

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

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

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.

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