

Table Of Content

Geographical location	4
Neighbouring cities/countries	5
Significance	6
History	7
Cultural identity	8
Natural resources	9
Key site seeing places (paid and free)	10
- Paid	10
-- Albright-Knox Art Gallery	10
-- Shea's Buffalo Theatre	10
-- Buffalo & Erie County Naval and Military Park	11
-- Frank Lloyd Wright's Martin House Complex	11
-- The Buffalo Zoo	12
-- The Theodore Roosevelt Inaugural National Historic Site	13
-- Buffalo and Erie County Botanical Gardens	13
-- Buffalo Historical Museum	14
-- Burchfield-Penney Art Center	15
-- Niagara Falls	15
-- The Coca-Cola Field	16
- Free	18
-- Kleinhans Music Hall	18
-- Temple Beth Zion	18
-- Buffalo City Hall	19
-- Forest Lawn Cemetery	19
-- Liberty Building	20
-- Richardson Olmsted Complex	20
-- Guaranty Building	21
-- Walden Galleria Mall	21
-- Fashion Outlets of Niagara Falls	22
-- Vidler's 5 & 10	22
-- Delaware Park	22

-- Penzeys Spices	23
-- ShoeFly	23
-- Elmwood Village	23
-- Peace Bridge	23
-- Eternal Flame Falls	24
-- Canalside	24
-- Niagara Square	25
Key sites sports & adventure	27
Adventure sports, Local sports, stadiums	29
Spas and relaxation	31
Key local guides and tours	32
Transportation hubs	33
Transportation cost	34
Baggage allowance	36
Must try food and local savouries	37
Restaurant & Nightlife	38
Average meal cost	42
Shopping	43
Tourist benefits	44
Essential local apps	45
Driving	46
Travel essentials	47
Essential clothes	48
Local currency	49
Change vendor's commission, ATM charges	50
Staying connected	51
Time Zone	52
Languages	53
Political Scenario	54
Economic Scenario	55
Religious belief	56
Visa requirements	57
Essential vaccination	58

Theft and Safety 59

Embassy/Consulate 60

Accessibility 61

Emergencies 62

Do's and Don'ts 63

Tipping basics 64

Pet info 65

Conclusion 66

Disclaimer 68



Index

1. Geographical location

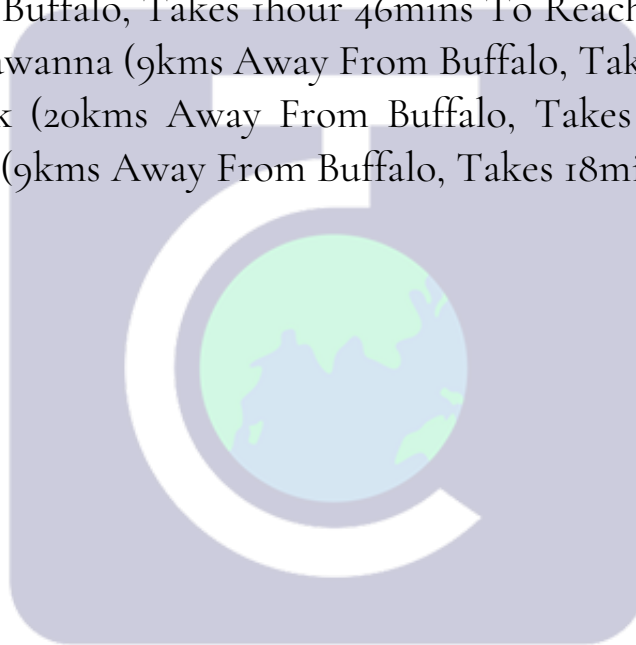
The city of Buffalo is in the Western part of the state of New York and is the administrative center of Erie County. Buffalo is at the eastern end of Lake Erie and at the head of the Niagara River and at the end of the Erie Canal. It is the second densest city in the state of New York after New York City. It has 258,703 residents and is the fifty-third largest metropolitan area in the United States of America. The city has a total area of 52.5 square miles. Of the total area 40.6 square miles is land and 11.9 square miles is water. Buffalo is nicknamed “The Queen City” because it is the second largest American city on the Great Lakes and is the second largest city in New York.



Index

2. Neighbouring cities/countries

Buffalo Is Only 80kms Away From Toronto, Canada And Takes 1 Hour 39mins To Reach. Other Major Cities In The United States And Canada That Are Near Buffalo Are Saint Catharines (54kms Away From Buffalo, Takes 41mins To Reach), Niagara Falls (38kms Away From Buffalo, Takes 29 Mins To Reach), Rochester (119kms Away From Buffalo, Takes 1hour 18mins To Reach), Kitchener (168kms Away From Buffalo, Takes 1hour 46mins To Reach). Other Cities Close To Buffalo Are Lackawanna (9kms Away From Buffalo, Takes 10mins To Reach), Hamburg, New York (20kms Away From Buffalo, Takes 22 Mins To Reach), Kenmore, New York (9kms Away From Buffalo, Takes 18mins To Reach).



Index

3. Significance

Buffalo has a collection of diverse architectural buildings dating back to the 19th and 20th centuries. Most of these structures and works still stand to date including the largest intact park system in the United States which was designed by Calvert Vaux and Fredrick Law Olmsted. A prominent example of an early high rise skyscraper is the Guaranty building constructed by Louis Sullivan at the end of the 19th century. The 20th century has works such as the Buffalo Central Terminal, the electric tower, the Rand Building, the Richard Olmsted Complex and the Art Deco-style Buffalo City Hall. Most of these architectural buildings, draw visitors from all over who come to explore the great design which has contributed to the modern architecture. The Darwin D. Martin House, designed by one of America's prominent architects- Frank Lloyd Wright is another development that brings visitors to the city of Buffalo. The city also maintains one of the largest standing collections of Grain elevators in the world. Grain elevators were invented in Buffalo, New York along Buffalo River in 1842. Buffalo is home to more than fifty public and private art galleries, most notably the Burchfield-Penney Art Center and the Albert-Knox Art Gallery, home to world-class collections of contemporary and modern art. Built in 1926, the Shea's Performing Arts Center is Buffalo's largest theater designed to accommodate about 4,000 people. The theater features Broadway musicals and concerts. The city is also home to one of America's largest free outdoor Shakespeare festival. Kleinhans Music Hall is one of Buffalo's most prominent art institutions with performances from the Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra. Though most festivals in Buffalo happen in Summer, the city holds winter festivals that reflect the snowy reputation. Most popular summer festivals include Taste of Buffalo, Allentown Art Festival, Juneteenth Festival, Thursday at the Square, and the National Buffalo Wing. Winter festivals include the Labatt Blue Pond Hockey, Buffalo Ball Drop, and the Buffalo Powder Keg Festival. All these festivals together with exhibits and collections at the different museums including the Buffalo Historical Museum offer you an opportunity to learn on the city's culture, traditions, art, and history.

Index

4. History

The city of Buffalo originated in the year 1789, and started as a small trading community at the head of Buffalo Creek. However, the city grew after the opening of the Erie Canal in 1825. It was named Buffalo because the creek that runs through it is called Buffalo Creek. The creek was named Buffalo because of the large amount of buffalos alongside the creek. Before European colonialism, it was inhabited by an Iroquoian-speaking Native American tribe called the “Neutrals” by the French colonizers. However, the French took over, and then after battles with the British, the British settled into the city. The settlement was originally called Lake Erie, then Buffalo Creek, then reduced to Buffalo. In 1843 the world’s first steam-powered grain elevator was installed by prominent merchant, Joseph Dart, and engineer, Robert Dunbar. Before the grain elevator, grain was handled in bags rather than in large quantities of loose grain. The grain elevator was able to scoop loose grain out of ships and elevate them to the tops of towers.

Index

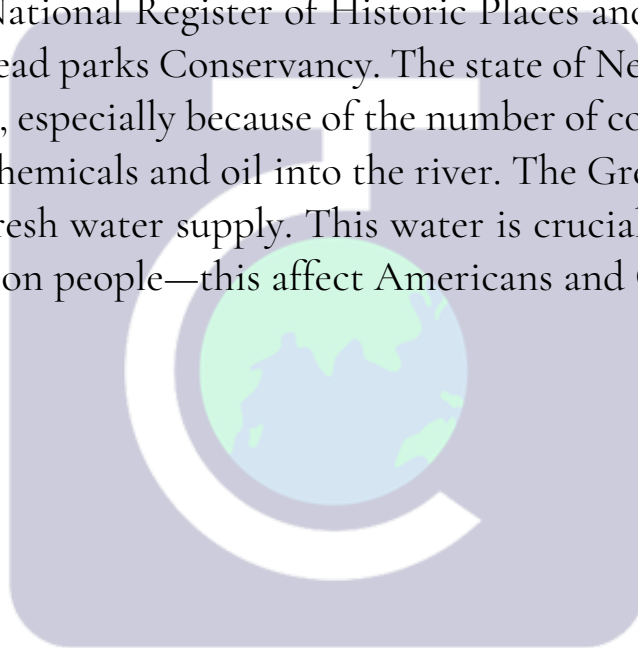
5. Cultural identity

Buffalo's food is a combination of Italian, Irish, Jewish, German, Polish, African American, Greek, Native American, and American inspirations. Buffalo's pizza differs from New York City's style of thin crust pizzas and actually has a thicker consistency. Some of Buffalo's most popular foods are pirogues, pastry hearts, sponge candy, beef on weck sandwich, and fish fries. Loganberry flavored drinks are a favorite in this part of New York. Buffalo is also home to rich beer brewing traditions. Many of the cereals eaten in America today are manufactured in Buffalo, such as Wheaties, Cheerios, and Cinnamon Toast Crunch. The Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra is the greatest performing arts institution in Buffalo. A lot of bands and musicians were formed in Buffalo such as Rick James, Billy Sheehan, and The Goo Goo Dolls. Some of their greatest festivals are the Allentown Art Festival, Taste of Buffalo, and Buffalo Ball Drop. Another huge cultural identity in Buffalo is American football and hockey. It is home to the National Hockey League's Buffalo Sabres and the National Football League's Buffalo Bills.

