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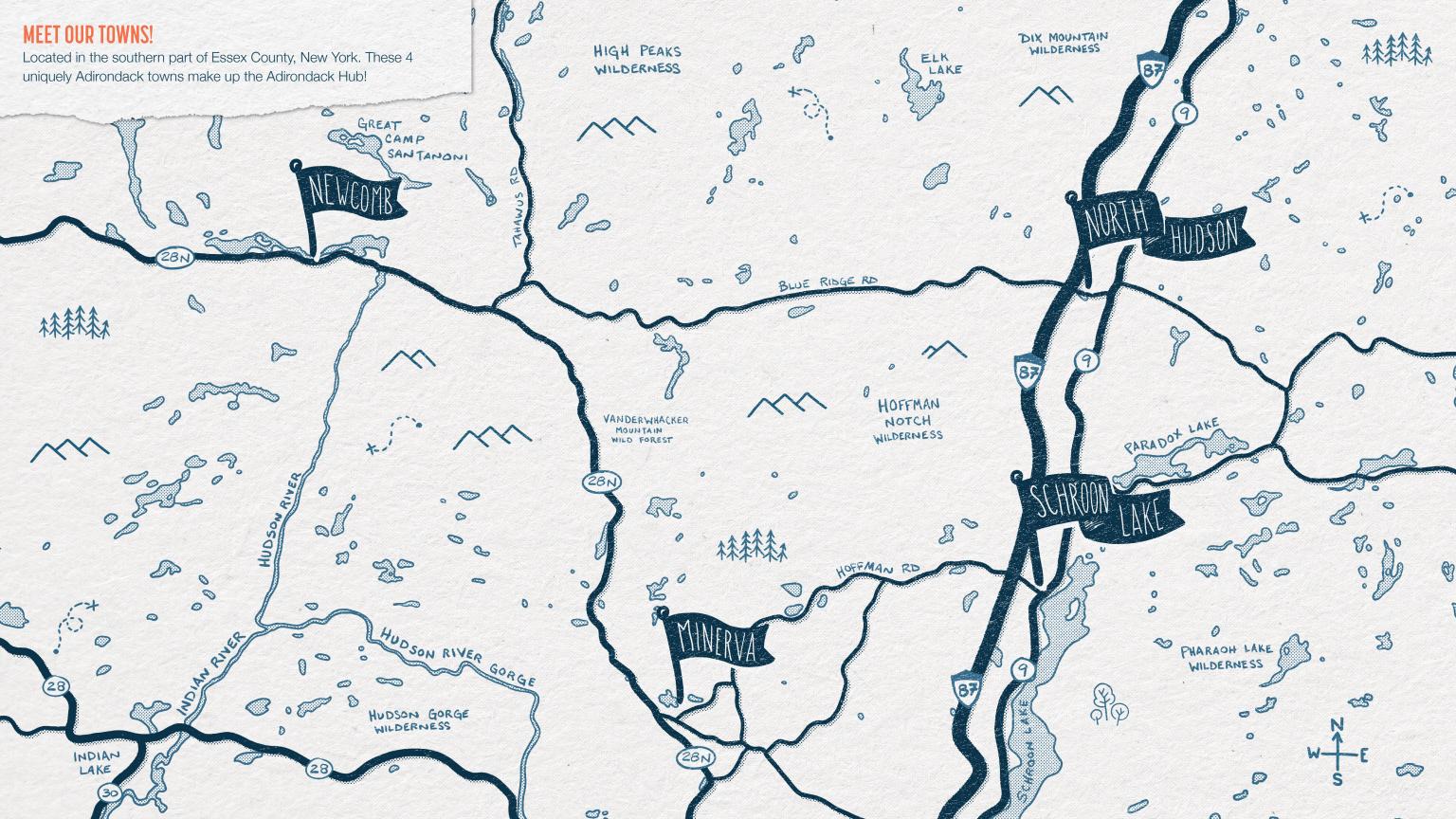


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MINERVA

## NEWCOMB

This small town houses historic gems from throughout history. Relive history at the Great Camp Santanoni or visit the McIntyre Blast Furnace, in the mining ghost town of Tahawus, to learn about the once booming mining industry of the Adirondacks. The AIC (Adirondack Interpretive Center), part of SUNY ESF's Newcomb Campus, is home to miles of trails through lakeshore, river, forest, and wetland ecosystems. Enter the southern access point to the High Peaks at the Upper Works Trailhead! Find endless amounts of fun and history during your stay.

