

Vermont Adventures

From Basin Harbor Club

History Alive

The Lake Champlain Region is rich with history,
all within 50 miles of your hotel door.

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The Route

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1. Lake Champlain Maritime Museum

The Lake Champlain Maritime Museum is a non-profit museum located in Ferrisburgh, Vermont, USA, right on the grounds of Basin Harbor. Made even more special by Bob Beach Jr. being one of the founders, its mission is to preserve and share the history and archaeology of Lake Champlain. Explore the vast history of Lake Champlain through hands-on exhibits, shipwreck discoveries, and full-scale replica vessels. Open May 25, 2013 through October 13, 2013 Daily 10am - 5pm 4472 Basin Harbor Road, Vergennes, VT 05491

www.lcmm.org





2. DAR John Strong Mansion Museum – 11 miles from BHC

General John Strong, one of the first settlers of Addison, built this handsome brick Federal style house in the mid-1790s. Five generations of Strongs called it home. In the 1930s, the Vermont Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution purchased and restored the building. The rooms display period furnishings. The exhibits tell the story of a colonial life in the northern wilderness. Colonial Garden. Memorial Day–Labor Day, Sat. and Sun., 10-5. 6656 Route 17W, West Addison, VT 05491 802-759-2309 <http://www.vtstateparks.com/htm/dar.htm>

Point of Interest: Stop by the Bridge Restaurant and try their amazing lunches. Hand-cut fries and diner burgers. Yum.





3. Crown Point State Historic Site – 14 miles from BHC

Across the Champlain Bridge in New York are the ruins of the French-built Fort St. Frederic and of the vast British-built fortress on the Crown Point peninsula. Both played key roles in the 18th-century struggles for control of Lake Champlain. In 1759, British troops took control of the French stronghold and built their own fort. It was briefly taken by the American colonists in 1775, but reoccupied by the British from 1777 to the end of the Revolutionary War. The 350-acre New York State Historic Site has a museum and the ruins of both forts. The grounds are of geological interest and are also a bird conservation area. May-Oct, Wed-Mon 9:30-5. Museum admission fee. 739 Bridge Road, Crown Point, NY 12928-2817 518-597-3666 www.nysparks.ny.us/sites





4. Fort Ticonderoga: 32 miles from BHC

Overlooking Lake Champlain, Fort Ticonderoga was the scene of major battles and military maneuvers in the Seven Years War (French and Indian War) and American Revolution. Its buildings, exhibits, and grounds interpret historical events and the lives of soldiers at the fort. The site also has the restored “King’s Garden,” as well as recreated Native American and garrison gardens. The Fort hosts several reenactments each season. Museum store and restaurant. Early May-late Oct, daily, 9-5. Fort Road at NY Route 74 Ticonderoga, NY 12883 518-585-2821. www.fortticonderoga.org



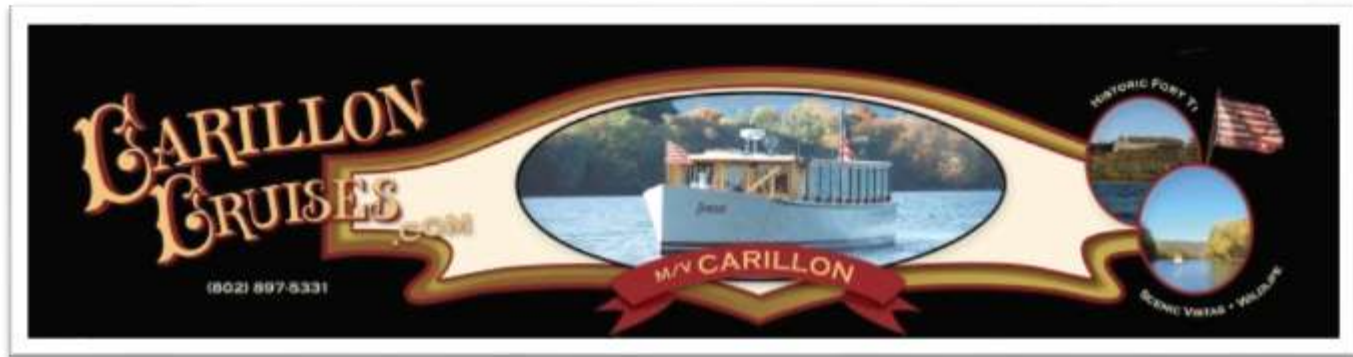


4A. Mount Defiance: 32 miles from BHC

Fort Ticonderoga maintains a tour road to the top of Mount Defiance, which provides one of the most spectacular views in the northeast. You can see up and down the Champlain basin, and get an aerial view of Fort Ticonderoga and Mount Independence. It is a grand location for appreciating the great water highway which stretches from Montréal to New York City. There is a picnic pavilion at the top.

