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Just an hour north of Springfield, another American history hot spot, lies Brattleboro, Vermont. The picturesque small town is a haven buried in the great outdoors of New England and one of the most beautiful towns in Vermont every traveler should visit. On the border of New Hampshire along the banks of the Connecticut River, Brattleboro boasts a lovely park, a vibrant art scene, and a lively downtown. Although small, it is the perfect weekend getaway from the bustling and Instagrammable Boston or a day stop on a road trip along the East Coast. Brattlebors was originally Fort Dummer, the first European settlement in Vermont. While the former fort flooded and was buried by the river, Brattleboro emerged as a cultural gem in southern Vermont. The small town endeavors to highlight its past and integrate it into the present day. History buffs, outdoor enthusiasts, and cultural connoisseurs will all be enchanted by Brattleboro. Find the complete guide here. Top 9 Things To Do In Brattleboro A storied past, a burgeoning art and culture scene, and a rural setting nestled in the forests of Vermont give tourists a lot to see and do in Brattleboro. Among many other activities, visitors can wander through museums, attend concerts, or get out into the great outdoors. Brattleboro is one of the perfect small towns for a weekend trip in Vermont. 1 Cross The Creamery Covered Bridge Shutterstock The bright red Creamery Covered Bridge at the Living Memorial Park in Brattleboro, Vermont A significant and historical tourist attraction in Brattleboro is the Creamery Covered Bridge. The iconic, bright red bridge is just west of downtown and crosses the Whetstone Brooke near the Living Memorial Park. Constructed in 1879, the bridge is a relic of America's past and the last standing 19th-century covered bridge in Vermont. The bridge formerly served for traffic but now is a tourist attraction for photographers and selfies. Travelers can taste a piece of the past by crossing the bridge. Later, visitors can bike or stroll along the nearby streets and parks. Art enthusiasts will love the opportunity to wander through the Brattleboro Museum & Art Center. Located in the former Union Station in downtown Brattleboro, the vibrant contemporary art museum is free to visit. Focused on modern art, the museum annually displays fifteen to twenty new exhibits, including paintings, sculptures, and photography. The museum attracts regional and international artists, uplifting and nurturing the cultural scene in southern Vermont. Educating and inspiring guests aside, the museum is also available to rent for special events and offers lifelong learning programs for children. Hours Of Operation: Wednesday - Sunday, 10 AM - 4 PM | Closed Mondays & Tuesdays Cost Of Admission: Free Note: Closed certain holidays Visitors don't have to travel far to escape into nature near Brattleboro. Less than a mile northwest of downtown, the Retreat Farms and Forests connect guests with Vermont's abundant outdoor scenery. Hikers will appreciate the ten miles of winding trails through forests, meadows, and along the river. Journeyers looking for a challenge can hike to the top of Harris Hill Ski Jump. Families can instead explore the half-mile Nature Trail. The spooky Stone Tower looms above the forest, a stone lookout constructed in 1887 by and for asylum patients. Its purpose was to bring patients into nature as part of their treatment, but the tower is enveloped in paranormal activity and local haunted folklore accounts. Additionally, children will enjoy the pasture animals, storybook walk, and playground at the Retreat Farm. Hours Of Operation: Daily, dusk - dawn Cost Of Admission: Free Erik Scheel on Pexels"> Via: Erik Scheel on Pexels A vendor handing over fruit at a bright Farmers' Market Farmers' Markets are often the best way to experience the spirit and culture of a town. The Brattleboro Area Farmers' Market is an animated outdoor market open for forty stalls. The market runs from May to October on Saturday mornings, and visitors can find it near the Creamery Covered Bridge. Shoppers can browse fresh produce, flowers, and baked goods while enjoying live outdoor music. Also offering unique and global stalls, tourists can find French macaroons, authentic Indian spices, and hand-crafted pottery at the Brattleboro Area Farmers' Market. Hours Of Operation: Saturdays, May - October, 9 AM - 2 PM Note: \$2 fee for charges made at stalls accepting credit cards | Cards can be used at the manager's booth to purchase tokens Via: Donald Tong: A vintage theater empty except for one person The Latchis Theater is a cultural gem adorning Main Street in downtown Brattleboro. The Greco-Deco-style theater opened in 1938 and began by screening silent films and Vaudeville. Inside, Greek paintings, red-velvet curtains, plush seats, and an intricate Zodiac on the ceiling marvel visitors. Part of the League of Historic American Theaters, The Latchis