



# Adirondack region of upstate NY New & updated - fall & winter 2023-24

#### **Events & Activities**

# **Solar Eclipse**

On April 8, 2024, the Adirondacks will be one of the best locations in New York state, and the entire Northeast, to view a total solar eclipse. Considering that 25% of the entire North American population is within a day's drive of this region, large crowds are anticipated. 2024-eclipse.com shares information about places to watch, events to attend and where, specifically in the Adirondack Park, to view this celestial event. Many places within the Adirondacks will be in the "path of totality," meaning that there will be more than 3 minutes of darkness, with areas further away from the center line of totality in the dark for anywhere between 1-3 minutes.

#### Northville-Placid Trail celebrates 100 years

Outdoors enthusiasts, and especially those who love to hike, will be able to take part in the 100th anniversary celebration of the Northville-Placid Trail with a hike of their own. This 138-mile trail winds its way through some of the most beautiful and remote areas of the Adirondack Park between Northville NY and Lake Placid NY. Those who attempt to complete the entire route, over many days, can take refuge in numerous lean-tos along the way; while re-stocking their supplies in the small villages adjacent to particular sections of the route. Most people hike the route from June through the late fall months. The <a href="Adirondack Mountain Club">Adirondack Mountain Club</a> will share additional information about the anniversary in upcoming months.

#### **UCI Mountain Bike event**

Top cycling athletes will compete in a world mountain biking event at Mount Van Hoevenberg in Lake Placid over three days in September 2024. This venue will be one of 10 worldwide sites of the Union Cycliste Internationale (UCI) Mountain Bike World Series; and . The Adirondack Park venue will be one of six new sites for the competition.

# North Country New Year

Formerly known as the First Night celebration, the event is returning to Saranac Lake on New Year's Eve 2023. This family-friendly celebration of New Year's Eve will offer food, fun, live music and dance. Downtown Saranac Lake, NY.

### Lake Placid Ironman

This event celebrates 25 years as the longest-running Ironman race in the US aside from Kona's Ironman World Championship, Ironman Lake Placid is one of the most recognizable events in triathlon. Established in 1999, the legendary race celebrates its 25th anniversary in July 2024. It begins with a 2.4-mile swim across the pristine Mirror Lake, followed by a 112-mile bike course that winds its way through the Adirondack Mountains, and concludes with a 26.2-mile run course that goes through the Olympic village and along the shore of Mirror Lake, offering a flat and fast finish at the iconic Olympic Oval. Visit the Ironman website for more information.

#### Adirondack Rail Trail

The Adirondack Rail Trail is being built on the old New York Central railroad line - these miles of former rail line, between Lake Placid and Tupper Lake, are being converted into a multi-use recreation trail with restored train service south of Tupper Lake and a multi-use trail from Tupper Lake to Lake Placid. The Adirondack Rail Trail will be one of the nation's premier, year-round recreation trails for bicyclists, runners, walkers, birders, and wheelchair users, as well as for snowmobiles in winter. Construction on this route, eventually connecting Lake Placid with Tupper Lake (approximately 35 miles) is underway with the first phase currently being completed this fall, connecting Lake Placid to Saranac Lake. Phase 2, linking Saranac Lake with Lake Clear, will begin in 2024 and the final phase from Lake Clear to Tupper Lake will be complete in 2025.

# <u>Fort Ticonderoga</u> commemorates 250 years since the battle for independence.

The national 250th commemoration of the American War for Independence will take place from 2024-27, and Fort Ticonderoga will begin its programs, events and other commemorative plans. The region along the Lake Champlain shoreline, at the foothills of the Adirondack Mountains, was critical to American victory in the Revolution and was recognized early on as the site of remarkable human achievements combined with some of America's most dramatic scenery.

#### **Hotel Properties & Accommodations**

# Cambria® Hotel Lake Placid

The Cambria Hotel is situated on the shore of scenic Lake Placid Lake, close to picturesque hiking trails, pristine lakes and waterways, world-class skiing and winter sports venues. The hotel features 4,000 square feet of meeting space, 185 rooms with flexible configurations, an indoor pool, indoor and outdoor wedding venues. The casual, yet upscale dining room of Haystack Bar & Bistro will serve a menu of elevated American staples with a selection of local craft beers, and a unique selection of wines and craft cocktails.

2127 Saranac Ave, Lake Placid, NY / 518-523-8964

### **Bluebird Lake Placid**

One of the newest hotel properties in Lake Placid, Bluebird boasts Scandinavian-inspired clean design with Japanese influence. The on-site restaurant provides a convenient option for guests. Its bar, called Aprés Only, is scheduled to open later in 2023.

