

# LAKES TO LOCKS PASSAGE:

*New York's All American Road*



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THE GREAT NORTHEAST JOURNEY



Streams of history flow through these valleys, reflecting "lives" that continue to unfold. Be sure to visit the sites and interpretive exhibits located in the Waypoint Communities throughout the region to track the overlapping threads of the Four Lives of Lakes to Locks Passage. ▼



American row galleys and flagship Saratoga engage the British long line in Plattsburgh Bay in this detail of "MacDonough's Victory on Lake Champlain" by Henry Reineke, 1816.

Overlooking Lake George. Photo by Gary Ransford.

Lakes to Locks Passage takes you through a spectacular landscape laden with history. Follow this map to find your way through four story-filled regions that connect the historic waters of Lake Champlain and Lake George with the Champlain Canal and Hudson River to the south and the Chamby Canal to the Richelieu and St. Lawrence Rivers of Quebec to the north.

### The Four Lives

- Natural Forces and Native Peoples** shaped the landscape and culture of the inland waterway rich with resources.
- Conflict and Settlement** traces the exploration, warfare and peacekeeping activities of nation-building along the waterway.
- Corridor of Commerce** explores the trade in furs, timber, stone, minerals, farm products and technology that flows through these valleys.
- Magnet for Tourism** reveals the evolution of tourism and stewardship of the environment.



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1. **Regional Destination** – establish a larger product to attract national and international travelers.
2. **Branding** -- Unify the region through the NatGeo iconic brand and use the “guided by locals” voice.

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- Focus on the experience of the destination.
- Seek the authenticity of people and places.
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- Will take in a number of attractions
- Frequent travelers

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Glen Lake From French Mountain. – Town of Queensbury

Queensbury spans the territory between the Hudson River and Lake George. During the Colonial wars, British armies built their military road along an

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At the turn of the last century, life was difficult at best for the average resident in the principally rural area of Warrensburg, but Albert C. Emerson's Shirt Factory offered work, independence, and opportunities for local men and women to discover life outside the farm.

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For generations, Thurman folk have endured the long Adirondack winters in anticipation of the change of season when the sap of maple trees to flow, and the community joins together for "Maple Weekends," when several sugarhouses throw open their doors in March to welcome guests and initiate them into turning maple sap into nature's finest confections.

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# HERITAGE CENTERS

## Promote Interconnected Destinations

The new touchscreen monitor at the **Chapman Museum** has links to Warren County sites to visit.



# Community Kiosk Panels



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## Queensbury

The town of Queensbury sits at the juncture between the Hudson River and Lake George. This area was a favorite hunting and fishing spot and for the troops during the war, and they established a pathway connecting the two waterways. During the French and Indian War, the Colonial Army searched the tough terrain, building a trail along the west end trail, in the summer of 1755, a series of three engagements, known collectively as the Battle of Lake George, unfolded along this route. Soon after the French and Indian War ended, Quakers established Queensbury in 1761, but fifteen years later King George III's campaign against the American rebellion drove them back to their native Dutchess County.

The good land led in the years a valley beckoned new settlers after the Revolutionary War, falls in the Hudson River and along small streams provided multiple spots for the many families that settled the township. Town, Friends and families



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▲ Queensbury's history is reflected in the  
18th and 19th century buildings and  
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settled the township. Town, Friends and families

### Points of Interest

- **Feeder Canal**, built in 1822, is a 1.5-mile-long canal that carries water from the Hudson River to the Champlain Canal.
- **French Mountains**, a series of hills that run along the western shore of Lake George.
- **Green Lake**, a beautiful lake that is a popular spot for fishing and boating.
- **Hudson River Park**, a 1.5-mile-long park that runs along the western shore of Lake George.
- **Warren County Historical Society**, a museum that houses the history of Warren County.
- **The Great Escape**, a 1950s-era movie set that is a popular attraction.
- **The Wood Theatre**, a 19th-century theatre that is a popular attraction.
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## Feeder Canal

The Canal State Feeder Canal was first dug in 1822 to divert water along canal off the westward from the Hudson River to the highland of the Champlain Canal. In 1822, three masonry locks were constructed to make the Feeder Canal wider and deeper, accommodating boat traffic between the Canal and Champlain Canal. Boat made regular runs on the Feeder Canal, carrying products produced in Champlain to the Feeder Canal, and vice versa.

