ben and Jerry's Ice Cream!
Big town selection in a small town
Book Store Plus was great

Candy cigarettes & wine cork table
Celtic music cd
chocolate and fudge
Christmas items in August. Lots of variety.
Cigars, Tibetan goods
Clean Air
clocks, books
clothese that fit
clothing/books/jewelry and craft items. the glass shop was great.
Could use more modern tee shirt designs
Crafted items. Unique.
Crepes
custom made hand crafted jewelry.
decent household goods at reasonable prices
Designer clothes
Did not shop.
didn't find anything particular this outting
discount clothing
everthing
Everything
Everything at EMS, unique olive oils, lake placid brewery
Everything I wanted
Everything is available for a town of that size
Everything was there I needed.
Everything!
Excellent quality one of a kind items
Excellent restaurants!
excellent selection of sporting goods
Farmers market, maple products
Fashionable clothes
Fashionable quality clothes at genuine bargain prices
Figured there would be a good variety since it is a tourist destination.
flavored olive oils
Friendly personnel Full line retail stores
Funny tee shirts
gap outlet
Gap, would like an Eddie Bauer outlet
Glassblowing and ski shop
good apparel

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just like the stores very much	I found everything I needed.
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	I knew what was there
love the maple soft serve, amazing food, and great outlet prices on clothes for my family.	I love the maple soft serve, amazing food, and great outlet prices on clothes for my family.

I love the Olympic apparel
I newly released book
I really enjoyed and was impressed with the amount of handcrafted jewelry as well as an olive oil and
I thought the souvenirs were very modestly priced. I thought things would be much more money.
I was impressed to find some very unique confectionery goods as well as clothing and jewelry.
I was impressed with being able to find some great craft beer at Stouts an Stoggies directly across the
I was just impressed at all of the changes in the town, it had been 30+ years since I had visited and it
I would say I could find 85% of my needs in Lake Placid.
I'm always impressed by the selection The Fallen Arch has for such a little store in LP.
I'm always impressed by what I finf most of the time.
Identity, jewelry, toys
interesting Adirondack merchandise
Interesting art and jewelry
Interesting Lake Placid souvenirs and high-quality specialty food items
It was most impressive of the wide variety of items you could purchase there and a wide range for all
IT was pretty typical for a tourist town, but impressed with food variety
Items by local artisans
Izod
Jerkey
Jerky
JEWELS
Just about everything
Kids toy store, the Gap, Great restaurants.
Lake Placid ornaments, hand painted from the inside. Trolls, specialty popcorn, graham cracker
Large variety in such a small area.
Lined winter hats, scented pillows specialty olive oil and balsamic vinegar. We also found the best
Lingerie
Little bit of everything
Little bit of everything, good variety of products
Local artists goods!
local beer / spirits
Local beer/wine
Local crafts are always great!
Local food products
Local food products
Local products
Local products, gifts
Local wines
Locally made soaps and lotions
Locally owned businesses with unique Adirondack merchandise, high quality antiques, and gourmet/
Lodge/"woodsy" home decorations. Oh yeah, fudge :)
Loka - find your balance bracelet
Lots of choices!
Lots of decorative furniture!
Lots of great gift ideas and purchases. Things you can't find by going to a chain retailer

Lots of interesting and different kinds of stores.
Lots of variety and good price ranges/quality.
Love the Adirondack merchandise
Love the book store and the yarn shop
Love the creperie!
Love the Imagination productsthe puzzles etc. to bring home to the grandkids
Love the local craftsman pieces and Saratoga oils
Love the vegetarian food options available
Loved the book stores and restaurants.
Made in the USA products.
maple syrup
Maple syrup
Maple Syrup
merchandise/items at Lake Placid Brewery
Na
neutral
Nice home furnishings, Adirondacks-inspired furniture
No
Not a bra, but a variety of stores.
Not applicable - I was here for a conference - would like to return with spend happy wife and children
Not bad
Nothing
Nothing
Nothing
Nothing about Lake Placid impresses me. I go there to grocery shop because its closer than other
Nothing in particular.
Nothing out of the ordinary
Nothing Out Of The Ordinary
Nothing special
Nothing stands out.
Nothing surprised me since we have been many times.
Nothing, that I can think of right now.
Nothing. Wish there was more authentic adk merchandise
Number of stores
Olive oil
Olive oil
olive oil products
Olympic apparel
Olympic venues and scenery.
Olympics clothing & gifts.
ONLY THE LOCAL ADK GOODS
Organic products, farmers market
Outlet bass store, specialty shop olive oil
Outlet clothing stores
outlet goods and prices

Outlet mall
Outlet shops; great bookstore
Outlet special deals of Buy 1, get 2 free!
Outlet stores
Outlet stores
Outlet stores
outlets
Outlets like the Gap, and the Saratoga Olive Oil store
Paddle boarding goods. Unique gifts
Patches for each of the high peaks
Pirates Booty (The snack)
Popcorn
Quality Lake Placid apparel.
Really impressed
reasonably impressed, for small town
Regular pharmacies
Rubberband Gun with a small shooting range.
Rustic decor and CHRISTMAS stuff was great. Loved imagination station too.
Rustic knick Mack's for the house, Christmas souvenirs, paddleboard sat high peak cyclery (just
Sale prices
Sales on outdoor activities
Saratoga oil and balsamic vinegar
Saratoga Olive Oil Company
Saratoga Olive Oil Store
Saratoga olive oil. Love that store
school related books
Selections, quality,
Shoes and shoe accessories
shopping in outlets next to a beautiful lake
shops were open late
Size 14 shoes
Snow in July!
So many great restaurants
So many unique Christmas ornaments
Some eateries such as the Crepe place
Some of my hometown area wines-Fingerlakes Wines & the souviner items!
souvenirs
Souvenirs
Specially items. Olive oil, wine
Specialty charms @ Farrah Cooper Different beef jerkies
Specialty food items

