

## AN INSIDER'S GUIDE TO GREATER NASHUA







I like to say that New Hampshire is a state of best kept secrets, and this is true even in the greater Nashua region, which is one of the most populated parts of the state.

While some of what makes the greater Nashua region great is well-known, greater Nashua is, to a certain extent, an underground region, with many relatively unknown attractions, shops, events, and happenings.

And it is these secrets that are shared in "An Insider's Guide to Greater Nashua."

This guide features a carefully-curated selection of more than 400 greater Nashua attractions, entertainment and recreation spots, restaurants, bars, stores, and events. From the essential to the obscure, "An Insider's Guide to Greater Nashua" showcases well-known establishments and brings much-needed attention to their lesser-known counterparts.

"An Insider's Guide to Greater Nashua" is essential for new and prospective residents and employees of the region, as well as for students who attend — or are considering attending — one of the region's colleges and universities.

This streetwise guide is your key to unlocking greater Nashua and all it has to offer. If you would like more information on all of the cool opportunities to be found across the rest of New Hampshire, I invite you to visit <u>stayworkplay.org</u>.

Enjoy!

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As a devoted Granite Stater and member of the Eversource team, I'm proud to join Stay Work Play NH in introducing this valuable guide to the wealth of resources that enrich our lives in the Greater Nashua region. With the environment having changed dramatically during the COVID-19 pandemic, we are especially mindful of how lucky we are to have so many spectacular natural resources available for our safe enjoyment as we continue to practice social distancing. On behalf of Eversource, I'm honored to extend a warm welcome to those of you who are new to the area and to re-connect with those of you who have long been a part of this vibrant community.

With a rich heritage that includes pioneering the Granite State's first electric system, Eversource proudly supports our Greater Nashua communities among the 211 cities and towns the company serves across New Hampshire. From the Seacoast, to the White Mountains, to the pristine shores of our many lakes, and to the rolling hills and valleys of the Monadnock and Upper Valley regions. We love life here! Many of our employees – including myself – have made the Greater Nashua area their home. It's exciting to see cities like Nashua continue to grow and thrive as a great place for young people to succeed and have fulfilling lives throughout their careers.

Today's energy industry is dynamic and filled with opportunities awaiting a new generation of ideas. Energetic young people are walking through our doors at Eversource every day to help us empower a clean energy future by supporting our nationally-recognized energy efficiency solutions and investments in incorporating new clean energy resources like solar, offshore wind, electric vehicles and battery storage, into the electric system. Whether it's our partnerships with FIRST Robotics New Hampshire and Plymouth State University on the annual Governor's Cup to retain talented students throughout the Granite State or our support of nonprofits like the Greater Nashua United Way, Great American Downtown, and the Front Door Agency, we take pride in being a workforce development leader that is benefiting the region and all of New Hampshire.

Many of you reading this are already making important contributions to help enhance the vibrancy of the Greater Nashua region and our state, leading us toward a better tomorrow. It is our hope that this guide will strengthen your roots in the community; or, if you are considering moving to the area, it will lead you to meaningful friendships and unforgettable experiences in our beautiful state. We'd love to have you as neighbors!

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The city that is the epicenter of the Greater Nashua region goes by many names - historically "Indian Head", "The Gate City", and, of course, Nashua. Nashua, with a population of around 90,000, is known for offering a little bit of everything, including shopping, indoor and outdoor recreation, sports, performing arts, a rich history, and so much more!

Just like the surrounding towns, Nashua is a get-out-and-explore city, with Mine Falls Park, Nashua River, and Greeley Park. Holman Stadium, home of the Silver Knights, and Downtown Nashua are the hotspots where thousands of neighbors and new friends alike come together. Many of the small businesses and organizations in the region are based around the environment, whether it's a restaurant working with local farms to offer farm-to-table menus, small businesses serving to educate and preserve New Hampshire nature, or gardening clubs that help the community become more involved in growing plants around the city.

Nashua is also the home to many firsts, such as New Hampshire's first railroad track that brought business to and from Boston, Massachusetts, home of the company who made the first commercial home video game console, and the first city in the nation to receive the honor of being #1 in "Best Place to Live in America" - twice by Money Magazine.

The region also has a strong artistic side, too. Places like Andres Institute of Art, Nashua's Positive Street Art, and the Art Week event showcase the creative works of Greater Nashua. Nashua's art is also performed on stage. The Peacock Players, Actorsingers, and the performers at the Hunt Building and Wilton Town Hall Theater perform spectacular shows all year round.

In addition to its entertainment options, the Greater Nashua region is home to an array of restaurants, locally-owned retailers, and weekly produce markets. Take a stroll down Main Street and be immersed in all of the culture and community that the Nashua area has to offer.

Want to do something adventurous? SkyVenture, Mel's Funway Park, and Fun World all offer amazingly fun experiences for all ages. There's also plenty of golf courses, boating locations, climbing centers, ice skating, and other places for those who are sporty.

The true heart of the region is its collection of small businesses and the people working at them. No matter what you need or want, these business owners and workers put their heart and soul into everything they do, whether it be to bring you a tasty treat, help you explore your hobbies, or even to build and make exactly the thing that will complete your home. Offering all that and more, the Greater Nashua region invites you to come and enjoy!

An Insider's Guide to Greater Nashua is organized to encourage immersive exploration of the region. This guide is broken down into the following sections aimed at helping readers identify both the more traditional and well-known aspects of the region, as well as more hidden, obscure, or otherwise off-beat finds known only to long-time residents. Most titles are linked directly to their website or Facebook page:

#### **NEWS & MEDIA**

Your source on where to find out what's making the headlines in and around Nashua.

#### **TRANSPORTATION & PARKING**

Find out how to get to and around the Nashua region through its various modes of transportation. And most importantly - tips on where to find parking.

#### **EAT & DRINK**

The restaurants, bars, diners, bakeries, food counters, cafes, and coffee shops that comprise the region's most interesting culinary offerings are included in this section.

#### **BREWERIES & MEADERIES**

Greater Nashua is awash in craft beer and mead. Find out where to find it and enjoy it in this section.

#### **CULTURAL ATTRACTIONS**

From the obscure to the regionally-renowned, this section highlights the museums, galleries, and spots of historical importance that showcase the region's cultural diversity.

#### **ENTERTAINMENT & RECREATION**

Showing how residents have fun, this section describes the region's many recreational offerings, from parks and trails, to professional sports teams, climbing gyms, and gun ranges.

#### **SHOP LOCAL**

A region is more than its cultural attractions, dining establishments, and entertainment venues. This section shares the primarily local and independent retail business establishments of interest to both visitors and residents.

#### **PETS**

From dog parks to pet supplies, this section will help your pets feel right at home in Greater Nashua, too.

#### **EVENTS**

Here you will find a listing of popular weekly, monthly, and annual regional events. This is another great section to review to find events where you can meet people who share interests similar to yours in addition to learning more about Stay Work Play NH's events and programming.

#### CONNECT

From young professionals networks to sports leagues to meetups of all varieties, check out this section to find out where you can meet people. Want to give back? Peruse this section to learn where you can volunteer your time and efforts for a good cause, be it on behalf of area nonprofits or at the local municipal level.

#### **EDITOR'S NOTE**

All listings and other information were accurate at the time of publication, but might have changed. Readers are encouraged to visit an establishment's website or to call prior to visiting to verify hours of operation, prices, etc.



Catching up on local news, initiatives, and events like festivals, film screenings, and lectures, can help you get the most out of the Greater Nashua area. In addition to what you can find in the pages of this guide, perusing the following websites can enhance your life here by helping you put the region in context.

#### **AMHERST CITIZEN**

The Amherst Citizen is the place to go for any and all things Amherst! Learn about news, events, places to visit, and local businesses to best experience the history and charm of this wonderful town.

#### **HOLLIS BROOKLINE NEWS ONLINE**

Your source for everything about the towns of Hollis and Brookline provided by the Hollis-Brookline Rotary Club.

#### MILFORD CABINET / THE CABINET PRESS

The Cabinet is the go-to place for the latest Greater Nashua happenings. With pages covering Nashua, Bedford, Hollis, Brookline, and Merrimack, you can be sure that The Cabinet has something about your local area.

#### **NASHUA PATCH**

Hyperlocal news, alerts, discussions and events for Nashua.

#### **NASHUA TELEGRAPH**

For over 175 years, the Nashua Telegraph has been a trusted source for the Greater Nashua region and beyond.

#### **NEW HAMPSHIRE MAGAZINE**

Whether you're looking for where to get a quick bite, a family-friendly event, or even where the best foliage spots are located, New Hampshire Magazine has you covered. Be sure to check out the <a href="Best of NH page">Best of NH page</a> for the best-voted locations in the state!

#### **NEW HAMPSHIRE PUBLIC RADIO (NHPR)**

Public radio from NH. Your source for state-wide news and information offering a mix of local, national and international news and cultural programming.

#### **NEW HAMPSHIRE UNION LEADER**

The state's largest newspaper, the Union Leader is published daily and covers news, sports, and more in Manchester and across the Granite State. Non-subscribers can view three articles for free each day on the paper's website.

#### **THE HIPPO**

The Hippo, a free alternative weekly newspaper, covers the Merrimack Valley of southern New Hampshire and northern Massachusetts and offers news, food, music, movie, and arts coverage, as well as the state's largest listings section of things to do

#### WMUR-TV

A Hearst Television station and ABC Television affiliate, WMUR-TV, aka Channel 9, is the state's only network television affiliate and covers breaking news across the state.

#### **WKXL 1450 AM**

This News Talk Information station hit the airwaves in 1946 and to this day keeps Granite Staters informed and engaged in the current events of our times.

#### **WSMN 1590**

Come listen in to Nashua's favorite songs, stories, and locals!



While the Greater Nashua region has one of the most robust transportation networks in the state, getting most places without your own vehicle can sometimes be a challenge.

#### **GETTING HERE**

#### AIR

#### MANCHESTER-BOSTON REGIONAL AIRPORT.

served by Southwest, Delta, United, and American Airlines, is less than a half hour drive away from Concord. Travelers' options into town include car rental, taxis, Uber, and the Concord Express bus service that connects Concord with the Manchester Boston Regional Airport and Downtown Manchester.

#### **BUS**

BOSTON EXPRESS provides service from Boston's Logan Airport and South Station to the Manchester Transportation Center at 119 Canal St. with stops in Salem, NH, and Londonderry, NH. All Boston Express buses offer bathrooms and free wifi. Manchester Transit Authority (MTA) also offers express, inter-city service to Nashua, NH, and Concord, NH.

CONCORD COACH LINES serves points in New Hampshire and Maine to Boston, South Station and Logan Airport. They also offer daily direct service between Portland, Maine and New York City.

#### **GETTING AROUND**

Getting around without a private vehicle can sometimes be a challenge, but it's not impossible. Here are your options.

#### **BICYCLE RULES**

Along with the designated bike paths marked throughout the city, bicyclists are entitled to drive on the street as long as they follow the same "rules of the road" as vehicular traffic. Additionally, bicycles must keep to the far right of the lane except when making a left-hand turn, overtaking another bicycle or vehicle, or avoiding a hazard in the road. Also note that riding a bicycle on a sidewalk is illegal in Nashua.

This being New Hampshire, riders 16 and older are not required to wear a helmet. State law does, however, require riders to wear reflective apparel from a half-hour after sunset to a half-hour before sunrise.

In addition to on-street bicycling infrastructure, the region has a bevy of off-street rail trails and other bike paths, many of which are paved.

#### **GRANITE STATE TAXI & TRANSPORTATION**

This family-owned taxi service began when they realized "that there is a definite need for a safe, reliable and affordable taxi service in the Nashua area".

#### **NASHUA TRANSIT SYSTEM**

With plenty of routes, including three night routes, and stops every hour or half-hour, the Nashua Transit System is a great way to travel around the city no matter your destination!

#### **RIDESHARE**

Whether you are going with friends to visit the region or you live and work in Nashua, Rideshare with Enterprise is here! Choose from a selection of SUVs, crossovers, and vans to carpool with family, friends, and coworkers to save on time, money, and the environment.

#### **VEO RIDE SHARE**

Use your smartphone to rent one of the blue bicycles around Nashua. Simply leave it on the sidewalk at your destination for the next person to rent

#### **ZIPLINE**

Zipline is great for visitors of the Nashua Mall who want to go to or arrive from Downtown Manchester. Both locations are thriving hubs of local businesses, events, and more!



#### **PARKING**

Nashua might be a small city, but it's a city nonetheless. And like most cities, Nashua can have its parking challenges, but as long as you don't mind walking a block or two, you'll be fine.

Parking is most congested Downtown. There's plenty of metered parking (most meters accept both coins and plastic) on most streets. Meter time limits and prices are determined by the color of the meter.

- Red Decal (90 minute time limit / Monday -Saturday / 9 AM - 7 PM / \$1/hour)
- Blue Decal (2 hour time limit / Monday Friday / 9 AM - 7 PM / \$0.75/hour)
- Green Decal (No time limit / Monday Friday / 9 AM - 6 PM / \$0.50/hour)

Parking is free on Saturdays at all Nashua off-street lots and garages. Parking in metered spots is free all day on Sunday, as well as on the following holidays: New Year's Day, Martin Luther King / Civil Rights Day,

President's Day, Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day, Columbus Day, Election Day (when applicable), Veteran's Day, Thanksgiving Day, Day After Thanksgiving, and Christmas Day.

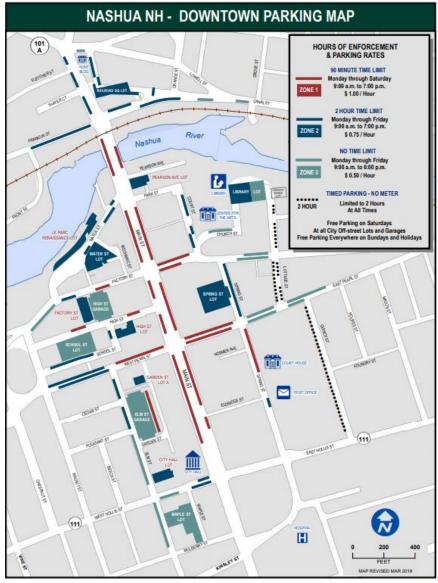
#### OVERNIGHT PARKING

Overnight parking is not allowed in Nashua. The only exception is if you have a permit to do so through the city clerk's office or if you call ahead (before 11PM is best) for emergency overnight parking.

#### NASHUA PARKING GARAGES

Garages are located on High Street and Elm street. They work the same way as Green Decal meters, so you can park at either garage Monday through Friday from 9 AM - 6 PM for \$0.50 an hour.

And beware: the parking enforcement officers are quite vigilant, so err on the side of one quarter too many in the meter. More information can be found on the City's website under <a href="Parking Department">Parking Department</a>.



# SHOP LIKE A LOCAL HANG

Hey Locals!



NH residents with a Locals Card receive discounts at restaurants, breweries, hotels, in addition to recreational activities, services and more! Visit stayworkplay.org/localscard for more information.

