

# PHILADELPHIA

A CITY THAT SPEAKS FOR ITSELF

PHILADELPHIA  
INTERNATIONAL  
VISITORS GUIDE

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PHL PHILADELPHIA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

## GREETINGS FROM PHL

First up: a few things you need to know about our airport.

**We're convenient.** Once you're here, you're in Philadelphia. We're only seven miles (11 km) from Center City Philadelphia and 20 minutes by train. And it's a quick drive to almost anywhere: a world-renowned museum, a corporate HQ, a craft-beer brewpub, and yes, the mountains and the ocean.

**We're big.** We welcome 30 million passengers a year via 130+ non-stop destinations worldwide.

**We're fun.** Travel is exciting. So is traveling when you can enjoy 180 local and national retail shops, restaurants and eateries. All surrounded by a collection of Philadelphia's best art exhibits and entertainers.

**We're now.** Two-thousand power outlets and USB ports mean more movie watching. Plus, free WiFi keeps you connected at 1,000+ iPad stations, even at your gate.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT PHL.ORG



FRANKLY  
PHILA  
DELPHIA

**Philadelphians love oil paintings, famous declarations, al fresco dining and opera. We also like to think there's no greater delicacy than meat and melted cheese on a roll. Call it a little something for everyone.**

**So if you're planning a trip to the States, here's the deal:** Philadelphia isn't New York (more manageable, less sticker shock) or Washington, DC (more fun, less politics). We are what we are. And what we are is an American city that's unapologetically candid about everything from street art and historical artifacts to the best way to navigate the city (it's called shoe leather). Where art is everywhere you look—and everywhere else, too. Tons of culture. Salt-of-the-earth people. Food like you read about. And tax-free shopping on all shoes and clothing.

So come for a walkable, rideable, even carriage-able trip to our nation's birthplace right alongside a cityful of outspoken locals. It's a trip you'll never forget.

You in?

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# PHILADELPHIA

ESSENTIALS

## GETTING HERE

Philadelphia is easy to get to by plane, train, bus or automobile, so no matter where you are coming from, you won't have a hard time finding us.

- Many travelers fly directly into Philadelphia International Airport (PHL), conveniently located seven miles (11 km) away.
- SEPTA (Philadelphia's public transit system) takes you from the airport to Center City in 20 minutes by train, and SEPTA's Airport Line leaves in 30-minute intervals, with a one-way fare of approximately 8 USD. [septa.org](http://septa.org)
- Rather take a taxi? It's only a 20-minute ride to Center City, and costs about 28.50 USD, plus gratuity.
- You can also take an Amtrak train, rent a car or shuttle from Newark Liberty International Airport (EWR) or John F. Kennedy International Airport (JFK)—both are two hours or less by car.

For more information on other ground transportation options, visit [phi.org](http://phi.org)

## GETTING AROUND

Not only are we perfectly situated on the East Coast, we are also one of the world's most walkable cities. In fact, there are hotels and restaurants at every point in the heart of Center City, plus a top-rated public transit system and plenty of taxis to take you around.

Thanks to founder William Penn's smart and simple grid street design, our downtown is easy to navigate. The Schuylkill and Delaware Rivers border Center City's 25 blocks on the east and west. Keep in mind that streets running east-west (south of Market Street) are named after trees, while north-south streets are numbered.