specialty olive oil and vinegar
Specialty olive oils and balsamic vinegarette Olympic memorabilia and pins
Specialty stores like the Adirondack yarn store where I found some local products and services
Sporting goods
stockings and contact lens cases
stores
T-shirts at 3 for \$20.00
That specialty oil & vinegar shopyummy!
The Adirondack popcorn co.
The antique furniture.
the best beer
The children's clothing/toy store was very impressive.
The gourmet oil and vinegars from Saratoga and gifts from around the world at other shops
The great variety of name brand shops as well as the small, independent store owners.
The kids always enjoy shopping at the Candy Man. One of the boys is allergic to nuts and is always
the lake placid beautiful tees and the outlet store collection
the Nautica Outlet
The Olive Oil at the Saratoga Oil company
The Olympic hockey arena
The quality and quantity of the selection of the books
the staff was vey nice and cooperative
The stores were amazing. Everything could a person could want.
The variety
The variety of shops, I could spend a whole day and still note see all of them. My favorite is the
The variety of souvenirs provided was quite impressive. I was impressed with the variety as well as
The variety of unique items is impressive. Just in the surprises you will find in each store. Things you
The variety so conveniently located
The variety top to bottom.
The whole overall experienceMountains and friendly people!
The wide variety of goods that appeal to all tastes & budgets
There is little that you can't find.
There was a little bit of everything. We were not expecting to find wine tasting on Main St (but it was a
They had everything even yummy maple products
This question doesn't make sense. I know Lake Placid so I know what to expect.
this trip was short so its hard to answer 9 - we shopped more in August than in July or September
Under Armour Clothing
Underwear.
Unique cloth items
unique housewares
unique items and gifts
Unique items such as handcrafted items, rustic, not just typical touristy fare. Christmas store!
unique kids gifts
Unique wine
Unsure
Unusual/unique gift items

US Olympic Team apparel
USA hockey gear, Olympic souvenirs
Variety
variety
Variety
variety - gifts plus everyday items
Variety and great pricing. I always cleanup at the Gap!!
Variety of clothing, shoes, and food choices available.
Variety of goods.
Verity
very good restaurant food
Very nice wine, cheeses and oils for entertaining that night.
Vies
Wacoal underwear!
walkability
was not shopping for anything in particular
Was tough to find basics. I had sunburn and nobody caried aloe other than small convenience store
We are impressed with the customer service at the stores and restaurants.
We could obtain pretty much everything we could have needed.
We love our Olympic cow bell:)
whatever we wanted
Whiteface merchandise
Wine
Yea
yes
Yes
Yes
Yes
yes!!!

Visitor Question 14 - What other activities did you do while in Lake Placid?
Alumni event at Northwoods School
Attended wedding
Ausable Chasm
Ausable on asim
Basically shopping and dining
Beach, both hotel and public; paddle boarding, peddle boats, eating
Bike
Bike ride
Biking road and mountain
boat cruise
Boat ride on Lake Placid
Boat ride on Lake Placid, Minature golf.visit St. Agnes cemetary to pay or respects to Kate Smith
Boat tour
Boat Tour
Boating
Boating, hiking
boating, swimming
boating, swimming, hiking, visiting other lakes
Boating, walking, eating vegan
Boatride around Lake Placid
Bobsled and gondola ride
Bobsled riding
Bobsledding, Paddle boards, swimming in mirror lake. Siteseeing
Bought an Olympic Passport and did bobsled, luge, biathlete activities, ski jump tour, Whiteface tour, Veterans memorial Hwy drive. US Masters Swimming Nat'l Championship 2-mile swim in Mirror Lake on 8/16/14.
brewfest, gondola ride on whiteface
camped outhiked
Camping
Camping just outside of town. I always go to the Olympic sites. I bring my daughter to see the things I grew up seeing so she can continue visiting the area when I am gone.
Camping, hiking
camping, hiking, shopping
camping, kayaking, hiking
canoe hike
Canoe, kayak, visit family & friends
Canoeing
Canoeing fishing hiking sight seeing walking and just everything the beautiful place offers.
canoeing, restaurants
canoeing, walking, swimming
Chairlift at whiteface
Checked out all the surrounding towns and since it's the fall leaf peeped.
Climb
climbed Whiteface, High Falls Gorge, Olympic Museum, Pirate Cove Golf

Coffee valey. Creard time with family. Take nistyres
Coffee, relax. Spend time with family. Take pictures.
Cruise around Lake Placid.
Cycling, hiking, running
Day trips, beer tasting
dined out
Dining at the Lake Placid Lodge
Dining, hiking, visiting friends, and always a stop at the cemetery to pay respect to gone, but never forgotten relatives.
Dinner at Golf Course and Great American Steak and Seafood. Time was limited due to conference.
Dog sled ride, toboggan chute, kayaking, hiking, live music, sight seeing, the Olympic Center
Dog sledding , looked for sleigh rides , horse show, skiing competitions
downhill bike at Whiteface
drive to the top of White Face mountain, High Falls Gorge, Alisable Chasm, kayaking, mountain bike, hiking
drive up whiteface mt
Drove whiteface
Eat sometimes.
eat, eat, eat!! We also spent a few hours in Saranac. We enjoyed the hot tub at our hotel after our strolls in the village.
Enjoyed hotel
Farmers markets are excellent
Fine dining visit friends
Fished and toured Olympic facilities
fishing tour boat
Fishing, shopping, hiking, sightseing
Fly Fished, Hiked, swam in the lake, kayaked
Food tastings for wedding.
General sightseeing
General sightseeing, hiking and photography
Golf
Golf
GOLF
Gondala ride
Gondala Ride to Little Whiteface
grocery shopping
Had dinner with peg blazer
Had lunch and shopped
have broken hand so was just able to putt on golf course
Have lunch in the park
high falls gorge
High Gorge Falls, North Pole, White face Mtn
hike
Hike & Mountain climbing (2 High Peaks)
Hike trails/visit friends and relatives
Hike, kayak, shop, eat, Olympic venues
Hike, walk, relax