Point of Necessity: At this point, we need to get you back to VT. Use the Fort Ti ferry to return to the Green Mountain State.





6. Carillon Cruises: 31 miles from BHC

Come aboard the 60ft luxury vessel "Carillon." French for "Ringing Bells," this is a replica of a 1920's 1000 Island's cruise boat. Explore the historic waters of Southern Lake Champlain. 4820 VT Rte 74 West, Shoreham, VT 05770 802-897-5331 <http://www.carilloncruises.com>

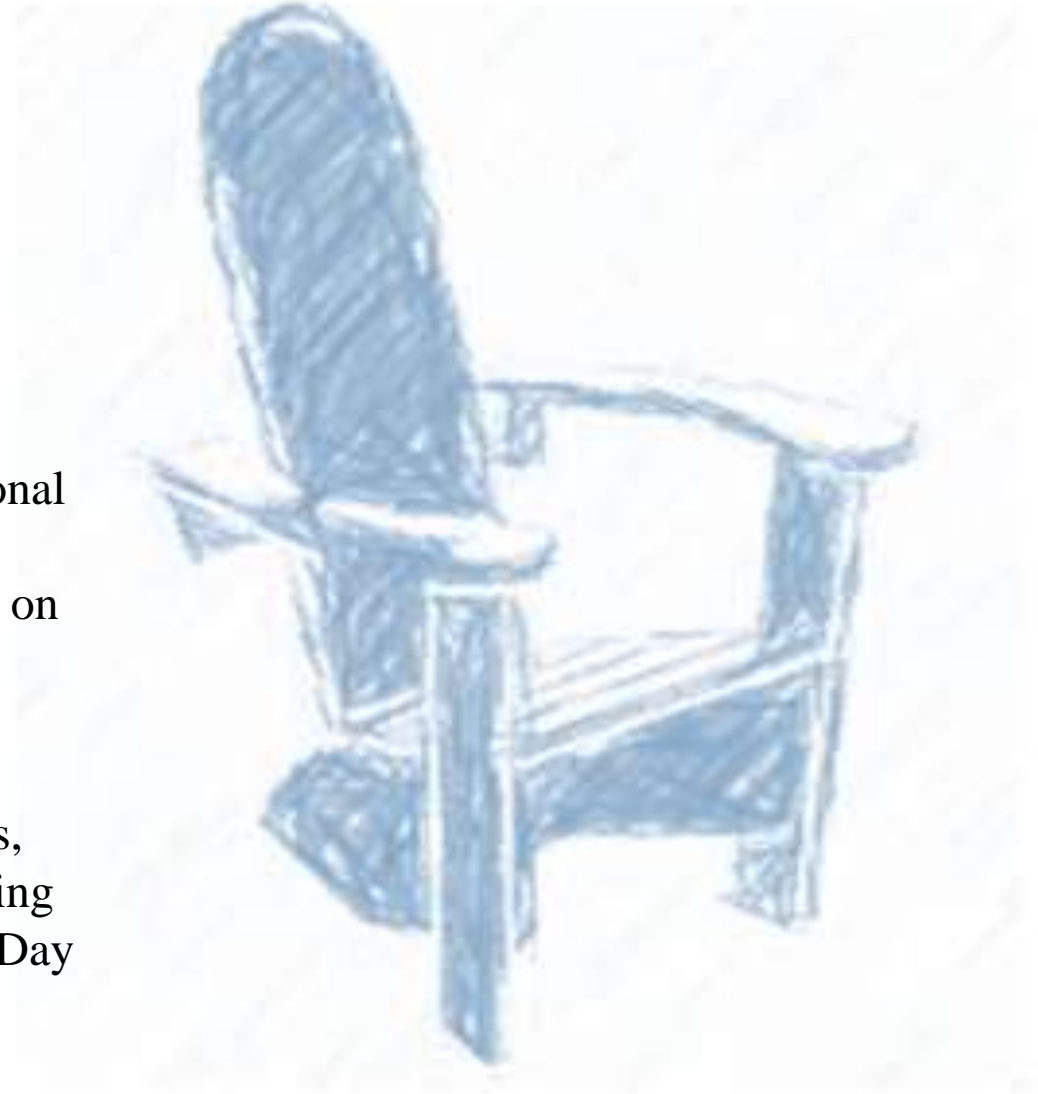




7. Mount Independence State Historic Site – 33 miles from BHC

Mount Independence, a Vermont state-owned historic site and a National Historic Landmark, was a major American defense post against the British invading from Canada during the Revolutionary War. Located on a 300-acre promontory on Lake Champlain across from Fort Ticonderoga, this extensive fortification was built in 1776-77. It was garrisoned by American, and then British and German troops, the following year. The site includes a modern visitor center with exhibits, artifacts, and interactive programs, and an extensive trail system leading past the archaeological remains of the fort. Museum shop. Memorial Day weekend-Columbus Day. Daily 9:30-5. 497 Mt. Independence Road, Orwell, VT 05491 802-948-2000