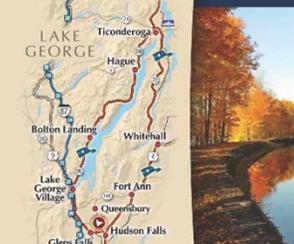
The canal was constructed along the Feeder Canal by the late 1820s, but still carries the water necessary to operate the locks on Champlain Canal. In 1931, the NYS Department of Transportation purchased the Feeder Canal, developing a 1.5-mile-long canal from



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### Points of Interest

- **Canoe docks** for renting the Feeder Canal can be found at Shoreline Park in Champlain Falls, along with other facilities in the Champlain Falls area.
- **Champlain Historical Museum**, a museum that houses the history of Champlain.
- **Champlain Canal**, a 1.5-mile-long canal that carries water from the Hudson River to the Champlain Canal.
- **Champlain Falls**, a 1.5-mile-long falls that is a popular spot for fishing and boating.
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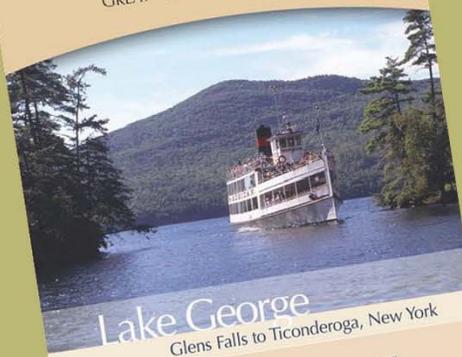
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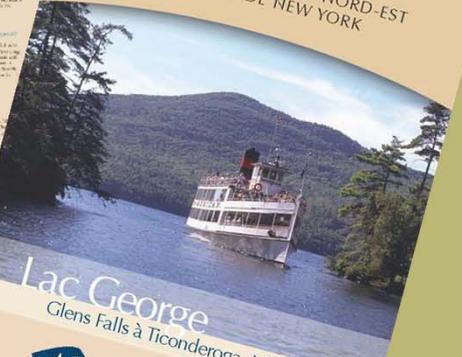


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- Heritage Center partnership with Waypoint Community museum, library or educational center.
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### Lake Champlain Blueway Trail

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Explore the Lake Champlain shoreline through the Lake Champlain Blueway Trail. It is a recreational water path with information on points of interest. Primarily for use by paddlers, it can, however, be used by all boaters, even those who travel along the frozen lake in winter! Points of interest include launch sites, marinas, historic sites, natural areas, wildlife viewing sites, museums, campgrounds, parks, and other recreational activities.

The trail has been organized into a series of 16 segments, each intended to be enjoyed as separate day trips:

- **Rouses Point to the Great Chazy River:** Start in the Village of Rouses Point and continue down and around the historic Point au Fer. From here, paddlers have an uninterrupted view down the lake as you follow a marshy shore. At Kings Bay Wildlife Management Area, paddlers will have the opportunity to observe the abundant wildlife up to the mouth of the Great Chazy River.
- **Great Chazy River to Point au Roche:** Along this shallow and marshy shoreline, paddlers will pass historic Chazy Landing and have access to Montys Bay Wildlife Management Area for wildlife viewing, hunting, and fishing.
- **Point au Roche to Cumberland Head:** Paddlers will enjoy the view of the Point Au Roche Lighthouse, a series of beautiful bays, and access to Point Au Roche State Park with a sandy beach, swimming area, and trail

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# Segment Details

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### Blueway Trail: Ticonderoga to Chubbs Dock

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East side of the Dresden Narrows. — Courtesy of Cathy Frank

#### Trip Plan Details

- Activities: 0 hours
- Driving: 55 min / 30.8 mi
- Duration: 1 day

#### In This Trip Plan

- Ticonderoga NYS Boat Launch
- Fort Ticonderoga
- La Chute River
- Six Mile Point
- Mill Bay
- Pulpit Point
- The Narrows at Dresden
- Chubbs Dock Landing

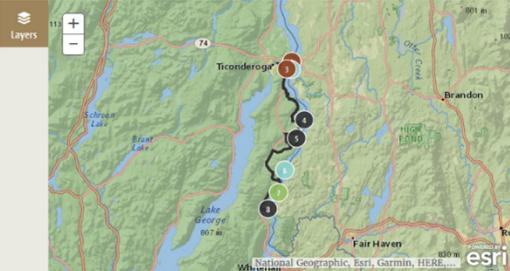
This segment begins by bringing paddlers past the historic Fort Ticonderoga and its impressive grounds. This fort played an important part in the history of Lake Champlain and once held great strategic importance. The trail continues south into the narrowest point in the lake, an area that is surrounded by wetlands and wildlife.