Northeast Corridor, USA

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# TOP EVENTS

<b>JANUARY</b> Mummers Parade <a href="http://phillymummers.com">phillymummers.com</a>	<b>JULY</b> Wawa Welcome America Festival <a href="http://welcomeamerica.com">welcomeamerica.com</a>
<b>FEBRUARY</b> Philadelphia Auto Show <a href="http://phillyautoshow.com">phillyautoshow.com</a>	<b>AUGUST</b> 2nd Street Festival <a href="http://2ndstreetfestival.org">2ndstreetfestival.org</a>
<b>MARCH</b> Philadelphia Flower Show <a href="http://theflowershow.com">theflowershow.com</a>	<b>SEPTEMBER</b> Made in America Festival <a href="http://madeinamericafest.com">madeinamericafest.com</a>
<b>APRIL</b> The Penn Relays <a href="http://thepennrelays.com">thepennrelays.com</a>	<b>OCTOBER</b> Outfest <a href="http://phillygaypride.org">phillygaypride.org</a>
<b>MAY</b> Dad Vail Regatta <a href="http://dadvail.org">dadvail.org</a>	<b>NOVEMBER</b> Philadelphia Marathon Race Weekend <a href="http://philadelphiamarathon.com">philadelphiamarathon.com</a>
<b>JUNE</b> Philly Beer Week <a href="http://phillylovesbeer.org">phillylovesbeer.org</a>	<b>DECEMBER</b> Christmas Village in Philadelphia <a href="http://philtchristmas.com">philtchristmas.com</a>

For a complete list of special events, visit [discoverPHL.com/events](http://discoverPHL.com/events)

## VISITOR CENTERS

Get information on the city and region, plus recommendations, maps and more from any of the Independence Visitor Center locations. Personalized concierges offer trip-planning help in 12 languages. [phivisitorcenter.com](http://phivisitorcenter.com)

### Independence Visitor Center

Corner of 6th and Market Streets

### City Hall Visitor Center

Broad and Market Streets, Room 121, City Hall

### Sister Cities Park Café and Visitor Center

18th Street and Benjamin Franklin Parkway

Philadelphia's convenient location and mix of top hotel brands also makes it the perfect spot to stay overnight for day trips to Brandywine Valley and Valley Forge.

VISIT [DISCOVERPHL.COM/INTERNATIONAL](http://DISCOVERPHL.COM/INTERNATIONAL)  
TO FIND THINGS TO DO, PLACES TO STAY  
AND MANY TRIP-PLANNING ESSENTIALS.

# FIVE REASONS PHILADELPHIA IS FOR EVERYONE.

## That means you.

### 1. WE'VE GOT HISTORY.

The birthplace of America. The cradle of liberty. The seed of a revolution. Yeah, we'll take any of those.

### 2. WE'VE GOT ART.

The old stuff. The new stuff. The weird stuff, and the stuff made of bike wheels, beer bottles and recyclables. That stuff.

### 3. WE'VE GOT EATS.

Sandwiches, stir-fry or foie gras. Philadelphia is a buffet of flavor, from the finest of fine dining to the comfiest of comfort food.

### 4. WE'VE GOT SHOPPING.

You're going home with more than you came with. Our ever-growing shopping districts make us a tax-free haven for clothing and shoes.

### 5. WE'VE GOT EVERYTHING ELSE.

Distinguished opera, quirky museums, miles of greenery, never-ending nightlife and—of course—steak, cheese and bread. (It's way better than it sounds.)

Whoever you are,

there's a Philadelphia for you.



**Pennsylvania**  
Please your happiness.



T H E

# B Y - T H E - B O O K

P H I L A D E L P H I A T R I P

For the traveler who comes to Philadelphia to see...  
Philadelphia. We've always been pretty fond  
of giving the people what they want. History,  
culture, food—it's all in here.



DAY  
01

**VISITOR CENTER**

Start here and the agenda will follow. Personalized concierges offer trip-planning help in 12 languages. [phivisitorcenter.com](http://phivisitorcenter.com)

**INDEPENDENCE HALL**

A UNESCO World Heritage Site (with free admission), where Ben Franklin, Thomas Jefferson and America's Founders signed the Declaration of Independence. [nps.gov/inde](http://nps.gov/inde)

**LIBERTY BELL**

The world-renowned symbol of American Independence is free to see. You'll want to check out the park's surrounding exhibits, too. [nps.gov/inde](http://nps.gov/inde)

**NATIONAL CONSTITUTION CENTER**

There's a story behind our nation's charter. Maybe you've heard it before, maybe not. Come learn all about it. [constitutioncenter.org](http://constitutioncenter.org)

**READING TERMINAL MARKET**

Nibble your way through America's original farmers market. 80+ restaurants and merchants make it a tour within a tour. [readingterminalmarket.org](http://readingterminalmarket.org)

**CITY HALL & DILLWORTH PARK**

Here's your photo op. The Broad Street median plays catwalk for visitors year-round, rolling out the perfect stage with City Hall (our French-inspired architectural centerpiece) as your backdrop. [centercityphila.org/parks/dillworth-park](http://centercityphila.org/parks/dillworth-park)

**LOVE PARK**

Cross the street and stop to say "cheese" in front of our picture-perfect statue.