Index

6. Natural resources

There are over twenty parks in Buffalo. Because Buffalo is on Lake Erie, the Buffalo River, and Niagara Rivers, it is considered a waterfront city. Natural resources of the Buffalo River include land, surface water, groundwater, and biota. Due to its location on the water, it is a large source of trade, manufacturing, shipment, and an infinite amount of energy. Buffalo parks system is conserved by the National Register of Historic Places and is being maintained by the Buffalo Olmstead parks Conservancy. The state of New York is attempting to conserve the water, especially because of the number of companies that operate and discharge toxic chemicals and oil into the river. The Great Lakes contain 20% of the world's total fresh water supply. This water is crucial to the quality of life to more than 40 million people—this affect Americans and Canadians.



Index

7. Key site seeing places (paid and free)

7.1. Paid

7.1.1. Albright-Knox Art Gallery

Visit the Albright–Knox Art Gallery in Buffalo to be mesmerized by its remarkable modern and contemporary art collection by the famous artists, like Van Gogh, Picasso and Gauguin. The exhibits featured in this gallery delights all the art lovers with its uniqueness, whereas the exhibitions, one of them being the work of Richard Diebenkorn, has gained many accolades. Enjoy free admission by visiting the gallery on the first Friday of every month.

Address : 1285 Elmwood Ave, Buffalo, NY 14222, United States

Zipcode : 14222

Location : 42.93245, -78.87561800000003

Contact : +1-7168828700

Website : <http://www.albrightknox.org/>

Nearest Public Transport : Delavan/ Canisius College Light Rail Station (Not Recommended)

Entry Fee : Adults: \$12 Seniors (62years and above): \$8 College Students: \$8 Youth (6–18years): \$6 Children (5years and under): Free Members: Free

Open & Close Timing : Daily: 10:00hrs -17:00hrs

Time Required : 1.5

Buy Ticket : No

7.1.2. Shea's Buffalo Theatre

Established in 1926 as a locale for silent movies, Shea's Performing Arts Center is a historic theater, which is now utilized for touring Broadway symphonies as well as for the city's special events. A group of community leaders saved the theater building from destruction a few decades ago and got it listed on the National Historic Registry. Renowned as one of the architectural treasures of the city, it captivates people all over the world by its elegant structure, outlandish shows and history.

Address : Shea's Performing Arts Center 646 Main Street Buffalo, NY 14202.

Zipcode : 14202

Location : 42.89169189999999, -78.87329890000001

Contact : (716) 847-1470

Website : <http://www.sheas.org/>

Nearest Public Transport : West Tupper Street & Main Street Bus Station and Fountain Plaza Metro Rail Station

Entry Fee : Adults: \$8, Children, students, seniors and groups of 20 or more: \$4

Open & Close Timing : Daily 10:00hrs - 17:00hrs; Tours Timings: Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays at 10:00hrs and 13:00hrs.

Time Required : 1.5

Buy Ticket : Yes

7.1.3. Buffalo & Erie County Naval and Military Park

If military history is your subject of interest, and the historic helicopters and big boats make you put your thinking cap on, you must visit the Buffalo and Erie County Naval and Military Park, a museum featuring US Naval vessels which were officially ceased to be used. The park comprises of a submarine, two ships, and helicopters as well as a number of well-designed exhibits accentuating everything from Marine Corps memorabilia to POWs. Discover the historic Navy ships as the tours take you a step back in time when the decommissioned vessels were still in use.

Address : Buffalo and Erie County Naval and Military Park, One Naval Park Cove Buffalo, NY 14202.

Zipcode : 14202

Location : 42.8774165, -78.87961919999998

Contact : (716) 847-1773

Website : <http://www.buffalonaalpark.org/>

Nearest Public Transport : Marine Drive & Commercial Street Bus Station

Entry Fee : Adult (17+years): \$12.00 Child (6-16years): \$6.00 Senior (60+years): \$8.00

Open & Close Timing : Daily: 10:00hrs-17:00hrs

Time Required : 2

Expected Wait Time : 5 minutes

Buy Ticket : No

7.1.4. Frank Lloyd Wright's Martin House Complex

Situated in Buffalo's Parkside neighborhood, Darwin D. Martin House is a remarkable architectural treasure built and designed by Frank Lloyd Wright, an American architect, for his friend. Visit this complex to see the ravishing interior and Wright's signature work from the 19th century. The complex features the main house, the conservatory, the wisteria museum shop, the carriage house and the pergola. Many tours are available at the venue for the visitors to get a deeper perspective on this amazing historical masterpiece.

Address : 125 Jewett Pkwy, Buffalo, NY 14214, United States

Zipcode : 14214

Location : 42.93612350000001, -78.84803299999999

Contact : +1 7168563858

Website : <http://www.darwinmartinhouse.org/>

Nearest Public Transport : Main Street & Jewett Avenue Bus Station

Entry Fee : Tour admission Adults: \$19 Seniors: \$17 Students: \$14 Members: Free

Open & Close Timing : Daily: 10:00hrs-18:00hrs (Closed on Tuesday)

Time Required : 3

Expected Wait Time : 5 minutes

Buy Ticket : No

7.1.5. The Buffalo Zoo

Established in 1875, the Buffalo Zoo houses an assorted collection of exotic and wild animals, reptiles, birds, amphibians, reptiles, mammals, and above 320 peculiar species of plants. Being the third oldest zoo in the country, the zoo offers myriad of interesting exhibits like the Animal Pavilion that features Cinereous Vulture, and the Arctic Edge that amazes the visitors by housing Arctic and sub-Arctic species. The rope bridge at the zoo offers a limpid sight of the alligators and turtles below.

Address : 300 Parkside Ave, Buffalo, NY 14214, United States

Zipcode : 14214

Location : 42.9384592, -78.85171209999999

Contact : +1 7168373900

Website : <http://www.buffalozoo.org/>

Nearest Public Transport : Amherst Street and Parkside Avenue Bus Station

Entry Fee : General admission: \$10.50, Children (2-14years): \$7.50, Seniors and

students (full-time): \$8.50, Free for children below 2years.

Open & Close Timing : Daily: 10:00hrs-16:00hrs

Time Required : 2

Expected Wait Time : 15 minutes

Buy Ticket : Yes

7.1.6. The Theodore Roosevelt Inaugural National Historic Site

Visit the Theodore Roosevelt Inaugural National Historic Site and pore over the history of the paramount moment in time when the 26th President of the United States, Theodore Roosevelt, pledged in 1901. The site demystifies the circumstances of the remarkable inauguration, as well as the impact Roosevelt had and continues to have on the whole nation. The museum was renovated and upgraded in 2009 to include new exhibits that take the visitors back in time through an immersive experience of sight, sound and interaction.

Address : 641 Delaware Avenue Buffalo, NY 14202

Zipcode : 14202

Location : 42.9015559, -78.87261389999998

Contact : (716) 884-0095

Website : <https://www.nps.gov/thri/index.htm>

Nearest Public Transport : Delaware Avenue & North Street Bus Station

Entry Fee : Adults: \$10, Senior(62+years & college students): \$7, Children (6-18years: \$5, Family (2Adults+ Children under 18years): \$25.

Open & Close Timing : Daily: 07:00hrs-22:00hrs

Time Required : 2

Expected Wait Time : 10 minutes

Buy Ticket : Yes

7.1.7. Buffalo and Erie County Botanical Gardens

Nestled within South Park in the city, Buffalo and Erie County Botanical Gardens includes the Olmsted's South Park, Victorian-style gardens, and the 1894 tri-domed glass conservatory building. Explore the garden and get amazed as you discover the extraordinary collection of plants and flowers, which are rarely found in one of the best botanical gardens around the world. Most plants grown at this botanical garden are native to the tropical and subtropical regions while

some of them are native to the area. Visit this garden any time of the year and the herb collection, waterfall, bromeliad house, and the orchid house will never cease to captivate you.

Address : 2655 South Park Ave, Buffalo, NY 14218, United States

Zipcode : 14218

Location : 42.827864, -78.82399499999997

Contact : +1 7168271584

Website : <http://www.buffalogardens.com/>

Nearest Public Transport : South Park Avenue & Botanical Gardens Bus Station and South Park Ave & Nason Parkway Bus Station

Entry Fee : Adults: \$11, Senior (62+years): \$10, Students (13+years with an ID proof): \$9, Children (3-12years): \$6, Free for Kids (under 2years) and Garden Members.

Open & Close Timing : Daily: 10:00hrs-17:00hrs

Time Required : 2

Expected Wait Time : 5 minutes

Buy Ticket : No

7.1.8. Buffalo Historical Museum

Designated as a National Historic Landmark in 1987, the Buffalo Historical Museum is the only permanent edifice that withstood the Pan American Exposition. The museum includes a section dedicated to history and another for products made in Buffalo. The “Assassination of President Mckinley” exhibit in the museum includes items that relate to Mckinley's death including the gun he was shot with. Exhibiting a unique collection of regional paintings, photographs, artefacts, and manuscripts, the museum provides a good insight into the history of Buffalo.

Address : 1 Museum Court (at Elmwood and Nottingham) Buffalo, New York 14216 United States.

Zipcode : 14216

Location : 45.5841637, -103.5460251

Contact : (716) 873-9644

Website : <http://www.buffalohistory.org/>

Nearest Public Transport : Elmwood Avenue & Nottingham Terrace Bus Station

Entry Fee : Adults: \$7, Seniors (60+years) & Students (13-21years): \$5, Children (7-12years): \$2.5. Admission to the research library is \$7 for nonmembers.