Theater showcases performances and modern cinema. Travelers should admire the theater's interior at a live event, a movie screening, or rent it out for a special occasion. Movie Ticket Prices: \$10 per adult | \$8 for seniors and children 11 & under | \$8 for all matinee tickets Note: Accessible for people of varying abilities John Holm on Unsplash"> Via: John Holm on Unsplash A scenic image of a river and trees dressed in fall foliage in the Vermont outdoors. Travelers who wish to continue their adventure in Brattleboro outdoors should visit the Fort Dummer State Park. The state park lies two miles south of Brattleboro and is the former site of the first European settlement in Vermont: Fort Dummer. While the fort was flooded and buried by the Connecticut River, outdoor enthusiasts can still enjoy many recreational activities at the park. The expansive area has three short hiking trails (one to a swimming hole) and several camping areas for tents or RVs, including toilet facilities and hot showers. The park is a peaceful place to enjoy the Vermont wilderness and hike, dog walk, or camp. Hours Of Operation: Daily, 6 AM - 9 PM Cost Of Admission: Free Via: Pixabay: High angle of a rural village on a bright day Throughout the ages, the charm of Brattleboro and its bucolic surroundings have been a fountain of inspiration for great minds like politicians, writers, and poets. History buffs can learn stories from this rich past while visiting their physical sites on the Brattleboro Words Trail. The Words Trail is an interactive map on an app that users can follow throughout downtown Brattleboro and the encompassing countryside. The downtown section has over forty sites, each site including photos, links, and five to seven-minute audio entries. These locations include petroglyphs from the Native American Abenaki community, Frederick Douglas' first speech on the assassination of Lincoln, and Rudyard Kipling's favorite watering hole. A testament to Brattleboro's pride in history and culture, the local community manages the Words Trail and produces the audio entries. Visitors can find physical ceramic maps of the Word Trail downtown. British author Rudyard Kipling wrote his renowned novel The Jungle Book while living in Brattleboro. From the late 1800s until the 1950s, the Estey Organ Company was globally renowned for its masterful organs. Operating out of Brattleboro, Estey organs could be found across six continents, and throughout its prime, the company hand-crafted over 3,000 pipe organs and over half a million reed organs. Today, visitors can browse the memorabilia and instruments from the Estey legacy at the Estey Orgne Museum downtown. The celebration of farm-to-table cuisine and, of course, all the farm animals, it's impossible not to fall in love with Retreat Farm. If you happen to be visiting Brattleboro on a Thursday during the summer, make sure to stop by the farm for the famous Food Truck Roundup. This outdoor celebration of great food and music features over a dozen food and drink vendors from the Brattleboro area and a live music lineup curated by the Stone Church. It's an event that you won't want to miss (but be sure to leave your dogs at home). Hike a Trail at Fort Dummer State Park Fort Dummer State Park in Brattleboro Fort Dummer State Park is about a 10-minute drive from downtown Brattleboro. The park has several trail options for short day hikes, and the well-maintained campgrounds make it a great choice for visitors who want to avoid hotels and motels. The campsites are spread out, giving campers ample privacy during their stay, and the three hiking trails are all within walking distance of the campground. During our visit, we hiked the Sunrise Trail and the Broad Brook Trail. The Sunrise Trail was a mile loop through the woods, and was fairly flat, making it a nice relaxing walk. The Broad Brook Trail, although a little shorter than the Sunrise Trail, was very steep and might prove challenging to novice hikers, but had a much more rewarding final destination, with the trail leading to a small picturesque swimming hole on Broad Brook. Harmony Collective Artist Gallery in Brattleboro Downtown Brattleboro is packed with galleries where you can browse or purchase locally-made pieces. During our recent visit, we stopped by Gallery in the Woods, which had some beautiful ceramic pieces alongside handcrafted jewelry, incredibly detailed felt animals, and a wide range of prints and original works from some of Vermont's best contemporary artists. We also paid a too-short visit to Harmony Collective Artist Gallery. Harmony Collective felt more like a mini-museum, with hundreds of unique paintings hanging throughout the shop and central displays devoted to indescribable sculptures crafted using both traditional materials like clay and paper mache, as well as used hardware, scrap metal, and recycled bottles and cans. Although we only had the chance to explore two galleries during our recent stay, there were many more