NewcombNY.com • 518-582-3211

## **MINERVA**

When you visit Minerva, you'll quickly learn why the town is touted as a "Nature-lover's Paradise." Centrally located and tucked away deep in the Adirondack Mountains, Minerva intertwines its community with the breathtaking natural beauty of the environment around it. Take advantage of all Minerva has to offer by visiting unique swimming holes, fishing on the lake, or hiking nearby Moxham Mountain. While you're here, you can enjoy live music and entertainment all summer long.

TownOfMinerva.com • 518-251-2869

## NORTH HUDSON

Get closer to nature in North Hudson. Home to lush New York State Forest Preserve lands, the opportunities for outdoor adventure are endless. North Hudson is uncommonly filled with lakes and waterways, including Wolf Pond, Blue Ridge Falls, Moose Mountain Pond, Round Pond, and Boreas Ponds. Spend as much time on land as on water! Try horseback riding, cycling, and hiking. For your next hunting trip, choose North Hudson as your basecamp, and find great hunting and trapping opportunities during your stay!

NorthHudsonNY.com • 518-532-9811



NEWCOMB



SCHROON LAKE

**SCHROON LAKE** 

Your Adirondack basecamp. Nestled right along the water. Schroon Lake has so much to offer for everyone. This charming town offers everything from a famous art scene to a picturesque main street. With a beautiful lake as its hub for all activity. Schroon Lake is the perfect place to have an Adirondack getaway. Boating, hiking, beaches, camping, fishing, shopping, and more. Make Schroon Lake your next stay!

NORTH HUDSON

SchroonLakeChamber.org • 518-532-7675

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# ADVENTURES **ON THE TRAIL**

With expansive wilderness areas and plenty of peaks, the Adirondack Hub is a sweet spot for a hike, big or small, and relaxing at the end of the day under the stars.

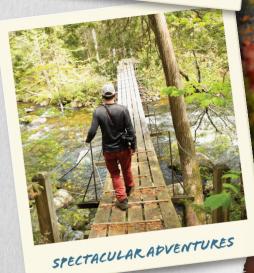
## HIT THE TRAIL WITH SOME OF OUR **FAVORITE HIKES!**

- Cheney Pond in Newcomb 1 mile R/T, 160' elevation gain, secluded scenery awaits at the end of the short walk down to the pond.
- Blue Ledges in Minerva 5 miles R/T, 600' elevation gain, offers fresh air and unique views of the Hudson River Gorge.
- Goodnow Mountain in Newcomb Summit 2.664'. 3.8 miles R/T, 1,075' elevation gain, with a historic fire tower.
- Moxham Mountain in Minerva Summit 2.360', 5 miles R/T, 1360' elevation gain, steady moderate climb with frequent viewpoints.
- Mt. Severance in Schroon Lake Summit 1,693', 2.4 miles R/T, 725' elevation gain, great views of Schroon Lake.
- Dix Range in North Hudson Highest summit 4,840', 15 miles R/T, 5,300' elevation gain, a challenging loop of 5 of the 46 High Peaks.
- Upper Works Trailhead in Newcomb Gateway into the Southern High Peaks.
- Adirondack Interpretive Center (AIC) in Newcomb - Explore miles of gentle trails.
- Pharaoh Lake Wilderness Area in Schroon Lake Home to more than 70 miles of trails.
- Hoffman Notch Wilderness Area in Minerva, North Hudson, and Schroon Lake - More than 38,000 secluded acres tucked between two mountain ranges.









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# ADVENTURES ON THE WATER

The Adirondack Hub is a nature lover's paradise, and there is no shortage of fun activities to be had on the water. From pristine lakes and meandering rivers to rushing waterfalls and tranquil streams, explore all the ways to have splashing fun!

### Canoeing and Kayaking

- Boreas Ponds Tract boasts views of the High Peaks that dominate the scene of this 320-acre waterbody. Several rivers and brooks also connect on this tract.
- Lower Schroon River descends from Schroon Lake to the Hudson (27 miles) and is a mixture of long flatwater stretches punctuated by whitewater. Find easy access at points along the way, but go unnoticed while on the tree-lined, secluded river.
- The Opalescent River empties into the iconic Hudson River, just south of Tahawus. It is designated a Wild River for 11 miles from Flowed Lands to its confluence with the Hudson. This makes it a truly wild paddling experience!
- The region is home to the eight lakes of the Essex Chain Lakes, plus 10 other paddle-able waterbodies.