Open & Close Timing : Daily: 10:00hrs-17:00hrs

Time Required : 2

Expected Wait Time : 15 minutes

Buy Ticket : Yes

7.1.9. Burchfield-Penney Art Center

Featuring the largest accumulation of the artisanship of an American painter Burchfield, Burchfield-Penney Art Center is a well-known art and education institution that exhibits notes, journals, and drawings of the artist. Comprising of a museum and a library, the center also features the artwork of many other eminent artists of Buffalo, Niagara and Western New York. In order to gain important insights into the artwork and the museum, take a tour that lets you explore the exhibitions and galleries.

Address : 1300 Elmwood Ave, Buffalo, NY 14222, United States

Zipcode : 14222

Location : 42.9313849, -78.87795829999999

Contact : +1 716-878-6011

Website : <https://www.burchfieldpenney.org/>

Nearest Public Transport : Rockwell Road & Buffalo State College Bus Station and Elmwood Ave & Psychiatric Center Bus Station

Entry Fee : Adults: \$10, Seniors (over 62years): \$8, Students (with ID proof): \$5, Free for children under 10 years (when accompanied by a paid senior or adult admission).

Open & Close Timing : Sunday: 13:00hrs–17:00hrs Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday: 10:00hrs–17:00hrs Thursday: 10:00hrs–21:00hrs Monday: Closed

Time Required : 2

Expected Wait Time : 10 minutes

Buy Ticket : Yes

7.1.10. Niagara Falls

From breathtaking scenery year-round to mind-boggling attractions, delightful dining options, interactive exhibits, and an awe-inspiring sight of the famous

Niagara Falls, the Niagara Falls State Park is a heavenly place to be at for a perfect vacation in nature's lap. If you wish to get a lucid view of the Falls, aboard the Maid of the Mist, which is the world's premium Niagara Falls boat tour, offering excursions for the tourists to explore the roar, take in the splendid views of the most miraculous natural wonder in the USA. You can board the double-deck boat at the Observation Tower and feel the extraordinary rush of the mist on your face as the boat leads you through the Niagara Falls.

Address : 332 Prospect St, Niagara Falls, NY 14303, USA

Zipcode : 14303

Location : 43.0962143, -79.0377388

Contact : +1 716-278-1796

Website : http://www.niagarafallsstatepark.com/?utm_source=googlemaps&utm_medium=local&utm_campaign=park

Nearest Public Transport : Niagara Falls Amtrak Train Station

Entry Fee : Maid of the Mist Ticket- Adult: \$18.25 Child (6-12 years): \$10.65 Child (5years and below): Free Cave of the Winds Tickets- Adults- \$17, Youth (6-12years)- \$14 Child (5years and below): Free Discovery pass (Maid of the Mist + Cave of the winds)- Adults- \$45, Youth (6-12years)- \$34 Child (5years and below): Free Note: Rates are subject to change

Open & Close Timing : The tentative timing is 09:00hrs-18:00hrs and it changes depending on the day of the week/month. It is advisable to check the same once you finalize the day of visit.

Time Required : 6

Expected Wait Time : 20 minutes

Buy Ticket : Yes

7.1.11. The Coca- Cola Field

Home to the International League's Triple-A Buffalo Bisons (Minor League baseball sports team), the Coca-Cola Field can accommodate 18,025 fans at a time and is one of the finest examples of a retro style stadium. Continuing to be one of the premium fields in the country since its inception, the stadium captivates by its features like the largest HD video board, deluxe suites throughout the club level, great food outlets and tent area within the stadium, and good seating arrangement.

Address : 275 Washington Street,, Buffalo, NY 14203, USA

Zipcode : 14203

Location : 42.88047109999999, -78.87383490000002

Contact : +1 716-846-2000

Website : <http://buffalo.bisons.milb.com/index.jsp?sid=t422>

Nearest Public Transport : Exchange St & Amtrak Bus Station

Entry Fee : Tour Price General Admission: \$30, Explorer Pass Holder Admission: \$25

Time Required : 1

Buy Ticket : No



Index

7.2. Free

7.2.1. Kleinhans Music Hall

Edward's and Mary Seaton Kleinhans, who died in 1934, masterminded the Kleinhans Music Hall. The couple did well with a clothing store and later went on building a suitable music hall for the purpose of delightedness and boon of the local people within the city of Buffalo. Many big names in the industry have been performing in the Kleinhans Music Hall since 1940, after the first concert was held by the Buffalo Philharmonic, an American symphony orchestra, at this hall. Boasting of some terrific performances, Kleinhans Music Hall prides itself for being recognized as one of the best concert halls in the United States.

Address : 3 Symphony Cir, Buffalo, NY 14201, United States

Zipcode : 14201

Location : 42.901798, -78.88327400000003

Contact : +1 716-883-3560

Website : <https://kleinhansbuffalo.org/>

Nearest Public Transport : Allen/ Medical Campus Light Rail Station

Open & Close Timing : Daily: 09:00hrs-18:00hrs

Time Required : 1.5

Buy Ticket : No

7.2.2. Temple Beth Zion

The largest Jewish congregation, Temple Beth Zion is known to be one of the oldest congregations providing splendid space for worshipping and meditating in the city. The synagogue has always focused on strengthening the Jewish values in the community while fortifying the bonds of lifelong learning. It warmly welcomes everyone to attend their services and find tranquillity by unwinding.

Address : 805 Delaware Ave, Buffalo, NY 14209, United States

Zipcode : 14209

Location : 42.90626950000001, -78.8712759

Contact : +1 716-886-7150

Website : <http://www.tbz.org/>

Nearest Public Transport : Delaware Avenue & Barker Street Bus Station and Summer-Best Lightrail Station

Time Required : 0.5

Buy Ticket : No

7.2.3. Buffalo City Hall

Built after World War I, the Buffalo City Hall is a perfect example of art deco design featuring a stupefying stained glass ceiling and a massive 7-storey clock tower. One of the tallest buildings in Western New York, the city hall building is 378-feet tall and rises into the sky with 1,520 windows that peer out into downtown Buffalo. The hall is listed on the National Register of Historic Places and the tourists are enticed not only by its architecture but also by the splendid city views from the building.

Address : 65 Niagara Square #218, Buffalo, NY 14202, United States

Zipcode : 14202

Location : 42.8866021, -78.87933169999997

Contact : +1 716-851-4200

Website : <http://www.ci.buffalo.ny.us/>

Nearest Public Transport : Delaware Ave & Niagara Square Bus Station and Lafayette Light Rail Station

Open & Close Timing : Daily: 08:30hrs-16:00hrs

Time Required : 0.5

Buy Ticket : No

7.2.4. Forest Lawn Cemetery

Forest Lawn Cemetery is an enticing cemetery in the city, mostly visited for musing walks, jogs or for picnicking. Several dignified and renowned people including the former United States President, Millard Fillmore, and the “Super Freak” singer- Rick James, were laid to rest here. It is recommended to book your visit to this place in advance so that you don't miss on the cemetery's highlights. In order to make your visit more fruitful, paid tours are available on Sundays from June to October.

Address : 1411 Delaware Ave, Buffalo, NY 14209, United States

Zipcode : 14209

Location : 42.922408, -78.86731600000002

Contact : +1 7168851600

Website : <https://www.forest-lawn.com/>

Nearest Public Transport : Delavan/Canisius College Metro Station (Not recommended)

Open & Close Timing : Daily: 10:00hrs-17:00hrs

Time Required : 3

Buy Ticket : No

7.2.5. Liberty Building

Built in 1925, the Liberty Building in Downtown Buffalo was designed by Alfred Bossom and is a unique example of Neoclassical architecture, captivating the tourists all over the world to make a visit to this spot. Being the 5th most elevated building in the city, the Liberty building features a pair of replication of the Statue of Liberty on the roof, facing east and west, portraying the strategic setting of the city on the Great Lakes. The luminous statues at night and the outstanding views of the Downtown dazzled in its glory, from the edifice, provides a magnificent view to the visitors.

Address : 420 Main St, Buffalo, NY 14202, United States

Zipcode : 14202

Location : 42.88562349999999, -78.87510859999998

Nearest Public Transport : Temple St and Crown St Bus Station and Court St & Main St Bus Station

Time Required : 1

Buy Ticket : No

7.2.6. Richardson Olmsted Complex

Renowned as one of the city's most stunning and iconic buildings, Richardson Olmsted Complex, labeled as a National Historic Landmark, was designed by architect, Henry Hobson Richardson. Initially used for the treatment of the psychologically challenged people, the building later transmuted into a cultural amenity for the city, having Hotel Henry Urban Resort Conference Center and the Buffalo Architecture Center in the magnificent twin towers. There are many guided tours available at the complex, which take you through the interiors, elucidating the past, present and future of the complex.

Address : 400 Forest Ave, Buffalo, NY 14213, United States

Zipcode : 14213

Location : 42.9292167, -78.8822007

Contact : +1 716-885-2261

Website : <http://www.richardson-olmsted.com/>

Nearest Public Transport : Elmwood Avenue & Forest Avenue Bus Station and Cleveland Circle & Cleveland Hall Bus Station

Time Required : 2

Buy Ticket : No

7.2.7. Guaranty Building

An outstanding illustration of innovative engineering, the Prudential building or formerly recognized as Guaranty building is a primeval mature skyscraper gifted to the community by its designing architects Louis Sullivan and Dankmar Adler. Lauded to be a father of modern architecture, Louis Sullivan has combined the steel frame construction together with delicate terra cotta work, making this edifice an architectural achievement of his life. Built in 1895, the museum within the building features a short movie illuminating the history of this building which is nothing short of breathtaking.