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TOUR GUIDE TO

The restaurants, bars, diners, bakeries, food counters, cafes, and coffee shops that comprise the region's most interesting culinary offerings are included in this section.

#### **AFRICAN**

#### FHARAS AFRICAN RESTAURANT

#### **HUDSON**

This African restaurant prides on serving a plentiful menu right to your table in Hudson. They feature an "eclectic menu of African spices, specialty vegetables, a variety of African plants with roots, and fresh off the chops organic meats prepared delicately, customized to your liking."

#### **AMERICAN**

#### **BENTLEY'S ROAST BEEF**

#### **AMHERST**

Roast-beef cravers will love Bentley's Roast Beef! They roast their meat fresh each day to ensure your meal melts in your mouth and that you'll want to come back again and again.

#### **BUCKLEY'S GREAT STEAKS**

#### **MERRIMACK**

For meals you can really sink your teeth into, check out Buckley's Great Steaks! Try out their sandwiches, burgers, steaks, and more, and don't forget to check out their Loyalty Rewards Program.

#### FODY'S GREAT AMERICAN TAVERN

#### **NASHUA**

With a rich history and great food, this tavern has some good ole' Nashua charm. On top of the good pub drink and food selection, the tavern has been used for many other purposes, such as a city hall, a church, a dance studio, and even a hotel.

#### **GREENLEAF**

#### **MILFORD**

Greenleaf's promise is to offer you both amazing drinks and meals that are prepared with ingredients from local sources. Look for their Thanksgiving meal menu in November so that you can pick-up your dinner to bring home to the family.

#### MT'S LOCAL KITCHEN & WINE BAR

#### **NASHUA**

At MT's Local Kitchen & Wine Bar, they pride themselves on making locally-inspired food made with New Hampshire ingredients as well as providing wines from both international vineyards and vineyards from the surrounding Southern-New Hampshire area. They've done so for 22 years and they'll keep doing so for many years to come.

#### **NORTH SIDE GRILLE**

#### **HUDSON**

North Side Grille is your local neighborhood restaurant and bar. The menu based on simple American fare comfort food where the taste and quality stands for what they believe in. Coming to the Grille, you will get the full experience no matter the time of day, not only with the food but also the service. Eat & Drink Local. Cheers.

#### NORTON'S CLASSIC CAFE

#### NASHUA

Great food and decor that brings you back to the good ole' days. Norton's Classic Cafe also offers catering services for your events. While they serve breakfast, lunch, and dinner, they only serve breakfast on Sundays.

#### **RIVERHOUSE CAFE**

#### **MILFORD**

Riverhouse Cafe's food is always "Simple. Fresh. Fun." Their comfort food is made with the following motto in mind: "if we won't feed it to our children, you won't find it on our menu."

#### TEMPLE STREET DINER

#### **NASHUA**

American comfort-food for good prices. Try their award-winning lobster roll!



#### **TERRAGIA**

#### **NASHUA**

Fresh, ready-to-order food and welcoming atmosphere with a green twist! Grab your next bite to eat here and you can come home with your left-overs and your own plant. Be sure to check out the consignment shop behind the restaurant.

#### THE BLACK FOREST CAFE

#### **AMHERST**

An American eatery with comfort food, sea food, and baked goods galore! The Black Forest Cafe is also dog friendly.

#### THE COMMON MAN

#### **MERRIMACK**

Starting out as The Common Man Ashland back in 1971, The Common Man has grown to become a multi-location American eatery. Come enjoy this New Hampshire classic, and if you go to the Merrimack location, look out for the spooky spirit of Matthew Thornton!

#### THE HOMESTEAD

#### **MERRIMACK**

The Homestead is the place to get hearty New Hampshire meals where you're treated not as a customer but as part of the family. Ask about their catering and function options for your next event. "The Homestead has become a local favorite where you can enjoy fireside dining in the winter and outdoor dining in the summer with friendly service and top quality food year round."

#### THE VILLAGE EATERY

#### **MERRIMACK**

The Village Eatery focuses on comfort food that everyone in the village will love! Give them a try for breakfast or lunch.

#### THIRSTY MOOSE TAPHOUSE

#### **MERRIMACK**

"Live Free - Drink Beer." Beer is their passion, with most of their locations having over 100 kinds. They also have melty-goodness pizza, fall-off-the-bone ribs, and other amazing meals that will compliment your experience at Thirsty Moose Taphouse.

#### **TOMAHAWK BUTCHERY & TAVERN**

#### **MERRIMACK**

For the times that steak is calling your name. They've got every kind of meat, whether it be beef, pork, chicken, turkey, fish, you name it! Eat at their Butchery & Deli or at their Tavern for lunch or dinner.

#### **ASIAN**

#### **LILAC BLOSSOM NORTH**

#### **NASHUA**

With four awards for excellence in Chinese food, Lilac Blossom North is the place to be for a fresh and high-quality dinner. Ask them about their catering options for your next event.

#### **MINT CAFE**

#### **NASHUA**

At Mint Cafe, they have a wide selection of Chinese cuisines to choose from. If you'd like to have your meal delivered, you can choose what you'd like online and they'll do the rest!

#### SAN FRANCISCO KITCHEN

#### **NASHUA**

This restaurant offers meals where "East Meats West." Their Asian-meets-Western style of flavor pairs well with their drink and dessert options. Make sure to check out their sushi bar, too.

#### **SHIRA KIKU**

#### **NASHUA**

If Japanese or Korean dishes are what you're craving, then Shira Kiku is for you. They have plenty of sushi options with a variety of flavors as well as filling Korean and Kiku specials. Do keep in mind that the food, especially the options with fish included, are a bit pricey.

#### SOHO ASIAN RESTAURANT & BAR

#### **HUDSON**

Low-price Japanese and Chinese meals ready for in-restaurant, take-out, and catered dining. Join them for one of their comedy night shows that occur every third Thursday of the month.

#### YOU YOU JAPANESE BISTRO

#### **NASHUA**

Established in 1997, You You Japanese Bistro is "a small restaurant serving sushi, Japanese entrees with some Korean, Thai and Euro-Asian entrees." Try their award-winning meals at the Nashua Mall!



#### BAR/PUB

#### **BAR ONE**

#### **MILFORD**

A fully-women-owned-and-operated establishment, Bar One offers the people of Milford one-of-a-kind, tasty dishes and cocktails. Check out their specials and new entree information on Facebook.

#### CODEX B.A.R.

#### **NASHUA**

We're going to let you in on a secret - the "books" at CodeX B.A.R. are not your average paperback novels. At this speakeasy, their "Prologue", "Chapters", and "Epilogue" options are delicious and pair wonderfully with their secret-code drink options. Don't tell anyone - it's our little secret.

#### **MARTHA'S EXCHANGE**

#### **NASHUA**

Full of history starting from all the way back in 1936 and passion for excellent food, Martha's Exchange has evolved from being a small sweet shop to being a full-fledged restaurant and brewery. Their mission is to have all of their customers "enjoy a home-brewed beer, steak, burger, or simply a piece of candy, and leave with great memories."

#### O'BRIEN'S SPORTS BAR

#### **NASHUA**

For the perfect game day atmosphere, go to O'Brien's Sports Bar. Not only will you be able to grab a pint and bite to eat, but you'll get to watch the big game on 12 TVs alongside fellow fans cheering your team on. Also join them for their live performance shows, trivia nights, and more!

#### O'SHEA'S TAVERN & CIGAR BAR

#### NASHUA

If you're looking for a place to go where you can have a smoke and drink a pint or two, head over to O'Shea's Tavern and Cigar Bar. They have an in-house humidor and stocked bar offering scotch, beer, wine, and cocktails. For the sports fans, there's TVs to watch the big game on as well as billiards and darts.

#### RHUM TAPAS & COCKTAIL BAR

#### **NASHUA**

If Carribean food is up your alley, try Rhum Carribean Cuisine and Pub. It's home to modern tastes in food, drink, and atmosphere. Try their tapas!

#### **THE FLIGHT CENTER**

#### **NASHUA**

Take flight at The Flight Center! They have "48 constantly rotating taps" and "over 800 different Beers, Ciders and Meads" in their Bottle Shop. For added perks, join their Mile High Club.



#### THE PEDDLER'S DAUGHTER

#### **NASHUA**

To remember the life of Maggie Cline, The Peddler's Daughter keeps her story alive at their Irish-themed restaurant and pub. Take a look at their dinner, brunch, and Irish whiskey menus for their Nashua location.

#### THE PUB GRAINERY

#### **NASHUA**

"A real neighborhood pub... unique, casual & comfortable!" The Pub Grainery has been providing American food favorites for over 40 years.

#### THE RIVER CASINO & SPORTS BAR

#### **NASHUA**

Enjoy drinks and casino game favorites all in one go right in Nashua! Ask about having The River Casino & Sports Bar host and cater for your next event.

#### TROPICAL POINT RESTAURANT & BAR

#### **NASHUA**

For a tropical paradise in New Hampshire, walk into the Tropical Point Restaurant & Bar. Enjoy breakfast, lunch, drinks, and entertainment all with a Dominican flair.

#### **BRAZILIAN**

#### **SABOR BRASIL**

#### NASHUA

Have all your favorite Brazilian dishes at Sabor Brasil! "It's fun, it's delicious and it's authentic!"

#### **BREAKFAST**

#### **BUTTER N' JAM**

#### **NASHUA**

Butter N' Jam is Nashua's happenin' breakfast, brunch, n' lunch destination. Have a crepe, chat with friends, and enjoy the events that are held there during the year, such as Local Love: A Pop-Up Shop. Remember to "Eat, Love, N' JAM."

#### THE D.W. DINER

#### **MERRIMACK**

The goal of The D.W. Diner is "to offer scrumptious cuisine to diners that can be enjoyed in restaurant or in the comfort of your home." Scrumptious breakfasts and lunches galore! Check out their online deals for the next time you do take out.

#### TUCKER'S

#### **MERRIMACK**

"Good Eats, Great People." This neighborhood eatery is there for you with an extensive breakfast and lunch menu. With their food, you don't have to choose between healthy, fresh food and food that tastes good.

#### **WHAT A BAGEL**

#### **NASHUA**

Owned and operated by a Nashua native, What A Bagel offers made-in-house bagels and cream cheese as well as breakfast and lunch sandwiches that keep Nashua city goers happy and ready to start the rest of their day.

#### CAFE & COFFEE

#### **A&E COFFEE & TEA**

#### **AMHERST**

A&E's coffee and tea selections not only serve as great beverages, but their mission is to "provide each customer with personalized service and the finest coffee and tea possible in a business that promotes environmental stewardship and economic fairness to growers." Try their coffee and tea subscriptions and don't forget to buy one of their mugs, cups, or travel mugs before you go!

#### BENSON'S BAKERY, CAFE, & BAR

#### **HUDSON**

Based on Benson's Wild Animal Farm that is now part of the town's public park, Benson's Bakery, Cafe, and Bar offers baked goods, cakes, and cafe foods and beverages made in-house. Ask about their catering options for your next event.



#### **BIG KAHUNA'S CAFE & GRILL**

#### **MERRIMACK**

Voted as the WMUR Viewer's Choice Best Vegetarian Restaurant in New Hampshire in 2019, this cafe and grill goes above and beyond with their meal options that are a mix of American and island cuisines. Big Kahuna's Cafe and Grill is also dog friendly.

#### **BONHOEFFER'S CAFE**

#### **NASHUA**

Coffee with a cause. When you sip on your morning coffee at Bonhoeffer's Cafe, you'll know that the beans have come right from the farmers and what you pay will be going to organizations that assist children in need all around the world.

#### CITY MOOSE CAFE & CATERING

#### **NASHUA**

When you need a trusted caterer for your wedding, business party, etc., turn to City Moose Cafe and Catering. They also offer a small venue if you'd like to use their function space. Their goal is to help make your event as great as can be.

#### KING DAVID COFFEE ROASTERS

#### **NASHUA**

Specialty coffee beans are King David Coffee Roasters' pride and joy. They hand roast their beans, which come from the coffee capitals of the world, in-house. To see it happen, you can take a tour of their roasting process.

#### **OASIS CAFE**

#### **NASHUA**

After having a day of fun at Skyventure, Oasis Cafe is the perfect place to have a relaxing and appetizing lunch. Their menu offers a range of snacks, sandwiches, wraps, and a secret menu only for VIP members. They also serve island-themed drinks along with some classic beer and wine.

#### RIVERWALK CAFE & MUSIC BAR

#### NASHUA

Since your morning won't be the same without a cup of Joe, try Riverwalk Cafe and Music Bar, where they roast their coffee in-house and make all of their pastries by hand. Between 2017 and 2020, they've received awards for Best Coffee Shop in the Nashua Area from NH Magazine and The Telegraph. Also dog friendly.

#### UNION COFFEE COMPANY

#### **MILFORD**

At the Union Coffee Company, they are "of, by, & for the people." By working together with the community, their customers, and the people they get their ingredients from, they've created a happy, honest, and reputable environment where you can sit back and enjoy your coffee to the last drop.

#### **FOOD TRUCKS**

#### POMAIRE CHILEAN CUISINE

#### NASHUA

Every Friday and Saturday night, you can expect the Pomaire Chilean Cuisine truck to be stopping by Nashua. Be sure to try their empanadas.

#### **RANGER'S BBQ**

#### **NASHUA**

This food truck specializes in classic BBQ foods. You don't need to stand in front of a grill to enjoy some fall-off-the-bone ribs, pulled pork or chicken along with side dishes like baked beans and mac & cheese. They also offer catering services.

#### **UP IN YOUR GRILL**

#### **MERRIMACK**

"Serving It Up" right in Merrimack! Up In Your Grill has an assortment of sandwich, BBQ, and Mac n' Cheese combo meals for your cookout food fix.

#### INDIAN

#### **INDIA PALACE**

#### **NASHUA**

As the first Indian restaurant in Nashua, India Palace is sure to please. They dry their spices in-house and their food is as authentic as possible with no Americanization. Their mission is "to serve each customer delectable Indian cuisine with traditional Indian hospitality."

#### **ITALIAN**

#### **CUCINA TOSCANA**

#### NASHUA

Visit Cucina Toscana for an Italian food experience. They make everything fresh and even make their Caesar salads at your table to ensure everything is to your liking. Take a look at their lunch and dinner menus to see which dish is calling your name.

#### FRATELLO'S ITALIAN GRILLE

#### **NASHUA**

Fratello means brother in Italian, so you know that you will feel just like family. After renovating the closed-down Villa Banca, their Nashua location is ready to serve you. Enjoy great antipasto, Italian-American dishes, and tasty desserts the whole family will love. Ask about their catering options for your next event.

#### **GIORGIO'S RISTORANTE & BAR**

#### MERRIMACK & MILFORD

Giorgio's Ristorante & Bar is "a place where Mediterranean flavors, shareable fine dining, and creative cocktails combine into something truly special." Their homemade pasta, bread, and other fabulous foods make for a great lunch or dinner experience.