Hike, walk, shop, took grandkids to playground at Mirror Lake, gondola ride, ate all meals out, sightsee, m	eet new friends
Hiked	eet new menus.
Hiked mt. jo	
Hiked a trail from the end of River Rd to the top of Whiteface. Drank at the Pub and Wiseguys!	
Hiked Cobble Hill, went to the movies, walked around the lake, used the gym at the hotel	
Hiked shopped relaxed and enjoyed the atmosphere	
Hiked the high peaks	
Hiked, boated, dined	
Hiked, swam,	
niked, swall, niked, walked around the lake and shopped, sat breakfast at coffee shop and ate dinner	
Hiked, want to Blues show, John BrownsFarm, whiteface, grand Fall Gorge	
Hiked!	
Hiking	
niking	
Hiking	
Hiking	
niking	
Hiking	
Hiking	
Hiking	
niking	
niking	
Hiking	
Hiking , boating	
Hiking and boating	
Hiking in a usable chasm	
Hiking in the High Peaks	
Hiking mainly, went to the Dancing Bears with our group, and shopped around town	
Hiking Mt. Jo, Whiteface, Lake trail	
Hiking the High Peaks, starting in Keene Valley.	
Hiking with the dog in Henry's Woods	
Hiking, boat ride	
niking, camping	
Hiking, driving the area	
niking, ice skating show, tubing	
Hiking, kayaking	
Hiking, kayaking	
Hiking, kayaking on Lake Placid, bike riding, shopping, camping and eating	
Hiking, Kayaking, Swimming, Biking	
Hiking, rock climbing, canoeing.	
Hiking, shopping, dinner with the hiking group	
Hiking, shopping, sightseeing	
Hiking, swimming, kayaking	

Libing automatics abiling figure alecting about
Hiking, swimming, skiing, figure skating shows
hiking, whiteface gondola
Hiking!!!!
Hiking.
Historical places
hockey
Horseback riding
Hung with friends & relaxed
I came up for work but fit in fun too
I fish, cross country ski, jog, shop, and just rest!
I hike most of the local DEC hikes; Marcy Dam, Whiteface Landing, Brewster Penn., around Heart Lake, Owens Pond, etc. My husband fly fishes the Ausable River.
I spent most of my time shopping, dining, enjoying the lake view and relaxing at our hotel room.
I walk around and window shop, and just relax by Mirror Lake and take everything in.
Ice rink
Ironman
Jazz concerts ! Dancing !
JOHN BROWN'S HOME, WHITEFACE MOUNTAIN
just hiking
just the skating ice dance competition, shopping, eating ans sightseeing
Just walked around, sightseeing.
kayack, tennis, hiking
Kayak
Kayak Mirror Lake. Hike.
kayak, canoe, hiking, SUP, swimming
Kayaked Went to the movies
Kayaking
Kayaking and beach time.
Lacrosse Event and Hockey invitational.
Lacrosse tournament
Lacrosse tournament, saw olympic venues, walked the town
Lake, Whiteface, Ski Jumps
Lounging and drinking at the Lake Placid Lodge, and attended a wedding.
Love the whole town of No. Elba
LP marathon
Mainly toured by vehicle and on foot. Took in the scenery and relaxed. My husband and I have been to Lake Placid three times now. We go every year on our wedding anniversary weekend. We honeymooned in Lake Placid and it was such a wonderful experience, we keep the tradition up each year.
Memorial Highway Gorge
Met friends, spa services
Minigolf with kids is a big deal for us! We have driven up Whiteface and hiked owls head
Mirror LAke water activites, bobsled run
Mostly figure skated.
Motorcycle Riding

Movies, boating and skating shows
Movies, boating and skating shows Mt Van Hoevenberg attractions (bobsled ride & track tour, "Be a Biathlete"), wheeled luge, ski jump complex tour, gondo
ride up Whiteface, Veterans Memorial Hwy drive. Participated in 2-mile cable swim in Mirror Lake on 8/16/14.
Museums
N/A
N/A
N/A Shortened visit by two days.
none
none
nothing
NYCOM Conference activities
Oktoberfest
Olympic Center and museum
Olympic Museum, Tobaggan Ride(2 adults,2 children)
Olympic park
Olympic sites and general enjoyment of the ADK
Olympic sites, dining
Paddle board, visit fire department
paddle boarding, kayaking, movie, eating out, swimming, shopping
Paddle boating, hiking
Paddle trip
participate in the half marathon
Photo shoot, hiked, golfed
Picture taking
Plan for hiking, biking in future.
Played lotto, swim hotel
Played tennis
Race
RELAX
Relaxed
Relaxed at the house, went out to bars and restaurants, shopped
Relaxed for a change.
relaxing
rental hunting
rented an electric car kayaked
rented boat on mirror lake
Rest and relaxation. Birthday get away! Love Chair 6 for breakfast!!!
Run
Running
Running, old car show, blues concert
Scenic
scenic boat tour, scenic Saranac train ride, white face gondola ride. gorge hiking
Scenic train tour. Lake placid boat cruise.
Shoping, walking, visiting Olimpic sites

Shopped, dined, relaxed.
Shopped, visited the Olympic Hockey Arena, food
Shopping
shopping dining
shopping for antiques
Shopping,
shopping, golfing
sight seeingmountians
sightseeing at Whiteface
Skated
Ski jump and tubing down the slopeit was awesome Walked around mirror lake Participated in lacrosse tournament. Dinner Listened to blues band two thumbs up Crepes Yum!!!
ski jumping
Ski-jumping event, trip up Whiteface, camping in the region.
Ыеер
Snowshoeing, hiking, running
Spa
Swam, hiked, relaxed
Swim bike run
Swimming
Swimming and boating
Swimming, eating in fine restaurants, walking
wimming, sightseeing, LP boat tour
Swimming.
Swimming/kayaking on Mirror Lake. Visited the Olympic Village.
he boat ride was great
he boat tour and the Olympic site
he most, sitting near mirror lake
The passport.
The sightseeing is amazing. Lake Placid has amazing views
Toboggan Ride out on The lake
Fook a tour of the Olympic Arena
ook a train ride ADK Railroad
Fook the LP Boat Tour Gondola ride Hiked
Four the Olympic Center.
Foured Olympic sites, drove up Whiteface Mountain, attended hockey games
Foured the Adirondacks
Infortunately my length of time this visit was too short and therefore limited my activities. I plan to return for the fall foliage o do other activities.
/isit family and surrounding areas
/isit friends.
/isit friends/family
/isit my son. Last time we went hiking and swam in one of the streams. My son is Andrew Lavin,he came in 2nd and 3rd in the recent half marathon and First place in that Pub race last week. Spend the days shopping when he works and hiking

Visit my son. Last time we went hiking and swam in one of the streams. My son is Andrew Lavin, he came in 2nd and 3rd in the recent half marathon and First place in that Pub race last week, Spend the days shopping when he works and hiking when he doesn't. So I visit when I can.