**EAT UP**

You packed the nice outfit for a reason. Rittenhouse Square is the courtyard for some of Philadelphia's most elegant dining and shopping. [phivisitorcenter.com](http://phivisitorcenter.com)

DAY  
02

**HOP-ON HOP-OFF BUS TOURS**

Any history we've missed, the buses won't. Hop-on hop-off sightseeing tours are available in multiple languages.

**THE ITALIAN MARKET**

Wander the open-air market that's as close to the Old World as you'll find in the States. Retrace Rocky's jog while you're at it. (Yep, that Rocky.) [italianmarketphilly.org](http://italianmarketphilly.org)

**PAT'S & GENO'S**

Philadelphia's two most famous cheesesteaks are cooked right across the street from one another. Bring a friend and do one of each. [patskingofsteaks.com](http://patskingofsteaks.com) [genosteaks.com](http://genosteaks.com)

**MUSEUM OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION**

Relive the story of the American Revolution, battle by battle. Plus, get a glance of George Washington's actual tent. [amrevmuseum.org](http://amrevmuseum.org)

**PRESIDENT'S HOUSE**

Explore the groundwork of our nation's founding executive mansion, now serving as a remembrance of the contributions of African Americans to our nation's history. [nps.gov/inde](http://nps.gov/inde)

**ELFRETH'S ALLEY**

Stroll down our nation's oldest residential street and experience a cozy preservation of Colonial America. [elfrethalley.org](http://elfrethalley.org)

**DINNER IN OLD CITY**

Old City does today as well as 1776. Settle into a booth for small plates of New American cuisine or dine by candlelight like the Founders did. [oldcitydistrict.org](http://oldcitydistrict.org)

**DESSERT**

Bakeries, chocolatiers and ice cream shops drizzle the city with our Pennsylvania Dutch heritage. Prefer a different sort of night cap? Philadelphia nightlife is seven days a week. [discoverPHL.com/visit/dine](http://discoverPHL.com/visit/dine)

DAY  
03

**SCHUYLKILL RIVER TRAIL**

That's pronounced Skook-ill. Plan your day on the 20+ miles (32+ km) of nature trails hidden in plain sight. If you're traveling in twos, keep an eye out for the tandem bike rentals. [schuykillrivertrail.com](http://schuykillrivertrail.com)

**PHILADELPHIA MUSEUM OF ART**

Follow Rocky's steps. All 72 of them. Then marvel at the cultural pulse of the city: The Philadelphia Museum of Art. [philamuseum.org](http://philamuseum.org)

**BOATHOUSE ROW**

By day or night, Boathouse Row is one of Philadelphia's most iconic views. Strike a pose. And another, and another. [boathouserow.org](http://boathouserow.org)

**SNACK TIME**

You'll be up and down the Schuylkill River Trail all day. Keep an eye out for riverside restaurants and cafes for some quick fuel.

**FAIRMOUNT PARK**

Lease up and head to the trailheads at Fairmount Park. Ask about a mansion tour while you're at it. [fairmountpark.org](http://fairmountpark.org)

**RODIN MUSEUM**

Revel in one of the largest collections of sculptor August Rodin's works outside of Paris. Have a think next to The Thinker. [rodinmuseum.org](http://rodinmuseum.org)

**DINE OUT**

Hop a cab to Chinatown. It's six city blocks of authentic deliciousness, end to end. [phillychinatown.com](http://phillychinatown.com)





THE  
**FAMILY-FRIENDLY**  
 PHILADELPHIA TRIP

If you're traveling with kids (or just with the kid inside you), Philadelphia has fun to spare. Pack the sweaters. Bring the stroller. Leave the serious face at home.