#### **LUI LUI**

#### NASHUA

Inspired by the tastes of Italy, Lui Lui provides lunch and dinner options that are mouthwatering and affordable. They make their dough on-site and have been dedicating their energy to making the freshest foods since day one. Ask about their catering options for your next event.

#### PASTA LOFT RESTAURANT & PUB

#### **MILFORD**

Simplistic-yet-tasty Italian food for the town of Milford is the Pasta Loft Restaurant & Pub's specialty. Renovated from what used to be the Latchis Theater, they have been serving the locals and visitors alike for more than 20 years, with their specialty pizzas being a favorite. Enjoy live music as you wine and dine. They also offer catering options.

#### **PASTAMORE**

#### **AMHERST**

For an authentic Italian meal in Amherst, look no further than Pastamore! They're also dog friendly.

#### PIZZICO RISTORANTE

#### MERRIMACK & NASHUA

Their mission is bringing you Old-World-style Italian favorites mixed with modern-day American meals. Pizzico Ristorante is also dog friendly.

#### PORTOFINO ITALIAN RESTAURANT

#### **MERRIMACK**

"Authentic Italian Recipes." Portofino Italian Restaurant has many great savory and saucy entrees and sides for lunch and dinner.



#### TJ'S DELI & CATERING

#### **NASHUA**

For four years in a row between 2014-2018, TJ's Deli & Catering has been Nashua's Italian deli capitol. They've been serving sandwiches, pizzas, and more and have been giving back to the local community for almost 20 years. Consider them to cater your next event.

#### **MEXICAN**

#### **CALIFORNIA BURRITOS**

#### **HUDSON & NASHUA**

California Burritos offers a collection of Mexican-style foods that are all customizable. With hundreds of delectable and low-cost options, the possibilities are endless!

#### CASA VIEJA MEXICAN GRILL

#### **NASHUA**

Come inside for Mexican-themed food and drink. Kids eat free on Mondays.

#### FRONTERA TACOS & TEQUILA

#### **NASHUA**

A family-owned and operated restaurant where Mexican food is their passion and what will become your newest favorite. At Frontera Tacos & Tequila, you're family! Ask about their catering options for your next event.

#### LOS PRIMOS MEXICAN

#### **MERRIMACK**

At Los Primos Mexican, their goal is "to offer delicious authentic Mexican food from their home in Colima, along with other traditional cuisine known from Mexico." With the owners themselves right from Mexico, you'll know that your food will be as real as can be.

#### **TORTILLA FLAT**

#### **MERRIMACK**

Tortilla Flat has been your neighborhood Mexican restaurant for over 40 years. Try out their homemade meals and their "fresh fruit infused tequila margaritas."

#### **MEDITERRANEAN**

#### CHRYSANTHI'S RESTAURANT

#### **BROOKLINE**

Guests at Chrysanthi's Restaurant can expect great service and a menu of amazing Greek, Italian, and American foods to try. Their food is as good as their values, as they work towards giving back to their Brookline community. Ask about their catering options.

#### MAIN STREET GYRO

#### **NASHUA**

"Eat well, live simply, laugh often!" Famous for their gyros, Main Street Gyro is the go-to place for Greek comfort food. Started by a father and son, they use fresh ingredients from local farms to make their meals.

#### **PIZZA**

#### **COURTHOUSE PIZZA & SUBS**

#### **NASHUA**

At Courthouse Pizza & Subs, "you be the judge." They've been serving authentic Greek-style dishes as well as pizzas and subs for nearly two decades.

#### **ESPRESSO PIZZA**

#### **NASHUA**

For over 50 years, Espresso Pizza has been serving up hot and filling pies slices of all different kinds of pizza.

#### MAPLEWOOD PIZZA & SEAFOOD

#### **NASHUA**

Whether you're in the mood for pizza, sandwiches, calzones, or seafood, Maplewood Pizza & Seafood has you covered. With over 100 options to choose from, they're sure to have the perfect meal for you.

#### MERRIMACK HOUSE OF PIZZA

#### **MERRIMACK**

The Merrimack House of Pizza cooks up a large selection of sandwiches, burgers, subs, pasta, calzones, and, as always, pizza! They're a "family owned and operated pizzeria with the goal of providing our customers with excellent service and superior quality".

#### NASHUA HOUSE OF PIZZA

#### **NASHUA**

With over 40 years of Italian-food-making experience, Nashua House of Pizza is one of the city's favorite places to grab a slice. They make everything in-house with always-fresh ingredients.



#### **OLIVIA'S PIZZA**

#### **NASHUA**

Authentic Mediterranean food is freshly-made and ready to be devoured at Olivia's Pizza! They've got plenty of pizza options to choose from, as well as calzones and other Italian-based meals. They are also dog friendly.

#### SAL'S PIZZA

#### MERRIMACK & MILFORD

"Family Owned And Operated Since 1990." Sal's Pizza has been your source for all kinds of pizza, especially their large bang-for-your-buck slices and pies. Ask about their fundraising offers to help you give back to your community.

#### SOPRANO'S PIZZA

#### NASHUA

There's nothing like a great pizza made with fresh made-in-house dough, sauce, and hand-shredded cheese topped with fresh ingredients, which is why Soprano's Pizzeria makes their pizzas with that in mind. They also cater.

#### SPARTAN PIZZA

#### **MERRIMACK**

"Spartan Pizza is anything but ordinary." Made fresh and from scratch, their Greek-style pizza is a lunch you'll want to try. Enjoy their other options, too, such as their "lineup of specialty pies, fresh seafood, and subs and stick around for some homemade dessert."

#### **SEAFOOD**

#### **SURF NASHUA**

#### NASHUA

New England is known for its fishing expertise, and Surf Nashua is proud to present locally-sourced seafood dishes for the whole family. Since 2002, they've been serving Nashua all kinds of catch-of-the-day dishes. Try this buck-a-shuck restaurant today!

#### SOUPS & SANDWICHES

#### COLLINS BROTHERS CHOWDER CO.

#### **NASHUA**

New Hampshire wouldn't be the same without our chowders and soups. Collins Brothers Chowder Co. goes above and beyond with their bowls, since all of their ingredients come from local farmers' markets. Try their soups and chowders today - you won't be able to put your spoon down!

#### NASHUA GARDEN

#### **NASHUA**

Using the freshest of local ingredients, the Nashua Garden is all about making good food and drinks for good times. Choose from their first or second floor to grab a plate and have a drink while you play a game of shuffleboard or darts.

#### SWEETS & ICE CREAM

#### **AXEL'S FOOD AND ICE CREAM**

#### **MERRIMACK**

"Where There's Something For Everyone!" Axel's Food and Ice Cream is the place for all your Summer-time food needs. Want a bite of some New England seafood? A sandwich with all the works? A delicious cone of your favorite dairy treat? They've got your back!

#### **CROSBY BAKERY**

#### **NASHUA**

Come by Crosby Bakery for breakfast, lunch, or a sweet treat. All of their food is made from scratch. Ask about their special occasion cakes for your next event.

#### HAYWARD'S ICE CREAM

#### **MERRIMACK & NASHUA**

Hayward's Ice Cream has been around for 75 years and counting. They offer 50+ ice cream flavors that you can pick and choose from as well as fresh-harvested veggies from local farms, flowers, and even Christmas trees!

#### HAZY ICE CREAM

#### **NASHUA**

I scream, you scream, we all scream for Hazy Ice Cream! They've revamped the ice cream truck and, instead of waiting to hear the music or bell ring like when you were a kid, they come to you for your event.



#### JAJABELLE'S PASTRY & COFFEE SHOP

#### **NASHUA**

Started by a New Hampshire born-and-raised friend and neighbor, jajaBelle specializes in breakfast, lunch, and pastry foods with additional smoothie and coffee beverage options. Find them at the Nashua Farmers Market!

#### LA MEXICANA BAKERY

#### **NASHUA**

La Mexicana Bakery is "committed to providing the hispanic community with authentic pastries, cakes, and groceries from home, while introducing these traditions to new generations and customers as well." Ask them aBout their custom cakes for your next event.

#### **NELSON'S CANDY AND MUSIC**

#### WILTON

Nelson's Candy and Music believes that candy shouldn't just taste good - it should also be fun! Check out their candies, especially their chocolates, that are in exciting designs and flavors for all occasions, even if that occasion just happens to be a sweet tooth fix.

#### THE BIG 1

#### **NASHUA**

With over 47 years of family-owned ice-cream experience, The Big 1 offers customers a wide array of flavors and ice cream types. Try the Serafina Storm, which gives \$1 to Tufts Floating Hospital for Children for every one sold.

#### **TAPAS**

#### **STELLA BLU**

#### **NASHUA**

Spanish food is best when shared with the people around you. Stella Blu makes sharing easy with their tapas menu inside a beautifully-decorated restaurant where live music and laughter play all night long.

#### THAI

#### **GIANT OF SIAM**

#### NASHUA

For Thai home cooking, look no further than Giant of Siam. Their family-operated restaurant serves authentic Southeast Asian cuisine made with always-fresh ingredients. Ask about their catering options for your next event.

#### **SWEET GINGER THAI CUISINE**

#### **MERRIMACK**

A healthy Thai restaurant option right in Merrimack. Sweet Ginger Thai Cuisine focuses on maintaining a healthy-prepared menu where there's no MSG in any of their dishes and no trans fats in their cooking oils. For vegetarian diners, check out the options on their Vegetarian Corner menu.



Greater Nashua is awash in craft beer and mead. Find out where to find it and enjoy it in this section.

#### **ABLE EBENEZER**

#### MERRIMACK

Try out Able Ebenezer's draft beers today! They have a rich history dating back to the American Revolutionary War and provide twelve in-house made beer options. As an added bonus, you can even bring your dog thanks to the dog-friendly beer garden!

#### **AVERILL HOUSE VINEYARD**

#### **BROOKLINE**

Barn-turned-winery, Averill House Vineyard brings the history of Brookline, local entertainment, and their passion for making wine together for an experience one will never forget.

#### **BUDWEISER BREWERY**

#### **MERRIMACK**

Enjoy world-famous beer right in your own backyard! The Budweiser Brewery in Merrimack offers a wide range of things to do, including tours, going to the Biergarten to taste their beer selection, private event options, and more. They're also dog friendly!

#### **DJINN SPIRITS**



#### **NASHUA**

Djinn Spirits isn't simply a place to grab a drink. This distillery holds classes, tours, tastings, and more, all while offering a variety of spirits made by the owners themselves!

#### **FULCHINO VINEYARD**

#### **HOLLIS**

This vineyard's tradition is producing amazing wines surrounded by a beautiful landscape. The owner of Fulchino Vineyard is a fourth-generation winemaker, and with tours and the option of joining the Wine Club, all while being in the midst of vast grape fields and flowers, you'll know that your wine and your experience will be ones you never forget.

#### **GRAPE TIME WINERY**

#### NASHUA

The Indy International Wine Competition and Big E Northeast Gold Wine Competition award winner has plenty of wine options for you to pair with a great meal or to enjoy by itself! When you're here, you'll know you'll have a grape time.

#### **LABELLLE WINERY**

#### **AMHERST**

LaBelle Winery offers many opportunities such as restaurant seating, wine tastings, tours, local entertainment, and many more! Members can enjoy added rewards, learning experiences about how LaBelle's wine is produced, and even special seating options at events.



#### **LIQUID THERAPY**

#### **NASHUA**

At Liquid Therapy, their mission is to create brand new drink and food possibilities to allow visitors a unique experience that will "restore the soul." They even make personalized batches of beers for event groups!

## MARTHA'S EXCHANGE RESTAURANT & BREWING CO.

#### **NASHUA**

Martha's Exchange has everything you could ever want with your drink. Enjoy your stay knowing that your beer, meal, and sweet shoppe treats are all made in-house. Check out "Martha's Mural" in the back, and don't forget to try out their Greek food!

#### **MILLYARD BREWERY**

#### **NASHUA**

"Do Good - Drink Good Beer." The Millyard Brewery promotes a neighborly atmosphere with their hand-crafted beers, comfort-giving food, and local live entertainment. They also do their part in giving back to the community by donating. They're also dog friendly!

#### ODD FELLOWS BREWING CO.

#### **NASHUA**

Head to Odd Fellows Brewing Co. for their food and drink selection. Stay for the conversations and friendships that will last a lifetime. Their Vision IPA proceeds go to local charities.

#### **SPYGLASS BREWING**

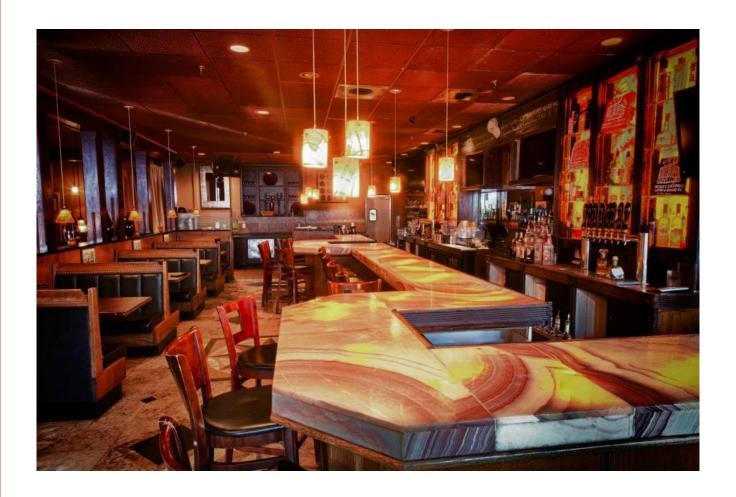
#### **NASHUA**

"Innovative Artisan Beer." Try out their selection of beers, snacks, and even swag for a fun night out.

#### WHITE BIRCH BREWING

#### **NASHUA**

Even when White Birch's beers are sour, their hospitality is as sweet as can be! Join them for a hand-crafted glass as you listen to local musical artists perform all while being in their gorgeous tasting room. Their Pints For Pups gives back to local animal charities - this event is also when White Birch is dog friendly.



From the obscure to the regionally-renowned, this section highlights the museums, galleries, and spots of historical importance that showcase the region's cultural diversity.

#### ABBOT-SPALDING HOUSE MUSEUM

#### **NASHUA**

Nashua's 'father' and his home are remembered and celebrated at the Abbot-Spalding House Museum. Take a look at the structure of the house, which is now a mix of the original architecture as well parts that were later restored as you learn about how it was the meeting place of the state's most prominent people.

#### **ANDRES INSTITUTE OF ART**

#### **BROOKLINE**

Andres Institute of Art is not just an art museum - it's an outdoor trail experience the whole family will love (even pets!). Other activities are available as well throughout the year. Open from dawn until dusk.

#### **BENSON'S PARK**

#### **HUDSON**

Once a zoo, Benson's Park now serves as a public park for people who want to take a stroll, have a picnic, or play. The barns and cages used by the zoo long ago are still standing and the whole family can come and explore them.

#### FRYE'S MEASURE MILL

#### WILTON

New Hampshire is known for its mill buildings and history, which makes Frye's Measure Mill such a great place to shop and tour at! Learn about what the mills made and what people there make now to keep traditions alive and well.