Visit White Faced Mountain

Visit whiteface

Visited a beautiful church on the hill. We were allowed to enter freely and pray and enjoy the stained glass art. It was a Saturday and nice to see inside a local (episcopal) church. Lovely :-)

Visited friends and family

Visited John Brown farm.

Visited keen valley

Visited Lake George area

Visited Lake Placid Lodge

Visited Olympic Training Center, rode Gondola at Whiteface, saw the luge track

Visited Santa's Workshop with younger child.

Visited the Adirondack Museum, the Wild Center, and John Brown Farm.

Visited the Olympic Center

Visited the Olympic venues and short trip to Keene

Visited the wildlife refuge in Wilmington.

Visiting family.

Visiting olympic sites, sightseeing, skiing in winter...

Walk around Mirror Lake; using pool & hot tubs at hotel. Drive around the area to see all different sites.

Walk around Mirror Lake. We generally avoid too much of the tourist activities. We would like to go up to Whiteface when we are there, but we usually don't get there until a week after it closes.

Walk on main street

Walk, shop, visit the Olympic sites, top of White Face, Boat ride on Lake Placid.

Walked around lake, geocaching, swimming

Walked around Mirror Lake, window shopped, and ate at restuarants

walked paths

walked up Cobble Hill

Walked, and fully admired the scenery!

Walked, swam

walking

Walking and driving around seeing sights. Saw ski jumps John Brown memirial

Walking boating and relaxing

Walking the town

Walking, dining and shopping

Walking, hiking in both the Lake Placid and Willmington areas. Relaxing, reading, mountain viewing.

Walking, Hiking, Site Seeing, Picnicking, Lounging, Relaxing in The Whiteface Lodge, enjoying the fresh air, de-stressing.

walking, shopping, dining

Watched a movie, ate out, had drinks, played mini golf, hiked, walked

Watched iron man

Watched racing on the lake

watched rugby, went to Tail 'o the Pup

Watched sunrise.

watched the hockey game between the americans and czeck republic

watched USA women's hockey festival

Water ski championship	
Water Skiing	
Water sports, boating, et	c
We actually were passing	g through after taking a family trip to Floodwood for a boyscout camp reunion.
We ate very well!! :)	
we bought passport and	enjoy lots of thing
We go for drives and visi	t with family
We have done the flamin	g leaves, Holiday stroll, Octoberfest ect.
We walked around mirro	r lake twice a day. In the winter we like to snowshoe on the trails.
	e Memorial Highway, hiked the Peninsula Trails, hiked Ampersand Mountain, hiked Cobble Hill at the Olympic Training Center, watched ice skaters practice in the 1932 rink, and watched a
Wedding event	
went hiking in keene valle	ey, ate at restaurants
Went out to the bars	
Went to a bar, for a walk,	stayed in a hotel
Went to John Browns far	m
went to spa at Mirror Lak	e Inn
Went to White Face	
White face.	
Whiteface	
Whiteface hikes, high fall	ls gorge, driving & sightseeing.
Whiteface Memorial High	Iway
Whiteface Mountain (roa	d to the summit) and High Falls Gorge
Whiteface Mt	
Whiteface Mtn.	
Whiteface summit Multip	ole hikes Water sports (swim, sail, kayak)
Whiteface, boat tour, lax	games
Work	
work on Saranac 6er mo	untain climbing
Worked	
worked during the day ar	nd relaxed at night - no better place in NYS

worked during the day and relaxed at night - no better place in NYS

## Regional Question 13

What would entice you shop in Lake Placid more frequently?

1. lower prices 2. more free concerts; late afternoon to early evening 3. stop charging for "events" like the BBQ and make up for it by letting the commercial vendors participants pay more.

a bakery

A better selection of household goods

A better variety of quality stores. Most shops have turned into t-shirt shops with the same cheap knick knacks; Main Street doesn't have the "boutique" quality that it used to.

A better variety of shops, not just gift shops. The outlets are great but it would be nice to have some better quality clothing stores.

A better variety of stores with clean store fronts, not filled with junk. And, parking meters that can be read when the sun is out. A box store

a chain store-target,etc.

A friendlier atmosphere. As a local, it seems that people are unfriendly.

a good bed and bath store

A greater variety between the merchandise at the many similar gift shops

A more welcoming/friendly atmosphere and more reasonable pricing.

A parking garage with first two hours for free and then 1.00 /hr after that. Reasanble size as to not take away from the scenery and quan=intness of town.

a place to park!!

A Target Express, outlets like those found in Glens Falls, more parking, a little less traffic congestion (but now that I know the roads better I avoid downtown if I'm not shopping!). Are any stores interested in going into the Hannaford shopping mall? It seems like wasted space there and maybe some great stores could pull more people into that spot.

Access to swimming in Lake placid off a dock to a swiim deck

Additional art galleries and design-oriented businesses with higher-end goods (picture Hudson or Beacon). A more adultoriented atmosphere would be more pleasant as well (this does not necessarily mean more bars, but higher quality retail). The street appears to be packed with roving gangs of teenagers in both summer and winter. Some stores appear tacky and gimmicky, specifically custom T-shirt shops, national outlets, and low-quality "Adirondack" knick-knack stores. These could be replaced with better retailers.

All ready happy with the LP shopping.

Already shop frequently

Art store with more variety & better pricing than Bookstore Plus, Just Bead it, & Adk Yarns. Those are all great shops, though. Cornerstone Art store is wonderful, but rarely open. I love The Community Store in SL, but it's too far to travel to regularly as I live in Wilmington.

As a live long resident of this town who has lived on main street for the past 5 years and worked on Main street for the past 3 years, something NEEDS to be about the lack of parking esp in the summer! People without permits consantly park in the permit only area. Its not fair to us who pay for a permit to have to not get a spot!

As a local many of the stores are tourist based and over priced. When we dont shot online we head up to Platsburgh.

As noted - not much of a shopper. Lake Placid is an outdoor paradise and that is why I love it

As one who does not like to shop, nothing; I go when I need to and usually find what I need

availability of certain items we have to travel further for at affordable prices

Baseball cards.