Address : 140 Pearl St, Buffalo, NY 14202, United States

Zipcode : 14202

Location : 42.8830775, -78.87674500000003

Contact : +1 716-854-0003

Nearest Public Transport : Church Street & Main Street Bus Station

Time Required : 1

Expected Wait Time : 10 minutes

Buy Ticket : No

7.2.8. Walden Galleria Mall

Any shopping trip in Buffalo is incomplete till you visit the Walden Galleria Mall, the city's unparalleled destination for shopaholics, foodies, and entertainment seekers. The mall features more than 200 retail stores, unprecedented entertainment and adventure, and exceptional dining options. From buying school items at Aeropostale to buying the perfect dress for the summer, or wedding at Macy's and a wonderful purse from Michael Kors, there

are stores that will help you shop for every occasion.

Address : 1 Walden Galleria, Buffalo, NY 14225, USA

Zipcode : 14225

Location : 42.9122945, -78.76320609999999

Time Required : 0

Buy Ticket : No

7.2.9. Fashion Outlets of Niagara Falls

For an ultimate retail and dining experience in Buffalo, visit the Fashion Outlets of Niagara Falls- the city's major outlet shopping center. With over 200 high-end brands including Burberry, Kate Spade, Tommy Hilfiger, and many others, this outlet mall also offers services like free Wi-Fi, green card and text concierge in order to ensure the convenience of its visitors.

Address : 1900 Military Rd, Niagara Falls, NY 14304, USA

Zipcode : 14304

Location : 42.94777270000001, -78.8699373

Time Required : 0

Buy Ticket : No

7.2.10. Vidler's 5 & 10

Zipcode : 0

Location : 42.7681049, -78.60908970000003

Time Required : 0

Buy Ticket : No

7.2.11. Delaware Park

Also known as Buffalo's jewel, Delaware Park is recorded on the National Register of Historic Places and includes 4 baseball diamonds, a golf course, soccer fields and tennis courts. The park is split into 2 areas, namely, Meadow Park, which is the location of the Buffalo Zoo, and Water Park. Highlights of the park include the facsimile of Michelangelo's David, and the second largest free outdoor Shakespeare Festival in the United States after the one in New York City.

Address : Meadow Dr, Buffalo, NY 14214, United States

Zipcode : 14214

Location : 42.93621900000001, -78.85949690000001

Contact : +1 716-838-1249

Website : <https://www.bfloparks.org/parks/delaware-park/>

Nearest Public Transport : Churchman's Crossing Train Station

Open & Close Timing : Open 24 Hours

Time Required : 2

Buy Ticket : No

7.2.12. Penzeys Spices

Location : 42.91845319999999, -78.87685970000001

Time Required : 0

Buy Ticket : No

7.2.13. ShoeFly

Location : 42.91895239999999, -78.87686539999999

Time Required : 0

Buy Ticket : No

7.2.14. Elmwood Village

Location : 42.919713, -78.87506439999999

Time Required : 0

Buy Ticket : No

7.2.15. Peace Bridge

Structured by the Spanish architect Santiago Calatrava, Peace Bridge is a red and white tubular bridge that spans over the beautiful Niagara river, connecting USA at New York and Canada at Toronto. Offering splendid views of the river and nature around, this international pedestrian bridge has been standing as a symbol of peace between the two countries for 100 years. This bridge is a paradisiacal location for avid shutterbugs as it offers them plenty of opportunities for clicking

extraordinary pictures. Note: There are toll charges levied on vehicles.

Address : 1 Peace Bridge, Buffalo, NY 14213, United States

Zipcode : 14213

Location : 42.9069465, -78.9060093

Contact : +1 716-884-6744

Website : <http://www.peacebridge.com/>

Nearest Public Transport : Hampshire St & Niagara St Bus Station

Open & Close Timing : Open 24 Hours

Time Required : 0.5

Buy Ticket : No

7.2.16. Eternal Flame Falls

A place where water and fire reside in harmony with nature to create their own art, Eternal flame falls is situated at a distance of 19.7 miles from downtown buffalo. Nestled in Chestnut Ridge Park, this enchanting waterfall hides a flame behind it, which is caused by methane gas that escapes from the cracks in a natural shale grotto tucked in next to the falls.

Address : Eternal Flame Falls, Eternal Flame Hiking Trail, Orchard Park, NY 14127, USA

Zipcode : 14127

Location : 42.7013957999999, -78.7511064

Nearest Public Transport : Route 391 & Herman Hill Rd Bus Station (Not Recommended)

Open & Close Timing : Daily 07:00hrs-21:00hrs

Time Required : 1.5

Buy Ticket : No

7.2.17. Canalside

21-acre park offers concerts & kids' shows, water sports & simple lounging in Adirondack chairs. With hundreds of events scheduled throughout the year, there's something for everyone at Canalside. Plus with a ton of free activities, Canalside is the place to be whether you're looking to unwind, have some fun in the sun or ice skate on the canals. Canalside is at the heart of Buffalo's waterfront revitalization. It's located in the city's downtown corridor, at the intersection of

Pearl Street and Marine Drive. Boaters can also visit Canalside via the Buffalo River. The harbor currently boasts over 1,000 feet of berthing space, with the ability to accommodate over 50 vessels daily and nearly 100 vessels for special events. Buffalo's legacy as one of our nation's most important transportation and industrial centers rose from our impressive waterfront. No visit to the Queen City would be complete without a trip to our shores. Canalside is the jewel in our crown. The result of over \$300 million in new development, Canalside hosts over 1,000 annual events. Every summer, outdoor yoga, children's games and Thursday at Canalside concerts take place along the district's Central Wharf. Each winter, throngs of visitors flock to the Ice at Canalside, a 35,000 square foot rink on the recreated Erie Canal that features, skating, curling, pond hockey and ice bikes. Canalside has transformed Buffalo's lake shore from a sea of parking lots to a destination where locals and tourists gather for concerts, festivals, craft beer and fun on the water (even when it's ice).

Address : 44 Prime St, Buffalo, NY 14202, USA

Zipcode : 14202

Location : 42.8761844, -78.8785727

Contact : +1 716-436-7100

Website : <https://www.canalsidebuffalo.com/>

Nearest Public Transport : Marine Dr & Commercial St Bus Station and Erie Canal Harbor Light Rail Station

Time Required : 1.5

Buy Ticket : No

7.2.18. Niagara Square

Niagara Square is not a square, but a circle and is located at the intersection of Delaware, Niagara, Genesee and Court Streets. It was laid out by Joseph Ellicott, surveyor and land agent for the Holland Land Co. in 1807. In the center of the square, stands the city's memorial to President William McKinley, who was assassinated while attending the Pan-American Exposition in 1901. Burnham, D. H., who was called in to consult on the project, suggested the appropriateness of an obelisk, with fountains at the base and decided where it should be placed. Niagara Square is the unofficial town square of Buffalo. City Hall is located along the square and it is home to numerous public celebrations including the Buffalo

Bike Blast and Taste of Buffalo. It is the central hub of Joseph Ellicott's original radial street pattern that he designed in 1804 for the then village of New Amsterdam. It continues to be the nexus of downtown Buffalo. Its origins date back to the conclusion of the French and Indian War in 1763, which ended French domination of the Niagara Frontier and marked the advent of permanent settlement of the area.

Address : Buffalo, NY 14202, USA

Zipcode : 14202

Location : 42.8864092, -78.8788101

Nearest Public Transport : Niagara Square & West Genesee St Bus Station

Open & Close Timing : Open 24 Hours

Time Required : 0.5

Buy Ticket : No



Index

8. Key sites sports & adventure

Buffalo, New York is home to two major league sports teams- the Buffalo Bills (Football) and the Buffalo Sabres (Hockey) which play in the suburb of Orchard Park, NY and the City of Buffalo respectively. If you are a sports enthusiast, you have nothing to worry about since sports are an important part of the city's culture. Minor sports teams include Buffalo Bandits (indoor lacrosse), FC Buffalo (Soccer), and Buffalo Bisons (Baseball).

- **Kayaking and Paddle Boarding -**

Address : 44 Prime St, Buffalo, NY 14202, United States

Location : 42.876376,-78.878965

Contact No : +1 716-328-0320

Website : <https://www.canalsidebuffalo.com/>

Nearest Public Transport : Special Events Light Rail Station

Time Required : 1.00

- **Canoe and Kayak -**

Address : 1 Naval Park Cove, Buffalo, NY 14202, USA

Location : 42.8756643,-78.8788746

Contact No : +1 716-288-5309

Website : <http://bfloharborkayak.com/>

Nearest Public Transport : Special Events Light Rail Station

Entry Fees : Tour price is \$25 for 90 minutes, and Kayaks are \$20 per hour and \$35 for the whole day.

Open / Close Time : Daily: 09:00hrs-18:00hrs

Time Required : 3.00

Wait Time : 15 minutes

- **Golf -**

Address : 3781 Main St, Buffalo, NY 14226, USA

Location : 42.9605691,-78.8096703

Contact No : +1 716-836-7398

Website:<http://www2.erie.gov/parks/index.php?q=grover-cleveland-golf-course-o>

Nearest Public Transport : Main St & Longleat Parkway Bus Station

Entry Fees : Weekdays: \$18; Weekends: \$21, Senior/Youth Weekdays: \$12

Time Required : 3.00

Wait Time : 20 minutes



Index

9. Adventure sports, Local sports, stadiums

The basketball teams here in Buffalo are the Buffalo Braves, who played in the ADNBA from 1970 to 1978... also known as Atlantic Division of the National Basketball Association. The Buffalo Braves were 1 of 3 NBA franchises that played in the 1970-71 season. Buffalo New York is home to the buffalo Bison's; their home games are held at the Coca-Cola field. Getting to and from the field is manageably easy as its close to bus stations, and walking distance from downtown. Ticket prices are reasonable, and it's such a great place to enjoy a great baseball game. The Buffalo Bison's are a Triple A Affiliate of the Toronto Blue Jays. Tickets are always on sale online with up to \$1,000 in value for a reasonable price <http://www.milb.com/tickets/tickets.jsp?sid=t422>. The Field is always meticulously maintained, and the seating area is relatively cozy.