#### Fishing

- As one of the largest lakes in the Adirondack Hub, Schroon Lake has plenty of space for folks to fish from the shore, from their kayaks or canoes, and motorboats. Find yourself setting the hook on species like largemouth bass or lake trout!
- The 45-acre Minerva Lake contains largemouth bass and perch. The lake has always had a good reputation for fishing.
- Another great lake in the Town of Newcomb, Lake Harris is fantastic for snagging the perfect fish, either from the shore or watercraft.
- A calmer spot, Balfour Lake is located between Minerva and Newcomb, and is ideal for canoe or kayak fishing.



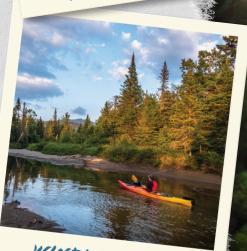


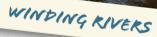












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# ADVENTURES ON TWO WHEELS

Let the good times roll as you explore the expanse of the Adirondack Hub along a route that's perfect for you.



**DIVERSE TERRAIN** 

carriage road.

Boreas Pond Tract.

AMP UP YOUR SPEED

big and small!

hospitality.



SCENIC ROUTES

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Adirondack Hub gravel biking paves the way to un-paved adventures

• Explore historic Great Camp Santanoni via the 5-mile gravel former

• Essex Chain Lakes offers a variety of terrain through a 23-mile loop. • Spectacular High Peaks views await along the multi-use road at

Explore quiet roads, grand views, and classic Adirondack small town

• Breathe easy on a pleasant loop through the charming small towns of Schroon Lake, Minerva, Newcomb, and North Hudson.

• Take in the scenery of Blue Ridge Falls from a quiet pull-off above the river, or stretch your legs on a short hike to the water's edge.

• Stop to enjoy a leisurely rest, complete with picnic facilities and big Adirondack views, at Newcomb Overlook.





# **ADVENTURES IN THE SNOW**

Winter brings about unique recreation opportunities in the Hub. Gliding across the snow on a pair of cross-country skis can be exhilarating, while lounging on a lake waiting for the flag on your tip-up to rise can be a relaxing day outdoors.

- scenic little pond.
- with a taste of Adirondack history.
- Difficult Pharaoh Lake from the south, 9 miles R/T, 600 feet of elevation gain, all in the backcountry.
- Alpine Ski/Snowboard For more adventure, head over to Gore Mountain for world-class downhill skiing and snowboarding.

## **ICE FISHING**

- Schroon Lake 4,107 surface acres of ice, and a popular annual ice fishing derby.
- Eagle Lake Average depth of 19 feet, known for brown trout.
- numerous.

## SNOWMOBILING

Ride through snowy forests and over frozen lakes with a classic snowmobile trip! A mix of groomed and un-groomed trails await.





WINTERHIKING

• Easy - Crane Pond, 4 miles R/T, 350 feet of elevation gain, leads to a

• Moderate - Camp Santanoni, 10 miles R/T, 950 feet of elevation gain,

• Lake Harris - 40 feet at maximum depth, and the northern pike are

• Paradox Lake - 896 surface acres, great chances for large lake trout.



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SNOWMOBILING

# ADVENTURES WITH FAMILY

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Going on outdoor adventures with family is an excellent way to bond and create lasting memories. And what better place to experience that than in the Adirondack Hub.

## **EXPLORE**

There's something special about exploring new places and experiencing the beauty of nature together. Whether it's a hike in the woods, a camping trip, or a day at the beach, there are endless opportunities for adventure.

## **TAKE A DIP!**

All four beaches and recreation areas include pavilions, playgrounds, and sandy beaches perfect for sand castles. Roped-off swimming areas make playing in the water safe and enjoyable for the family.

- Schroon Lake Town Beach
- Newcomb Town Beach
- Donnelly Beach in Minerva
- North Hudson Town Beach

## **ICE CREAM!**

Nothing makes a kid happier than a quickly-melting ice cream cone. After you've soaked up the sun at the beach, take the family to a local ice cream shop and try as many flavors as possible!

- Stone Bridge Ice Cream Pottersville
- Licks & Cones at Sticks & Stones Schroon Lake
- Stewart's Shops Schroon Lake



BEAUTIFUL TOWNS









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## **ART, CULTURE, AND HISTORICAL ADVENTURES**

The Adirondack Hub is renowned for its local arts and cultural heritage. From Shakespearean theatre and operatic arias to historic landmarks and locally marketed arts and crafts, your experiences here will fulfill your need for all things cultural.