options to choose from, and you could easily spend a whole weekend in Brattleboro going in and out of different galleries. Windham Art Gallery, The Artist's Loft Fine Art Gallery, Vermont Artisan Designs, and Gallery in the Woods are all within walking distance of each other, and you can find even more options by venturing just a little ways off of Main Street. Eric checking out an exhibit at BMAC Located in the middle of downtown, Brattleboro Museum and Art Center, or BMAC, is an unforgettable addition to the wealth of artistry on display in Brattleboro. The museum contains six galleries that rotate exhibits every few months, which means you can keep coming back to see new things every time you're in town. Admission to the museum is "pay-what-you-can": a donation of \$5-10 per person is recommended but not required. Summer at the Creamery Covered Bridge in Brattleboro Creamery Covered Bridge is another addition to Vermont's famous catalog of covered bridges and is the only one visible from Route 9. Constructed in 1879, this bridge is now closed off to traffic but remains open to pedestrians. Its proximity to the Brattleboro Farmer's Market and the Vermont Country Dell makes the Creamery Covered Bridge a popular destination for tourists, and we found that the grassy area beside the bridge was the perfect spot for an impromptu picnic. one of the many Estey Organs you can see in Brattleboro. The Estey Organ Museum was one of the biggest surprises of our recent trip to Brattleboro; it's a small museum devoted to a fairly uncommon instrument, and the fact that the museum was only open for two hours a week meant we had pretty low expectations. However, the Estey Organ Museum ended up being one of our favorite destinations on our trip. The museum is located inside the old factory buildings where Estey Organs were once made. The large slate buildings have since been renovated to house various businesses and apartments alongside the museum. Inside, you'll find dozens of organs and pianos on display. Some organs are hooked up to electric power supplies, while others require a hand crank or foot pedals to be worked in order to produce any sound. Best of all, every instrument in the building is available for visitors to play. Getting the chance to play antique organs was an absolute blast, even if we could only remember how to play Hot Cross Buns and Chopsticks. Our favorite instrument was a traditional pipe organ with an open back which allowed you to literally go inside the instrument while someone else played, creating the ultimate surround-sound experience. If the interactive aspect of the museum wasn't enough, there was an abundance of interesting information to discover about the history of organ making in Southern Vermont. The staff member who was working when we visited had an encyclopedic knowledge of Brattleboro town history, which gave context to the exhibits and made us want to stay for hours. This museum is one of the best things to do in Brattleboro VT, especially if you're into musical instruments or the history of commerce in Southern Vermont, and will be especially fun for pianists and organ players. Hours are 2-4 pm every Saturday from May through mid-October. Check Out Live Music at Stone Church The Stone Church is such a fun music venue. The Stone Church is one of Brattleboro's most well-known and loved destinations and it's easy to see why. The church was renovated to create a unique venue for performers stopping in Southern Vermont, and the gorgeous Gothic architecture creates a performance space unlike any other in Vermont. The Stone Church has hosted music legends like Don McClean and consistently brings in talented artists from New England and beyond. The Stone Church has live music almost every weekend, with wildly varying genres. During our visit, there were concerts featuring a folk-punk band with heavy metal influences and a Caribbean funk duo. The sheer number of concerts held at the Stone Church makes it pretty easy to find one that will fit your taste, but even if you're not sure whether you'll like the artist that's playing while you're in town, we still recommend checking them out; it's a great way to explore new types of music, and the venue alone is well worth a visit. The New England Center for Circus Arts (NECCA) is an institution based around the instruction and practice of circus arts. These include acrobatics, balancing, parkour, juggling, aerials, and much more. NECCA offers frequent performances as well as classes and workshops for adults and children. Come for the amazing displays of balance and coordination, and stay for the knowledgeable instructors and state-of-the-art facilities! Similar to the New England Center for the Circus Arts, the Vermont Jazz Center offers both training and performances. The institution has workshops, classes, and jam sessions for all skill levels, and offers programs for both instrumental musicians and vocalists. If you're not a musician yourself, you can