#### **GATE CITY COMMUNITY GARDENS**

#### **NASHUA**

What better way to spend your time than to come together as a Nashua community with your fellow neighbors and getting your hands dirty to raise and watch plants grow at the community garden? The garden has 36 beds for locals to grow whatever they'd like. Have fun and give back to the Earth!

#### HISTORICAL SOCIETIES

#### **STATEWIDE**

The historical societies of Greater Nashua work day and night to preserve and promote the rich historical locations and information. See the following towns to check them out: Amherst, Brookline, Hollis, Hudson, Litchfield, Lyndeborough, Merrimack, Milford, Mont Vernon, Nashua, and Wilton.

#### **HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL**

#### **NASHUA**

The Nashua Holocaust Memorial is dedicated to honoring those whose lives were ended at six concentration camps. The six granite walls surround a pedestal that represents how they died. Just as how Fred Teeboom thought when he had the memorial built, visitors come so that they can "Never Forget."

#### **HUNT MEMORIAL BUILDING**

#### **NASHUA**

Originally built as the public library and then used to house the offices for the city's educational department, the Hunt Memorial Building now stands to showcase Nashua's history during the early 1900's. The Hunt Building was designed by the New Hampshire-famous Ralph Adams Cram who also built many of the historically-significant buildings you can see today around the state. Townsfolk can now request to have events and meetings held here. It is also a venue used for live music.

## MILFORD GARDEN CLUB'S COMMUNITY PROJECTS

#### **MILFORD**

The Milford Garden Club has worked on a number of projects over the years, many of which help to preserve and honor memorial sites around the town. The club is all about giving back through scholarships, donations, and by doing what they do best - bringing vibrant beauty and life to Milford and it's townspeople through the power of plants.

#### MONSON CENTER

#### **HOLLIS & MILFORD**

Did you know about New Hampshire's ghost town? The colonial town of Monson was, originally, a Massachusetts town that lasted for around forty years. The town has been preserved to this day, and visitors can take a look around the homes of pre-Revolutionary War families. A museum stands with the homes to teach visitors about what life was like when this town was alive and well.



Photo courtesy of the Town of Hudson website.

#### **NASHUA FINE CRAFTS GALLERY**

#### NASHUA

Where art and education go hand-in-hand. The League of NH Craftsmen's gallery features "distinctive jewelry, ceramics, art-to-wear, prints, baskets, wood pieces, and much more." Look around to see what speaks to you!

## NASHUA GARDEN CLUB COMMUNITY PROJECTS

#### **NASHUA**

The garden clubs of New Hampshire take part in projects that go towards good causes, bring beauty to their areas, and encourage others to participate in taking care of the nature around them. The Nashua Garden Club is no exception. Over the last three decades, this club has grown garden projects, including the Humane Society Garden and the Greeley Park Sensory Garden, that have helped shape Nashua to be a pleasing and welcoming city.

#### NASHUA'S PUBLIC ART PIECES

#### NASHUA

"The Gate City" is New Hampshire's home to the largest collection of artistic wonders. A multitude of local artists' works are on display around the city for neighbors and visitors alike to marvel at.

#### NASHUA'S PUBLIC ART TOUR

#### **NASHUA**

Nashua is a city full of artistic expression, and what better way to experience it than through a tour? Using the touring app, you can explore the works local artists have on display by walking at your own pace.

#### POSITIVE STREET ART

#### **NASHUA**

Who said paintings needed to be on fabric canvases? In Nashua, artists took their talents to the next level by displaying their works on the biggest canvas possible on the city itself! Be sure to keep an eye out next time you walk beside Nashua's buildings, for you just might be passing by a work of street art made by one of your own neighbors.

#### **PURGATORY FALLS**

#### LYNDEBOROUGH

Legend has it that the Devil himself went to Purgatory Falls to cook a pot of beans for a wicked dinner party. Despite the stories and name, however, Purgatory Falls, as well as the other surrounding falls, is a great hiking spot! If you go, look for the remains of late 1800's tourist buildings that stand to this day.



#### REFLECTION GARDEN AND LABYRINTH

#### **NASHUA**

Yes, you don't have to be from Ancient Greece to explore the Labyrinth! The goal of the Reflection Garden and Labyrinth is to bring people away from the everyday hubbub and towards peace and being in the moment all while being a work of stone-work art.

#### RENAISSANCE PARK

#### **NASHUA**

For hundreds of years, people from all over the world have come to New Hampshire for work, protection, and better lives. The statues at Renaissance Park represent the French people who came to work at the mills during the 1800's who, in turn, helped to make the state we see today.

#### THE CAREY HOUSE MUSEUM

#### **MILFORD**

"From the minute you walk into the reception/gift shop area, the story of Milford begins to unfold before your eyes." Take a trip through history as you look at art, historical items, documents, and more from the 1800's to now. Don't leave without checking out the barn with historical finds galore!

#### THE CHAPEL MUSEUM

#### **AMHERST**

Originally a church and then used as classroom space, this now-museum holds many of Amherst's historical memorabilia such as clothing, maps, and other smaller trinkets and personal items from New Hampshire's past generations.

#### THE WIGWAM MUSEUM

#### **AMHERST**

Originally a chapel, this museum is now used to show various artifacts from important town historical landmarks and events.

Showing how residents have fun, this section describes the region's many recreational offerings, from parks and trails, to professional sports teams, climbing gyms, and gun ranges.

#### **AMUSEMENT & GAMES**

### ALTITUDE TRAMPOLINE PARK ROCKS

#### **MERRIMACK**

"With over 30,000 square feet of total space, this place will be jumping!" Altitude allows you to jump right into the action with more than 10 activities for kids of all ages, as well as adults, to enjoy! Request them to host your next birthday party!

#### **BREAK FREE 603**

#### **AMHERST**

Are your puzzle-loving friends and family ready to try their hand at one of the escape rooms at Break Free 603? With four spooky-themed rooms, there's always something to solve and questions to answer as you work together with your team.

#### **FUN WORLD**

#### **NASHUA**

What do you do when your kids are looking for something to do on a cold, rainy day? Go to Fun World, of course! Your children will want to spend hours playing on their indoor playground, rides, games, and Kiddie Area for the younger ones. They're also open for catered parties and special events.

#### MEL'S FUNWAY PARK

#### LITCHFIELD

New Hampshire's popular Mel's Funway Park has an array of fun outside activities for everyone. There's go-karts to be ridden, sports games to play, and even an arcade and laser tag game to show off your competitive side. They also can help you host birthday parties and corporate events.



#### **NUTHIN' BUT GOOD TIMES**

#### **MERRIMACK**

Nuthin' But Good Times has an indoor playground in a 9.000 square foot building and they host birthday parties and family oriented events. They offer four event packages and serves to make all kids happy, no matter if they are toddlers or pre-teens.

#### **SKYVENTURE**

#### **NASHUA**

Extreme activities for extreme fun! There's activities like indoor skydiving, indoor surfing, a fish pipe (a rotating barrel ride), and a rock climbing wall. There's always events happening, like Kids Camp. Adventure Days, and Open Mic Nights. If you get a Tunnel Membership, you can use the skydiving tunnel for 3, 5, or 8 hours depending on your membership type. After your day of fun, you can chill and re-fuel at Oasis Cafe.

#### **BOWLING**

#### **LEDA LANES**

#### **NASHUA**

Bowling is the fun activity that's perfect for rainy and cold days. Choose from a regular game of glow-bowling or the challenging candlepin game. For the pros out there, they also host league games for both bowling and candlepin as well as tournaments.

#### MERRIMACK TEN PIN

#### **MERRIMACK**

Enjoy open bowling and tournaments at Merrimack Ten Pin. Your kids will love the equipment and lanes that are just right for them and, after they've played some rounds, there's an arcade they can play on and win prizes at!

#### **CLIMBING**

#### **BOULDER MORTY'S**

#### NASHUA

Rock climbing is a fun and strategy-based sport that makes for a great workout. Boulder Morty's has over 8,000 square feet of wall climbing with options for beginners and advanced climbers. If you like to climb, you can host your birthday party there!

#### **VERTICAL DREAMS INDOOR CLIMBING**

#### **NASHUA**

Looking for a chance to rock climb? Vertical Dreams Indoor Climbing has climbing options for both day and night, inside and outside, and even on-site and a rentable off-site wall for your next outdoor event. Work together with friends during team-building exercises.

#### **DANCING**

#### **DISCOVER DANCE**

#### **NASHUA**

Nashua believes that dancing and expressing creativity is for everyone. Disco Dance shares this value as they are a "local non-profit that aims to promote the arts through movement, creativity and education throughout the community." They work with both community members and local elementary schools to support the youth of the city.

#### **GOLFING**

#### AMHERST COUNTRY CLUB

#### **AMHERST**

For the golfers out there, this country club is for you! With beautiful grounds, 18 holes, and even a simulation center for students and professionals alike, it's a golfing paradise right in Amherst!

#### **GREEN MEADOW GOLF CLUB**

#### **HUDSON**

The Green Meadow Golf Club has been putting their members first for over 50 years. Their golf club includes two 18-hole courses for the pros and lessons for visitors. Ask about their catering options as you play.

#### **HIDDEN CREEK COUNTRY CLUB**

#### **LITCHFIELD**

If you enjoy participating in golf leagues, then Hidden Creek Country Club is the perfect place to play on the greens. You can either join their Match Play or Senior leagues to play alongside fellow New Hampshire golfers and, before you play, you can fuel up at their restaurant with some homestyle breakfast or a sandwich for lunch. Reserve a tee time today!

#### NASHUA COUNTRY CLUB

#### **NASHUA**

The Nashua Country Club has been keeping up their game-perfect greens for over 100 years. They don't just offer golf, though - members can enjoy their other activities such as curling, aquatics, tennis, fitness, and fine dining. Members can also host weddings and outdoor events on the grounds.



#### PASSACONAWAY COUNTRY CLUB

#### **LITCHFIELD**

With two available membership types, manicured greens with a practice spot for beginners, and a golf league, Passaconaway Country Club has something for every type of golf fan.

#### SKY MEADOW COUNTRY CLUB

#### **NASHUA**

For a golf and fine-dining experience, become a member of the Sky Meadow Country Club. Your family can practice and play on the vast and well-maintained greens. You can also have your wedding or other event hosted here.

#### **SOUHEGAN WOODS**

#### **AMHERST**

Try out Souhegan Woods' Inner Club, where you can join in on the fun of 10 different golf tournaments on their two 9-hole greens. You can also join either the Inner Club Twilight Leagues, which occur during the night, the Women's Novice League, or, if you have kids, they can join the Junior league. Check out the 19th Hole for lunch time.

#### THE OVERLOOK GOLF CLUB

#### **HOLLIS**

The Overlook Golf Club has an assortment of different golfing leagues and activities you can spend the day doing, like joining them for lunch and becoming part of their Inner Club. Members can be part of the Shotgun, Women's Golf, Thursday Morning Leagues and Friday Couples, depending on your playing tastes.

#### **HIKING & TRAILS**

#### **BEAVER BROOK**

#### **HOLLIS**

Beaver Brook trails and grounds are open and free to the public from dawn to dusk, 365 days a year. Enjoy a day of hiking, walking through their gardens, and participate in their educational events.

#### **GRANITE TOWN RAIL-TRAIL**

#### **MILFORD**

This trail is great for hiking and mountain biking with it's three miles of maintained trails. During the winter, consider taking your snowmobile out for a spin on it.

#### **GREELEY PARK**

#### **NASHUA**

Enjoy a scenic view of Greeley Park as the kids play on the playground, sports areas, and wading pool! There are also trails to go down for all you hikers out there.

#### **HEALD POND TRAIL**

#### WILTON

With newly-remarked paths and beautiful pond views, the Heald Pond Trail is the best way to spend the day, especially if you're looking for a short and comfortable trail to take a stroll down.

#### HORSE HILL NATURE PRESERVE

#### **MERRIMACK**

Horse Hill is the largest preserved open space property in Merrimack. Explore the trails and see the change from the land's original purpose as a farm to a place perfect for "hikers, bikers, hunters, snowmobilers, horseback riders, etc."

#### JOE ENGLISH RESERVATION

#### **AMHERST**

This reservation has a variety of safe, maintained trails for everyone to enjoy year-long.

#### **LOOP TRAIL**

#### **LITCHFIELD**

This four mile hiking trail loops around small ponds, streams, and woods. It allows hikers to have a relaxing day trip outside in the wonderfully-rural town of Litchfield.

#### MINE FALLS PARK

#### **NASHUA**

If a day of recreational fun is what you're looking for, then look no further than Mine Falls. There's hundreds of acres of land to explore, including trails that are part of the New Hampshire Heritage Trail system, sports fields, and water you can fish and boat in.

#### **MOORE'S FALLS TRAIL**

#### **LITCHFIELD**

The Moore's Falls Trail allows hikers to spend their free time doing a plethora of activities, especially fishing and bird watching. The trail is about a mile and lets you have a lot of room to do what you love by the river.

#### NASHUA HERITAGE RAIL-TRAIL

#### **NASHUA**

Looking to hike a short trail in Nashua? The Heritage Rail-Trail is hub for hikers and cyclists alike.

#### NASHUA RIVER RAIL-TRAIL

#### **NASHUA**

The Nashua River Rail-Trail is one that connects hikers and bicyclists from New Hampshire and Massachusetts. It's twelve mile length makes it perfect for long-walk travel enthusiasts.

#### NASHUA RIVER TRAIL

#### **NASHUA**

Experienced hikers will love this five-mile hiking trail. You'll walk passed the Nashua River and be able to not only hike but also snowshoe, bike, and, if you decide to head out to the water, explore the river by boat and fish.

## OSGOOD, HARTSHORN, AND RAILROAD PONDS

#### **MILFORD**

All of these Milford bodies of water provide great fishing opportunities as well as bird watching and identifying plant species.

#### PONEMAH BOG WILDLIFE SANCTUARY

#### **AMHERST**

At the Ponemah Bog Wildlife Sanctuary, you can see how 12,000-year-old history has unfolded right here in New Hampshire! This bog was formed by glacier ice that had melted to form what you see today. Home to rare plant and animal life, taking a hike here is an adventure you'll always remember.



#### PEABODY MILL ENVIRONMENTAL CENTER

#### **AMHERST**

An environmental and science education center which abuts almost 600 acres of Joe English conservation land.

#### **ROLAND BERGERON BIKE PATH**

#### LITCHFIELD

Biking is a great way to get your daily exercise, and there's no better way to bike than on a biking trail. Take yours out and start pedaling on the six mile Roland Bergeron Bike Path in Litchfield!

#### **TWISTER TRAIL**

#### **MERRIMACK**

Winding and tight corners make this trail a fun and challenging one to traverse. Be careful if you come through the eastern entrance, since it's a bit rocky.

#### **WILDCAT FALLS**

#### **MERRIMACK**

Family fun memories are made at Wildcat Falls! There's something to do for everyone, including bird watching, hiking, blueberry picking, and many more outdoor activities.

