

THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW

Hotel Accommodations

The Gideon Putnam, 24 Gideon Putnam Road, Saratoga Springs, NY 12866. 866-890-1171.
www.gideonputnam.com.

Built in 1967, The Gideon Putnam stands as an emblem of timeless elegance and gracious hospitality in Saratoga Springs, New York. Nestled amidst the historic grounds of Saratoga Spa State Park, the resort is surrounded by the natural beauty of the park's verdant and lush landscapes and mineral springs, offering a tranquil retreat for guests seeking relaxation, rejuvenation and refined comfort.

The Gideon Putnam continues to uphold its legacy and tradition of excellence, blending classic charm with modern amenities to ensure an unforgettable stay. From the beautifully appointed guest rooms and suites to the exceptional dining experiences at the Putnam Restaurant and the peaceful and healing environment of the Roosevelt Baths & Spa, every detail is meticulously crafted to exceed the expectations of discerning travelers.



Saratoga Springs

Located at the southeast edge of the Adirondack Mountains in the heart of upstate New York, Saratoga Springs boasts a history that is as rich and diverse as the mineral springs that made it famous, weaving together the threads of indigenous culture, European colonization, revolutionary fervor and Gilded Age opulence. The land upon which Saratoga Springs stands was once home to indigenous peoples who revered its mineral springs for their healing properties. These early inhabitants, including the Mohawk and Mohican tribes, considered the bubbling waters sacred, attributing to them mystical powers of rejuvenation and vitality.

Today, Saratoga Springs stands as a vibrant testament to its storied past, beckoning travelers with its historic charm, cultural vibrancy and timeless allure. As the waters of its mineral springs continue to flow, so too does the enduring legacy of a city steeped in history and tradition.

Local Attractions

Nearby attractions include Roosevelt Bath & Spas, Saratoga Spa State Park, The Yaddo Gardens, Congress Park, Saratoga Springs History Museum, National Museum of Racing and Hall of Fame, Saratoga, Saratoga Harness Hall of Fame, New York State Military Museum, National Museum of Dance, Saratoga Automobile Museum, Old Friends at Cabin Creek, Saratoga National Golf Course, Saratoga Winery, Saratoga Casino and The Outlets at Lake George.

Travel Arrangements

Airport: The nearest commercial airport is Albany International Airport located 23 miles from Saratoga Springs.

Train: The Amtrak Train Station Saratoga Springs, NY is served by the Empire, Adirondack and Ethan Allen

Express trains. **Bus:** Adirondack Trailways provides transportation south to Albany and north to Saratoga

Springs. **Parking:** Self-parking is available for free at the Gideon Putnam.



REGISTER ON-LINE AT WWW.WBASNY.ORG

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Social Responsibility Project

We invite you to participate in this year's social responsibility project, which will benefit Wellspring, the domestic violence and sexual assault services resource for Saratoga County and the sexual assault services resource for Washington County. The list of items needed include baby diapers, baby wipes, deodorant, full-size body lotion, conditioner and shampoo, Q-tips, tissues, toilet paper, cleaning spray, Clorox wipes, dish detergent, garbage bags, laundry detergent, paper towels and sponges. AMEX/VISA gift cards, as well as gift cards for Amazon, Hannaford, Price Chopper, Stewart's (gas and regular), Target and Wal-Mart are also needed and appreciated. Please join us in helping domestic violence victims in Saratoga and Washington counties, and make this year's Social Responsibility Project a success!

Register Voters and Help Pass the ERA

Join us and the League of Women Voters of Saratoga County on Saturday, June 1st, to help register people to vote, as well as educate them about the upcoming ERA vote in New York State. The event is being held at the Saratoga Farmers' Market in High Rock Park, which is approximately a 10 minute drive from the Gideon Putnam. Convention attendees can sign up for any amount of time, between 9:00 am and 12:00 pm, to assist with this event. Contact Damara Fredette at dfredetteoh@gmail.com to volunteer to get out the vote and help spread the word about supporting the ERA!

Off to the Races - A Night at the Racing Museum

The Thursday night opening event is being held at the National Museum of Racing and Hall of Fame in Saratoga Springs, New York. Established in 1950, the Museum stands as a venerable institution dedicated to the preservation and celebration of the rich history and heritage of thoroughbred horse racing in the United States. Upon entering the Museum, you are greeted by an atmosphere steeped in tradition and reverence for the sport. The architecture exudes a sense of grandeur, with classic elements reflecting the elegance and prestige of thoroughbred racing, while inside is adorned with artifacts, memorabilia and artwork that offer a captivating journey through the annals of racing history. One of the museum's highlights is its Hall of Fame, a shrine to the sport's most illustrious figures. Admission to the museum and a light dinner will be provided. Duration - 2.0 hours.



Golf Outing

This year's annual play for fun golf clinic and outing will be held at the Saratoga Spa Golf Course. Set in a pine forest, the course derives much of its character from the majestic pines that frame several holes, creating a feeling of seclusion. The Championship Course is one of the premier public courses in the Saratoga-Capital Region of New York State and a consistent recipient of 4 Stars from Golf Digest's Best Places to Play. The pros will supply clubs for those participating in the clinic. Students need only bring their sneakers and a positive attitude! Duration Golf Clinic 1.0 hours / Golfing 2.0 hours



Saratoga Springs Historic Walking Tour



The Saratoga Springs Preservation Foundation will lead us on a walking tour of the historic "Summer Cottages of North Broadway". Described as a neighborhood of exceptional residential architecture, participants will tour this famed corridor lined with grand Queen Anne-style homes built by Saratoga's most prominent figures. Executive Director Samantha Bosshart will highlight the architecture of the magnificent homes in this iconic neighborhood while sharing entertaining stories of those who built and resided in these grand residences. Duration - 2.0 hours.

Fitness

Registering for a fitness class is a proactive step towards prioritizing one's health and well-being. This year we are offering a fitness class on Saturday and Sunday mornings. There will also be a dance class Saturday afternoon. Duration: 1 hour each.

Saratoga Spa State Park Mineral Springs Tour

There are approximately a dozen mineral springs located within the beautiful Saratoga Spa State Park. Enjoy a free guided tour on Sunday at 11:00 a.m. Participants will meet at the Creekside Classroom, Geyser Loop Road, in the Saratoga Spa State Park.