Being a bit closer.

Better access (parking) during peak periods.

Better advertised sales

Better and free parking.

Better clothing options (boutiques, JCrew, Banana Republic), vegetarian cuisine (not pasta or something equally easy to prepare at home for less money), and home goods not geared toward owners of great camps. As a year-round resident, it is frustrating that there are basically three businesses in downtown Lake Placid that I actually visit. I would also shop in Lake Placid FAR more frequently if there was still a pet food store with quality pet food and pet products.

better clothing stores and better prices

What would entice you shop in Lake Placid more frequently? Better clothing stores for plus size and more childrens clothing other they the gap at average prices better gas prices in NY so we can travel more Better parking **Better Parking** Better parking better parking better parking less traffic better parking - and please do not add more meters to places they are not now - I do volunteer work and cannot be running out to a meter every two hours - have to park far enough away as it is. Hate the current meters - inefficient - hard to read inconvenient Better parking and easy flow of traffic. better parking and free parking for year round locals better parking and less expensive restaurants better parking and less traffic Better parking and more mid-range clothing stores. Better parking and more variety in stores. Better Parking For Handicap people Better parking in summer. More unique shopping. Too be fair, we are generally not big shoppers. We don't go to Plattsburgh so we buy at home or online. For "necessary" items it mostly comes down to price. Better Parking less through traffic Better parking situation Better parking situation, better prices, stores open later better parking---parking meters you can read Better parking, during busy weeks. Better parking, especially for locals. Better parking, friendlier staff at stores and restaurants, and better food for God's sake. There should be more bilingual (French) signs and individuals at stores and restaurants who are bilingual as well as French menus available to people from Quebec. BETTER PARKING, LESS CONGESTION better parking, less congestion Better parking, less congestion with delivery trucks, more places for people to mingle. Better parking, main street closed off and turned into an open air market a la Church street in Burlington. Better parking, more curteous to locals Better parking, more variety

What would entice you shop in Lake Placid more frequently? Better parking, quality product at a reasonable price Better parking; less congestion on Main St Better parking. Delivery trucks block the Main St. and clog traffic. Enforcable short-term parking to do quick errands, especially during summertime. Better parking. Lower prices Better parking. What's the rule for stores using the sidewalk for a sale or dining? Crowds the sidewalk. Better trolley info. Coverage at the stops. Better prices better prices better prices Better prices Better prices Better prices, more variety, dept store items like hair products, underwear, etc. better pricing Better pricing better range of prices and items Better selection of items in the stores. More regular clothing, underwear, shoes. Better selection of merchandise but most importantly more competitive prices, stores like Ruthie Run. JinJin, New Vision Lingerie and Cinderella Shopsare not for the average local people. The perception for many of us locals has been high prices and poor parking makesLake Placid a NO for shopping better selection of stores offering more diversity of products Better selection/prices better sidewalks around the Lake Better traffic flow and parking Better traffic options, no parking meters, more evening hours & promotions, more variety of items/stores (currently outlet clothing or high end expensive - nothing in between for average folk) better utilization of shopping space outside the village; areas that now are empty, i.e. Hannaford Plaza Better variety of local needs- basic items everyday needs. Lake Placid Main street stores are designed for tourists and too many restaurants with way over priced items. Do you really think the the local merchants can compete with Target/ walmart/ best Buy/ bed Bath and Beyond? You can't do that and remain a resort town so don't try to be two things at once. Better variety of products. Better variety of stores and better parking Better variety of stores with fewer tacky gift shops. Better bars and restaurants that aren't "tourist traps". Enhanced feeling of community from more apartments above street-level retail businesses; this would make it feel less like a tourist strip and more like a lively local scene. A good independent coffee shop (i.e. not Starbucks). better, more frequent public transportation Bigger Social Security check! (^\_^) Bigger variety can't think of anything Lake Placid has it all Cheaper prices Cheaper prices cheaper prices, we have a great variety of restaurants, although lack in the variety of shops. We have a mix of fun stores to explore and stores that are very specific to the item you are looking for. I feel as if theirs not enough variety and even if their was their prices keep me away. Paying higher for a local good is different then paying higher for a good you can have shipped to your door. Close down traffic and make the whole street a casual walkway with food vendors Clothing Competitive prices competitive to online pricing

consistent quanti	ty of apparel and lower prices
Convenient, free	parking.
Coupons	
department store	
	meters, these are hard to see in different light situation you have to run back and forth , it seems to cut out pping,as I don't want to deal with them, I f I don't have reading glasses it's a no.
Different type of s	stores
Difficult to answe	r again, as a local, I don't wish to compete for parking, etc., with out-of-towners.
Discount retailer	
discount store	
Discounts and lov	wer prices
Discounts for loca	al residents
diversity, more in	novative shopping, unique items
Don't know. I'm r	not a big shopper.
During the summ	er months parking can be chalkenging but not impossible.
ease and convier	nce
Ease of parking.	
Easier access	
Easier access to	stores - parking.
Easier ebb and fl	ow with sidewalk, crosswalk and parking.
easier parking	
	nd different meters would entice me to spend time in Lake Placid. The current meters are awful. Free parking d of. This past year I spent a lot less money in Lake Placid due to meters and lack of parking. Previous years
Easier parking ar	nd larger variety of stores based on a local salaries.
Easier parking ar	nd less crowded sidewalks and stores.
easier parking; b busy day	ut don't make it too easy because the natural restraints of the village will not handle much more volume on a
Easier parking.	
easier to find par	king spaces. Parking garage. fewer monthly parkers taking up spaces for paying visitors
Easier to park an money this way.	d use meter machines. If the sun is out you can't see what buttons to press or what else to do. I have lost
Easy parking, sid	ewalk on Wes Valley Rd
Entrainment durin	ng summer and more events at the olympic center, like in Burlington
Even more local	food!
Even more store	choices
evening hours	
evening hours, at	fter ski shopping,
Evening hours, m	nore variety (more clothes, card store).
Events that comb	ine local food and other shopping