- Seagle Festival for outstanding opera and musical productions in the Hub.
- Adirondack Shakespeare Company for professional Shakespeare in Schroon Lake.
- Schroon Lake Summer Square Dancing is a summer tradition! Get your do-si-do on with the locals at a lakeside park.
- Great Camp Santanoni and Preserve, a historic landmark of one of the earliest examples of the Adirondack Great Camps.
- Once known as Tahawus, an iron ore mining village, the Upper Works is now generally considered a ghost town. A new promenade with SCAN HERE historical interpretation has recently been added.
- Connect with the Minerva Historical Society and celebrate Winslow Homer, who, as a summer visitor, painted most of his famous Adirondack works in this area.
- Local arts and crafts, sold in shops throughout the Hub, and at craft fairs throughout the year.

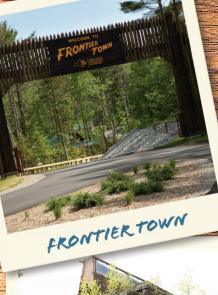






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ACCESSIBLE TRAILS



## **ACCESSIBLE ADVENTURES**

We want everyone, particularly those with accessibility needs, to feel welcome in the Adirondack Hub! Don't miss some of our favorite spots that are accessible and adventurous!

- theatre.

• Overnight in the elegant Inn at Santanoni.

• Savor musical talents at Seagle Festival's accessible

• Explore history and classic scenery at Great Camp Santanoni via an accessible, free wagon ride!

• Camp out at the new, amenity-filled Frontier Town Campground or the universally accessible Scaroon Manor.

• Connect to nature at the Adirondack Interpretive Center's (AIC) power wheelchair-friendly trails.

Explore Schroon Lake's Main Street, full of accessible, welcoming shopping and dining.





## SCHROON PADDLE CHALLENGE

Celebrate the joy of paddling and explore the beautiful waters within the Schroon Lake Watershed. The challenge was created to promote an involved community to help preserve the watershed for present and future generations. To earn your patch, the three paddles can be completed by canoe, kayak, or SUP over the course of a summer. Those looking for more of a challenge can complete the challenge in a single weekend and receive a special Ultra patch.

#### Paddles include:

- Schroon River Paddle
- Schroon River to Schroon Lake Paddle
- Paradox Lake Paddle

## EXPERIENCE NEWCOMB PATCH CHALLENGE

A set of four patches — the challenger, explorer, intermediate, and extreme — highlight a wide array of adventures, including hiking, paddling, and biking. The patch program offers a variety of opportunities for everyone to earn a patch.

Go to NewcombNY.com to learn more.

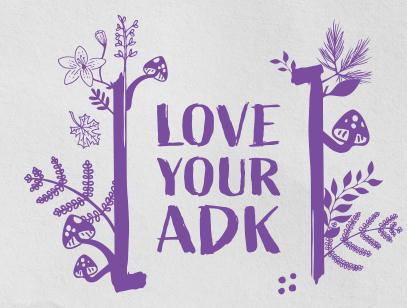












## LOVE YOUR ADK

You know how special the Adirondacks are. In the Adirondack Hub, pristine wilderness areas, beloved lakes, and special small towns are all around you. You can help us keep this place special for generations by taking the Love Your ADK pledge and enjoying this natural landscape in a respectful, fun way.

SCAN HERE



#### We pledge to:

- $\checkmark$  Love the Adirondacks in a way that is mindful of others
- ✓ Only share thoughtful messages on social media that encourage good stewardship
- $\checkmark$  View wildlife from afar and be considerate of their home
- $\checkmark$  Embrace the hiker ethos and get our boots dirty by walking through the mud
- ✓ Always explore responsibly and prepare for any experience
- $\checkmark$  Do our duty to properly dispose of trash as well as pet and human waste
- ✓ Keep woods and waters clean by checking our gear and equipment for invasive species
- ✓ Support, practice, and inspire others to follow the Leave No Trace Seven Principles.

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## **MAJOR EVENTS**



### SPRING

- North Hudson's Annual Car Show
- Schroon Lake Lions Club Garage Sale

## SUMMER

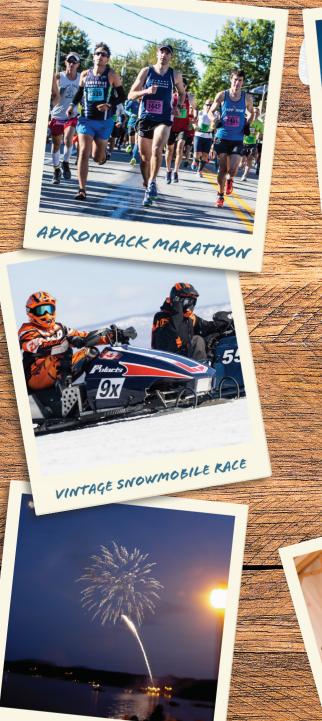
- Minerva Day Celebration
- Annual Chicken BBQ in Newcomb
- Schroon Lake's Fourth of July Celebration
- Annual Steak Roast in Newcomb
- Adirondack Folk Music Festival in Schroon Lake

### FALL

- Schroon Lake Labor Day Weekend
- "Fall for Schroon" Festival and Car Show
- Minerva Irish Day
- Handlebarley in North Hudson
- Teddy Roosevelt Weekend in Newcomb
- Adirondack Marathon Distance Festival in Schroon Lake

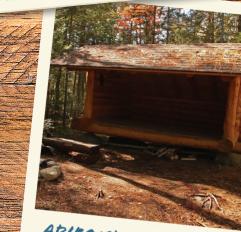
## WINTER

- Olde Tyme Christmas in Schroon Lake
- Vintage Snowmobile Races in Newcomb
- Schoon Lake Ice Fishing Derby



4TH OF JULY





ADIRONDACK LEAN-TO



## CAMPING

Your options for sleeping under the stars in the Hub run the gamut, from primitive tent sites to glamping. Venture out in the Adirondack backcountry for a night in a lean-to, or relax in your camper at a picturesque RV park with full hookups. Don't forget the s'mores ingredients!

- Lake RV Park.
- Campground.



• Primitive camping & lean-tos — The Pharaoh Lake Wilderness Area has nearly 40 designated primitive tent camping sites, in addition to 14 lean-tos, that you can snag on a first-come, first-served basis.

• Campgrounds — Numerous New York state DEC-owned and private campgrounds are located throughout the Hub. Find easy access to waterways, trail systems, and more.

• Glamping — Want to be surrounded by wilderness, yet still have all the comfortable amenities? Glamping options at places like the Lake Harris Lodge in Newcomb, or the Lodge at Schroon Lake, offer just what you need.

• RVers can enjoy the sprawling acreage at Schroon

• Make it a family affair with mini golf, games, general stores and much more at Spacious Skies Adirondack Peaks or Newcomb Cafe and

• Visit Frontier Town for the Adirondacks' only equestrian-focused campground!

## ARTS, CULTURE, AND ATTRACTIONS

Adirondack Interpretive Center Newcomb | 518-582-2000

Blue Ridge Falls North Hudson | 518-532-9811

Boathouse Theater Schroon Lake | 518-532-7675

Donnelly Beach Minerva | 518-251-5136

Gokey's Outlet Stores & Auction Services North Hudson | 518-532-9323

Great Camp Santanoni Newcomb | 518-532-7675

High Peaks Golf Course Newcomb | 518-582-2300

It's About Thyme Farm Minerva | 518-251-3207

MacNaughton Cottage Newcomb | 518-509-3603

Maple Knoll Farm Minerva | 518-796-9302

McIntyre Blast Furnace Newcomb | 518-509-3603

Minerva Historical Society Minerva | 518-251-2229

Newcomb Town Beach Newcomb | 518-509-3603

Newcomb Historical Museum Newcomb | 518-582-2274

North Hudson Beach Park North Hudson | 518-532-9811

Overlook Park in Newcomb Newcomb | 518-509-3603

Schroon Lake Arts Council Schroon Lake | 518-532-9259 Schroon Lake Bandstand Schroon Lake | 518-532-7737 Scaroon Manor State

Sharp Bridge State

Schroon Lake | 518-494-2631

North Hudson | 518-532-7538

**Spacious Skies Adirondack** 

North Hudson | 518-532-7493

Schroon Lake | 518-524-8447

North Hudson | 518-532-9466

**Adirondack General Store** 

Adirondack | 518-494-4408

Schroon Lake | 518-532-0545

Schroon Lake | 518-532-9200

Schroon Lake | 518-532-9096

North Hudson | 518-532-0600

Flanagan's Pub and Grill

Frontier Town Gateway

Newcomb | 518-582-8333

Licks & Cones at Sticks &

Newcomb | 518-582-8999

Schroon Lake | 518-532-0220

Northwoods Bread Co.