- **New Era Field:**

Address : 1 Bills Dr, Orchard Park, NY 14127, United States

Location : 42.7737601,-78.78697319999998

Contact No : +1 716-648-1800

Website : <http://www.buffalobills.com/>

Open/Close time : Daily: 08:00hrs-16:00hrs

- **KeyBank Center:**

Address : 1 Seymour H Knox III Plaza, Buffalo, NY 14203, United States

Location : 42.8750001,-78.876576

Website : <http://www.firstniagaracenter.com/>

- **HARBORCENTER:**

Address : 100 Washington St, Buffalo, NY 14203, United States

Location : 42.876610000000001,-78.876661000000001

Contact No : +1 716-855-4767

Website : <http://www.harborcenter.com/>



10. Spas and relaxation

Looking for great self-time relaxation centers here in buffalo? Look no further. Buffalo, New York has a lot to offer when it comes to meditation gardens and healing centers.

- **Spa Alexis at the Hyatt:**

Address : Hyatt, 2 Fountain Plaza, Buffalo, NY 14202, United States

Location : 42.8883393,-78.87410840000001

Contact No : +1 716-855-4877

Website : <http://buffalodayspa.com/>

- **Tracy's Retreat:**

Address : 1156 Abbott Rd, Buffalo, NY 14220, United States

Location : 42.8330083,-78.8056952

Contact No : +1 716-479-4181

Website : <http://tracysretreat.com/>

- **Capello Salon & Day Spa:**

Address : Downtown, 220 Franklin Street, Buffalo, New York 14202

Location : 42.88973249999999,-78.8755966

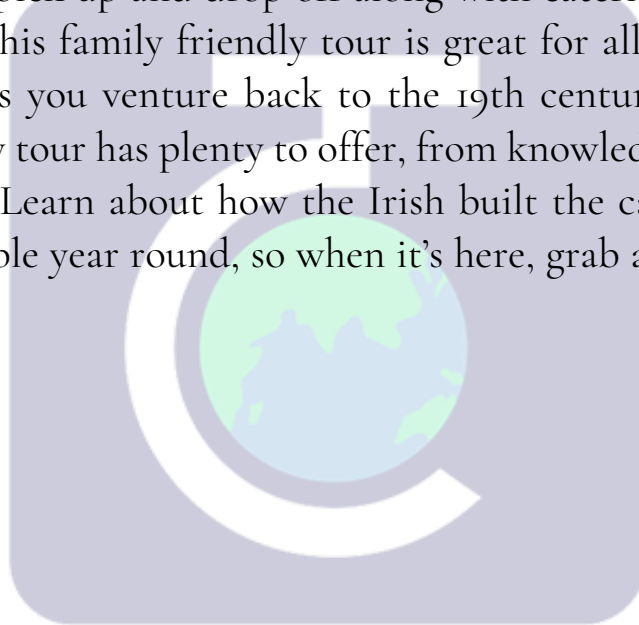
Contact No : (716) 852-5600

Website : <http://www.capellosalon.com/>

Index

11. Key local guides and tours

When it comes to Buffalo there are tons of private, group and local tours to choose from. Looking to hire a one on one local guide? Check out this website: <http://www.newyorkcitytourguides.com/ppages/HiringAGuide.asp>. They have the best personal guides for the perfect price! Looking to travel back in time to the 19th century? At Scenic By-Way Underground Railroad Heritage Tour USA, they offer free hotel pick up and drop off along with catering personally to your group on the tour. This family friendly tour is great for all ages including small children. So enjoy, as you venture back to the 19th century. Love water tours? Buffalo River History tour has plenty to offer, from knowledgeable tour guides to a fun history lesson. Learn about how the Irish built the canal and much more. This tour isn't available year round, so when it's here, grab a ticket before they're gone.



Index

12. Transportation hubs

The Buffalo Niagara International Airport is the main airport where all international flights land. When visiting the city, you are most likely to land here. The distance from The Buffalo Niagara International Airport to downtown Buffalo is 16kms which takes 19 minutes to cover the distance. If you're on a trip to New York, you could land at John F. Kennedy International Airport which is the busiest airports in the state. From here you can take a flight to any city in NY you wish to visit. Travelling in Buffalo is not tough, you will find a number of taxi services, buses and trains that can help you get from one point to another. If you're looking to stay safe, you can choose to travel by the bus or the train. There are a number of bus stations in Buffalo which include Greyhound Bus Station, NFTA Metro, Trailways and Buffalo, NY Exchange Street to name a few. All these bus services and stations have a schedule that they follow. Buffalo station is one of the important train station in Buffalo. These schedules are updated at the stations. You can also get this information [online](#). Buffalo Central Terminal is one of the main train stations in this city. You can choose to get on the train and visit various places in the city. When travelling to Buffalo, make sure you figure out the schedule and fare.

13. Transportation cost

Public transportation in Buffalo, New York is operated by the Niagara Frontier Transportation Authority. The NFTA operates the Metro Bus and Metro Rail in the City. There are many routes that serve the Buffalo City every 15 to 60 minutes during weekdays. The metro rail is a light rail about 10kms in the city of Buffalo running along the Main Street from the First Niagara Center (southern edge of Downtown Buffalo) to the south campus of University of Buffalo. There are fourteen stops in between. The city is served by two train stations- the Buffalo-Exchange Street and the Buffalo- Depew and is operated by Amtrak. Riding on the Metrorail is free at aboveground stations. However, you will have to pay a \$2 fare if you proceed with your ride beyond the Fountain Plaza station into the subway. You can buy metro tickets — which can also be used on buses — at the metro stations: A basic fare costs \$2, a day pass costs \$5 and a seven-day pass costs \$25; day passes are valid for both bus and metro travel. You can find bus stops on nearly every other street corner along the available routes and many other spots across the area. You'll have to pay \$2 per boarding. Remember exact change is required. The buses accept dollar bills and coins. If you are riding several trips (more than two) during a day, it is recommended you purchase a day pass at one of the fare machines at the stations or from a driver for \$5. Note that there're no transfers between Metro vehicles. With the day pass (recommended for visitors), you have unlimited access to the entire rail and bus system during the day. You can find schedules at Niagara Convention Center and the visitor center (The Metropolitan Transportation Center) as well as at the website <http://www.buffalozoo.org/> When it comes to getting around the city, Buffalo is best seen when driving. However, parking in and around the city of Buffalo can be very difficult. The best bet is to use parking garages and the parking lots in the area. To plan your parking ahead of time visit <https://www.parkingpanda.com/buffalo-parking>. You can locate garages or place you can park near you as well as see the prices for the day (s) you may want to park. The taxi rates in Buffalo vary with the taxi service you go for. However, the minimum fare is \$2.3 for the first zero miles. Waiting for charges per hour average at \$30 and a fee of \$3 per mile applies. Luggage that fit into the taxi storage is not

charged. Also, expect a variance/ increase of 5 percent during moderate traffic and 10 percent during heavy traffic.



Index**14. Baggage allowance**

The metro monthly pass is \$75 for adults and for children between the age of 5 to 11, Seniors 65+ and disabled or medicare, the monthly pass for metro is \$ 37.50. The Greyhound bus Charges \$15 for additional Checked baggage, first carry on and checked baggage is free with Greyhound. Getting to and from the Greyhound bus station is easy to manage with Liberty Yellow Cab or without transportation at all as it's easy to find. Amtrak, allows passengers to bring on 2 personal items 25lbs each and 2 carryon items weighing no more than 50lbs each free of charge any items going over the weight limit is charged a \$20 excess baggage fee, as well as up to 4 bags of checked baggage first 2 is free and the other 2 for \$20 each, not going over 50lbs. Liberty Yellow Cab offers the best discounts in town! Starting with Discounted rides for UB students, and they even accept Campus cash! Senior citizens get discounts as well as Medicaid transportation if needed! Yellow cab makes it easy for everyone including shy folks. Book online today!

Index**15. Must try food and local savouries**

A must-have on food would be the wings at Nine Eleven Tavern. All across America, wings are just wings... but in Buffalo, New York they are the pride and joy of the city. Are you a pizza fan? The best pizza awaits you at Bocce Club. Do you love Thai food? Buffalo's Sun Restaurant has the best exotic Thai food by far. This is what your taste buds are dying for; from the stuffed pineapple to their variety unique of fish entrees. You don't know what you're missing until you try the food at Sun Restaurant.



16. Restaurant & Nightlife

Buffalo has its best parks and also different types and delicious cuisine that will fulfill the tourist satisfaction with their best foods and restaurants they have, they also have interesting Sports to watch, a various Park systems that'll make you feel relaxed and unwind. Buffalo has a lot of art galleries and music galleries that will boost your jive; In addition, if you're a fan of Goo Goo Dolls they've started their career in Buffalo. For the bars and restaurants, if your idea of nightlife includes hitting a bar for drinks and socializing, then our Buffalo guide is just what you want. You'll find nightspots all over town, from Allen Street, Elmwood Avenue, University Heights and Hertel Avenue to the Chippewa Entertainment District in the heart of downtown. Capitalizing on first-hand experience and extensive research, we've located the best bars in Buffalo for hanging out and kicking back in.

Food -

Buffalo has its best parks and also different types and delicious cuisine that will fulfill the tourist satisfaction with their best foods and restaurants they have, they also have interesting Sports to watch, a various Park systems that'll make you feel relaxed and unwind. Buffalo has a lot of art galleries and music galleries that will boost your jive; In addition, if you're a fan of Goo Goo Dolls they've started their career in Buffalo. For the bars and restaurants, if your idea of nightlife includes hitting a bar for drinks and socializing, then our Buffalo guide is just what you want. You'll find nightspots all over town, from Allen Street, Elmwood Avenue, University Heights and Hertel Avenue to the Chippewa Entertainment District in the heart of downtown. Capitalizing on first-hand experience and extensive research, we've located the best bars in Buffalo for hanging out and kicking back in.

