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The Best Last-Minute Weekend Getaways from New York City

All the relaxing, delicious, and inspiring ways to enjoy the great outdoors.

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With summer in full swing and vaccines duly disseminated, our most ambitious travel fantasies are finally about to be realized. But a faraway trip will hardly be enough to satisfy our wanderlust after a year and a half of restrictions, so we've put together a shortlist of easy jaunts from the Big Apple—outings perfect for a quick weekend escape (or a longer vacation with a couple of WFH days snuck in)—all arranged by travel time for your planning needs.

A Short Drive: Saranac Lake and the Finger Lakes



Further on, head to Saranac Lake, nestled between the Adirondack Mountains, where the likes of Mark Twain and Robert Louis Stevenson had gone for a mind, body, and soul reset. Check into [The Point](#), the intimate lakefront private Adirondack estate that was originally built for William Avery Rockefeller II. Today, the Point offers 11 distinct guest rooms and a “house party” atmosphere, where visitors receive access to all 7 -acres of the secluded property and the staff anticipates guests' every need. Here, hiking boots of all sizes are available for guests to borrow, and it's not unusual for the staff to arrange impromptu activities based on guests' desires. Visit [The Village Mercantile](#), New York state's only community-owned department store, where you can find a plethora of limited edition, not-so-ordinary gifts from local vendors and artists. When visiting a rustic woodsy town, expect that maple syrup is incorporated into everything.