

DEPARTURES

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This charming upstate New York destination has been attracting weekenders to its east side for years. Here we explore the very best of what's happening across the river in places like New Paltz, Milton and Gardiner.

The Best Of Hudson Valley's West Bank



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Buttermilk Falls Inn, Milton

The West Side's charms are fully in evidence at this Milton inn, which spreads casually over 70 acres on the banks of the Hudson River. A large working farm (keep an eye out for peacocks and llamas) supplies the property with much of the edibles on offer—heritage tomatoes, farm fresh eggs, fresh herbs and honey, among them—and there's an ecofriendly spa with a long list of treatments (signature facial, \$110 for an hour). There are

ten antique-dotted rooms in the main house (dating back to 1764) and another 20 among the guest cottages and houses scattered on the flower-covered property. *Rooms, starting at \$300; 220 N. Rd.; 845-795-1310; buttermilkfallsinn.com.*