#### **LAKES**

#### **BABOOSIC LAKE TOWN BEACH**

#### **AMHERST**

Having fun in the sun is what summer is all about, and at the Amherst Baboosic Lake Town Beach, you can have that fun all day long while swimming, paddle boarding, and playing!

#### SILVER LAKE STATE PARK

#### **HOLLIS**

Beach days are our favorite days during the Summer. When the water and sun are calling your name, head to Silver Lake State Park to swim, kayaking, canoeing, picnicking, and more!



#### **MOVIE THEATERS**

#### **CHUNKY'S**

#### **NASHUA**

New Hampshire's newest movie theater experience! Sit down at a table and chow down on dinner as you watch the newest film. They host themed movie nights where your menu goes along with the movie, which makes for a great night with the kids or even with your friends for a night out. If you'd like to rent one of the theater rooms, just ask and you can have your prefered movie play for the night.

#### MILFORD'S DRIVE-IN THEATER

#### **MILFORD**

The 50's were only the beginning of drive-in movies. Relive the American tradition by catching a film at Milford's Drive-In Theater every Friday and Saturday.

#### PERFORMING ARTS

#### **ANDY'S SUMMER PLAYHOUSE**

#### WILTON

Andy's Summer Playhouse has a 50-year-old tradition of supporting kids as they practice and become proud of their talents on the stage. Between 2018 and 2019 alone, this performing arts program has been awarded four times for their amazing work.

#### KEEFE CENTER FOR THE ARTS

#### NASHUA

The Keefe Center for the Arts is one of the performing arts center that is used by Nashua's Actorsingers. Enjoy stage performances that will leave you in awe and inspired!

#### PEACOCK PLAYERS

#### **NASHUA**

"Proudly Bringing Color to Life Through Theatre and Education." Grab your tickets to any of their number of shows whether they be in-person or online!

#### THE AMATO CENTER

#### **MILFORD**

Children and teens can explore, learn about, and work together through the stage. If your child is interested in acting, singing, or other performance types, then have them try out at The Amato Center. Hundreds of fun and whimsical plays and performances have graced their stage by thousands of kids around the region.

#### THE ACTORSINGERS

#### **NASHUA**

A hub for high-quality ameatur musical theater. The Actorsingers's goal is to bring people together through the performing arts to promote fun, entertainment, and above all, friendship and confidence.

#### SHOOTING

#### **GRANITE STATE INDOOR RANGE**

#### **HUDSON**

Knowing how to properly use a weapon safely is an important skill. The Granite State Indoor Range makes getting lessons and practice opportunities easy with their comprehensive training program for youths and adults. If you don't have a gun and would like to learn how to use one, you can get a gun here.

#### **HUDSON FISH & GAME CLUB**

#### **HUDSON**

The Hudson Fish & Game Club combines training opportunities with fun community events that make being a member fun and educational.

## LONDONDERRY FISH & GAME ASSOCIATION

#### LITCHFIELD

The Londonderry Fish & Game Club teaches and lets members practice how to use a range of hunting weapons, including rifles, archers' bows and arrows, and more. The club "was established in 1951 for the purpose of promoting conservation, perpetuating safety and ethics through Hunter Education Programs, promote respect for land through goodwill and respect, and for the ethical and proper use of our natural and wildlife resources."

#### **NASHUA FISH & GAME ASSOCIATION**

#### **MERRIMACK**

At the Nashua Fish & Game Association, you have many ways to train with your prefered hunting and protective weaponry, including fishing, archery, trap, action pistols, high power rifles, bullseye pistols, and more. You'll learn how to be safe while doing your sport.

#### STADIUMS & SPORTS TEAMS

#### **HOLMAN STADIUM**

#### **NASHUA**

Home of Nashua's Silver Knights baseball team, Holman Stadium is home to 75 years of fun! This ballpark has hosted baseball games, galas, carnivals, and events that have had world-famous performers like The Beach Boys and Whitney Houston be enjoyed by Granite Staters in the stadium's 4,000 seats.

#### WATER SPORTS

#### **BATCHELDER POND**

#### WILTON

With the woods surrounding the lake, fishing at Batchelder Pond can help alleviate your day-to-day stress and get back to connecting with nature.

#### DC AQUATIC SPECIALTIES

#### **MERRIMACK**

New Hampshire fun isn't only on land. DC Aquatic Specialties lets you explore the state coast by offering diving adventures and scuba classes. Through their specialty classes, you can learn everything you'd ever want to know about the big ole' blue.

#### **FLINT POND**

#### **HOLLIS**

Bring your boat out to Flint Pond for a easy-breezy afternoon on the water. Or, if you want to come during the winter, you can ice fish, snowshoe, and go snowmobiling around the pond.

#### **GREELEY BOAT RAMP**

#### **NASHUA**

The Greeley Boat Ramp makes it easy to go kayaking and canoeing in Nashua.

#### **HORSESHOE POND**

#### **MERRIMACK**

Just as its name describes, this pond is shaped like a horseshoe and makes for a gentle boat ride as you cast your line for the multiple species of fish that live in the warm water.



#### **HORTONS POND**

#### MONT VERNON

Hortons Pond is perfect for canoeing and kayaking adventures with friends.

#### **LONGFELLOW**

#### **NASHUA**

Going to Longfellow means you'll have a blast with playing on their tennis courts and swimming in their outdoor pool. Check out their adult and junior programs for tennis training and competitive play that's fun for all.

#### MERRILL PARK

#### **HUDSON**

This park offers a peaceful, secluded area for picnics and water activities on the Merrimack River. Parking is available in the front.

#### **MERRIMACK RIVER**

#### **MERRIMACK**

The Merrimack River is one of New Hampshire's main riverways with plenty of park access points to bring your boating equipment, picnic supplies, and family to have fun river-side day!

#### MINE FALLS - MILL POND LAUNCH

#### **NASHUA**

Mine Falls Park offers boating access to Mill Pond, a pond that connects to the Nashua River, along with other fun park activities.

#### **SOMERSET SWIM & FITNESS**

#### **NASHUA**

Working towards being and keeping fit and healthy is a great goal. Somerset Swim & Fitness can propel you towards that goal with your fitness equipment, programs, and their rejuvenating pool and spa tubs.

#### WINCHESTER ST. BOAT RAMP

#### **NASHUA**

With a boat ramp that lets you kayak and canoe around both the Nashua River and Bartemus Brook, you have plenty of water to ride on and explore in beautiful and lively Nashua.

#### WINTER SPORTS

#### **CONWAY ARENA**

#### **NASHUA**

Ice skating is a fun winter tradition, and at Conway Arena, they make it easy, competitive, and fun! They're happy to help beginners learn the ropes, so don't be afraid to go ahead and try it out, even if you think you have two left feet. They offer hockey leagues for children and adult skaters, as well as a figure skating club.

#### **CYCLONES ARENA**

#### HUDSON

Get ready for game day on the ice at Cyclones Arena! Cheer for the local hockey team - the Northern Cyclones. The arena offers two"NHL sized sheets of ice," a snackbar, an equipment room where you can get your skates sharpened so they can be in tip-top shape the next time you skate, and private locker rooms for the Cyclones team players. If you or your child would like to join in non-hockey fun, consider joining either the Youth, Academy, or Junior teams.

#### **FOUR CORNERS**

#### **NASHUA**

One of two of Nashua's outdoor ice skating rinks is open to all who love general skating and hockey. There are specific times that people can be on the ice, with general skating being available between 11:00 AM - 4:30 PM and 6:00 PM - 10:00 PM and hockey being available before 11:00 AM and between 4:30 PM - 6:00 PM.

#### JEFF MORIN FIELDS AT ROBY PARK

#### **NASHUA**

One of two of Nashua's outdoor ice skating rinks is open to all who love general skating and hockey. There are specific times that people can be on the ice, with general skating being available between 10:00 AM - 8:00 PM and hockey being available 8:00 PM - 10:00 PM.

#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

#### **BIRCH DISC GOLF**

#### **AMHERST**

Disc golf is an interesting and fun twist on the games of frisbee and golf. If you'd like to try it, then Birch Disc Golf is your destination. Join their league and learn how to play this new sport.

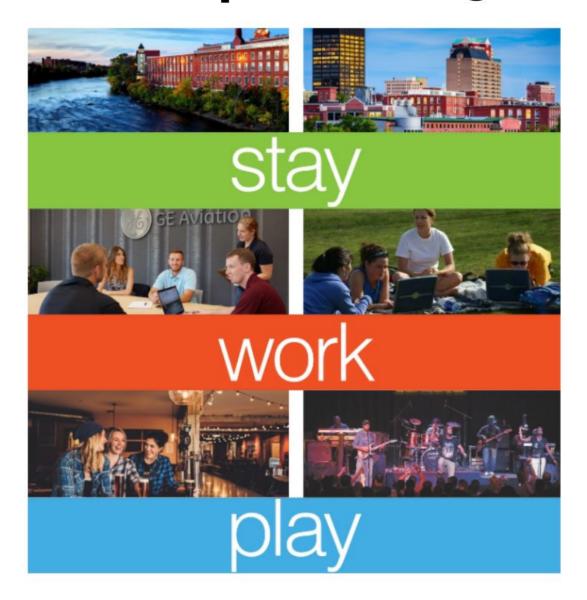
#### **WLC DISC GOLF**

#### WILTON

The Wilton-Lyndeborough High School has a public disc golf area where people from both towns, as well as surrounding areas, can play the new and growing sport together. Make sure to move to a different hole if the kids from the school are playing - they usually use holes 6 and 7.



# Looking for more New Hampshire insight?



## Check out the other guides!

If you liked this guide, you will be sure to appreciate the other wonderful attractions the state has to offer! <u>Visit us online</u> for an "Insider's Guide" to nine regions of the state!

A region is more than its cultural attractions, dining establishments, and entertainment venues. This section shares the primarily local and independent business establishments of interest to both visitors and residents.

#### **ANTIQUES**

#### 101A ANTIQUE AND COLLECTIBLE CENTER

#### **AMHERST**

101A Antique and Collectible Center has thousands of items, decor, and other fantastic finds for your space. Search for jewelry, pottery and fine china, accessories, art, furniture, toys, tools, and much more.

#### **CHAMBERLAIN ANTIQUES**

#### **AMHERST**

Buying and selling high-quality antiques is Chamberlain Antiques's bread and butter. They work with you to provide "museum-quality antiques at affordable price points."

#### FRYE'S MEASURE MILL

#### WILTON

At Frye's Measure Mill, honoring history is at the core of what they do. On top of making handmade Shaker Boxes, their gift shop houses plenty of antique art pieces, tools, and accessories.

#### **GLORIOUS POSSIBILITIES**

#### **NASHUA**

Glorious Possibilities is committed to making your home chic and modern with a hint of flair from the past. They offer vintage, antique, and modern furnishings and accents to match your image.

#### **ROBIN'S EGG**

#### **AMHERST**

Helping to set up your nest is Robin's Egg's pleasure. With over 6,000 square feet of floor space, they offer whatever you need to make your house a home with antiques, vintage, farmhouse, and traditional home decor. The perfect place to shop when looking for that one-of-a-kind gift!

#### SERENDIPITY ON THE OVAL

#### **MILFORD**

When you visit Serendipity on the Oval, you'll "find fortunate discoveries." New items arrive daily, so you'll be in for a surprise every time you open their door.

#### THE MILFORD MARKET

#### **MILFORD**

For antiques with a more rustic theme, turn to The Milford Market. You'll find what you're looking for, especially during the holiday season.

#### THE MODERN ANTIQUE

#### **MILFORD**

Not only is The Modern Antique a place to get all your home decor that's from the 1800's to now, but it's also a shop that celebrates the history of Milford. They even have one of the wooden elephants from Benson's Animal Farm!

## TREASURES ANTIQUES, COLLECTABLES, & MORE!

#### **AMHERST**

Located in a barn from the 1750's - history is the core of Treasures Antiques, Collectables, & MORE. Not only do they have home decor and art available, but they also have historical items from New Hampshire. They're connected to the Kitty Angels charity to help homeless cats in the state.

#### APPAREL & ACCESSORIES

#### **A&E DIAMOND & GOLD**

#### **MERRIMACK**

The A&E Diamond & Gold staff has over 125 years of combined experience in the jewelry industry.

#### **BUGBAFFLER**

#### **NASHUA**

New England is, above all, an outdoor paradise. However, while we humans love to enjoy being outside, so do bugs and insects that can make us sick. That's where Bugbaffler comes in. With their specialized insect-protection clothing in multiple sizes, colors, and styles, your whole family will be safe as they enjoy the great New Hampshire outdoors.

#### **CAMARADERIE**

#### **NASHUA**

The people at Camaraderie believe that "putting on your outfit should bring you joy." They work with you to maximize your shopping experience keeping your individual style, and budget, in mind.

#### **CARDIN JEWELERS**

#### **NASHUA**

Owned and operated for three generations, Cardin Jewelers sells a variety of rings, necklaces, bracelets, and much more. Check them out for their selection of jewelry, clocks, figurines, toys, and occasion gifts.

#### **DESIGNWARES**

#### **NASHUA**

With an ever changing inventory of the latest styles and trends, you'll always be pleasantly surprised at DesignWares. Search through their clothing, jewelry, accessories, handcrafted art, personalized items made by Museware Pottery, and more!

#### **DICK AVARD'S HABERDASHERY**

#### **NASHUA**

It can be hard to find clothing stores that offer quality mens clothes. Dick Acard's Haberdashery specializes in men's clothing and accessories and they are ready to help you find the professional and/or everyday look you've been looking for.

#### FRESH OF NASHUA

#### **NASHUA**

Fresh of Nashua has the latest styles for all occasions. They carry brands such as Joseph Ribkoff and Clara Sunwoo.

#### **GAMMA JEWELERS**

#### **NASHUA**

Offering a selection of jewelry and watches.

#### **JEFFREY SCOTT FINE JEWELRY**

#### **AMHERST**

Jeffrey Scott Fine Jewelry has a selection of wedding and engagement rings and bands, as well as their array of jewelry collections and custom works.

#### MERRIMACK PREMIUM OUTLETS

#### **MERRIMACK**

The Merrimack Premium Outlets lets you shop at over 100 stores in one convenient place! Shop for clothes, food, accessories, toys, and much more.

#### MOTHER AND CHILD (M&C) CLOTHING SHOP

#### **AMHERST**

Not only is M&C Clothing Shop the place to go for both locally-made fashionable clothing as well as donated clothing to help the community and the planet, it's also the place for accessories, sports wear, home decor, and more.

#### **MYOPTIC**

#### NASHUA

Myoptic is a locally-owned, independent eyewear boutique in historic downtown Nashua. They carry designers such as LA Eyeworks, Oliver Peoples, Roger, Jeramy Terrain, IC Berlin, and more!

#### **SCONTSAS**

#### **NASHUA**

Walk into Scontsas for their collection of jewelry, home decor, antiques, and more. Their family-run store "appeals to those looking for upscale, unusual, individual, one-of-a-kind, and quality items."