still enjoy a visit to the Jazz Center; the Center's accurately named "Big Band" is well-known in the community for its incredible concerts. West River Park is the perfect place to go when you need to escape the summer heat. If you feel like doing more than just relaxing in the cool, clear water (with a sandy bottom, too – water shoes are optional here!), there are some great picnic spots where you can eat while enjoying views of the river. The park also has several short trails crisscrossing throughout, making it the perfect place for a short walk and a long swim. Enjoying a crepe at the Brattleboro Area Farmers' Market The Brattleboro Area Farmers' Market is in serious competition for the best Farmers' Market in Vermont, and once you get there, you'll know exactly why. If the overflowing parking lots weren't enough of an indication of what is to come, the smells of spicy Thai food, deep-fried samosas, cheese crepes, and savory tacos will assure you that you're in the right place. Besides an abundance of delicious food made with fresh ingredients, you can also pick up an assortment of beverages, from fruit smoothies that are blended to order right before your eyes, to strawberry lemonade and piping hot (or icy cold) coffee and tea. Once you've made it through the gauntlet of tents selling fresh produce and serving food and drink (this took us quite a while as I wanted to eat something from just about every tent we saw), you'll realize that you've only just begun to scratch the surface of what this market has to offer. Amongst the many vendors, you can find handcrafted jewelry, alpaca wool clothing, fresh fruits and veggies, baked goods in every shape and size, Vermont-made wine and spirits, soap, candles, honey, maple syrup, and much more. We spent almost two hours wandering around the market and I'm still convinced that we didn't see everything, so make sure you give yourself plenty of time to explore. Being situated right on the banks of the Connecticut River, the longest river in New England, Brattleboro has a close relationship with the water, which is evident in the number of boaters you'll see out on the river when you're there. If you're feeling adventurous watching kayakers and canoes dip in and out of the little inlets and coves of the river, then it's high time you join them. Take a trip up the road from downtown Brattleboro to visit the Vermont Canoe Touring Center, where you can rent canoes, kayaks, and paddleboards to explore the waterways at your leisure. Boats are rented in 1, 2, or 4-hour increments, or you can save yourself the trouble of needing to keep track of your time and just rent them for the entire day. Inside the Latchis Theatre in Brattleboro VT The Latchis Theatre is a historic movie theater and performance venue in downtown Brattleboro and is connected to the Latchis Hotel (more on that later). The building, which houses both the theatre and hotel, was built in 1938 in the art deco style, which was very popular at the time. The Art Deco movement isn't the only unique aesthetic choice on display at the Latchis; inside the theatre, you'll find stunning Greek murals depicting mythological scenes. The combination of classic Greek murals with Art Deco architecture is dubbed "Greco Deco" by the Latchis Theater website, and its one-of-a-kind aesthetic makes the Latchis one of those rare places that can only be fully appreciated in person. The Latchis plays current films from popular blockbusters to smaller indie affairs and acts as a venue for live events. The space can also be rented out for private events. If you're looking for a beautiful day hike during your visit to Brattleboro, consider paying a visit to Madam Sherri Forest, which is just a short drive across the New Hampshire border. You'll find several trail options to choose from with various difficulty levels. The Anne Stokes Loop Trail is a two-mile hike perfect for hikers who want a less intensive experience. The trail features a scenic view of Indian Pond at about 0.5 miles and also goes past the ruins of Madam Sherri's "castle," a crumbling stone structure reminiscent of the ancient castle ruins found across Europe. For a more difficult hike, you can check out the Mountain Trail, a 3-mile round trip leading to a gorgeous overlook of the Connecticut River Valley with Mount Monadnock rising in the distance. Scott Farm Orchard is the ideal place to visit in Brattleboro. During autumn, the expansive orchards overflow with enthusiastic harvesters who have come to celebrate Vermont's state fruit and indulge in one of the Green Mountain State's oldest and most well-loved traditions: apple picking. The farm has two orchards, each with a wide variety of apples and two kinds of peaches. During the harvest seasons, visitors can come to pick their own fruit or choose from over 130 varieties of apples at the Farm Market. The Windsor-Cornish Covered Bridge on the Connecticut River Byway. Travel along 410 miles of the Connecticut River from one end