DAY  
 01

**PHILADELPHIA ZOO**

Start in West Philadelphia for a hometown favorite. Our zoo is one of the world's best and the nation's oldest. [philadelphiazoo.org](http://philadelphiazoo.org)

**PLEASE TOUCH MUSEUM**

Poke, prod, pull, twist and just be a kid. That goes for everyone. [pleasetouchmuseum.org](http://pleasetouchmuseum.org)

**LUNCH BREAK**

Take a seat or grab-and-go. The museum has plenty of options to satisfy hungry bellies and wandering minds.

**FRANKLIN INSTITUTE**

Inspired by our beloved statesman, humorist and inventor Benjamin Franklin, The Franklin Institute is a family-friendly, hands-on exploration of just about everything. [fi.edu](http://fi.edu)

**ACADEMY OF NATURAL SCIENCES**

Shuttle down the parkway for some more brain food. Hands-on, life-size dioramas examine biodiversity and environmental science. [ansp.org](http://ansp.org)

**DINNER**

Great taste isn't limited to our exhibits. The museum district boasts a kid-friendly lineup of reservation-free pubs, taquerias and steakhouses.

**SWEET DREAMS**

You're right in Center City, where hotels come in every shape and size. (Some with pools! Boredom isn't an option.) [centercityphila.org](http://centercityphila.org)

DAY  
 02

**INDEPENDENCE SEAPORT MUSEUM**

Start your day on the other edge of the city, adventuring through America's maritime history. [phillyseaport.org](http://phillyseaport.org)

**ADVENTURE AQUARIUM & DELAWARE RIVER WATERFRONT**

The RiverLink Ferry sails across the river to the aquarium, now showcasing more than 8,000 marine animals. That's right. Eight. Thousand. [adventureaquarium.com](http://adventureaquarium.com)

**LUNCH BREAK**

Scurry back across the river and find a table in Society Hill. Restaurants, cafes and ice cream(!) trim the cobblestone streets. [oldcitydistrict.org](http://oldcitydistrict.org)

**BETSY ROSS HOUSE**

There's quite a bit to learn about our flag—and the woman who sewed it. Soak up the history of the great American symbol. [historicalphiladelphia.org/betsy-ross-house](http://historicalphiladelphia.org/betsy-ross-house)

**NATIONAL MUSEUM OF AMERICAN JEWISH HISTORY**

You'll want to build a good bit of time into your trip to explore the greatest contributions of Jewish Americans. [nmafi.org](http://nmafi.org)

**MURAL ARTS PHILADELPHIA**

Hop on a tour of the nation's largest public art program, the engine behind a citywide movement and canvas for some of Philadelphia's most jaw-dropping talent. [muralarts.org](http://muralarts.org)

**EAT UP**

Small plates? Fine dining? How about a dinner cruise? Philadelphia has family-friendly mainstays for whatever you're craving.

DAY  
 03

**AFRICAN AMERICAN MUSEUM**

Study the exhibits of our nation's first institution dedicated to the life and works of African Americans. [aampmuseum.org](http://aampmuseum.org)

**MORRIS ARBORETUM**

A quick ride on the SEPTA train takes you out of the city into the arboretum, a 92-acre retreat bursting with year-round greenery. [morrisarboetum.org](http://morrisarboetum.org)

**SNACK TIME**

Fuel up. In Northwest Philadelphia, there's coffee brewing in any direction. Try the leafy streets of Chestnut Hill. [chestnuthillpa.org](http://chestnuthillpa.org)

**WISSAHICKON VALLEY PARK**

Park has more than 50 miles (80 km) of trails for bikers, walkers and strollers. [fow.org](http://fow.org)

**FRANKLIN SQUARE**

Playtime has only begun. Back in the city, Franklin Square is a Philadelphia classic, brimming with fountains, playgrounds, mini golf and even a carousel. [historicalphiladelphia.org/franklin-square](http://historicalphiladelphia.org/franklin-square)

**ONE LIBERTY OBSERVATION DECK**

Savor the view from the 57th floor. One of Philadelphia's tallest buildings has your final photo op, and a food court downstairs on the way out. [phillyfromthetop.com](http://phillyfromthetop.com)

**DINNER**

Washington Square dining is truly one of a kind. Or any kind. Whatever cuisine you're craving, you'll find the best of it.