<http://historicsites.vermont.gov/mountindependence/>





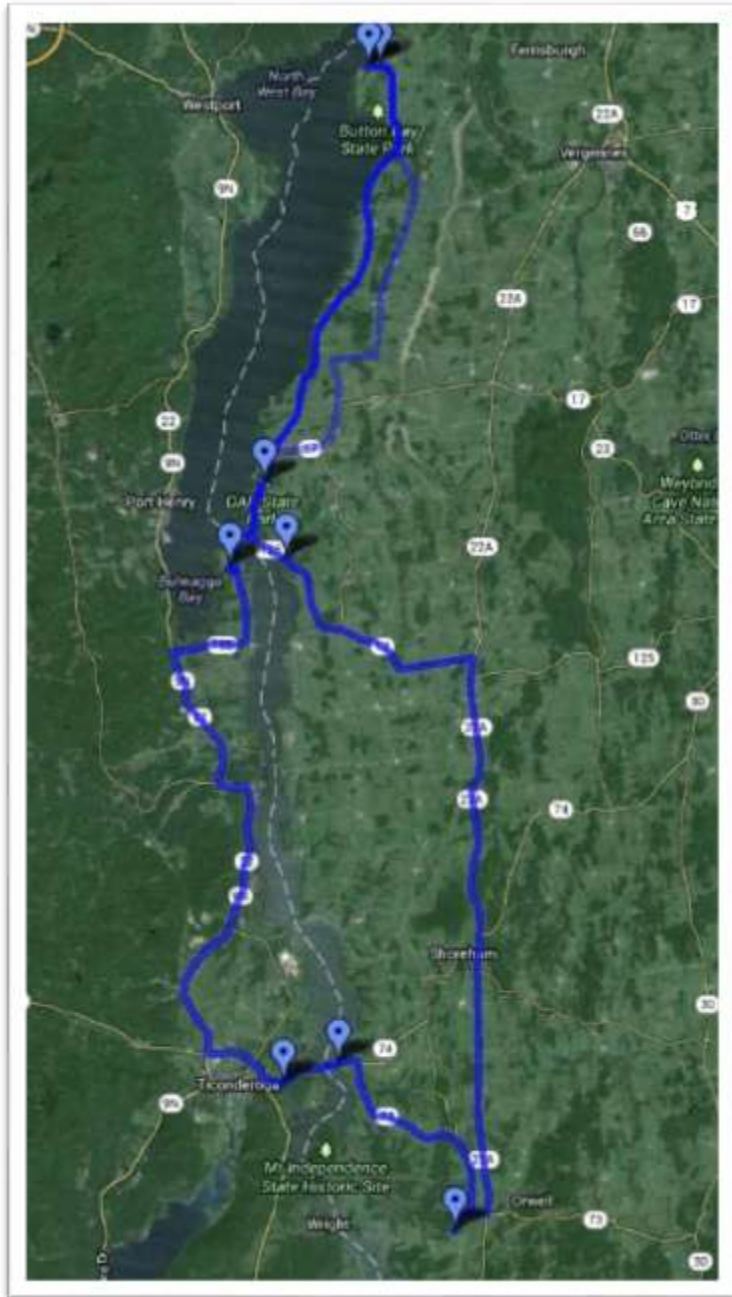
8. Chimney Point State Historic Site – 14 miles away

This Vermont state-owned historic site, located at Lake Champlain narrows at the foot of the Champlain Bridge, is a late 1700s brick tavern that also was a summer resort in the late 1800s. Exhibits present the Champlain Valley's Native American and French history, other topics in regional history, and changing exhibits. Special yearly events include the annual Northeastern Open Archery Championship. Museum shop. Memorial Day weekend – Columbus Day, Wed.-Sun. and Mon. holidays, 9:30-5.

7305 VT Route 125, Addison, VT 05491 802-759-2412

www.HistoricVermont.org/ChimneyPoint





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