Launch Sites: Ticonderoga Ferry NYS Boat Launch; Chubbs Dock WMA Access

Paddling Distance: 18 miles (29 kilometers)

Insider Tip from Paddlers Cathy Frank & Margaret Holden: "When approaching Fort Ticonderoga from the Fort Ti launch site, it is easy to miss the fort altogether if one paddles too close to shore. As we paddled around the bend, we suddenly heard fife and drum music, as if starting just for our arrival. Not being able to see where it was coming from, we paddled out farther from shore and saw the fort for the first time, with a row of cannons pointing our way. It was a thrilling moment."

Other Notes: High winds can create chop along this segment, although it is protected from waves. Very limited shore access.



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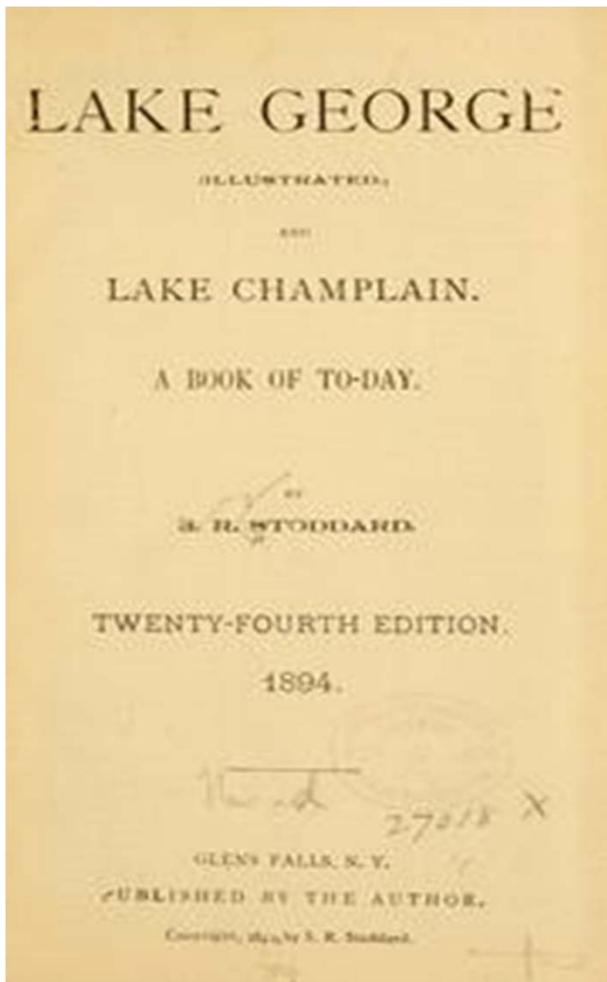
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- Encourages visitors to explore both urban and rural communities by thematically connecting visitors with sites & museums;
- Delivers authentic experiences through interpretive content that is “guided by locals;”
- Creates experiences designed to encourage overnight travel & economic activity.

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The soldiers' monument is one of the finest in the country. Graceful and well balanced, it stands an ornament to the village, and a tribute of love to the brave boys whose blood stains southern battle fields, and whose names are graven on its surface. It is 46 feet in height, of Dorchester sandstone, and erected at a cost of upward of twelve thousand dollars. America's symbol of eternal vigilance rests on the summit; life-size figures with bowed heads — one leaning on his musket, the other resting on his sword — stand on either side, while the cross, the crown, the oak leaves twined, keep fresh and green in the hearts of their countrymen the memory of "Our Heroic Dead."



*The Soldier's Monument in downtown Glens Falls was dedicated in 1872, and has undergone three preservation efforts. The last restoration in 1999 replaced the large sandstone eagle on the top with a terra cotta replica, engineered to be more flexible in high winds.*

**ACTIVITY:**  
**Visit the Queensbury Town Hall to view the original sandstone eagle**

## **Lakes to Locks Passage provides two primary services:**

1. Developing thematic travel experiences, co-branded with National Geographic.
2. Serving communities, museums, and non-profit organizations through technical assistance, trainings and grant writing to create and deliver outstanding travel experiences.

In 2019 we will provide our trainings and work with the Chapman Museum to promote waterways as a travel destination (Smithsonian exhibit).

In 2020 we want help create a Lake George Blueway Trail and Seneca Ray Stoddard PassagePort.