of Vermont to the other on Vermont's only designated National Byway. The Connecticut River Byway is a three-state, 500-mile byway spanning the west and east shores of the Connecticut River, starting in Massachusetts and traveling north through both Vermont and New Hampshire all the way to the Canadian border. It passes right through Brattleboro and is one of the most scenic drives in all of Vermont. Saxtons River Distillery is a nationally recognized producer of fine spirits located in Brattleboro. The distillery gained local and national renown from its maple syrup-infused alcohols like the famous Sapping Maple Bourbon. When we visited we opted for a bottle of barrel-aged Snowdrop Gin, and I never want to go back to any other brand. The distillery is open to the public for tastings and dining, and you can browse their wide selection of liquor, wine, mead, and cider on their website. The Latchis Hotel is in the heart of downtown Brattleboro. The Latchis Hotel was the perfect place for our recent stay in Brattleboro. It features the same Greco Deco aesthetic we loved from the Latchis Theatre, giving it a grand historical feel. Located right on Main Street, the hotel is within walking distance of all the best food and drink Brattleboro has to offer, although one doesn't even need to leave the hotel to find some of the best things to do in Brattleboro. You can visit the movie theater connected to the hotel by its own separate entrance or the Latchis Pub and Underground Lounge, which serves food and drink late into the night. For a budget hotel in Brattleboro, drive a minute or two outside of the downtown area and stay at the Colonial Motel & Spa. The rooms are basic but very comfy, a charming indoor saltwater pool makes it feel like a more upscale vacation rental with historical significance, and the historic building is a National Historic Landmark. Much of Kipling's original furniture remains, which means that guests can sit at the very desk where the famed author wrote The Jungle Book, Captains Courageous, and portions of the Just So Stories. This fully furnished three-story house makes an enchanting family getaway for a special occasion. Yalla Sababa is the best thing ever! Yalla: This incredibly addictive little eatery is one of the reasons I make the drive to Brattleboro over and over again. Serving Eastern Mediterranean specialties like falafel, hummus, homemade pitas, and a bunch of other delicacies. This is one lunch spot that you absolutely have to put on your Brattleboro itinerary. Amy's Bakery Arts Cafe: We stopped into Amy's for lunch on a whim and discovered yet another not-so-hidden gem on Brattleboro's Main Street. Amy's features a relatively small menu of sandwiches, soups, and salads, as well as fresh baked goods, coffee, and tea. We loved the sourdough bread they used to make their sandwiches, as well as the mountain of toppings they packed between the slices. Vermont Country Dell: Famous for its mac & cheese, we have never had a bad bite here, and it's a great spot to pick up all of your picnic provisions! Check out these incredible things to do in Brattleboro the next time you're passing through the southeast corner of the state. You'll love exploring this beautiful Vermont town. Follow us on social media for more Vermont inspiration! Instagram Facebook Pinterest Gabriel Reed recently graduated from Keene State College with a degree in English and is a writer and photographer from Southern Vermont. He currently works for the Manchester Journal. In his free time, Gabe enjoys spending time outdoors and pursuing his love for fantasy stories, medieval aesthetics, and grilled meats. Brattleboro, Vermont is a hidden gem nestled in the heart of Windham County. This picturesque town offers breathtaking views of the surrounding natural landscapes, making it the perfect destination for nature lovers. But downtown Brattleboro is more than just a southern Vermont town; it's a vibrant artsy town and a creative hub. From its charming downtown, where you can stroll through historic streets and enjoy live music, to its thriving arts and culture scene, Brattleboro has something to offer everyone. Brattleboro is a haven for nature enthusiasts, offering a plethora of outdoor activities amidst stunning natural landscapes. The town's scenic views will take your breath away as you immerse yourself in the beauty of the surrounding environment. Whether you're an avid hiker, cyclist, angler, or simply someone who appreciates the tranquility of nature, Brattleboro has something for everyone. Experience the thrill of hiking along the picturesque foothills, where you'll encounter winding trails that lead to hidden gems and breathtaking vistas. The region boasts an abundance of parks and natural areas, waiting to be explored. Take a leisurely stroll by the riverside, enjoying the soothing sounds of flowing water and the gentle rustle of autumn leaves. Brattleboro is truly a nature lover's paradise. The beauty of Brattleboro's natural