

## BEYOND THE CITY

## Finger Lakes

**T**HE HOLIDAYS BRING WINTRY sparkle to a region where still-life waterfalls meet wines pressed from frosty grapes. Locals are wrapping up the 100th anniversary celebration of the Finger Lakes Tourism Alliance, the nation's oldest regional destination marketing organization.

— Jen Rose Smith



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## SHOPPING

## MACKENZIE-CHILDS

Hand-painted ceramics, furniture and enamels showcase whimsical designs in the showroom of **MacKenzie-Childs** along Cayuga Lake in Aurora. Save time to visit the Gothic Revival chicken house.

► [www.mackenzie-childs.com](http://www.mackenzie-childs.com)

## MURANDA CHEESE COMPANY

Graze slices of locally made aged cheddar and raw-milk Gouda at this family-run operation in Waterloo with a tasting room in a 19th-century barn.

► [murandacheese.com](http://murandacheese.com)



Taughannock Falls State Park

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## HIDDEN GEMS

## TAUGHANNOCK FALLS

At **Taughannock Falls State Park** in Trumansburg, rocky cliffs flank a 215-foot waterfall, which turns into a natural ice sculpture during winter months.

► [parks.ny.gov/parks/62](http://parks.ny.gov/parks/62)

## GEORGE EASTMAN MUSEUM

The **George Eastman Museum** in Rochester, a trove of historic film and photography, goes all out for the holidays. Come for nostalgic screenings in the restored Dryden Theatre; if you visit by Dec. 12 you can bid in the gingerbread house silent auction.

► [eastman.org](http://eastman.org)



Hazelnut Kitchen

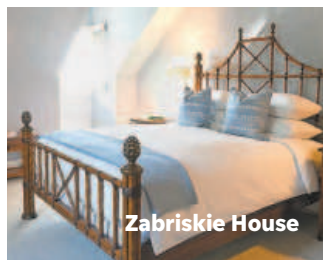
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## STAY

## WILLIAM HENRY MILLER INN

Downtown Ithaca is steps away from the porch of the **William Henry Miller Inn**, where new owners Amy Fuhr and Christopher Anderson treat guests to a nightly buffet of homemade desserts.

► [millerinn.com](http://millerinn.com)



Zabriskie House

INNS OF AURORA

## ZABRISKIE HOUSE

Cozy up to a crackling fire at the newly opened 11-room **Zabriskie House**, a Georgian Revival mansion now part of the Inns of Aurora. An elegant, three-story staircase shines after renovation of the 1904 landmark.

► [innsofaurora.com](http://innsofaurora.com)



F.L.X. Table

DONOVAN INGRAM

## RESTAURANTS

## HAZELNUT KITCHEN

Local wines pair beautifully with the farm-to-table cuisine at **Hazelnut Kitchen** in Trumansburg. Seasonal menus include the option to "let the kitchen decide," handing your dinner over to the chef's whimsy.

► [hazelnutkitchen.com](http://hazelnutkitchen.com)

## F.L.X. TABLE

A 14-seat communal table and playful cuisine make **F.L.X. Table** in Geneva feel like the Finger Lakes' most exclusive dinner party. A set, seasonal menu featuring five courses can range from local cheeseboards to entrées spiked with Burgundy truffles, dukkah and seaweed.

► [flxtable.com](http://flxtable.com)

## Corning glass Christmas tree



CORNING MUSEUM OF GLASS



Boundary Breaks riesling

## ATTRACTIONS

## BOUNDARY BREAKS

Sip winter's sweetest harvest in the tasting room at **Boundary Breaks** in Lodi, where plunging temperatures usher in production of ice wine, made with grapes frozen on the vine. Using riesling grapes from a lakeside vineyard, the winery also ferments everything from dry bubbies to dessert wines with richly concentrated flavors.

► [boundarybreaks.com](http://boundarybreaks.com)

## CORNING MUSEUM OF GLASS

Warm up in the glow of molten glass in the **Corning Museum of Glass**, which invites visitors to make their own glass snowmen, Christmas trees and holiday ornaments.

► [cmog.org](http://cmog.org)