**GHOST TOUR**

Rumor has it, some of our Founding Fathers never left. See who's still haunting the streets by candlelight. [ghosttour.com/philadelphia](http://ghosttour.com/philadelphia)





EDGAR ALLAN POE HOUSE

BEER TOUR

MUMMERS MUSEUM

MÜTTER MUSEUM

## THE UNEXPECTED PHILADELPHIA TRIP

Philadelphia revels in the American tradition, though we're anything but traditional. You'll have to go off the beaten cobblestone to see what makes us so unique.

MUMMERS MUSEUM



EASTERN STATE PENITENTIARY



FRIENDSHIP GATE



PRO SPORTS



PHILADELPHIA MAGIC GARDENS

## DAY 01

### BREAKFAST

Start with an authentic South Philadelphia wake-up. Cafes, bistros and coffee shops dole out the local flavor.

### BARTRAM'S GARDEN

If the sun is shining, Bartram's Garden is the next move. Step into the world's oldest surviving botanical garden. [bartramsgarden.org](http://bartramsgarden.org)

### PENNSYLVANIA ACADEMY OF THE FINE ARTS

Get fancy. Take in an exhibition at an institution renowned for 19th- and 20th-century paintings and sculptures. [pafa.org](http://pafa.org)

### PHILADELPHIA MAGIC GARDENS

Bask in the reflections of Philadelphia's living mosaic. Half indoor, half outdoor, fully out of the ordinary. [phillymagicgardens.org](http://phillymagicgardens.org)

### MUMMERS MUSEUM

A very Philadelphia original. Enter a retrospective of our New Year's Day tradition. [mummersmuseum.com](http://mummersmuseum.com)

### DINNER

No matter the time of year, East Passyunk Avenue is often home to the newest it-restaurant. And if you're craving Italian, there's no better locale.

### OPERA PHILADELPHIA

Wrap the evening in America's oldest opera house and witness a timeless performance from Philadelphia's finest. [operaphila.org](http://operaphila.org)

## DAY 02

### PENN MUSEUM

Indiana Jones-ing for a good day? Start by unearthing an amazing collection of archeology's most prized artifacts, with nearly a million historical objects on display. [pennmuseum.org](http://pennmuseum.org)

### MÜTTER MUSEUM

Nope, not a typo. Mummer was yesterday, today is the Mütter Museum: a revealing collection of medicine's mysteries, new and old. [muttermuseum.org](http://muttermuseum.org)

### LUNCH BREAK

While you work your way through the Fairmount district, find a quaint lunch stop amidst an international array of flavor, from bistros to cafes to coffeehouses.

### EASTERN STATE PENITENTIARY

Tiptoe through the haunted prison that once housed Al Capone. Tours run year-round, but if you're here for Halloween, you're in for a real treat. [easternstate.org](http://easternstate.org)

### EDGAR ALLAN POE HOUSE

Peer into the study where one of America's greatest authors penned some of his most well-known spine-tinglers. [nps.gov/edal/index.htm](http://nps.gov/edal/index.htm)

### CHRIST CHURCH

Few churches hold a more prominent (or more lasting) place in American history, and this one lays claim to the grave of Ben Franklin back in Old City. [christchurch.org](http://christchurch.org)

### BEER TOUR

Drink up. Local breweries are a blossoming staple of Philadelphia culture. And in the warmer months, outdoor beer gardens are just as popular.

## DAY 03

### CAFFEINATE

Savor the morning with a cup (or two) of a local drip. Perk up for your final day in the city.

### FRIENDSHIP GATE

Get to Chinatown and snap a photo under the Friendship Gate. It's our nation's first authentic gate, and—in our opinion—one of the prettiest.

### PIZZA BRAIN MUSEUM

Final history lesson—we promise. And the tastiest, too. Take a stroll through the world's first pizza museum. [pizzabrain.org](http://pizzabrain.org)

### SNACK BREAK

Go ahead and give in. Pizza Brain serves a thin crust pie that rivals any you'll find in the city.

