AREA HIGHLIGHTS & Local Destinations



LAKE PLACID

While we love the peace and quiet in Keene, bustling Lake Placid is the hub of High Peaks tourism. Take a stroll around Mirror Lake, catch a gondola to the top of the imposing ski jumps, window shop on Main Street or pay a visit to famous Olympic Sites including Herb Brooks Arena, home to the 1980 "Miracle" hockey match between the US and Soviet Union. You'll also find a large selection of bars and restaurants to choose from here.



THE WILD CENTER

This extensive award-winning natural history museum in Tupper Lake is well worth the scenic hour drive. The interactive campus features 54,000 sq. ft. of indoor exhibits, walking trails, wildlife encounters and the famous "Wild Walk" including a four-story tree house. Naturalist led walks and canoe trips are available. Be sure to call ahead for more information as hours can vary by season.



HIGH FALLS GORGE

For accessible access to wild Adirondack beauty pay a visit to this 22-acre privately owned nature park spanning a scenic section of the West Branch of the Ausable River with four waterfalls. Well groomed paths and platforms make this easier terrain for older folks and children compared to the typical rugged High Peaks trails.

WHITEFACE MOUNTAIN

Whiteface Mountain is much more than a winter ski hill. In the summer, you can drive the winding Whiteface Veteran's Memorial Highway to a castle at the top of New York State's Fifth Highest Peak. There is also the option to take a scenic gondola ride from the base of the mountain to Little Whiteface Summit .Either way you are rewarded with sweeping views all the way to Vermont and Canada.



MT. VANHOVENBERG COMPLEX

This is a real hub of activity with options including mountain coaster rides, a bob sledding experience, a gondola ride to the top of the Olympic Ski Jumps, rock climbing, and luge lessons, as well as mountain biking and hiking trails in the summer and cross country skiing in the winter.