- **Nine-Eleven Tavern:**

Address : 11 Bloomfield Ave, Buffalo, NY 14220, United States

Location : 42.8452013,-78.8232941

Contact No : +1 716-825-9939

Open / Close Time : Saturday 16:30hrs-00:00hrs (Sundays and Mondays closed)

- **Bocce Club Pizza:**

Address : 4174 Bailey Ave, Buffalo, NY 14226, USA

Location : 42.968917800,-78.81425339

Contact No : +1 716-833-1344

Website : <http://www.bocceclubpizza.com/>

Open / Close Time : Daily 10:00hrs-23:00hrs

- **Sun Cuisines:**

Address : 1989 Niagara St, Buffalo, NY 14207, United States

Location : 42.938397,-78.90391599

Contact No : +1 716-447-0202

Website : <http://www.suncuisines.com/>

Open / Close Time : Daily 11:30hrs-15:00hrs, 16:30hrs-22:00hrs

- **Sky Bar:**

Address : 257 Franklin St, Buffalo, NY 14202, USA

Location : 42.891155,-78.874617

Contact No : +1 716-853-3600

Website : <http://www.buffaloskybar.com/>

Open / Close Time : Friday, Saturday 21:00hrs -02:00hrs

- **Eddie Brady's Tavern:**

Address : 97 Genesee St, Buffalo, NY 14203, United States

Location : 42.889329,-78.870317

Contact No : +1 716-854-7017

Website : <http://www.eddiebradys.com/>

Open / Close Time : Monday-Saturday 23:00hrs -04:00hrs (Sundays closed)

- **The Bar Bill Tavern:**

Address : 185 Main St, East Aurora, NY 14052, United States

Location : 42.7675498,-78.62790189

Contact No : +1 716-652-7959

Website : <http://barbill.com/>

Open / Close Time : Daily 08:00hrs - 02:00hrs

- **Allen Street Bar and Grill:**

Address : 223 Allen St, Buffalo, NY 14201, United States

Location : 42.899719100,-78.8782994

Contact No : +1 716-884-4338

Open / Close Time : Monday-Saturday 11:00hrs-04:00hrs (Sunday – 12:00hrs – 00:00hrs)

- **Mr. Goodbar:**

Address : 1110 Elmwood Ave, Buffalo, NY 14222, United States

Location : 42.927442100,-78.87726800

Contact No : +1 716-882-4000

Website : <http://www.mrgoodbarbuffalo.com/>

Open / Close Time : Daily 12:00hrs -04:00hrs

- **Tempo Restaurant:**

Address : 581 Delaware Ave, Buffalo, NY 14202, United States

Location : 42.8999591,-78.87333520

Contact No : +1 716-885-1594

Website : <http://www.tempobuffalo.com/>

Open / Close Time : Wednesday 17:00hrs-22:00hrs Thursday
17:00hrs-22:00hrs Friday 17:00hrs-23:00hrs Saturday 17:00hrs-23:00hrs
Sunday Closed Monday 17:00hrs-22:00hrs Tuesday 17:00hrs-22:00hrs

- **The Left Bank:**

Address : 511 Rhode Island St, Buffalo, NY 14213, United States

Location : 42.9127726,-78.88295

Contact No : +1 716-882-3509

Website : <http://www.leftbankrestaurant.com/>

Open / Close Time : Wednesday 17:00hrs-23:00hrs Thursday
17:00hrs-23:00hrs Friday 17:00hrs-00:00hrs Saturday 17:00hrs-00:00hrs
Sunday 11:00hrs-14:30hrs 16:00hrs-22:00hrs Monday 17:00hrs-23:00hrs
Tuesday 17:00hrs-23:00hrs

Index

17. Average meal cost

When living in New York you will learn that, what qualifies as wealthy somewhere is middle class here. The price of food at Buffalo depends entirely on whether you are buying western type food or Asian food. The western foods seem to attract a high price tag than the Asian type. A loaf of fresh white bread 125.0 g attracts \$0.46 for western and 50.0 g for \$0.18 for the same bread but different grams for Asian type. Generally food prices fluctuate also depending with the quantity and type of food. If you are eating a meal in an inexpensive restaurant you will be charged \$15.00. When it comes to domestic beer, 0.5 liter draught you will get it at @ \$3.00. A three course meal for 2 people goes for \$45.00; Buffalo's McMeal at McDonalds is priced at @ \$6.50.. If you are a lover of Cappuccino regular, your wallet will be less by @ \$3.55 after its purchase. Coke/Pepsi of 0.33 liter bottle is priced @ \$1.72. A bottle of 0.33 liter mineral water 0.33 liter is priced at \$1.42. Imported beer is more expensive than the local one, 0.33 liter bottle is priced @ \$4.50

Index**18. Shopping**

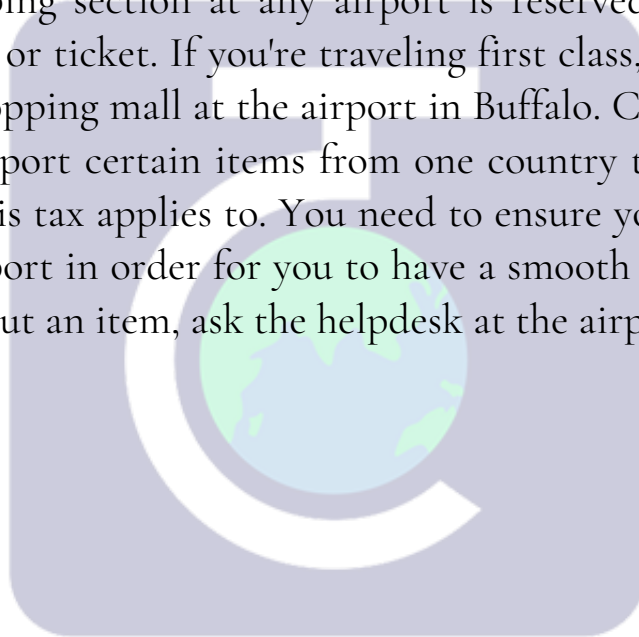
When it is time to shop, before you head out on Buffalo shopping bargain hunting adventure, get a shopping list guide to help you identify exactly what you want to shop for in Buffalo. Start with Elmwood village and get a cup of caffeine to give you a morning kick to take you through the day. Get your car fueled up at Spot Coffee then you head to some local favorites like Penzey's Spices and ShoeFly Urban.



Index

19. Tourist benefits

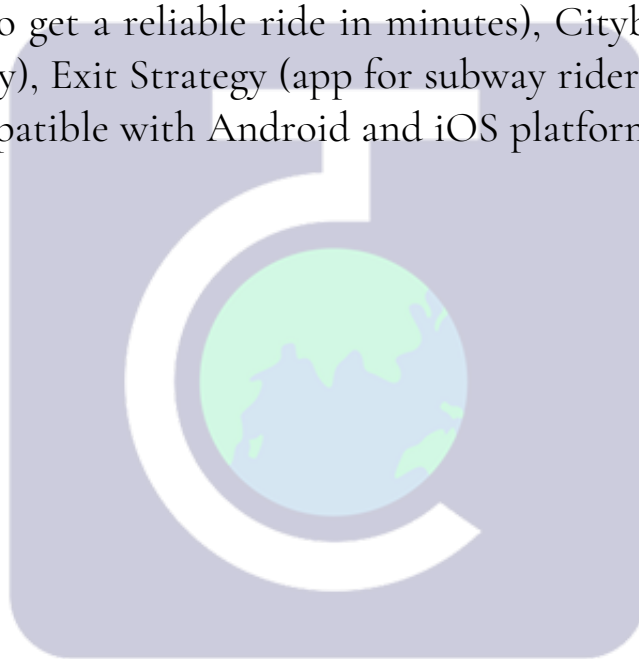
Value added taxes or VAT as it's commonly known as is heavy in USA including Buffalo. Tourists end up paying about 25% VAT on items they shop for. Unfortunately, there is no refund for the VAT a tourist spends here unless they are on a business travel. One of the best ways to save on VAT is by shopping at Duty Free or Tax Free stores that are mostly located at the airport. The right to enter the VIP shopping section at any airport is reserved to certain travelers based on their status or ticket. If you're traveling first class, you might get a VIP access pass to the shopping mall at the airport in Buffalo. Custom duty is the tax a traveler pays to import certain items from one country to another. There are various items that this tax applies to. You need to ensure you declare your items purchased at the airport in order for you to have a smooth immigration process. If you're not sure about an item, ask the helpdesk at the airport to assist you.



Index

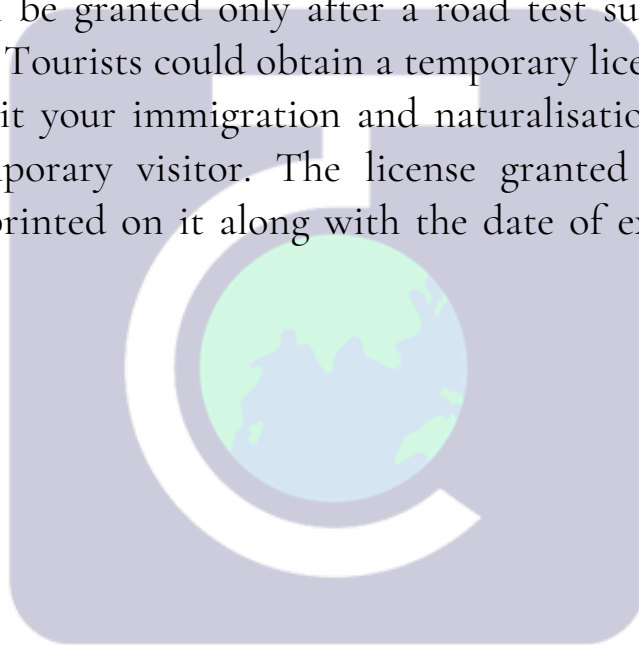
20. Essential local apps

When you're traveling in a busy city like Buffalo, New York, travel apps play their role in making travel easy and comfortable. They offer a wide range of conveniences and cater to almost every need of yours. Buffalo has its own set of native apps to enhance your travel experience in the city. These include Flavor (app to know the best places to eat), Spring (app to shop and discover the best brands), Uber (app to get a reliable ride in minutes), Citybike (co-pilot app for riding around the city), Exit Strategy (app for subway riders) and lots more. The applications are compatible with Android and iOS platform and are designed to make travel easier.