#### SHNAYDER JEWELRY

#### **NASHUA**

Shnayder Jewelry offers an assortment of loose gems and jewelry along with pawn-shop services and jewelry repair services. Ask about their custom-made works, including jewelry and knives.

#### SNAP! IT'S VINTAGE

#### **NASHUA**

Have you been looking through every clothing store only to find that their modern clothes just aren't fitting your style? Find the perfect outfit in a snap at Snap! It's Vintage!

#### **UNDER THE LEAF DESIGNS**

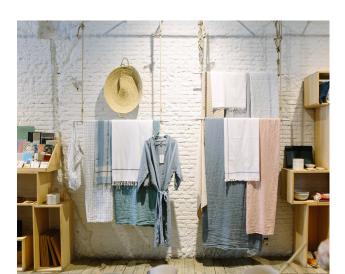
#### **HOLLIS**

Giving your wardrobe a modern and artistic personal touch is what Under the Leaf Designs is dedicated to helping you with. They have accessories and handbags all made with ethics and the environment in mind. Take a look at their inventory where there's always something new and inspiring in store.

#### W. HAMEL JEWELERS

#### **NASHUA**

Bring in your jewelry that needs repairing and editing or, if you'd like something new, check out their inventory. They also offer custom jobs for rings, bracelets, pendants, or necklaces.



#### **COLIBRI DESIGNS**

#### **NASHUA**

Sometimes you find that big-brand jewelry stores just don't have what you're looking for. Colibri Designs makes custom necklaces, bracelets, rings, earings, and charms, so you can be happy knowing you got exactly what you wanted to look your best. If you want to learn how to make your own, check out their available metal clay classes.

#### **LEAGUE OF NH CRAFTSMEN**

#### NASHUA/STATEWIDE

"Reconnect with meaningful handcrafted gifts." The League of NH Craftsmen are passionate about creating handmade art with care, just as art should be made. Walk into their Nashua Fine Craft Gallery and other shops and galleries around the state to find amazing pieces that fit right into your home.

#### **OCEAN CURRENT ART AND SIGNS**

#### **MILFORD**

Beautiful and natural art pieces made with the sea glass made from Maine beaches. Check out their pieces at Off the Oval in Milford.

#### WHITE BIRCH FINE ART

#### **AMHERST**

New Hampshire's filled with breath-taking flora and fauna and what a better way to showcase that beauty in your home than through locally-made art? White Birch Fine Art has you covered with plenty of designs to choose from as well as gallery visits and workshops.

#### WILD SALAMANDER CREATIVE ARTS CENTER

#### **HOLLIS**

"Where Creativity Runs Wild." At the Wild Salamander Creative Arts Center, their mission is to "bring together the arts, artists, and community members through education, explorations, and gatherings." Also offers art classes for children.

#### BEAUTY, HEALTH & WELLNESS

#### **TANGLED ROOTS HERBAL**

#### **NASHUA**

With so many soap brands out there that have chemicals, fragrances, and other ingredients that may not be good for your body, it can be hard to find soap that is safe and that works. At Hemlock Springs Soaps, they have hand-made soaps that are made with ingredients like goat milk that are produced right in Lyndeborough.

#### **BOOKS & MUSIC**

#### ANNIE'S BOOK STOP OF NASHUA

#### NASHUA

When you want a great selection of used books, go to Annie's Book Stop of Nashua. You can walk in or fill out their online form to see what's available.

#### DARREL'S MUSIC HALL

#### **NASHUA**

Bring the magic of music to your home from Darrel's Music Hall. Pick out the perfect piano, whether it be from their new or used piano collections. If you or your child want to learn how to play, they also offer piano lessons.

#### **FIDDLEDOGS**

#### **NASHUA**

No matter if you are a beginner or a pro, a classical or more pop-style performer, Fiddledogs has violins for you. They offer a plethora of new and old violins to fit your playing style, as well as repair services to make sure your instruments are in tip-top shape the next time you take the stage.

#### **GIBSON BAGPIPES**

#### **NASHUA**

At Gibson Bagpipes, they design, develop and produce handcrafted bagpipe instruments for your next performance.

## <u>LET'S PLAY MUSIC AT ROSITA LEE MUSIC</u> <u>CENTER</u>

#### **HUDSON**

Since 1938, Rosita Lee Music Center has been there for music performers. They offer instrument-playing lessons for both adults and children and they even offer lessons for early childhood classrooms and groups.

#### NORTH MAIN MUSIC

#### NASHUA

North Main Music works with all kinds of musically-inspired people and specializes in teaching students the contemporary and popular songs through instructional methods that are easy and supportive.

#### **TOADSTOOL BOOKSHOPS**

#### **NASHUA**

Reading and writing are more than fun hobbies. The Toadstool Bookshops of New Hampshire (other locations in Keene and Peterborough) help readers and writers learn and connect with each other on top of selling books of all kinds.

#### **COMICS & GAMES**

#### **MERRYMAC GAMES & COMICS**

#### **MERRIMACK**

Merrymac Games & Comics is a geek's paradise! They are a comic book/gaming/collectibles store, started by fans/gamers/collectors that take pride in their appearance and customer service. Not only that, but you can also play in-house with fellow card game and video game players and even sell your used or unopened cards, games, comics, figurines, and more!

#### **THE COMIC STORE**

#### **NASHUA**

Ready to up your game, read the latest comic book edition, or get into a new hobby? The Comic Store has all a geek could want and more with their collection of comics, graphic novels, games, and Gundam model sets.

#### THE RELENTLESS DRAGON

#### **NASHUA**

Dungeons & Dragons isn't just for the characters of Stranger Things! At the Relentless Dragon, you can make friends by joining a selection of game leagues and groups where you can play games like Pokemon, Magic: The Gathering, Dungeons & Dragons, and so much more. You can also look at their array of dice, card accessories, storage kits, and other bits and pieces that will up your game.

#### **ETHNIC STORES**

#### LANNA ASIAN MARKET

#### NASHUA

The Lanna Asian Market brings the taste of Asia to you! They've got fresh and imported ingredients to help you make your next meal fantastic.

#### THE TURQUOISE SHOP

#### **NASHUA**

The Turquoise Shop specializes in artwork, pottery, and jewelry made by the Native American people from the Southwest of the U.S.

#### **FARMS & ORCHARDS**

#### **BROOKDALE FRUIT FARM**

#### **HOLLIS**

Brookdale Fruit Farm is the perfect place to bring the family for an afternoon of apple picking and choosing from a wide selection of fruits and vegetables harvested right there at their 173-year-old family farm. Do you want to up your farming/gardening game? They have you covered with everything you'll ever need to start growing your plants right. Don't forget to check out their ice cream stand, too!

#### **CURRIER ORCHARDS**

#### **MERRIMACK**

Open from September 'til Thanksgiving, Currier Orchards is "a family run U-Pick apple orchard for all to enjoy." You can return home knowing you'll have had a great day of apple-picking and buying pastries that are perfect for the crisp fall season.

#### FOUR SAPS SUGAR SHACK

#### LYNDEBOROUGH

New Hampshire is known for its amazingly-delicious maple syrup. If you want to bring home your own maple syrup jug to pour over your breakfast, coffee, and more, then head over to Four Saps Sugar Shack! During their Maple Weekend in March, their homemade syrup, nuts, candies, and baked goods are all ready for you to enjoy.

#### **HOOF AND FEATHER FARM NH**

#### **AMHERST**

Hoof and Feather Farm is a locally owned and operated three-acre farm that offers poultry, pork, beef, and even honey and hand-crafted woodwork!

#### LAROMAY FARM

#### **HOLLIS**

Lavender makes soaps, candles, and your home smell calming and pleasing. Laromay Farm has been growing lavender on their 2,000 plant farm for over fourteen years to bring you locally-grown products for your home, bathroom, and wherever you go.

#### **LAVOIES FARM**

#### **HOLLIS & NASHUA**

Shop from a wide range of produce and, if you've got a sweet tooth, pick your own apples with the kiddos. Ask about their apple cider and baked goods before you leave so you can come home with your own cornucopia of harvest specialties!

#### **LULL FARM**

#### **HOLLIS & MILFORD**

At Lull Farm, there is never a lull. Open year round, this farm offers New Hampshire's harvest favorites, including fruits, veggies, flowers, meats, and animal products. A must visit - especially around Halloween!



#### MAPLE LANE FARM

#### LYNDEBOROUGH

Brittle is a sweet treat that can't be beat! Maple Lane Farm sells two kinds of this delicious snack, maple peanut and maple walnut, with a paleo maple walnut version, and all three are all-natural, locally made, and are gluten free. And see the farm animals on the way!

#### MCLEOD BROS. ORCHARDS

#### **MILFORD**

McLeod Bros. Orchards is the place to go if you have a hankering for some Fall favorites. For over 75 years they've been growing quality, fresh produce that's both healthy and delicious. Look around at their apples, pumpkins, flowers, fruit spreads, and honey, after you've picked some of your own apples from their orchard, of course!

#### MIRACLES ACRES FARM

#### **MILFORD**

The winter season in New Hampshire is a time to get the whole family outside to explore the great snowy-wonders the state has to offer, especially when you go to Miracle Acres Farm. Not only can you bring a Christmas tree home from their farm, but you can also go on hayrides, drink some apple cider, and, of course, buy homemade maple syrup!

#### MTN-GOLD MAPLE HILL

#### LYNDEBOROUGH

Calling all sweet-tooths! Mtn-Gold Maple Mill is your one-stop shop for maple syrup, coffee, popcorn, cotton candy, chocolate, brittle, and more!

#### **MUDDY MEADOWS SUGARS**

#### LYNDEBOROUGH

The people at Muddy Meadows Sugars are one with the bees and trees. They supply locals with Lyndeborough-raised honey and maple syrup as well as information about their bees and products to help educate their neighbors and tourists alike.

#### **NOEL'S TREE FARM**

#### **LITCHFIELD**

Christmas is a time for celebration and togetherness, and at Noel's Tree Farm you'll go home with a tree and a smile. After you select from four varieties of fir and balsam trees, stop by the farm to snack on some marshmallows, warm up with hot chocolate and cozy fire pits, shop for decorations for the season, and bring the kids to see Santa for hot chocolate and hayrides!



#### NORTH POLE XMAS TREES

#### **NASHUA**

For over forty years, North Pole Xmas Trees has been there for Nashua's Christmas tree needs. They offer everything to make your tree special for the winter season, including a plethora of trees, wreaths, tree accessories, and more.

#### PARADISE FARM

#### LYNDEBOROUGH

Paradise Farm raises healthy and happy livestock for your next meal. They sell everything from meats to animal products to even maple syrup and jams/jellies and even more. During the fall season, you can go pick your own apples.

#### SCOOTER'S FARM OF WOODMONT

#### **HOLLIS**

Apples and peaches make autumn sweet and cozy, especially when they are picked by you and your family. Drive up to Scooter's Farm of Woodmont and taste the difference organic fruit can make.

#### **SUNNY VALLEY FARMS**

#### **AMHERST**

While New Hampshire's growing season is shorter than other states, that doesn't mean that we don't grow amazing greens during it! At Sunny Valley Farms, you can choose from a wide array of flora and fauna that will brighten up your growing space!

#### THE BIG LITTLE GARDEN

#### **NASHUA**

Gardens and sanctuaries are both gorgeous and revitalizing, and at The Big Little Garden, they are there to help you start your own. From step one of knowing what works best with your home's soil and climate to the finishing touches, they'll be your guide to decorate your yard with bursting blooms and bright colors.

#### THE MAPLE GUYS

#### LYNDEBOROUGH

For over 20 years, The Maple Guys have been producing maple syrup at their sugar house. That's not all they do, though. They want you to get into making maple syrup, too! With supplies and equipment support, they are happy to work together with local aspiring maple syrup producers so that we all can enjoy what the trees have to offer.

#### **VALICENTI PASTA FARM**

#### **HOLLIS**

Pasta is a staple food for many families, and at Valicenti Pasta Farm, you can make your dishes exciting and savory. Check out their pasta and sauce menu and don't forget to read through their recipes to try something new!

#### FURNITURE & HOME DECOR

#### ITALMODA FURNITURE

#### **NASHUA**

Italmoda Furniture is there to make your home-and-office-decor dreams come true. "With one of the largest selections of European and Italian furniture, quality is matched with affordability."

#### LYON'S WOODWORKING

#### **LITCHFIELD**

Lyon's Woodworking is there to make you custom and unique wooden furniture, cabinets, coops, and anything else you'd like. They work with you to make exactly what you are looking for, especially for products that just can't be found at big-box stores.

#### NH FURNITURE DIRECT

#### **NASHUA**

Update your home with modern, sleek, and comfortable furniture and decor from NH Furniture Direct. Find pieces for your living room, kitchen, dining room, and bedroom.

#### **GIFTS**

#### J.M. PRINCEWELL

#### **MILFORD**

J.M. Princewell is more than just a card store. They also sell jewelry, small New Hampshire-themed gifts, clothing and accessories, toys, books, and much more.

#### THE PICKET FENCE GIFT SHOP

#### MONT VERNON

The Picket Fence Gift Shop is your one-stop shop for arts & crafts, sweets, soaps, clothing, and more, all made by hand. Perfect for home decor and gifts for family and friends!

#### HARDWARE & SUPPLIES

#### **HUDSON TRUE VALUE HARDWARE**

#### HUDSON

Whether you need a coat of paint for your living room or the right tools for your new addition, Hudson True Value Hardware is " in your neighborhood with the expert advice, tools, equipment and the products you need to get the job done".

#### NASHUA LUMBER CO.

#### **NASHUA**

Whether you're working on your deck, roof, shed, or another big project that you need to have done right, Nashua Lumber Co.'s got your back since 1947. They also assist with storing your lumber from the elements.

#### **SMR ARCHITECTURAL HARDWARE**

#### **NASHUA**

Need a new doorknob, lock, set of hinges, or latch? SMR Architectural Hardware is there for when you need a better and safer way of getting in and out of your home.

#### **SMOKE SHOPS**

#### 2 GUYS CIGARS

#### **NASHUA**

2 Guys Cigars knows what cigar fans want. Their establishment sells single cigars as well as full boxes, cigar lighters, humidors, and a wide variety of accessories. There is also a cigar lounge, a function room, and even a place to have dinner.

#### CASTRO'S BACK ROOM

#### **NASHUA**

Shop their inventory of cigars, accessories, and apparel. If you're also a golf fan, join them for their Castro's Golf Tournament.

#### **EVOLVE VAPOR**

#### **NASHUA**

Find all your vaping needs at Evolve Vapor. Choose from a wide variety of flavors, vaping equipment, and more.

#### **GOODTIMES SMOKESHOP NASHUA**

#### **NASHUA**

With a modern ambiance, GoodTimes Smokeshop Nashua offers vapes, juice refills, hookahs, and more to match your smoke preferences.