### SIMEONE AUTOMOTIVE MUSEUM

Change course toward South Philadelphia. The gearheads among you will appreciate one of the world's greatest collections of racing sports cars. [simeonmuseum.org](http://simeonmuseum.org)

### PRO SPORTS

Some say our fans are the true main event, packing the stands for five major league sports teams—basketball and baseball included. See who's in season, and root accordingly.

### XFINITY LIVE!

Postgame drinks are on the menu. Wind down with your choice of five different restaurants, and plenty of beer on tap. [xfinitylive.com](http://xfinitylive.com)





PHILADELPHIA ORCHESTRA

TAX-FREE SHOPPING IN CENTER CITY

MAIN STREET MANAYUNK

BARNES FOUNDATION

LUNCH IN MIDTOWN

THE

FASHIONABLE PHILADELPHIA TRIP

If you pack an empty suitcase just for the shopping, you've come to the right place. Tax-free clothing and shoes means you've got plenty of opportunities for an outfit change between five-star meals.



MACY'S



SEGWAY TOUR

DAY 01

**MACY'S & THE SHOPPING DISTRICTS**  
Start the morning in a true American department store, then browse all the way up Chestnut Street to Liberty Place for some serious shopping.

**RITTENHOUSE ROW & WALNUT STREET**  
Shop amongst the ladies-who-lunch along a curated mix of specialty shops, local boutiques and names you already know. [rittenhouserow.org](http://rittenhouserow.org)

**BARNES FOUNDATION**  
One of the world's legendary art collections in a soaring, modernist space? Yes please. Stay an hour, then stay another. [barnesfoundation.org](http://barnesfoundation.org)

**LUNCH**  
Decisions, decisions. Philadelphia is home to a lineup of BYO drop-ins, rising chefs and fast casual. You won't have to look too hard to find them.

**SHOFUSO JAPANESE HOUSE AND GARDEN**  
Built in the 50s as a gift from Japan, here's today's second culture fix. Complete with 17th-century architecture, shoji screens and tea service. [japanesehouse.org](http://japanesehouse.org)

**DINNER AT THE MOSHULU**  
Dine aboard a floating tall ship, right on the Delaware River along the New Jersey border. [moshulu.com](http://moshulu.com)

DAY 02

**ME TIME**  
Ready for the day? Ease into it with a spa session at a boutique hotel. Or dive in with Pilates or a local barre class.

**OLD CITY BOUTIQUES**  
Rested or renewed, wander through the tiny storefronts dotting Second, Race and Third Streets to shop local designers, handmade gifts and all kinds of art. [oldcitydistrict.org](http://oldcitydistrict.org)

**UNITED STATES MINT**  
Good news: despite the name, this one is free. Stop in and explore our nation's (and the world's) largest producer of coins. [usmint.gov](http://usmint.gov)

**SEGWAY TOUR**  
Glide by symbols of American history without ever (literally) walking down memory lane.

**DINNER**  
Fine dining or finger foods, downtown is the place to be. Whether you're craving white tablecloths or tacos on the move, it's here in Center City.

**PHILADELPHIA ORCHESTRA**  
Glam up and finish on a (very) high note: magnificent music under the fresh direction of spirited conductor Yannick Nézet-Séguin. [philorch.org](http://philorch.org)

**NIGHTLIFE**  
Tapas, hidden speakeasies, rooftop bars—hear something you like? Maybe all three? There's plenty of variety to Philadelphia after dark. [discoverPHL.com/visit/explore/entertainment](http://discoverPHL.com/visit/explore/entertainment)

DAY 03

**INDEGO BIKE SHARE**  
Our bike rental system is the local's favorite. And today, you'll be thinking like one. Grab a set of wheels at any of the citywide stations, and pedal up the Schuylkill River Trail to Manayunk, stopping for a choose-your-own adventure of photo ops along the way. [rideindego.com](http://rideindego.com)