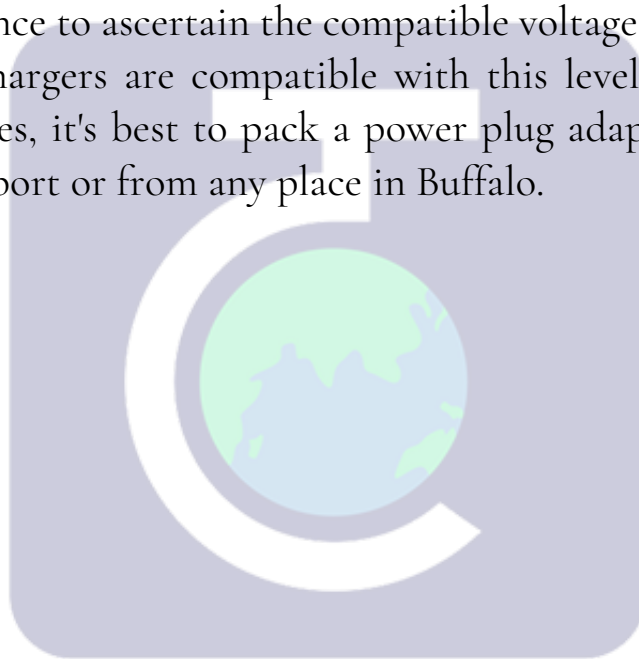
Index**21. Driving**

With its well established road network, driving in Buffalo is safe. However as is the case of every busy city in the world, traffic is an issue. Most tourists prefer taxis to car rentals in this big city where it's easy to get lost. Obtaining a license in the U.S is a difficult task. The entire procedure will take at least 6 months to complete. Any person above the age of 16 can apply for a learning permit in the U.S. The license will be granted only after a road test subject to a six month probationary period. Tourists could obtain a temporary license. For this you will be required to submit your immigration and naturalisation documents stating that you are a temporary visitor. The license granted will have the term "temporary visitor" printed on it along with the date of expiry of immigration documents.



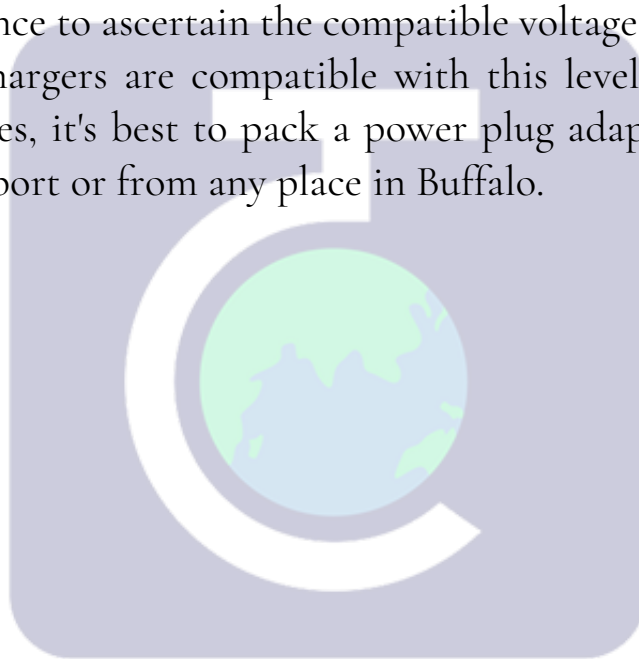
22. Travel essentials

Like in most American cities the sockets in Buffalo are standard two pin or three pin type A or type B sockets. The voltage level is set at 110V and the frequency is set at 60Hz. Since this is the standard voltage level in most countries, it would be possible to use appliances in the city. If the voltage level in your country or city varies from the mentioned level, it's best to carry a power converter. Check the bottom of the appliance to ascertain the compatible voltage levels. Most cameras, laptops and other chargers are compatible with this level. If you are not sure about the socket types, it's best to pack a power plug adapter. You could easily buy one from the airport or from any place in Buffalo.



23. Essential clothes

Like in most American cities the sockets in Buffalo are standard two pin or three pin type A or type B sockets. The voltage level is set at 110V and the frequency is set at 60Hz. Since this is the standard voltage level in most countries, it would be possible to use appliances in the city. If the voltage level in your country or city varies from the mentioned level, it's best to carry a power converter. Check the bottom of the appliance to ascertain the compatible voltage levels. Most cameras, laptops and other chargers are compatible with this level. If you are not sure about the socket types, it's best to pack a power plug adapter. You could easily buy one from the airport or from any place in Buffalo.



24. Local currency

The local currency of the city of Buffalo is U. S. Dollars.



Index**25. Change vendor's commission, ATM charges**

Access to cash is not a problem in Buffalo. There are plenty of ATMs in the city located at frequent intervals. A transaction fee will be charged. Almost every hotel/restaurant accepts credit cards and debit cards. The cards can also be used for shopping or other entertainment activity. It would be good idea to carry some cash with you in case of an emergency.



26. Staying connected

Connectivity is the last thing to worry about in this technology driven city. It has highly developed communication networks. AT&T network is most widely recommended. The T Mobile network could also be used. Both offer a variety of calling plans and provide good coverage. However, most tourists prefer to buy cheap prepaid phones since calling plans in the U.S are generally more expensive. SIM cards can be bought from the airport or from outside.



27. Time Zone

The city of Buffalo experiences Eastern Time Zone with UTC – 05:00.



Index**28. Languages**

English is the prime language that is spoken here in Buffalo. The rest of the languages that follow are Spanish, Chinese, Russian and Italian.



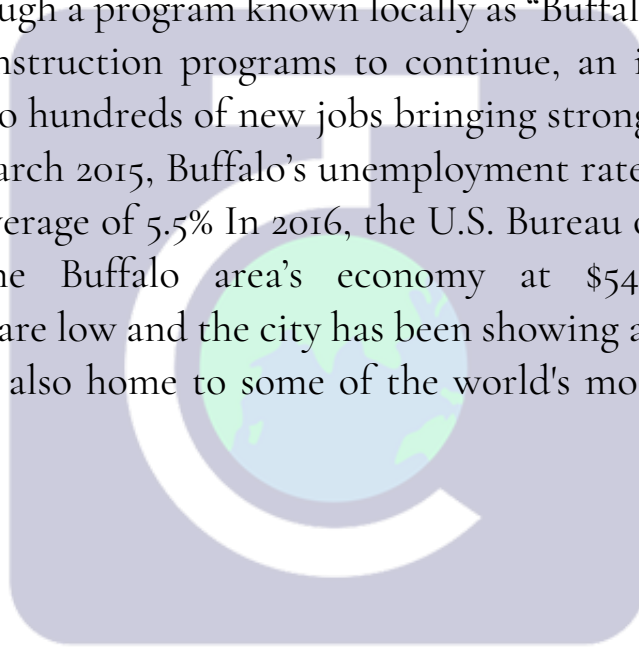
Index**29. Political Scenario**

The city forms part of the Erie County and is governed by the mayor at municipal level. Political scene in Buffalo is dominated by the Democratic Party. This trend has been observed in the last 50 years. However, following a financial crisis in 2005, the city showed it support for the Republicans. The Republicans continued to cherish the support of Buffalo in the 2013 elections as well.



30. Economic Scenario

Several sectors thrive in Buffalo's economy. Buffalo gains from light and heavy manufacturing activity, technology and service industries. The largest employer in Buffalo is the state of New York. The city has several banks and other service establishments. Let's talk about Buffalo's economy to see meaningful improvements since early 2010s. When in Money, from New York State Governor Andrew Cuomo through a program known locally as "Buffalo Billion" has allowed plans for various construction programs to continue, an increase in economic development, and also hundreds of new jobs bringing strong economic change to the said area as of March 2015, Buffalo's unemployment rate was 5.9%, its slightly above the national average of 5.5% In 2016, the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis has also valued the Buffalo area's economy at \$54.9 billion. Buffalo's unemployment rates are low and the city has been showing a consistently positive growth pattern. It is also home to some of the world's most successful business enterprises.



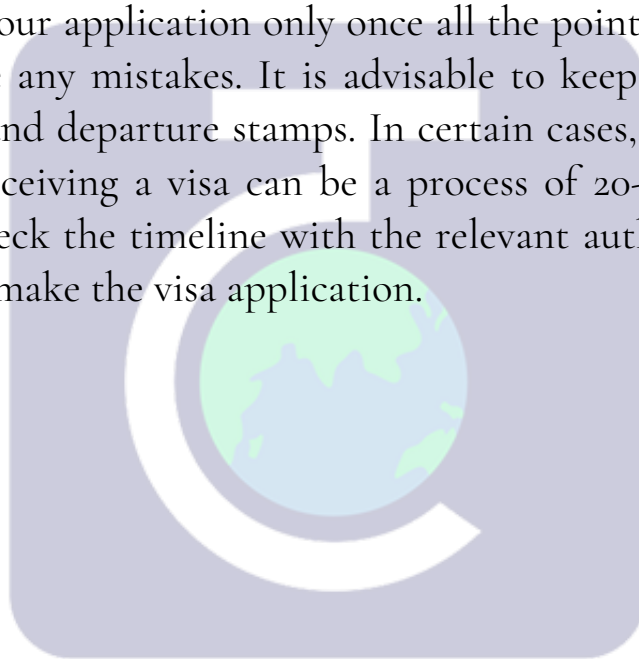
Index**31. Religious belief**

57.38% of people in Buffalo, New York are religious. 38.84% are Catholics; 0.26% are LDS; 3.30% are another Christian faith; 0.86% are Jewish; 0.59% are an Eastern faith; and 1.85% are affiliated with Islam.