What would entice you shop in Lake Placid more frequently?
Fewer options in Saranac Lake
Fine the way it is
Free & better parking.
Free and available parking. Greater variety of products sold (i.e. not all tourist directed). Better advertising of what is being
offered downtown.
Free and plentiful parking.
Free cocktails.
Free or simpler metered parking. The current meter system is very bad.
ree parking
Free parking
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Free parking
Free parking
Free parking
ree parking
Free parking and events
Free parking for locals. A sticker that would give us free 20 minute parking at a time.
Free parking for the locals and not getting slapped with parking tickets when we live here!
FREE PARKING, CHEAPER PRICES QUALITYPRODUCTS
Free parking, less traffic congestion, better quality of stores
FREE parking!!!
Free parking. No need to charge us to park with all the tourism they have.
Free plane fair!
Friendlier Staff. Easier short term parking.
Friendly salespeople lower prices
Friendly customer service Better condition of Sidewalks Awareness of the great variety
Funky clothing stores with a variety of items at more reasonable prices.
get concerts at arena and ;more people will shop before the concert, plus dine at restaurants. It draws a lot of people.
get parking meters one could actually see and read and post signs that make it clear what the hours are for metered parking.; s a nightmare parking anywhere near, much less on, Main street during daytime hours.
Get rid of parking meters!! I avoid shopping on Main St. because of them!!
go there
Going there again
Great sales and prices
Greater selection of women's clothing
greater variety of items, grocery and drug store, easier parking especially in bad weather, easier to use (and working) parking neters, longer hours
Greater variety of outdoor merchandise. Higher quality of clothing/shoes. More health and gourmet/international food stores.
Greater variety of women's clothing.
Having money to spend
high end stores and restaurants
already shop frequently
already shop in Lake Placid frequently but I would go more often if there were new stores opening up.
already shop in Lake Placid frequently but I would go more often if there were new stores opening up. always look for what I need in LP (or SL) before driving or ordering online - can't have everything, I spose!

I am not a big shopper

I don't buy much anywhere.

I don't think there is anything particular that would entice me to shop more frequently. I only live an hour away and like to get up there whenever I have the opportunity.

I hate the parking meters, make the road one-way to be safer

I have a disabled husband, so ease of parking is my main problem.

I know it is near impossible but if I had my ideal main street it would mimmick Church Street in Burlington/Pearl Street in Boulder. I do think that Lake Placid could build parking garages, eliminate parking on main street all together, and widen the side walks. Hence making making main street more walker friendly.

I loathe the parking meters. In the past few years, i find myself less and less willing to graple with them, find one that works, etc. It's a big deterrent. Often I just go to Saranac Lake instead.

I love shopping locally

I pretty much do all my shopping in LP. Why spend time and driving which is \$ when most of what I need I can find in town.

I really do enjoy helping the tourists figure out how to use the parking fee machines. I get to know where they are from and why they like LP. I just hope that they are not driven away by the lack of user friendliness of the machines. P Bruce Berra, Keene

I shop when I get the time to go. No other enticements are needed. I prefer to shop there over going to Plattsburgh.

I try to avoid LP during peak season, when it is harder to park. More outlets would also be nice - we drive to Queensbury now for that.

I won't change my habits, I like Lake Placid and the atmosphere, and that's why I recently built a house in nearby Wilmington, because it's a happening region of the Adirondacks (especially along with all the outdoor activities and proximity to the High Peaks region. Your safety and sidewalks are fine, don't worry about those!

I'm not sure if it's realistically possible for me to shop MORE frequently. But I would say that I'm more likely to shop in independent stores versus chains (no Target, Walmart, Dollar General, etc.)

If businesses stayed open in the off-season, usually April-March.We stay away during summer tourist season.

If I had more money I would shop a lot more. I LOVE DOWNTOWN LAKE PLACID. I LOVE ALL THE SHOPS. I LOVE THE VARIETY OF SHOPS AND THE VARIETY OF BEAUTIFUL MERCHANDISE. MORE SHOPS SHOULD OFFER THE "L O C A L D I S C O U N T". I APPRECIATE ALL THE STORES THAT DO OFFER A DISCOUNT FOR LAKE PLACID RESIDENT SHOPPERS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH! I RESENT DOGS ON MAIN STREET. THEY POOP ON THE SIDEWALKS. THEY ARE NOT CURE AND ADORABLE. DOGS SHOULD BE LEFT AT HOME!!! DOGS DO NOT ENJOY SHOPPING IN DOWNTOWN LAKE PLACID. TAKE THEM HIKING IN THE WOODS!!!

If I lived closer

If it was less expensive

If it were easier to get to.

If prices where more reasonable in restaurants and in stores.

If the number of inconsiderate, intellectually challenged tourists decreased. If Lake Placid also cared about locals - especially during the non-tourist times of the year.

If the store clerks would be more polite. They are rarely polite, and almost never say "thank you" after a purchase, even with store owners within earshot. I have commented to clerks that they should be saying "thank you", and some have responded in a way that suggests that they can't possibly comprehend why they should do that. One clerk actually told me that I should be thanking him, after all, he provided the service. Needless to say, I don't shop there anymore.

Improved parking, easier to use parking meters. Lower price on the shuttle.

Info about salesordiscountsforlocalshoppers

It can be crowded at times. But overall it is good

It's fine just the way it is

It's fine the way it is. Some shops are geared for visitors and don't have much for us, but that's the way it is and should be.

Kid clothes, kid shoes. Discounts for locals

knowing specials in stores

larger selection at of merchandis at affordable cost

Larger selection of stores

Larger variety of regular items and less souvenirs.

later evening hours and more parking

Later evening hours, "local" parking pass so you don't have to pay the meter every time you need to run in quick to pick something up at your favorite store. This should include more than just LP people and consider the surrounding areas of locals.

#### Later store hours

Later store hours on weekdays and more consistent hours overall. It seems like a lot of small shops open and close whenever they feel like it. I remember trying to buy a few gifts one day locally, and the first store I went to had a sign on it that said "be back in 15 minutes," and the 2nd store I went to was closed. I want to put my money back toward the local economy but they make it difficult to do so sometimes.

Less bugs

Less chain stores

Less congested parking, discounts for tri-lakes locals or lower pricing

Less congestion

less congestion

Less congestion (traffic) and more parking

Less congestion on streets

Less congestion on the sidewalks - remove tables, chairs, easier parking less deliveries during the day- more variety of gifts at reasonable prices. More information about stores and what they offer.

