

# Get To Know Your Town Bucket List

## TOWN OF OYSTER BAY EDITION



### Complete at least 10 items on this list.

This is completed “on your honor.” Once you’ve completed the minimum requirements, you can purchase the patch in the shop by going to <https://gsnc.wufoo.com/forms/shop-order-form/>

1. Get to know the history of your town. Find the answers to the following questions:
  - a. Who “discovered” the Town of Oyster Bay and how did they discover it?
  - b. How did your town get its name?
  - c. Who do you feel is the most famous resident to live in the Town of Oyster Bay, so far?
  - d. What are some key historical facts about the Town of Oyster Bay?
2. Visit Raynham Hall and learn all about your town’s role during the Revolutionary and Civil War.
3. Take your family or troop on a bike ride on one or more of the three bike trails in your town:
  - The bike trail from Woodbury (Manetto Hill Road/Woodbury Road) to Massapequa (Merrick Road/ Ocean Ave.)
  - The Ocean Parkway Coastal Bike Path— a scenic bike trail along Jones Beach Barrier Island
  - The Burns Park Bike Path
4. Visit Old Bethpage Restoration and learn about mid-19th Century Long Island. Learn about what they grew in their garden and try growing your own version of a garden at home with your family.
5. Or, learn about the types of food they made during the mid-19th century and recreate one of their recipes at home with your family.
6. Learn about local geology at the Gregory Museum in Hicksville.
7. Learn about the Long Island’s Railroad history from the Oyster Bay Railroad Museum.
8. Have a scavenger hunt to find as many of the local designated landmarks in the Town of Oyster Bay with your family:  
(asterisked locations are private homes)
  - The Maine Maid Inn  
4 Old Jericho Tpke., Jericho, NY 11753
  - North Shore Assembly of God  
84 Orchard St., Oyster Bay, NY 11771
  - Seely-Wright House (The Country Lady)  
29 West Main St., Oyster Bay, NY 11771
  - Floyd Jones Library  
Massapequa, NY 11758
  - Oyster Bay Railroad Station Turntable  
Oyster Bay
  - Oyster Bay Long Island Rail Road Train Station  
Oyster Bay, NY 11771
  - Old Methodist Graveyard  
8025 Jericho Tpke., Woodbury, NY 11797
  - Old Methodist Church  
8025 Jericho Tpke., Woodbury, NY 11797
  - \* John M. Sammis House  
30 White St., Oyster Bay, NY 11771
  - \* Maria Powell House  
12 Prospect St., Oyster Bay, NY 11771
  - Will Rogers House  
425 Clocks Blvd., Massapequa
  - \* Jos. Weekes Jr. House  
Buckram Rd., Locust Valley, NY 11724
  - \* Hawxhurst House  
89 Oyster Bay Rd., Locust Valley, NY 11724
  - Grace Church (Floyd Jones Servant Cottage)  
4750 Merrick Rd., Massapequa, NY 11758
  - St. Gregory Nyssa Church  
1100 Hicksville Rd., Massapequa, NY 11758
  - Visiting Nurse Association  
193 South St., Oyster Bay, NY 11771
  - The Printery  
43 W. Main St., Oyster Bay, NY 11771
  - Matinecock Lodge  
14 W. Main St., Oyster Bay, NY 11771
  - Snouders Drug Store  
108 South St., Oyster Bay, NY 11771