#### **HEADLINES BOUTIQUE**

#### **NASHUA**

At Headlines Boutique, they work alongside you as you look around their inventory of tobacco pipes and accessories, crystals, minerals, fine jewelry, home décor, and more.

#### MADVAPES NASHUA

#### **NASHUA**

Madvapes Nashua is a smoke shop for both beginners and for experienced users. Check out their selection of vapes and juice flavors, and if you'd like to give some a try, swing by their Juice Bar.

#### **TOBACCO OUTLET**

#### **NASHUA**

Get your favorite pack of cigarettes or, if you don't find the blend you're looking for, you can roll your own. They also offer vintage pipes and hookahs.

#### SPORTING GOODS

#### **BRUISED BOUTIQUE**

#### **NASHUA**

Bruised Boutique sells high-quality and durable sports and safety equipment so you can be at your best on the field, rink, or court.

#### **EASTERN BOARDER**

#### **NASHUA**

Established more than 25 years ago, Eastern Boarder is there for all your sporting needs. They provide products and service to the skate, snow and BMX community.

#### FREEWHEEL CYCLES

#### **NASHUA**

Bicycling is Freewheel Cycles's passion. They offer reconditioning and repair services to keep you safe on your journeys.

#### **GOLFCLUB TEC**

#### **NASHUA**

Golfing is a precise sport, so when you need the right club, go to GolfClub Tec. They'll repair your equipment, fit you with the perfect club set for your game, and they'll even make you a club so you can get that hole-in-one.

#### **M&N SPORTING GOODS**

#### **NASHUA**

Not only can you find durable sports equipment and apparel at M&N Sporting Goods, but you can also have your team outfitted by them so that they'll be ready by game day.

#### THE DANCERS CLOSET

#### **NASHUA**

For splits, high-jumps, pliés, and more, visit The Dancers Closet! They are a family owned and operated dance and gymnastic store serving local studios and gyms throughout New England.

#### **ZIMMERMANNS SKIS, BOARDS & MORE**

#### **NASHUA**

Zimmermanns Skis, Boards, and More provides boot and equipment tune-ups, rental and lease boards and skis, fittings, and more.

#### THRIFT STORES & PAWN SHOPS

#### **CASH FOR GOLD NASHUA**

#### **NASHUA**

If you want to get cash back for selling your old jewelry and other gold, silver, and/or platinum items, bring your things to Cash for Gold Nashua. They'll work with you so that you leave with more green in your wallet.

#### **GOODEED ELECTRONICS**

#### **NASHUA**

Goodeed Electronics has the planet in mind when they do business. Bring your pre-owned electronics and they'll buy if from you to promote a recycling process that will help keep your technology from going into the trash.

#### **HOLLIS FLEA MARKET**

#### **HOLLIS**

In operation since 1964, the Hollis Flea Market gives new entrepreneurs a jumpstart towards becoming successful small local businesses and gives the public a great place to meet neighborhood townsfolk and to get amazing deals on clothing made in the region. Open mid-April to October, Sundays only.

#### **LUCKY DOG THRIFT SHOP**

#### **NASHUA**

Lucky Dog Thrift Shop is the "kind of place where you can relax as you browse the variety of displays and items ranging from dining room furniture to high end clothing and art." This shop has a twist, as well, where your money not only goes towards their store but also helps animal rescues, organizations, and charities.

#### PILGRIM'S CHURCH THRIFT SHOP

#### **NASHUA**

Connected to the Pilgrim Congregational Church, this thrift shop is there for the local communities in Nashua.



## RUSTY'S ANTIQUES & VINTAGE COLLECTIBLES INDOOR FLEA MARKET

#### **HUDSON**

Whether you're a collector or are looking to add some vintage decor to your home, Rusty's Antiques & Vintage Collectibles Indoor Flea Market will have what you're looking for. With it's combination of being an antique store, collectibles store, vintage store, and flea market, there's plenty of fascinating finds.

#### TEACHERS AND PAWS PROJECT (TAPP)

#### **NASHUA**

When you buy from the Teachers and Paws Project Thrift Store, you not only help a business but also a good cause. All proceeds from the TAPPestry Thrift Store helps provide access to free, low cost supplies and humane education classroom kits to educators.

#### THE GREY NUNS THRIFT SHOP

#### NASHUA

This thrift store is managed by St. Joseph Hospital serving the Greater Nashua community since it was established in 1991 by the Grey Nuns of Montreal.

#### **TRADELAND**

#### **NASHUA**

Bring in your unwanted jewelry, technology, sports equipment, and more. If you'd like to put items on layaway, they give you 30 days - perfect for holiday shopping.

#### VICTORIA GOLDIA, INC.

#### **NASHUA**

Victoria Goldia is a full service fine jewelry reseller, repair and pawn shop. See about their used inventory for prices on high-end products like Louis Vuitton, Michael Kors, Lladro and Swarovski.



Pets play an important part of people's lives - often times deemed an official member of the family. This section provides some of the best places to get supplies, where to go for pet care, and places to go for socializing with others.

#### DOG PARKS

#### **HUDSON DOG PARK**

#### **HUDSON**

With two fenced-in areas for your pup to play, the Hudson Dog Park is a great place to bring your best furry friend!

#### **NASHUA DOG PARK**

#### **NASHUA**

Members of the Nashua Dog Park are welcome to let their dogs run, jump, and play with their pup friend in the park's fenced-in three-acre area.

#### **DAYCARE & BOARDING**

#### **ANIMAL CARE CENTER OF NH**

#### **MERRIMACK**

The Animal Care Center of NH has everything your pet would ever want! Their services include daycare for dogs and cats, pet sitting in your home, boarding, grooming, training, and retail for if you want to get your pet an extra something for being such a good pup/kitty.

#### **CLOUD K9**

#### **MERRIMACK**

Cloud K9 is your neighborhood pet daycare center. If you'd like to have your dog groomed or boarded, they also offer those services so your best four-legged friend is looking their best.

#### **PUPVILLE**

#### **NASHUA**

Daycare, boarding, and grooming, oh my! Take on the day knowing that your pets will be safe and sound all day and night. Shuttle services are also available.

#### **ROYAL PAWS K9 CLUB**

#### **NASHUA**

Offering boarding, day care, and grooming services.

#### **SUPERDOGS**

#### **MERRIMACK**

They've got a wide array of daycare options that are for all dog types and all daycare needs, no matter if it's for an hour so that you can get your errands done, overnight, or even if it's everyday. They also offer grooming and boarding options.

#### SUPPLIES & SERVICES

#### BIRD SUPPLY OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

#### NASHUA

Despite the name, the Bird Supply of New Hampshire doesn't just sell products for our feathered friends. You can bring your pets in to choose from a wide selection of supplies for dogs, cats, small animals, and, yes, birds. You can even adopt your own bird!

#### **FAMILY PET & AQUARIUM**

#### **NASHUA**

If you're looking to add a furry (or scaley!) friend to your life, then Nashua's Family Pet & Aquarium is where you'll find them. They have puppies, kitten, fish, and other small animals for you to choose from to adopt as well as everything you'll need to take care of them. As an added bonus, they also offer grooming services.

#### LOYAL COMPANIONS PET SITTING

#### **NASHUA**

The dedicated people at Loyal Companions offer dog walking as well as many other pet-sitting services to best take care of your four-legged friends when you're stuck at work.

#### **WALKS & WHISKERS**

#### NASHUA

We all have busy lives nowadays, especially with work. Have no fear, pet owners! Walks & Whiskers offers pet sitting and dog walking services to make sure your pets are looked after throughout the day.



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Stay Work Play carries out its mission by promoting the state as a favorable place for young people to stay, work and play, through the following programs:



As one of the few states that has a single area code, it has become a tradition of Stay Work Play to celebrate June 3 as 603 DAY (#603Day). Each year, Granite Staters demonstrate their pride by engaging and sharing on social platforms.



As an organization devoted to attracting and retaining more young people in New Hampshire, Stay Work Play stands in solidarity with Black Lives Matter and is committed to making New Hampshire a more welcoming, inclusive, and just place for people of color and diverse backgrounds. Driving this effort, the <a href="DIVERSITY">DIVERSITY</a>, EQUITY & INCLUSION SERIES is a group of events to foster conversation, enable learning experiences, and push for change.



At this half-day event, NH NEXT: A SUMMIT FOR YOUNG CHANGEMAKERS attendees hear from and engage with compelling young people who have made an impact in New Hampshire in the arts, social justice, business, politics, and more. They meet others who shared their passions, and connect with individuals and organizations with whom they might partner to help create the change they want to see — and gain access to information and other resources that can help them along the way.



In order to better understand the matters most important to young people in the Granite State, the POLICY & PINTS POP-UP SERIES was created to get young people talking openly about matters impacting their decision to stay in, or leave, NH. In partnership with NH Housing and The Nature Conservancy, and co-hosted with young professionals groups around the state, the guided conversation sparked crucial insights aimed at helping to inform Stay Work Play's 2020 non-partisan, issues-based legislative advocacy efforts.



<u>POLITICS UNPLUGGED</u> is a public policy series where New Hampshire's young people come together for casual discussions with presidential candidates about issues that matter most to them.



Stay Work Play's signature event, the <u>RISING</u> <u>STARS AWARDS</u>, in partnership with NH Public Radio, celebrate and recognize New Hampshire's remarkable young people and the businesses that go the extra mile to recruit and retain them.



Here you will find a listing of popular weekly, monthly, and annual regional events. This is another great section to review to find events where you can meet people who share interests similar to yours.

#### ART, MUSIC & FILM

#### **ART WEEK**

#### **NASHUA**

Your one-stop location for all things artistic in Nashua! The goal of Art Week is to promote the city's art and culture by bringing in more than 15 local creators.

#### **DANCIN' IN THE STREETS**

#### **NASHUA**

Twist, shake, and have fun at the Dancin' in the Park event! Bring your family, friend, and neighbors to dance the night away to the songs of local performers. Enjoy some ice cream to cool down afterwards.

#### **FATHER DAUGHTER DANCE**

#### **HUDSON**

Dads and daughters are invited to spend the night dancing, laughing, and spending family time together. Get dolled up in your best dress and celebrate all fathers and daughters.

#### **GREELEY PARK ART SHOW**

#### **NASHUA**

At this two-day event, thousands of visitors, both in-state and tourists, come to view local artists' works at their booths. Participating artists are entered into two competitions (one for adults and one for kids). See about the other fun activities such as a coloring tent, a petting zoo, and others that allow your children to express their creativity. All donations will be put towards scholarships for high schools in the surrounding area.

# NASHUA INTERNATIONAL SCULPTURE SYMPOSIUM

#### **NASHUA**

Nashua brings local and international artists together to create sculptures for the city. For three weeks every year, artists and the public are encouraged to work alongside each other to produce works of art.

#### **NASHUA STREET PIANOS**

#### **NASHUA**

Music is good for the soul, especially when you can play your favorite, or even original, songs with your friends and neighbors! During the spring and summer months, The Gate City brings out pianos that anyone can play on the street for all the locals and tourists to enjoy.

#### PLAY IT FORWARD

#### **HOLLIS**

Performing for a cause. During the Play It Forward event, local musicians perform to support music education. Be sure to buy some raffle tickets for your chance at fun prizes!

#### FARMERS' MARKETS

#### MERRIMACK FARMERS' MARKET

#### **MERRIMACK**

Merrimack is a hub for all things farmed. The Merrimack Farmer's Market has all the New Hampshire fruits, veggies, meats, and other farmed delicacies you could want. Open from 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM every Wednesday during in-season months.

#### MILFORD FARMERS' MARKET

#### **MILFORD**

Everything between foods, preserves, syrups, and more is available at the Milford Farmers' Market. Open from 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM every Saturday during the in-season months until November.

#### **NASHUA FARMERS' MARKET**

#### **NASHUA**

Farmers from all over Southern New Hampshire come to sell their healthy, organic and, above all, delicious produce. Goes from 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM every Sunday between June 21 and October 18.

#### **FOOD & DRINK**

# BROOKLINE'S CHILI/SOUP/CHOWDER COOK-OFF

#### **BROOKLINE**

If soups, chilis, and chowders are your favorite foods, then this event is just for you! Chefs compete at Brookline's Chili/Soup/Chowder Cook-Off for the prize of making the best-voted dish. While you dine, you can listen to live entertainment, snack on some sweets, and get a drink at the cash bar.

#### **BUNNY PANCAKE BREAKFAST**

#### HUDSON

Every year, the Easter Bunny hops over to Hudson to have pancakes, pictures taken, and do crafts with the kids of the town. Brings your kids to celebrate the holiday!

#### **CHOCOLATE STROLL**

#### **NASHUA**

Just in time for Valentine's Day, this event is for all you chocolate lovers out there! Indulge in complimentary chocolate delights as you taste your way through Downtown Nashua's distinctive shops and boutiques.

#### **DINNER ON MAIN STREET**

#### **NASHUA**

There's always a seat for you at the Dinner on Main Street event! Have a six course meal prepared by local farms and restaurants with family, friends, and neighbors in the heart of Downtown Nashua.

#### **GATE CITY BREWFEST**

#### **NASHUA**

Locally-made beer plus chicken wings equals an amazing event. Fill your stomach as you listen to live music performances, participate in games, and have fun!

# GREAT AMERICAN RIBFEST AND FOOD TRUCK FESTIVAL

#### **MERRIMACK**

The Great American Ribfest and Food Truck Festival promises "Great Food, Great Beer, and Great Live Music". Visit local vendors while you let your kids have fun at the kids area!

EXPOS, FAIRS & FESTIVALS

#### **GOLDENS ON THE GREEN**

#### **AMHERST**

Amherst is home to the annual Goldens on the Green parade event, a day where local Golden Retriever owners bring their goldens for dog-centered activities that are fun for the whole family!

# GREAT NEW ENGLAND BBQ FOOD TRUCK FESTIVAL

#### **MILFORD**

There's nothing better than an event with music, games, and good food. This BBQ & Food Truck Festival makes feeding and entertaining the family a breeze. Enjoy the food, games, beer tent, and the DJ of New Hampshire's Frank 106.3.

#### **HOLLIS GRAPE FESTIVAL**

#### **HOLLIS**

Hosted by Fulchino Vineyards, the Hollis Grape Festival is a night of local live entertainment and giving. All proceeds and donations go right to some good causes, including scholarships, local organizations and societies, and first responders.

#### MILFORD PUMPKIN FESTIVAL

#### **MILFORD**

The Halloween season is a spooktacular one, and Milford's Pumpkin Fest adds to the fun and has been for over 30 years! Enjoy live performances of all kinds, raffles, and pumpkin carving art by local artists.

#### NASHUA MULTICULTURAL FESTIVAL

#### **NASHUA**

New Hampshire is a melting pot of a multitude of different cultures from all around the world. Nashua recognizes and respects this fact by hosting a Multicultural Festival where people from all over can learn about the world through food and drink, art, dance, and more!

#### NASHUA PRIDE FESTIVAL

#### **NASHUA**

For New Hampshire's LGBTQ+ community, come together during Nashua's Pride Festival! There's live music, shows presented by community members, and speakers. Don't forget to grab some pride gear and accessories before you go.