landscapes is unmatched. You'll find yourself captivated by the serene atmosphere and scenic wonders. It's a perfect destination for those seeking outdoor adventures and a connection with nature. - Local Outdoor EnthusiastDiscover the joy of kayaking or canoeing along the Connecticut River, surrounded by the lush greenery and tranquil waters.During hot summer days, cool off at the Living Memorial Park Swimming Pool & Rotary Water Playground.Indulge in a peaceful fishing expedition in one of the many lakes and streams, abundant with a variety of fish species.Get your adrenaline pumping with exhilarating mountain biking trails that offer thrilling descents and scenic routes.Immerse yourself in the mesmerizing beauty of the fall foliage during autumn, when the landscapes are painted in vibrant colors.Brattleboro's natural beauty is not just limited to its landscapes, but also extends to the diverse wildlife that calls this region home. Birdwatchers will find themselves in paradise, spotting a variety of bird species as they explore the town's many trails and parks. Keep your eyes peeled for deer, foxes, and other native creatures that inhabit the area.Whether you're seeking solace in the serene surroundings or embarking on thrilling outdoor adventures, Brattleboro offers an unparalleled experience for nature enthusiasts. Soak in the scenic views, embrace the tranquility, and let the natural wonders of this charming town rejuvenate your soul.The Harris Hill Ski Jumping Competition is a time-honored Brattleboro custom that originated in 1922, before ski jumping was even included in the Olympic Games. The competition is the brainchild of Brattleboro, Vermont's Fred Harris, who established both the Brattleboro Outing Club and the Dartmouth Outing Club.Brattleboro, Vermont is not only a charming and picturesque town, but it also holds a rich historical significance. The land on which Brattleboro is located was once inhabited by the Abenaki people, specifically the Sokoki band, adding an indigenous history to its story. During the colonial era, Brattleboro played a role in Dummer's War, serving as a site for the Massachusetts Bay Colony. To protect the settlers, Fort Dummer, a blockhouse and stockade, was built in the town, showcasing its architectural heritage.Brattleboro's historical charm can be seen in its well-preserved buildings and landmarks, which tell the story of its past. From the colonial era to the present day, the town has evolved, but it has never forgotten its roots. By exploring the historical sites and learning about the town's history, you can gain a deeper understanding of Brattleboro's place in American history."Brattleboro's historical charm can be seen in its well-preserved buildings and landmarks, which tell the story of its past."Before the arrival of European settlers, the Abenaki people thrived in the Brattleboro area. The Sokoki band, in particular, called this land their home. Their presence and culture can still be felt today, creating a unique blend of indigenous and colonial history.Brattleboro is more than just a town; it's a close-knit community that thrives on togetherness and support. The downtown area is a bustling hub, filled with local businesses and independent merchants who take pride in being part of the vibrant community fabric. You'll find a thriving downtown scene where you can shop for unique items, grab a delicious bite to eat, or simply soak in the lively atmosphere.Brattleboro is also home to the Community College of Vermont and Vermont Technical College, contributing to the town's educational opportunities and fostering a culture of learning and growth. The colleges attract a diverse student body, adding to the town's vibrancy and providing an opportunity for residents to engage with young minds and fresh ideas.The strong community spirit is further highlighted by the numerous community events that Brattleboro hosts throughout the year. From local festivals celebrating the town's agricultural heritage, such as the Strolling of the Heifers Festival, to seasonal events that bring people together, there's always something happening in Brattleboro. These events provide an excellent opportunity to connect with locals, experience the genuine warmth of the community, and create lasting memories. Planning your trip to Brattleboro by automobile? Enjoy a scenic drive on I-91, Route 9 or the Connecticut River Byway. Whichever direction you're coming from, you'll enjoy the drive to one of the best small towns in America!Traveling by train? Consider the Amtrak Vermonter, providing service from St. Albans, VT to Washington, D.C., stops in Brattleboro once daily northbound and southbound. Amtrak's train service (and waiting room) is located at 10 Vernon State Greyhound Bus services are available throughout the country to and from Brattleboro.Carved between the Green Mountains of Vermont and the White Mountains of New Hampshire is 410 miles of the historic Connecticut River. Alongside the river