

100 Fun Things to Do in Peekskill

Outdoor Adventures & Nature Escapes

1. Hike to the top of Blue Mountain Reservation for stunning views
2. Grab a nature kit from the Field Library and explore Depew Park
3. Bike along the scenic Peekskill Riverfront
4. Enjoy birdwatching (including eagles) at Charles Point Park
5. Kayak or paddleboard along the Peekskill waterfront
6. Go crabbing at Annsville Creek Preserve
7. Have a nature scavenger hunt with kids at Fort Hill Park
8. Watch the sunset from the Peekskill Landing Park pier
9. Join a nature walk hosted by the Peekskill Parks & Rec Department
10. Walk your dog along the MacGregory Brook Trail

Arts, Culture, and Community

11. Browse local art at the Peekskill Arts Alliance Open Studios weekend
12. Visit the Hudson Valley MOCA for cutting-edge contemporary art
13. Take an art walk to see Peekskill's public art installations
14. Attend a free concert at the Riverfront's Summer Music Series
15. Catch a show at the Paramount Hudson Valley Theater
16. Tour the Peekskill Museum's local history exhibits
17. Take a ceramics class at Peekskill Clay Studios
18. Visit a gallery on Main Street during First Friday Peekskill
19. Listen to live music on Esther Street or Restaurant Row
20. Join a poetry reading at The Field Library

Waterfront Wonders

21. Take a Peekskill sunset or fall foliage cruise
22. Dine al fresco at a waterfront or downtown restaurant
23. Stroll the city's riverwalk for panoramic views of the Hudson
24. Visit the city's stunning 9-11 Memorial
25. Host a family BBQ at Riverfront Green Park
26. Let kids play at the Riverfront Green Park playground
27. Snap family photos with the Hudson Highlands as your backdrop
28. Join the Waterfront Cleanup Day and help beautify the riverfront
29. Enjoy live music and vendors during Riverfront festivals
30. Paint or photograph nature scenes with views of the Hudson River

Local History & Heritage

31. Visit the historic Peekskill Military Academy site
32. Discover Peekskill's abolitionist roots on a self-guided walking tour of the Underground Railroad
33. Visit the Lincoln Depot Museum and learn about Lincoln's stop in Peekskill
34. Explore the Lincoln Excedra Monument
35. Stroll past Victorian homes in the Fort Hill Historic District
36. Learn about Peekskill's role in the American Revolution
37. Take self-guided downtown history tours of churches, businesses, and architectural landmarks
38. View the 250 year old milestone marker on Washington Street
39. Tour the Peekskill Armory on Washington Street
40. Visit the War Memorial at Monument Park



Family Fun & Kid-Approved Activities

41. Sign up for a swim class
42. Enjoy your favorite cool treat from an ice cream truck
43. Visit the Peekskill Regeneration Farm
44. Attend a family-friendly movie night in Pugsley Park
45. Catch a ball game at Peekskill Stadium
46. Enroll in a youth sports league or camp
47. Join a library story time or summer reading challenge
48. Take a “mommy & me” music or dance class
49. Attend a youth theater production
50. Play pickleball at one of Peekskill’s public courts

Shop Local, Love Local

51. Browse the Peekskill Farmers Market for local produce and treats
52. Shop for handmade gifts in one of our quaint shops
53. Browse a local bookstore filled with hidden literary gems
54. Explore boutiques and galleries on North Division Street
55. Find vintage, retro, and antique finds in downtown shops
56. Find your next bargain at the downtown Flea Market
57. Shop for Peekskill-themed merch
58. Discover art prints, cards, and gifts made by Peekskill creatives
59. Search for gold or jewelry at one of our downtown businesses
60. Visit the Chamber of Commerce for things to do

Foodie Favorites & Culinary Gems

61. Enjoy coffee and fresh pastries at a cozy local café
62. Dine outdoors with riverfront views and seasonal menus
63. Grab a slice of handmade pizza from a neighborhood pizzeria
64. Try Peekskill’s diverse cuisine in one of our local restaurants
65. Enjoy a craft cocktail at one of our local restaurants
66. Treat yourself to a weekend brunch
67. Order takeout from a hidden gem and picnic in the park
68. Indulge in dessert from your favorite local spot
69. Shop for local wines and add to your collection
70. Create your own food tour of local restaurants

Festivals, Events, and Annual Traditions

71. Peekskill Juneteenth Parade & Festival
72. 4th of July Fireworks at the Riverfront
73. Riverfront Summer Concert Series
74. Family Pride in the Park
75. Peekskill St. Patrick’s Parade
76. Winter Holiday Tree Lighting in downtown
77. National Night Out
78. Hudson Valley Irish Festival
79. Family Fun Day and Touch-A-Truck in Depew Park
80. Guess the weight of the giant pumpkin at the Farmers Market

Wellness, Sports & Mindful Moments

81. Enroll in a yoga class
82. Walk a peaceful morning loop around Depew Park
83. Meditate at the river’s edge
84. Join a Zumba class at the Neighborhood Center
85. Take a mindfulness walk on the Blue Mountain Trail
86. Enroll your teen in a martial arts, boxing or self-defense class
87. Ride your bike in Depew during Bicycle Sundays
88. Join a weekend 5K or family fun run
89. Swim laps at Veterans Memorial Pool
90. Enroll in one of our Parks and Rec programs

Hidden Gems & Just-for-Fun

91. Visit the unique Peekskill Hat Factory studios
92. See the miniature replica of Peekskill’s historic downtown
93. Count all the different Peekskill murals and post on Instagram
94. Host a birthday party at one of our park pavilions
95. Volunteer at a community clean-up day
96. Join a local chess, book, or gardening club
97. Attend a town hall or civic meeting and get involved
98. Take a sunset photo at Charles Point
99. Plant a tree on Arbor Day
100. Share your photos with @cityofpeekskill and enjoy our river city with a natural edge!