2375 Saranac Ave, Lake Placid, NY / 518-918-9741

#### NewVida Preserve

This unique resort property offers a unique blend of members club and traveler's oasis. The 2,000-acre property has its own mountaintop with 360-degree views due to its previous existence as a ski lodge; the architecture is everything visitors would expect from a mountain getaway. The preserve features a bistro, an evening craft bar, a holistic wellness center, numerous indoor spaces in which to unwind and gather, and plenty of trails to hike, climb and ski. A three-course supper club with a rotating menu along with a gym, sauna, and spa will open soon. Memberships, which are geared toward local residents, provide day-use access to all amenities and provide loyalty program discounts. Overnight guests are granted membership access to amenities during their stay. The general public is welcome at The Bistro, while participating in paid classes and experiences, and can access the Craft Bar and Supper Club for an additional non-members fee.

6394 NY Route 86, Jay, NY / 845-605-8165

<u>The Lodge at Schroon Lake</u> plans to offer a shuttle service to Gore Mountain this winter for those planning a ski vacation in the region.

210 Registration Way, Schroon Lake, NY / 518-523-2587

#### Restaurants, Cafes, Brewpubs

# River & Rails Market and Deli

This market and deli has quickly become a local favorite. Its somewhat surprising location is now on the route for those who enjoy its delicious sandwiches and baked goods. It serves fresh baked goods, pantry staples, drinks, freshly made sandwiches and meals.

870 Whallons Bay Road, Whallonsburg, NY / 518-963-8995

#### **Twisted Raven**

In the summer of 2023, Wilmington welcomed the Twisted Raven! With a menu full of American-style stick-to-your-ribs pub favorites as well as a wide selection of beer and creative cocktails, Twisted Raven is perfect for a night of fun or refueling after a day of adventure in the Whiteface Region. The pub hosts themed nights and community events throughout the year.

8 Whiteface Memorial Highway, Wilmington, NY / 518-946-6160

<u>Capisce Coffee</u> is a small-town Italian coffee house tucked away in the beautiful Adirondack Park. Woman and family-owned. Selling organic coffee, fair trade goods, and art by local artisans. 5659 Cascade Road, Lake Placid, NY

<u>Trigo</u> is a whole grain bakery, farm store, and community cafe in the heart of Westport, New York. Trigo is owned and operated by Triple Green Jade Farm.

12 Champlain Ave, Westport, NY 12993/518-302-1828

#### Retail

#### **HK Boat Rentals**

Located within walking distance of downtown Saranac Lake, HK Waterfront provides public rentals of fishing boats, pontoon boats, kayaks, and stand-up paddleboards. Guided, captained boat cruises are available as well, including half-day fishing trips, private boat tours for up to eight people, and sunset cruises.

250 Lake Flower Avenue, Saranac Lake NY / 518-282-3334

#### Adirondack Field

This new retail space showcases its Lake Placid-based and American-made apparel brand. Adirondack Field is a small-batch lifestyle brand offering authentic, timeless clothes manufactured in an ethical and environmentally responsible way. 100 percent of its goods are at least cut and sewn in the United States, with some products manufactured in the Adirondacks.

2522 Main Street, Lake Placid, NY / 518-312-2716

#### The Maple Shop

This maple-themed gourmet shop will be opening in Lake Placid during the fall of 2023. Construction on the retail space is underway - more information will be forthcoming.

#### **Heartwood Studios**

This boutique gift shop and creative studio designs and crafts many of the products found in the store while also carrying goods from other makers who share the same passion for creative and quality-made products. Anticipated opening, fall 2023.

13 Broadway, Saranac Lake NY

# Mike Eruzione Shop

Owned by legendary hockey player Mike Eruzione, this new hockey-themed retail outlet pays tribute to the 1980 Miracle on Ice hockey team and its players in the Lake Placid Olympic village. The store offers hockey jerseys, apparel, signed memorabilia and more.

2458 Main Street, Lake Placid, NY

### Faizy's Fun House & Arcade

The newest spot on Main Street is Faizy's Fun House Arcade, offering a number of games, including Skee-ball, basketball, and Plinko, as well as grab machines. Plans are in place to add a bar and axe-throwing.

2457 Main Street, Lake Placid / 518-302-5005

#### **Attractions**

#### The Notch - a new lift at Whiteface

This new lift is coming to Whiteface Mountain for the 2023-24 season to enhance the skier/rider experience. The Notch is a new detachable quad lift from the Bear Den Learning Center to a point just beyond the Legacy Lodge at mid-station. This innovative lift – the only one of its kind in the East – is actually two lifts in one that together operate seamlessly. Riders can unload onto the Boreen trail or continue further upward, where they can access other trails as well as Legacy Lodge. The addition of this lift will help skiers & riders access more terrain and reduce traffic on other lifts and trails. Whiteface Mountain, 5021 Route 86, Wilmington, NY / 518-946-2223