Less congestion on the street, and significantly more parking (lots) near main street - "near" meaning both horizontal and vertical distance.

Less congestion, adequate parking, reasonable prices

Less congestion, free parking, and more competitive prices.

less congestion. affordable prices

Less crowded

Less crowded street and better parking,

less crowding, better traffic management, better parking

Less Crowds and better Stores

Less hassle when it comes to parking.

less high end stores. Art supplies

less junky stores

Less pedestrian and traffic congestion, more parking, and more affordable eating options.

less street congestion, not so high cost of things

Less tourists and greater catering to residents.

Less tourists but I know they make the economy but I tend to visit more off season

Less touristy atmosphere , easier parking

Less Traffic

Less traffic and congestion, Much fewer teenagers on street!

Less traffic congestion

Less traffic congestion and more parking. Less expensive prices

Less traffic congestion, less walking-tourists congestion, better customer service and prices in shops.

less traffic, easier parking, broader range of stores- seems to be either very expensive or cheap

Less traffic, free parking

less traffic, more affordable prices

Less traffic, more parking, longer business hours and clerks should have a little more courtesy towards customers. Especially towards our tourists.

Like it the way it is ..

Living closer

living there full time

local discounts

Local parking pass	
Local pricing	
	free (as in local people live in area like Keene Valley) or a parking thing you could buy MORE parking
Locals day	The ( as in local people live in alea like receive valley) of a parking thing you could buy worke parking
Locals discount / sal	
_ots of sales	
Low cost items	
	r parking
ower prices, bette	
	d better road conditions.
Lower pcices	
Lower Prices	
	er Access - Friendly Parking
•	parking with meters that actually work, evening hours
	hours, better service
lower prices, more v	-
ower prices, variety	r,better parking
Lower prices.	
Lower Prices. A gift total??	certificate program based on community-wide shopping benefits, like certain % off based on \$\$ purchase
Make Main street lik	e Church street in Burlington and have 2 hour free parking (again, like Burlington)
Make Main Street pe	edestrian only
Maybe a day with la	er hours for locals who work.
Moderate priced clo	hing stores!
More accessible and	I free parking; more competitive prices; discounts for local people; wider variety of goods
More advertisement	and discounted prices.
More and convenier	t parking. Much lower prices. Less of a "tourist" atmosphere.
More authentic local	products
More boutique store	s and art galleries.
More boutique style	shops
More boutiques with	higher quality products
more businesses off	ering locals discount
More choice and nic	e customer service
More clothing stores	that are affordable.
Vore competitive pr	
More competitive pr	
	cing and more selection (i.e. less tee shirt shops)
· · ·	cing. I almost always can find a cheaper price somewhere else.
	park and better parking.
More convenient par	
•	king and reasonable parking meters or better yet lack of parking meters. People spend enough on hotels
ana shopping.	g

What would entice you shop in Lake Placid more frequently?
More cultural happenings, live music, more variety
more discounts
More distinct shops with things you can't find everywhere.
More diversity, not just tourist shops.
More everyday goods vs novelty or gift items. Competitive pricing.
more free parking
More free parking. Better traffic flow.
More general clothing. Not outlet and not ridiculously expensive. We need something in between.
More handicapped parking, and lower prices!
more high end stores
more housewares
More kids clothing and shoe stores! Plus later store hours on off peak seasons.
More local food stores
more local products
more locally geared merchandise to lessen the need to go to plattsburgh or shop online.
More modern day clothing outlets for teenagers
More money in my wallet.
More Options for Children's Clothing (Affordable / Quality)
More options for children's clothing and shoes.
More outdoor seating !
more outlets
More outlets
More outlets
More outlets! Especially clothing (American eagle, under armour, Nike,)
More parking
More parking & more products.
More parking areas
More parking in summer
more parking options
more parking-less congestion
More parking, better prices. At least one purchase was more than retail price.
More Parking, less parking meters. A free parking lot with meters only on Main Street
More parking! If you are going to bring all these people to the area you should make it more enjoyable for locals to go into town
and enjoy it as well.
More parking.
More parking. Maybe a frequent shuttle service from village lot off Old Military. Have tried town bus, service is just too unreliable.
More parking. Restricted trafffic flow during the summer months makes us avoid Main St at times.
More perks for locals, like local discounts in stores or to events. Also better advertising locally of events going on as I often hear of events after they happen and wish I could have attended.

More public parking lots

more qniue products that are really made here

More quality stores

More Sales

More selection for locals, something to entice locals to shop there, a little cheaper in price for decent clothes not just outlets MORE SELECTION OF EVERY DAY USE PRODUCTS . IT'S MAINLY SPECIALTY ITEMS. GO TO PLATTSBURG & MALONE TO WALMART

More selection of items.

More selections. New businesses that do not just sell the same things as other businesses in the area. Parking during the summer is also pretty bad. If more parking was available I think a lot more people would support local businesses.

more shoes and clothing

more shops designed for locals rather then tourists.

More specialty shops and fewer tourism oriented shops.

More stores

More stores

More stores & restaurants. Concerts & events.

More stores in proportion to the eateries. Outlet stores a huge draw to shoppers. Everybody loves to save money. Also, there are lots of 'gifty' stores, but less in the way of fashion/function and the ones that are there tend to be pricey and less sales offered.

More things that I need, not just things that I want or touristy stuff.

more time off of work

More time to come to Lake Placid

More unique specialty shops. Better connection with surrounding towns - so many neighboring towns have so much to offer as well, it would be nice to see the towns working together to increase tourism.

more variety

More variety - esp in clothing choices that are NOT sports-oriented. An excellent bakery/cafe.

More variety at competitive prices

More variety at the same prices as what you can find in further places like Plattsburgh and Malone

More variety in the types of stores. There are a lot of antique and gift shop type stores. I would like to see a pet store, another clothing store that appeals to the 20-40 age range, and maybe another sporting goods store that could keep prices competitive with EMS. More parking would also be helpful and it would be nice if locals did not have to pay for meters. Decals could be used to denote a local's car.

More variety of clothing, a metaphysical bookstore

More variety of items and less cheap touristy stuff.