runs the Connecticut River Byway, Vermont's only designated National Byway.Visit Fort Dummer State Park, built in 1724 in what is now Brattleboro. Fort Dummer served as a protective stronghold during Dummer's War. The fort was strategically positioned to provide security for the settlers against attacks by Native American tribes. Today, its historical significance is preserved through educational exhibits and artifacts that offer a glimpse into the town's past.Visit the Estey Organ Museum, dedicated to the history and heritage of the Estey Organ Company of Brattleboro, Vermont, makers of reed organs, pump. They are located in the Old Engine House, part of the historic slate-sided Estey factory building, ten minutes off Interstate 91, Exit 1 North.Explore unique local businesses and a community of independent merchants along three blocks, on the banks of the Connecticut River.Visit the Brattleboro Area Chamber of Commerce for a listing of area businesses and local eventsEnjoy a diverse culinary, foodie scene with restaurants offering delicious cuisineExperience a lively and vibrant atmosphere that reflects the town's strong community spiritGrab a delightful Vermont craft beer at Hermit Thrush Brewery. Their taproom is open 5 days a week, Thursday through Monday. Whetstone Station is celebrating 10 years of delicious food and beer along the waterfront in Brattleboro, Vermont.Saxtons River Distillery downtown tasting room and mercantile is located at 2 Elliot St in Brattleboro.Looking for live music? Visit southern VT's premier live music & event venue in a converted stone church. Strolling of the Heifers Festival celebrates the town's agricultural heritageSeasonal events provide opportunities for connection and community buildingCreate lasting memories and experience the genuine warmth of the communityBrattleboro's strong community spirit sets it apart from other destinations, and it's a quality that visitors and residents alike cherish. From the thriving downtown scene to the wide range of community events, Brattleboro offers a warm and welcoming atmosphere that makes you feel like you're part of something special.It's been over 75 years since the final locomotive roared down the rails, yet remnants of the old railway continue to be treasured by locals who use them for hiking, biking, skiing, and immersing themselves in the surrounding wilderness. The 36-mile West River Trail includes an Upper Section in Londonderry, Jamaica, and Townshend and a Lower Section in Brattleboro and Dummerston.Brattleboro boasts six beginner-friendly hiking trails perfect for families and outdoor lovers of all abilities. Discover kid-approved routes or explore historic sights along wooded paths. With plenty of scenic nature spots surrounding Brattleboro, you're sure to find the ideal trail for your next adventure.The Creamery Bridge is located at Guilford Street, just 1.5 miles from downtown Brattleboro.West Dummerston Covered Bridge is located on Route 30, Dummerston, VTwhich is 7 miles from Brattleboro.The Scott Bridge is a three span structure in the town of Townshend. It is located at Route 30, Townshend, VT, 19 miles from next toBrattleboro, Vermont is a hidden gem that offers a quaint and charming setting, showcasing the rural beauty and New England charm that the region is known for. Nestled among rolling hills and surrounded by breathtaking rural landscapes, Brattleboro exudes a serene and peaceful atmosphere that will envelop you as soon as you arrive.As you explore the town, you'll be captivated by its historic significance and architectural heritage, which adds to its nostalgic charm. The well-preserved buildings tell stories of the town's past and provide a glimpse into its rich history. Whether you're strolling along the main streets or wandering through the residential areas, you'll be greeted with picturesque scenes that make Brattleboro truly unique.Immerse yourself in the rural charm by experiencing the slower pace of life that Brattleboro offers. Take leisurely walks through the countryside, enjoying the fresh air and natural beauty. Indulge in the local cuisine, savoring farm-to-table dishes that highlight the region's agricultural heritage. Engage with the welcoming community, and you'll quickly feel like a part of the Brattleboro family.Looking for lodging in Brattleboro? There are plenty of choices with many of the famous name hotels and motels, but perhaps you're looking for something a bit more special? Why not spend a weekend getaway at the following, world class historic landmark?Designated a National Historic Landmark, Naulakha was constructed in 1892 as the home of acclaimed author Rudyard Kipling. Many original furnishings remain, allowing guests the rare opportunity to work at the very desk where Kipling penned classics like The Jungle Book, Captains Courageous, and parts of the Just So Stories. Nestled at the end of a tree-lined drive off a peaceful country road, Naulakha sits just 10 minutes from the