**MAIN STREET MANAYUNK**  
Wrap up your fashionista getaway with a stroll through Manayunk's funky Main Street where the specialties are small-chic boutiques, galleries and owner-operated retail. [manayunk.com](http://manayunk.com)

**GRAB A BITE**  
Manayunk isn't just shopping. It's drinking and eating, too. Settle in for some pub grub, outdoor dining and bottle after bottle of craft beer. [manayunk.com/business/dine](http://manayunk.com/business/dine)

**UNIVERSITY CITY**  
Take a breather with some of our brightest minds. Home to the University of Pennsylvania, University City is an enclave of boutique shopping, coffee shop open mics and one-room cocktail venues.

**THE FILLMORE**  
Hope you brought your dancing shoes. If there's an exciting act in town, they're probably playing here. Catch the show you never expected at this converted metal factory. [thefillmorephilly.com](http://thefillmorephilly.com)

**DINE OUT**  
Finish up in Fishtown or Northern Liberties for the trendiest farm-to-table sit-down or 24-hour diner. They're the areas to see and be seen.





THE  
COUNTRYSIDE  
OF PHILADELPHIA

If you haven't already scheduled a few extra hours, or even a few extra days for your trip, now's the time. And here's the places: by train or by car, the countryside of Philadelphia has a flavor all to itself, and it's not shy about sharing it.



BRANDYWINE  
VALLEY

Less than an hour from the city, Brandywine Valley possesses a history that predates our founders. An original entryway to the New World, Brandywine flaunts a rustically cultured vibe, packed with art, gardens, shopping and—most importantly—breweries and vineyards.

SMALL-TOWN CHARM

There are plenty of simple pleasures and fun facts waiting to be discovered in the countryside's small towns. The most fun? Kennett Square is considered the mushroom capital of the world, cultivating 65% of the nation's crop. [brandywinevalley.com/main-streets](http://brandywinevalley.com/main-streets)

BEER, WINE, MORE BEER AND MORE WINE

Breweries and vineyards come with the territory. You'll find plenty throughout the Brandywine Valley, including the locally, regionally and internationally adored Victory Brewing Company. [brandywinevalley.com/scenes/wine-beer-spirits](http://brandywinevalley.com/scenes/wine-beer-spirits)

AMERICA'S GARDEN CAPITAL

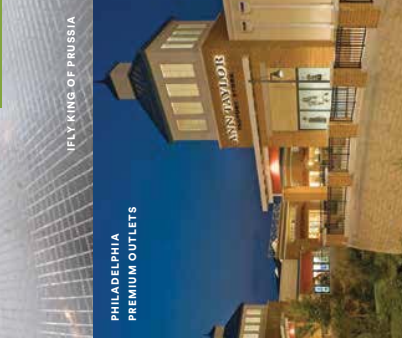
Join the two million annual visitors who take in the 30+ public gardens, arboreta and preserved historic landscapes. [americasgardencapital.org](http://americasgardencapital.org)

LONGWOOD GARDENS

One of the world's greatest gardens, Longwood Gardens is a must-see (and must-smell). Vibrant flowerbeds, exotic plants and breathtaking horticultural displays are just the start of it: wait til you see the fountains. [longwoodgardens.org](http://longwoodgardens.org)

BRANDYWINE RIVER MUSEUM OF ART

Tired of world-class art, yet? We didn't think so. The Brandywine River Museum of Art curates a variety of collections from the Wyeth family of artists. American portraits, illustrations and still-life paintings are always on view. [brandywine.org/museum](http://brandywine.org/museum)



VALLEY  
FORGE

Think more city amenities with less city traffic. Valley Forge and Montgomery County bustles with retail, breweries and luxury accommodations beside pastoral landscapes you only see in paintings.

KING OF PRUSSIA MALL

Imagine miles and miles of the high-end designers and exclusive department stores. Plus, eclectic dining and all-day people watching. Now stop imagining and get there. (Yep, the clothing and shoes are still tax-free.) [simon.com/mall/king-of-prussia](http://simon.com/mall/king-of-prussia)

KING OF PRUSSIA TOWN CENTER

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