More variety of merchandise. Perhaps items that are necessary to get me there for another reason first then id buy more

more variety of shops

More variety of shops

More variety of shops and better parking.

more variety of stores with clothing, gifts

More variety of stores, better prices

more variety, stores selling what I am seeking, free parking

More variety, unique shops and better dining experiences

More variety.

More variety. Suggest that more activities for hockey visitors (CanAm) like a Dave & Busters type establishment.

More variety. Better pricing. Town events. Free parking.

More/better parking

multiplex movie theater on the periphery of town

N/A

What would entice you shop in Lake Placid more frequently?
NA
No problem always by t shirts at Bear Essentials and Jewelry
No Metered parking
No meters and good prices
No meters and more parking
no parking fees
No parking meters
no parking meters or days that are free for parking
No parking meters. I hate watching my watch as I'm shopping, trying clothes on, walking the length of Main St. I used to shop more when there were "no" parking meters, years ago.
Not having to pay for parking on the streetI frequently decide not to shop there because I find the meters aggravating, and it seems pretty expensive in such a rural place
not sure. I just don't go to LP for everyday needs.
Nothing
Nothing - pretty satisfied
nothing I do not come to LP for shopping
Nothing Just Love It There
Nothing really -
Nothing really. In the summer Main Street is very congested and there seems to be no place to park so I avoid it then. I do shop midweek, not weekends. Obviously we need the tourists to be here and trying to find a way to reduce traffic is counter productive.
Nothing, I find the experience fine as is
Nothing, I shop for groceries because Tops is ridiculous.
nothing, too pricey and tourist focused
nothing, we love it
Nothing,but the fact that I live East of Albany,NY,and I don't get up there enough!
Nothing.
Nothing.
Nothing.
Nothing.
Nothing. Tourist when here we travel up from Long Lake
Offer lower prices than that over Tupper Lake.
Old type coin deposit parking meters. More variety of better quality clothing, including children's clothing and shoes.
One more parking lot
Overall, I am satisfied with the charming little shops on Main Street. However, I may like to see a trendy furniture store.
PARKING
Parking and pricing

Parking and ethnic restaurants

Parking w/o cost for 1/2 hour. A lot of times I just need to run into Stor

Parking!!!!!

Parking!!!!! Getting through Main St. w/o sidewalk and street congestion. Free parking after high tourist season! When I have to drive into town, I use Mirror Lake Dr. and Hillcrest to avoid that congestion or shop outside the downtown area.

PARKING!.....A main parking garage for anyone planning to spend more than 15 minutes on main street, and then turn main street, or a good portion of it, into 15 minute parking, allowing locals to run errands and/or pick up things they know they want or need without meandering

Parking. Bike friendly shopping and riding. Increased accessibility .

Plus size women's active clothing

Price

Price

Price

Prices and more options

Prices are set for tourists and not local residents. Some stores are simply too expensive to shop in.

Prices, selection, better parking

Product

Public transportation

Reasonable prices, ease of parking

Right now, and especially since Borders in Plattsburgh closed, we do all of our shopping either in Placid, Saranac Lake, or online. I think a lot of new ideas need to be explored for the Rt.73 approach; it seems to be entirely divorced from the rest of town. The presence of the Oval seems to hinder rather than add to the definition of Lake Placid.

Sales

Sales and events on Main St.

Sales, discounts, lower prices

Selection & Fair price

shoes my size (woman's small); fun clothes for woman between 30 to 50 years old; Home goods such as art; home decor; bedding; furniture; lighting

Shop when we are hiking nearby or a few times of year make "a day" of it downtown. Rest of the time we rarely go beyond the outskirts of town (mall and hardware stores on the edge of the town). Do find the difficulty finding a free parking spot as well as the crowds on the sidewalks hard to deal with -- like things a little less busy, but realize that it is great for Lake Placid to have the streets and sidewalks jammed.

Sidewalk art fair that entices local artists to come to the area.

Sidewalks were so slippery in 2013, had to give-up X-mas shopping and go home :o(

Small department store, for certain items...but not on main street

Some lower prices would be nice and more money to shop with.

Special event like sidewalk sale. Any promotional or free gift incentive

Special sale weekend/sales for locals

Specials listed through e-mail notifications

Store wide seasonal sales

Stores open after 5PM

stores with more diverse merchandice

stronger communication in Schroon Lake

the continued offer of goods and services I cannot get in Saranac Lake

The sales are what would entice me.

They have a lot of nice stores!

Time in my schedule to travel to Lake Placid to shop.

TJ MAXX

TJMaax, betterparking, more discount stores

to have a locals appreciation week or something of that nature - i understand that they have to appeal to the market that they have, but sometimes it feels like locals are shunned for shopping locally.

Tri-Lakes discount when driver's license zip code is within 30 miles +\-

Unique items, foods, experiences that could not be bought online or in regional shops. Lake Placid is a one-of-a-kind place. They would do well to sell only one-of-a-kind things. A partnership between Lake Placid shops and restaurants and Adirondack craftspeople, farmers, artists, clothing makers, and guides could be the centerpeice of Lake Placid products and shopping experience. Then it would be worth traveling to Lake placid from just about anywhere (or shopping Lake Placid online if you can't). Lake Placid should develop a clearly defined and identifiable niche position.

variety

Variety of shops

Variety of stores

Variety of stores

Variety store

Walmart

Walmart

Walmart

We actually do most of our shopping in Lake Placid now.

We like Placid as it is

We live in NYC, and own a place in LP. If we could get up to LP more, we'd shop there more. We do save up our shopping for when we go to LP.

We shop there for all of our needs. It's just convenient!

We went over this already...

We were from out of town, will be back

We will STOP shopping in LP, and even stop coming to LP, if it turns towards more outlets, corporate stores/restaurants & franchises. It will lose it's character and look more like every place else in the country. More parking would only make matters WORSE - become more crowded, bring in difference influences... limited parking allows the town to keep its character. Otherwise it just becomes a mall.

Weekday evening hours. Fewer knick knack stores. REAL local stories.

When we come into town it is after 4pm. Not all the stores I like stay open late enough for us to eat and then shop. Later hours would be nice.

You are missing a verb in this sentence.

You mean downtown lp, right? More variety of practical stuff