shops, eateries, breweries, and arts of Brattleboro, Vermont - recently named the 2023 Strongest Town by Strong Towns. This fully equipped three-story estate makes an ideal gathering place for family reunions and getaways. A totally unique combination of flair and Connecticut River Valley charm!When it comes to satisfying your taste buds, Brattleboro, Vermont has a vibrant local food scene that is sure to delight. From farm-to-table cuisine to artisanal products, this charming town offers a culinary experience that reflects its commitment to supporting local farmers and producers.Explore the diverse range of eateries in Brattleboro, from cozy cafes serving up freshly brewed coffee and delectable pastries to fine dining establishments offering innovative dishes made with locally sourced ingredients. Whether you're craving a hearty breakfast, a leisurely lunch, or an exquisite dinner, you'll find a plethora of options to satisfy your cravings.For those looking to wet their whistle, Brattleboro is home to a number of distilleries and breweries. Indulge in handcrafted spirits or sample locally brewed beers, all while immersing yourself in the rich flavors and unique profiles that make Brattleboro's beverages stand out.With its emphasis on quality, sustainability, and community, Brattleboro's local food scene is a true reflection of the town's values. Whether you're a food enthusiast or simply looking to treat yourself to a memorable dining experience, Brattleboro will not disappoint. Brattleboro, Vermont is a hidden gem that offers a unique and memorable getaway for travelers seeking a combination of natural beauty, cultural richness, and community spirit. From its scenic views and outdoor activities to its vibrant arts scene and charming streets, Brattleboro has something to offer everyone.Whether you're exploring its historical landmarks, indulging in the local culinary delights, or immersing yourself in the local culture, Brattleboro is a tourist destination that truly captures the essence of rural charm and New England allure.With its picturesque landscapes and thriving arts scene, Brattleboro provides a perfect backdrop for outdoor adventures and artistic inspiration. The town's historic downtown, filled with independent merchants and local eateries, offers a shopping oasis for those seeking unique finds and delicious food.Immerse yourself in the vibrant arts and cultural scene, attend jazz concerts and film festivals, and witness the sense of community come alive through exciting festivals and events. Whether you're strolling through the historic streets or enjoying the natural beauty surrounding the town, Brattleboro invites you to experience its warm and welcoming atmosphere.Looking for top family-friendly Vermont activities in Brattleboro? Kids can enjoy exploring the Retreat Farm, with its interactive farm activities and adorable animals. The Brattleboro Museum & Art Center offers hands-on exhibits for all ages. Plus, don't miss the thrill of zip lining at Mount Snow!Brattleboro, Vermont is known for its picturesque views, being an artsy town, and serving as a creative hub.In the historic downtown of Brattleboro, you can expect to find independent merchants, unique shops, and delicious local eateries.Brattleboro hosts regular jazz concerts, film festivals, and theater productions, showcasing the talent of local and visiting artists.Brattleboro is known for hosting the Strolling of the Heifers Festival, as well as various seasonal festivals featuring live music, local artisans, and delicious food.Brattleboro offers plenty of opportunities for outdoor activities such as hiking in scenic foothills, exploring nearby rivers and lakes, and enjoying the picturesque setting.Yes, Brattleboro has a rich historical significance, with a blend of merican and indigenous history. It played a role in the colonial era and is home to notable historic buildings.Brattleboro is a community of independent towns with a strong sense of togetherness and support. It hosts numerous community events and is recognized for its commitment to community development.Brattleboro boasts a rural charm and quiet appeal, with picturesque landscapes and historic architecture that create a serene and peaceful atmosphere.Brattleboro has a thriving local food scene, emphasizing farm-to-table cuisine and artisanal products. You can explore eateries, distilleries, and breweries that showcase the region's culinary delights.Brattleboro, Vermont is a hidden gem that offers a unique and memorable getaway for travelers. It combines natural beauty, cultural richness, and a strong community spirit to create an unforgettable experience.Thank you for visiting Vermonter.com! Please subscribe to our email list for the latest articles! The town government of Brattleboro is dedicated to providing quality services to its citizens. With a population of about 12,000, Brattleboro is the economic and cultural hub of southeastern Vermont with a rich history of innovation and progress.