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- Moore's Building  
5 E. Main St., Oyster Bay, NY 11771
- \* Crickett Cottage  
65 Sandy Hill Rd., Oyster Bay, NY 11771
- \* Horton House  
72 Horton Pl., Syosset, NY 11791
- \* Craft Mansion  
18 Central Dr., Glen Head, NY 11545
- \* Cock-Valentine House  
173 Buckram Rd., Locust Valley, NY 11724
- Richard Davis Store  
7 Oyster Bay Rd., Locust Valley, NY 11724
- \* White Spots  
193 Buckram Rd., Locust Valley, NY 11724
- \* Serpe House  
69 Cedar Shore Dr., Massapequa, NY 11758
- \* Minor House  
78 Harbor Rd., Oyster Bay, NY 11771
- \* Adams Derby House  
34 Derby Ct., Oyster Bay, NY 11771
- Old Grace Church  
4750 Merrick Rd., Massapequa, NY 11758
- Wightman House  
20 Summit St., Oyster Bay, NY 11771
- Raynham Hall  
20 W. Main St., Oyster Bay, NY 11771
- \* William Wright House  
104 W. Main St., Oyster Bay, NY 11771
- \* Weeks Wilson House  
53 E. Main St., Oyster Bay, NY 11771
- \* Mill Pond House  
1065 W. Shore Dr., Oyster Bay, NY 11771
- \* Albertson-Meyer House  
153 E. Main St., Oyster Bay, NY 11771
- \* Schenck-Mann House  
222 Convent Rd., Syosset, NY 11791

9. Get your science on at Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory (516) 367-6895  
1 Bungtown Road, Cold Spring Harbor, NY 11724

The Lab offers regularly scheduled Community Tours during the spring, summer and fall. The tour cost is \$5.00 per person, and reservations are required. Be advised that the tour is primarily outdoors and takes place rain or shine. The tour requires a lot of stair-climbing and steep hills and is not recommended for people who have difficulty walking.

10. Or if science is not your thing, you can still enjoy the beautiful grounds at Cold Spring Harbor and enjoy their hiking trail.

11. Visit Sagamore Hill Historic Site and explore the 26th U.S. president's "Summer White House"

12. Build a sand castle and soak up some sun at Tobay Beach.

13. Take your family to a free drive-in movie! Movies will play on the following Wednesday evenings beginning at dusk:

July 7: Ellsworth Allen Park in Farmingdale  
*Raiders of the Lost Ark*

July 14: Tappen Beach in Glenwood Landing, *Dolittle*

July 21: Ellsworth Allen Park, *Tom and Jerry*

July 28: Theodore Roosevelt Beach in Oyster Bay, *The Goonies*

August 4: Ellsworth Allen Park, *Raya and The Last Dragon*

Vehicles will be admitted to the parking lot on a first-come, first-served basis beginning at 6:00pm the day of the event. Movies begin at dusk. Movies are subject to change and will be held weather permitting. For more information, please call (516) 797-7925.

14. Learn about the Long Island history of Indigenous people, the geology of the land, and other fun Long Island features at Garvies Point (516) 571-8010/11, 50 Barry Dr, Glen Cove, NY 11542

15. Find out who your Town of Oyster Bay public officials are and what their role in government is. Write them a letter or draw a picture telling/showing them what you love about the Town of Oyster Bay.

16. Set up a visit with your local Town of Oyster Bay councilman or councilwoman and learn about how the local government works. Get a tour of Town Hall. (within CDC guidelines).

17. Have a barbeque at Bethpage State Park

18. Find a landscape that you find beautiful in the Town of Oyster Bay and using your favorite medium (paint, pencil sketch, water color, etc.) and recreate the landscape artistically.

19. Call the Cultural and Performing Arts (CAPA) (516) 797-7925, to find out what kind of pandemic safe events are being held this summer and attend with your family or troop.

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### 20. Take a nature hike on one or more of the 23 established trails in the Town of Oyster Bay:

BAILEY ARBORETUM (516) 571-8020  
194 Bayville Road, Lattingtown, NY 11560  
[www.baileyarboretum.org](http://www.baileyarboretum.org)

BETHPAGE STATE PARK (516) 249-0701  
Bethpage State Parkway, Farmingdale, NY 11735  
<https://parks.ny.gov/parks/108>

CANTIAGUE PARK (516) 571-7056  
480 W John St, Hicksville, NY 11801  
<https://www.nassaucountyny.gov/2791/Cantiague-Park>

CHARLES T. CHURCH NATURE PRESERVE  
(516) 671-0283, Frost Mill Road, Mill Neck, NY 11765