32. Visa requirements

Any person planning to travel to the city of Buffalo NY needs to have a B1 or B2 visa. These visas are issued by the consulate in the country you reside in. It is essential for you to understand all the norms that fall under the US government in order for your visa process to go through smoothly. Prepare a list of possible questions you might have and clear them out when you plan to fill up the application. Fill up your application only once all the points are clear and you're sure you won't make any mistakes. It is advisable to keep 2 pages free in your passport for arrival and departure stamps. In certain cases, it has been observed that applying and receiving a visa can be a process of 20-30 days. Hence, it is essential that you check the timeline with the relevant authority in the country where you intend to make the visa application.



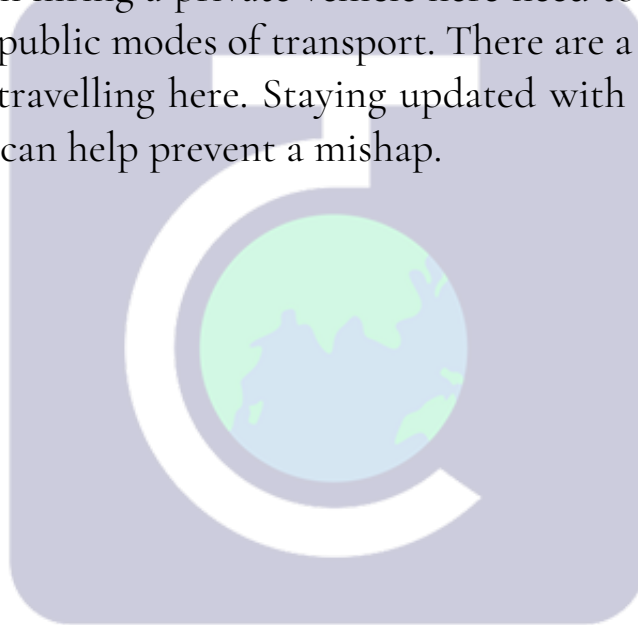
Index**33. Essential vaccination**

No vaccinations are required for entry to the states but you may want get a tetanus booster just to be safe.



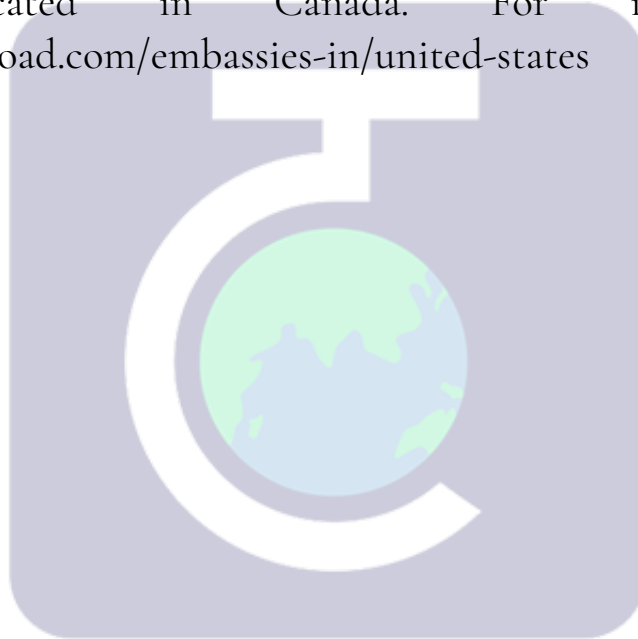
Index**34. Theft and Safety**

The crime rate in Buffalo (NY) is a little high, so travelers need to be a careful while visiting this city. Buffalo is considered one of the most dangerous cities in NY and has a history of high crime rates. Travelers should always ensure they have company. Traveling by the bus or train is safer in comparison to hiring a private car. Buffalo is reported to have the highest auto theft rate in NY. Travelers who plan on hiring a private vehicle here need to be cautious. If you're alone in the city, use public modes of transport. There are a number of safety tips one could use while travelling here. Staying updated with the latest crimes and the method involved can help prevent a mishap.



Index**35. Embassy/Consulate**

There are a number of embassies and consulates that are scattered in various parts of the country. An embassy or a consulate ensures the travel formalities are completed and a traveler can visit a country without any problems. There are a number of consulates for Buffalo in USA. They are situated in Detroit, Los Angeles, New York, Seattle and Washington, D.C. The embassy for the city of Buffalo is located in Canada. For information visit, <http://embassy.goabroad.com/embassies-in/united-states>



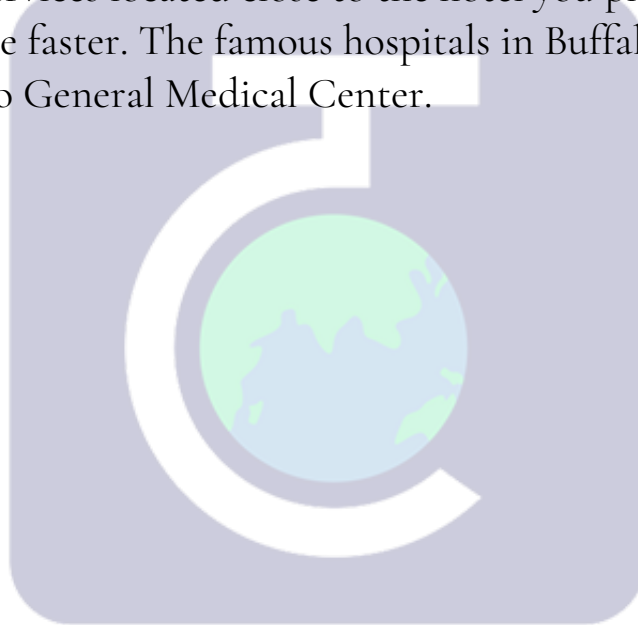
Index**36. Accessibility**

Buffalo is a wheelchair friendly city. Most of the places here are accessible by people who are restricted to movement. The airport here is equipped for people who are wheelchair bound. The city also has vehicles that help people on the wheelchair to travel.



Index**37. Emergencies**

For any SOS services, call 911. Buffalo has a number of healthcare facilities. The city also has some travel health plans which secures the health of tourists travelling to the city. Although there is a fee involved when it comes to providing emergency medical aid, the medical staff here is swift and efficient. Buffalo travel clinic which is situated in Buffalo is a great option for travelers. Always maintain a list of health care services located close to the hotel you plan on staying at. This will help you get there faster. The famous hospitals in Buffalo are Mercy Hospital of Buffalo and Buffalo General Medical Center.



38. Do's and Don'ts

Do's: • Always try to opt for public transport services. This way you have more people around you and the risk of crime is low. • Try to head back to your hotel after sun set. • Do all your shopping, site seeing and other activities in the day. This will help you stay safe. • Arrange for sufficient medicines to meet your personal medical needs. Check with the embassy of the country you are visiting to ensure your medicine is legal in the countries you are travelling to. Obtain a doctor's letter stating who the medicines are for, what they are, the dosage, and leave medicines in their original packaging. Don'ts: • When you're in the city, do not make fun of the Buffalo Bills. The locals here take their team very seriously and don't like people making fun of it. • Travelling alone in Buffalo is risky, so try to avoid visiting the city alone. It's best to come here with family or friends. • Avoid travelling after dark. Although Buffalo is now safe in comparison to the older times, it's still a city that is famous for its crime. • It is advisable that do not carry unsealed/ unbranded food articles as the same may be banned for import.

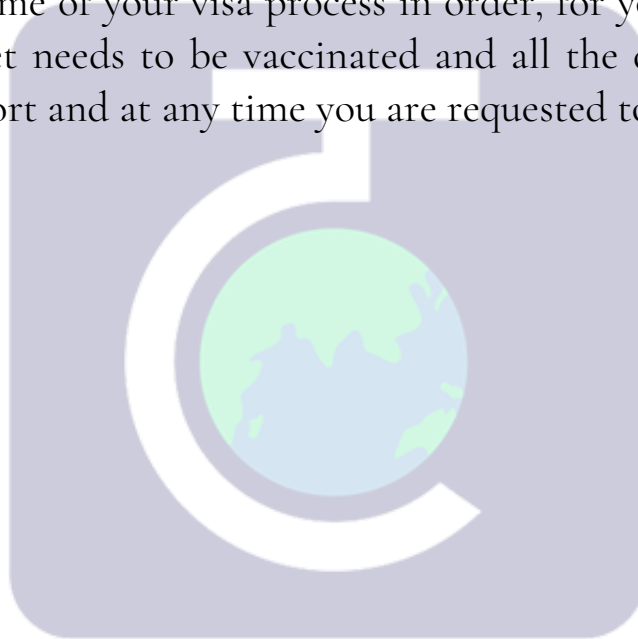
Index**39.Tipping basics**

It's not mandatory to leave a tip for the waiter serving you at a restaurant in Buffalo. The service charge or the tip is usually included in the total bill. The best thing to do is check the bill and include a tip if there's no charge. Small service providers and those who charges in cash do not include a service charge, tipping them is advisable.



40. Pet info

You need to follow certain travel formalities if you plan to take your pet on a trip to Buffalo with you. Buffalo NY is a pet friendly city and you will not have a problem locating hotels that are pet friendly. