

Summer in The Granite State

Though August is winding down, summer isn't over yet! [New Hampshire](#) provides travelers with a seemingly endless variety of ways to enjoy what's left of the summer season throughout the state's [seven tourism regions](#). From festivals and fairs that celebrate the state's culinary flare, to classic New England traditions and adventure experiences – the Granite State does summer right.

WHITE MOUNTAINS

- **NH Canopy Tours – [Bretton Woods](#)**
Guests looking to enjoy the thrill of a zip line adventure need look no further than the slopes of Bretton Woods. This 3-hour excursion offers both a thrilling experience and an intimate look into the beauty of the White Mountains, as well as sweeping views of Mount Washington and the Presidential Range. Experience an adventure that includes a network of platforms high up in the ancient hemlock trees connected by nine ziplines, two sky bridges and three rappels. During the tour, Adventure Guides describe the native flora and fauna, in addition to the area's natural history and White Mountain lore.
- **The World's Largest Candy Counter – [Chutters Candy Store](#)**
Located in the picturesque town of Littleton, the history of Chutters goes back more than 100 years, when it was a dry goods store run by a minister with quite the sweet tooth. Today, Chutters and its **112-foot long candy counter** are a Granite State institution, and a must-visit spot for visitors.

LAKES

- **Enjoy Homemade Delicacies – [The Kellerhaus](#)**
Operating since 1906 in the town of Weirs Beach, The Kellerhaus is New Hampshire's oldest candy and ice cream maker. The iconic sweets-making establishment resides in a bavarian-style house and is open year-round, relying on original recipes to prepare the finest homemade chocolates, ice cream and candy. During the summer months, enjoy a weekend waffle breakfast which includes an abundance of delicious breakfast treats. To complete the meal, a scoop of homemade ice cream from the ice cream buffet can be added as a perfect topping to any waffle.
- **Lake Cruise on America's Oldest Floating Post Office – [M/V Dorris E](#)**
Visitors to the Lakes Region can take a cruise on the country's oldest floating post office, as they navigate small channels and waterways to provide postal service to the island residents of Lake Winnepesaukee. On each of her two daily mail runs, the boat will visit a number of different islands, and the Skipper will point out areas of interest along the way.

GREAT NORTH WOODS

- **Hit the Track – [Team O'Neil Rally School](#)**

Located in Dalton, the Team O'Neil Rally School sits on 583 acres of pristine alpine terrain, and offers driver training for rally racing, off-road, winter driving and more. The school's facility includes over 70 vehicles, six miles of authentic rally roads, two skid pad and slalom courses and over 600 feet of elevation changes.

SEACOAST

- **Waterfront Dining**

While New Hampshire may have the smallest coastline of any state, it has an abundance of dining options perfect for enjoying classic New England cuisine in a beautiful waterfront setting. In the picturesque seaside town of Portsmouth, restaurants such as [The Oar House](#), [Black Trumpet](#), [Surf Restaurant](#) and [River House](#) offer views that can't be beat, along with locally-sourced cuisine perfect for relaxing.

- **Celebrate Local Seafood - [Hampton Beach Seafood Festival](#)** (September 6-8)

Although New Hampshire may have the smallest coastline of any state in the union, it packs one heck of a punch when it comes to fresh seafood. Visitors to the Seacoast region are encouraged to head to the 30th edition of the region's most delectable food festival, where more than 50+ area restaurants and local artisans will be selling their goods. Visitors can also expect a lobster roll eating contest, live music, culinary demonstrations and more.

MONADNOCK

- **Gorge Yourself – [Chesterfield Gorge Natural Area](#)**

Spanning 13 beautiful acres, the Chesterfield Gorge Natural Area offers visitors incredible opportunities for hiking as they explore the footpaths and discover the breathtaking waterfalls of Wilde Brook.

- **Music Festival – [Monadnock Music Festival](#)**

Running through October in various locales throughout the region, the Monadnock Music Festival celebrates the diverse, artistic communities with acclaimed local and national acts.

DARTMOUTH – LAKE SUNAPEE

- **Cornish-Windsor Covered Bridge**

One of the New Hampshire's most 'grammable items, the Cornish-Windsor Covered Bridge is an architectural marvel that has traversed the Connecticut River since 1866. Spanning approximately 450-feet, this is the longest covered bridge in the country.

- **Educate Yourself – [Dartmouth College](#)**

While Dartmouth may be known as one of the world's finest educational institutions, there are plenty of experiences available to visitors that are outside the classroom. Free and open to the public, Dartmouth is home to the Dr. Seuss Room in the Baker-Berry Library, which features original artworks by the man himself, not to mention Friday night astronomy sessions at the Dartmouth Observatory, among other activities.

MERRIMACK VALLEY

- **Ride & Wade – [Canobie Lake Park](#)**

With over 85 rides, games, attractions and live entertainment, Canobie Lake Park should not be missed when traveling to New Hampshire this summer. Here, both children and adults can enjoy the variety of thrill rides, water rides, family and children attractions that are offered.

- **[America's Stonehenge](#)**

Located in Salem, America's Stonehenge is the oldest "man-made construction" in the country.... probably. A maze of man-made chambers and ceremonial meeting spaces dating back 4,000+ years, the structure was built by ancient people well versed in astronomy and stone construction. Historians have determined that the site is an accurate astronomical calendar and can be used to determine solar and lunar events of the year.

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