COLD SPRING HARBOR FISH HATCHERY AND  
AQUARIUM (516) 692-6768  
1660 Route 25A, Cold Spring Harbor, NY 11724  
[www.cshfha.org](http://www.cshfha.org)

CORDELIA HEPBURN CUSHMAN PRESERVE  
(516) 626-0908, Route 25A, Oyster Bay Cove, NY 11771  
<https://northshorelandalliance.org/nature-preserves/cordelia-hepburn-cushman-preserve/>

LIU POST COMMUNITY ARBORETUM (516) 299-3500  
Long Island University, 720 Northern Boulevard,  
Brookville, NY 11548 (Open sunrise to sunset.  
Contact the Nature Conservancy for permission.  
Long Island Chapter, 250 Lawrence Hill Road, Cold  
Spring Harbor

FOX HOLLOW PRESERVE (516) 626-0908  
White Oak Tree Rd, Syosset, NY 11791  
For more information, contact the North Shore Land  
Alliance, located at 151 Post Road, Old Westbury.

HOFFMAN NATURE PRESERVE AND WILDLIFE  
CENTER (516) 922-3290  
6000 Northern Blvd, East Norwich, NY 11732

HOPE GODDARD ISELIN PRESERVE (516) 626-0908  
Chicken Valley Rd, Oyster Bay, NY 11771

JOHN F. KENNEDY MEMORIAL WILDLIFE  
SANCTUARY (516) 797-4110  
Ocean Parkway, Massapequa, NY 11758  
Visitors must obtain a pass from the Town of Oyster  
Bay Parks Department, 977 Hicksville Road,  
Massapequa, 797-4110.

LOUIS C. CLARK SANCTUARY (516) 626-0908  
Valentine's Lane, Old Brookville, NY 11545

PETER J. SCHMITT MASSAPEQUA PRESERVE  
(516) 571-7443, Merrick Road and Ocean Avenue,  
Massapequa, NY

MUTTONTOWN NATURE PRESERVE (516) 571-8500  
1864 Muttontown Lane, East Norwich, NY 11732

NASSAU-SUFFOLK GREENBELT TRAIL  
(631) 360-0753  
Runs from Cold Spring Harbor to Massapequa

OACES SANCTUARY (631) 367-3225  
Route 25A, East Norwich.

OYSTER BAY NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE  
(631) 286-0485, Oyster Bay, NY 11771

JOHN'S POND PRESERVE (631) 367-3225  
1660 Route 25A, Cold Spring Harbor, NY 11724  
(Cold Spring Fish Hatchery and Aquarium entrance)  
Marked trails, for foot traffic only, are open for  
hiking and observing nature daily except Christmas  
and New Year's. Obtain a key to the preserve at the  
Cold Spring Harbor Fish Hatchery admission booth  
between 10:00am and 5:00pm. Contact the Nature  
Conservancy for further information and to make a  
reservation for a group.

STILLWELL WOODS PRESERVE (516) 572-0200  
South Woods Road, Syosset, NY 11791

TACKAPAUSHA MUSEUM AND PRESERVE  
(516) 571-7443, 2225 Washington Ave, Seaford, NY  
11783

THEODORE ROOSEVELT SANCTUARY AND  
AUDUBON CENTER (516) 922-3200  
134 Cove Rd, Oyster Bay, NY 11771  
Educational programs on natural sciences, wildlife,  
ecology and Native Americans are available for pre-k  
to grade 12, as well as wildlife presentations for pre-k  
to adult.

TIFFANY CREEK PRESERVE (516) 571-8500  
Sandy Hill Road near Berry Hill Rd., Oyster Bay 11771

TRAIL VIEW STATE PARK (631) 423-1770  
8101 Jericho Turnpike, Woodbury, NY 11797

21. Create a nature journal and have a five senses  
walk. What do you see? What do you hear? What do  
you feel? What do you smell? What do you taste?

22. If you go on other hikes, draw what you observed,  
make a photograph album, or write a poem about  
the different things you experienced.

Credit: <https://oysterbaytown.com/places-to-go-things-to-do>  
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