Schroon Lake | 518-532-9663

Lake Harris Lodge

Newcomb Cafe and

Campground

Stones

DeCesare's Pizzeria

Adirondack Buffalo Co

Campground

Campground

Peaks

DINING

9-mile Coffee

Alpine Pizza

Schroon Lake Beach Schroon Lake | 518-532-7737

Schroon Lake Golf Course Schroon Lake | 518-532-9359

Schroon Lake-North Hudson Historical Society Schroon Lake | 518-532-7615

Seagle Festival Schroon Lake | 518-532-7875

The Strand Theater Schroon Lake | 518-532-9077

Upper Works Trailhead Newcomb | 518-509-3603

## CAMPGROUNDS

Blue Ridge Falls Campsite North Hudson | 518-532-7863

Eagle Point Campground Schroon Lake | 518-494-2220

Frontier Town Campground North Hudson | 518-532-9051

Lake Harris Campground Newcomb | 518-582-2503

Medcalf Acres Riverfront Campground Schroon Lake | 518-461-1730

Minerva Lake Campground Minerva | 518-251-2869

Newcomb Cafe and Campground Newcomb | 518-582-8999

On the River Campgrounds Schroon Lake

Paradox Lake Campground Paradox | 518-532-7451

d Minerva | 518-251-4696 Paradox Brewery

**Owl at Twilight** 

North Hudson | 518-351-5036

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Schroon Sandwich Shop Schroon Lake | 518-351-0020

Sporty's Iron Duke Saloon Minerva | 518-251-5260

Sticks & Stones Schroon Lake | 518-532-9663

Sullivan's Store Minerva | 518-251-4017

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The Stand Minerva | 518-251-5509

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#### LODGING

278 Fraternaland LLC Schroon Lake | 518-260-9603

Adirondack Inn Schroon Lake | 518-743-1665

Adirondack Pines B&B Schroon Lake | 518-494-5249

Alpine Homestead B&B Minerva | 518-251-4697

Baker Street House Schroon Lake | 973-590-4560

Betty's Funny Farm Minerva | 518-251-2929

> Blue Ridge Motel North Hudson | 518-532-7521

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East Shore Cottages Adirondack | 518-681-7565

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Forever Wild Wilderness Lodge Schroon Lake | 716-628-6854

Hasbrouck Lake Rentals Schroon Lake | 518-355-3468

Kish Duna Motel and Cottages Schroon Lake | 518-532-7887

Lake Harris Lodge Newcomb | 518-582-8333

Lake Paradox Club Paradox | 518-532-7734

Lake Song Lodge Schroon Lake | 518-307-6795

Lakeview Inn at Schroon Lake Schroon Lake | 518-791-3578

Loch House Inn Schroon Lake | 518-351-0133

Loon Cabins Schroon Lake | 508-843-3305

Maple Leaf ADK Lodge Schroon Lake | 518-532-7474

Morningside Camps and Cottages *Minerva* | 518-251-2694

Rocky Acres Inn/B&B Schroon Lake | 518-532-9709 Rowe's Adirondack Cabins of Schroon Lake Schroon Lake | 518-532-7298

Schroon Lake Bed and Breakfast Schroon Lake | 518-532-7042

Schroon Lake Motel and Cabins Schroon Lake | 518-351-0165

Schroon Lake Place Schroon Lake | 518-532-7649

Starry Night Cabins Schroon Lake | 518-532-7907

SunderLand Cottages Schroon Lake | 518-593-8752

Terra Alta Cottages Schroon Lake | 518-532-4543

The Chateau on Dock St Schroon Lake | 760-301-4816

The Inn at Santanoni Newcomb | 518-582-4851

The Lodge at Schroon Lake Schroon Lake | 518-987-0708

Tracy Camp Newcomb | 518-582-4851

Trail Break Motel and Cabin Schroon Lake | 518-532-9020

## VISITOR INFO CENTERS

Newcomb Information Center Newcomb | 518-509-3603

Schroon Lake Chamber of Commerce Schroon Lake | 518-532-7675

## DO YOU LOVE THE ADKS?

While you enjoy your visit, please keep the Seven Principles of Leave No Trace in mind. These principles will not only improve your own nature experience, but they help preserve this unparalleled natural wonder for generations to come.

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