#### NATIONAL DRINK WINE WEEKEND

#### **BROOKLINE**

New Hampshire is known for its vineyards and wines. Drink from the selections of five local wineries and have the chance to win prizes! Don't forget to bring your complimentary wine glass home to show that you went to this fun event.

#### **NEW ENGLAND DOG EXPO**

#### **MILFORD**

Expos aren't just for humans! Come with your four-legged best friends to New England's Dog Expo and have fun shopping, eating, and playing with your pets while making friends with other dog owners.

#### NH BACON & BEER FESTIVAL

#### MERRIMACK

The NH Bacon & Beer Festival is one day celebrating greasy, fatty, savory goodness of bacon, alongside the endless possibilities of flavors that have come to define well-crafted beer. When getting a great pint of beer and savory bacon gives to a good cause, there's no better food festival!



#### NH POUTINE FEST

#### MERRIMACK

The NH Poutine Fest is ready to bid you a bienvenue! Get ready to eat some of New England's favorite French-Canadian treat so you can "Live Free & Fat Poutine!"

# NOM NOM NOVEMBER KIDS COOKIE CONTEST

#### NASHUA

Allow your kids to be creative in the kitchen for the Nom Nom November Cookie Contest! Kids can send in their favorite cookie recipe and the winners will have their recipes baked at Nashua bakeries on National Cookie Day in December.

#### **ROOTS FESTIVAL**

#### NASHUA

Fans of country, bluegrass, and American roots music will love the Roots Festival! Every year, New England artists perform local favorites on stage right in the heart of the city of Nashua. Grab a lawn chair and listen to songs new and classic - this festival is a must-see!

#### SULLIVAN FARM APPLE FEST

#### **NASHUA**

Come for a day full of New Hampshire fun! The Apple Fest has hay rides, locally-grown/made foods and baked goods, arts & crafts and games, and even a petting zoo.

#### **TASTE OF DOWNTOWN**

#### NASHUA

With over 25 participating restaurants and caterers, the Taste of Downtown event brings the taste of New Hampshire to you. Plan your route as you traverse the city going from vendor to vendor while music, games, and a scavenger hunt known as "The Hot Spot Challenge" keep you and your family entertained all day long.



#### PARADES & HOLIDAY CELEBRATIONS

#### 4TH OF JULY / LABOR DAY PARADES

#### **STATEWIDE**

Check out the following pages to learn more about how the Greater Nashua region celebrates the Fourth of July! Amherst, Brookline, Merrimack, Milford, and Nashua

#### AMHERST TREE LIGHTING FESTIVAL

#### **AMHERST**

Amherst's Tree Lighting Festival is where all your Christmas memories can be made. This three day event includes a decorated-tree display, craft fairs, time with Santa Claus, food and sweets.

#### DAZZLING DECEMBER LIGHT CONTEST

#### **NASHUA**

The most magical part of the Christmas season is the decorating of trees. In Nashua, they take this magic to the next level. Cityfolk can submit pictures of their homes or business buildings' light displays for the chance to be a winner of a trophy!

#### FRIGHT NIGHT

#### **HUDSON**

Hudson's Fright Night is sure to be a spooky treat for everyone in the family! There's snacks, games, arts & crafts, and more to make Halloween a thrill.

#### **HOLIDAY MARKET**

#### **BROOKLINE**

Ah, Spring time! There's no better way to get into the spirit than by going to Brookline's Holiday Market. Shop for locally-made crafts, soaps, oils, decorations, and more, perfect for spring cleaning and re-decorating.

#### **HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE**

#### **MILFORD**

New Hampshire's Antique Co-op hosts their annual three-day open house to bring old-fashioned joy during the winter season. Come by for snacks, raffles, scavenger hunts, and an antique & craft fair.

#### HOLLIS HOLIDAY LUMINARIA STOLL

#### HOLLIS

The whole town of Hollis works together to make the Holiday Luminaria Stroll a fun time you'll never forget. There'll be ginger bread, wreaths, choirs, candle-lighting, and Santa galore!

#### **MAY DAY CELEBRATION**

#### WILTON

What do you get when you bring music, food, games, circus acts, dancing, baby farm animals, and a pottery sale together? Wilton's May Day Celebration, of course! Enjoy this collection of activities with the family.

#### **MEMORIAL DAY PARADE**

#### HUDSON

To honor all of the service people who have given their lives to serve their country, Hudson hosts their town's Memorial Day Parade.

#### NASHUA'S SCARECROW COMPETITION

#### NASHUA

As the Fall season comes around, keep your eye out around the city for some spooky newcomers!

Businesses and organization from all over Nashua compete for the best scarecrow.

#### NASHUA'S VETERANS DAY PARADE

#### **NASHUA**

First responders, Nashua's school bands, and color guard come to march and honor America's veterans at Nashua's Veterans Day Parade.

#### NASHUA'S WINTER HOLIDAY STROLL

#### **NASHUA**

It might be snowing outside, but when the Winter Holiday Stroll comes around, it's anything but cold! Food, entertainment, characters from classic winter films and stories, activities for all ages, and more will all be provided to make your holiday season a blast!

#### PINE HILL HOLIDAY FAIR

#### WILTON

Wilton's school shares holiday flair and magic during their Pine Hill Holiday Fair. Get great deals on locally-made as your kids can explore the Winter Wonderland and get prizes, play games, make crafts, and watch flying circus performers!

#### POLAR EXPRESS FAMILY BRUNCH

#### **AMHERST**

All aboard for family fun! At this brunch, your kids can eat and watch The Polar Express. After the movie, the kids can meet Santa and Mrs. Claus while they read a Christmas story and present one lucky child with a special Christmas-magic-representing gift!

#### ST. PATRICK'S DAY MURDER MYSTERY

#### **BROOKLINE**

Come celebrate St. Patrick's Day in a whodunit fashion! Wine and dine on a famous chef's surprise menu as you work together with your fellow detectives to solve the mystery of the night.

#### THE DICKENS CAROLERS

#### **AMHERST**

Christmas time is all about bringing good cheer to all, and that's exactly what The Dickens Carolers bring to all who hear their music! The Piccola Opera singers put on this event every year to bring you holiday classics.

#### **VETERANS' DAY ACTIVITIES**

#### LYNDEBOROUGH

Lafayette Artillery Company hosts a Veterans' Day Ceremony and Cannon Salute.

#### **RUNS, WALKS & TRIATHLONS**

# 20TH ANNUAL TROT YOUR TURKEY 5K AND 1 MILE FUN RUN

#### **AMHERST**

Bring the whole family to this fun annual community run! Don't forget to keep your eye out for the event's turkey mascot! All proceeds go to a different charitable foundation every year.

#### BROOKLINE BOLT 5K AND KIDS FUN RUN

#### **BROOKLINE**

Get the family active at the Bolt 5K and Kids Fun Run! The Town of Brookline's goal is to promote healthy lifestyles, team-building, community and FUN!

#### **GREATER NASHUA SPRINT TRIATHLON**

#### **MERRIMACK**

Read, Set, GO! The Sprint Triathlon is for all types of participants, whether new or returning, and works alongside helpful organizations so that triathletes are running, swimming, and biking for good causes.

#### **MERRIMACK SPARKLER 5K**

#### MERRIMACK

Join New Hampshire runners in this 5K to benefit the Merrimack high school and middle school track and cross country teams! Races and runs are available for all ages and the first 200 people to register for the 5K get an event t-shirt.



#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

#### **ADULT COMEDY SHOWS**

#### HUDSON

Chuckle, laugh, and roar at Hudson's Adult Comedy Shows! Local comedians will perform for townsfolk to fill the night with laughter.

#### **BLIZZARD BLAST**

#### **NASHUA**

Winter isn't just for being under a cozy blanket near a fireplace with a mug of hot chocolate. In Nashua, they mean business when the snowy season comes around! The Blizzard Blast is a 3-4 mile tough winter obstacle race where you can test your strength, agility, and have fun at this competitive event. The proceeds from the race goes towards local organizations and charities.

#### **DUCK RACE**

#### LITCHFIELD

The ducks are back! The Lions Club of Litchfield hosts the annual Duck Race where food, games for the kids, and the chance to win prizes are happening all day. Be sure to choose a duck you hope will win the grand prize!

#### KIDS CON

#### **NASHUA**

Bring out your comic books, video games, and superhero costumes for Kids Con! Kids of all ages can come and learn through games, activities, and having fun with fellow fans.

#### NATIONAL NIGHT OUT BLOCK PARTY

#### HUDSON

Join Hudson for their Night Out Block Party! Spend the day with the town police department as they host water games, face painting, pony rides, and a "Touch a Truck" competition.

#### PLAID FRIDAY

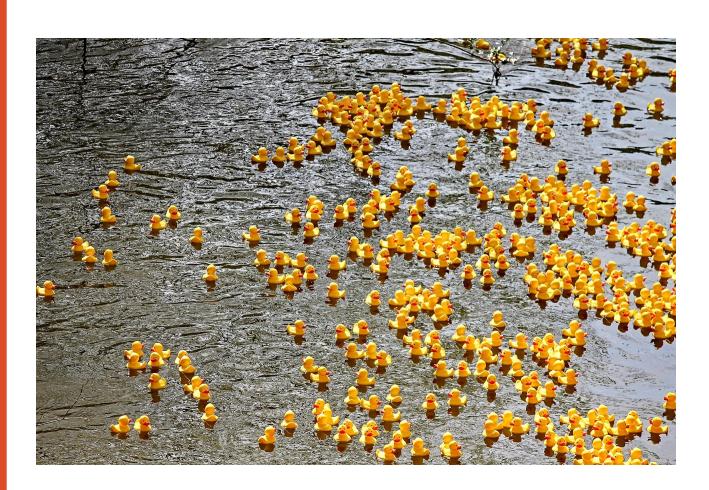
#### **NASHUA**

Support local Nashua businesses while wearing some stylish plaid! A small-business alternative to Black Friday, Plaid Friday is the day where you can get everything on your Christmas shopping list all while giving to a good cause.

#### **SUMMERFUN**

#### **NASHUA**

All summer long, Nashua has a plethora of events for families and friends to enjoy together! Locals can participate in movie nights, Fourth of July activities, and more!



# LIVE LOCAL, WORK LOCAL.



VISIT STAYWORKPLAY.ORG TO DISCOVER A RANGE OF CAREER OPPORTUNITIES IN NEW HAMPSHIRE.

In addition to the groups and volunteer opportunities mentioned below, see the Events section of this guide for other events at which you can meet people based on interests ranging from slam poetry to comic books.

# ABC YOUNG PROFESSIONALS GROUP (ABC YPG)

#### STATEWIDE

Founded in 2012 as an initiative of ABC NH/VT, the ABC YPG's mission is to develop, empower, and connect young professionals through networking events, educational workshops, and volunteering opportunities in an effort to enhance their professional development and business success within the construction industry.

#### **AMHERST'S GARDEN CLUB**

#### **AMHERST**

The Amherst Garden Club promotes living and learning alongside nature for almost 50 years. Club members have raised and manage ten garden areas around the town, all of which are open for the public to see. Make sure to stop and smell the roses - or any of the other flowers in bloom!

#### **BLACK LIVES MATTER NASHUA**

#### **NASHUA**

Black Lives Matter Nashua is an organization that offers resources to Black/African American New Hampshire citizens. Their goal is promote communication and action that helps New Hampshire to become safer, more open-minded, and move towards a better and brighter future. For Black/African American students, take a look at their scholarship opportunity.

#### **BROADEN COLLECTIVE**

#### STATEWIDE

Broaden Collective is a New Hampshire based women's collective and online directory for women-owned businesses. Broaden Collective's mission is to build a community in which women can support and feel supported by one another through online and local meet-ups.

#### **GREAT AMERICAN DOWNTOWN**

#### **NASHUA**

Nashua's local businesses do a lot for neighbors and visitors alike. Great American Downtown is there to make sure that these businesses are promoted to help people know that downtown Nashua is a great place to do work and have fun!

# GREATER NASHUA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

#### **NASHUA**

The Greater Nashua Chamber of Commerce is a great resource for businesses. Keep informed, connected, and advocate about businesses in the region and work to make Nashua a thriving city!

#### **IUGO NASHUA**

#### **NASHUA**

iUGO Nashua is an organization dedicated to cultivating networking and learning opportunities for the workforce of Nashua. Young professionals can meet up at a plethora of fun events, including restaurant visits, educational panels, volunteer activities, and more!

#### **MEETUP**

#### **NATIONAL**

Learn to cook. Train for a marathon. Practice a new language. Whatever your interest is, there's a good chance that others in the Greater Nashua region are into it as well.

#### MY SOCIAL SPORTS

#### NATIONAL

Play sports. Meet people. Have fun. My Social Sports offers co-ed, 18+ recreational sports in eight to nine week sessions, four times a year.

#### NASHUA HUDSON TOASTMASTERS CLUB

#### **NASHUA**

Being a leader is an important part of both everyday life as well as life at work. The Nashua Hudson Toastmasters can help young professionals hone their leadership and public speaking skills to be successful wherever they go.

#### NH YOUNG VETERANS NETWORK

#### **STATEWIDE**

Transitioning out of military service and into civilian life is a process that seems easy while in the military.

However, when veterans are out of service, it proves to be more difficult than anticipated. NHYVN was founded to assist young veterans with building their professional networks, in the hopes of making this transition easier. They host networking events where young veterans can meet business leaders in their community as well as more established veterans who've made the transition successfully.

#### NASHUA ROTARY CLUB

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The Rotary Club brings together leaders who care about the wellbeing and peace of others and the world around them.

#### THE AMERICAN SOCIAL CLUB

#### **NASHUA**

This club is dedicated to supporting those who are in the military, veterans, and first responders in Nashua. Through charitable events and activities, this bar and lounge gives back to those who serve to protect all of us. The American Social Club also holds events to support local causes such as medical research, animal rescues, and more!

#### THE CLUB NATIONAL

#### **NASHUA**

If you're looking to become part of a sports league while also giving to a good cause, then join The Club National. You can choose from being part of the cribbage, darts, and golf leagues all while being involved with charitable events that support local organizations. For members who are in, or have a family member who's in high school, there's also an available scholarship towards higher education.

# FIND VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES WITH VOLUNTEER NH

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Or maybe you want to give back to your community by stepping up to serve in a volunteer and elected capacity at the municipal level. Visit your town's website to learn what such opportunities exist:

Amherst, Brookline, Hollis, Hudson, Litchfield, Lyndeborough, Merrimack, Milford, Mont Vernon, Nashua, and Wilton

#### YOUNG MENSCHES

#### **STATEWIDE**

Young Menches is the Jewish Federation of NH's young adults program. Young Menches is committed to bringing together young Jewish professionals from NH in their 20s and 30s, to share a wide range of educational, social, networking, community service, philanthropic, and leadership development activities to enhance commitment and connection to the mission of the JFNH, to Israel, and to the NH Jewish Community at large.



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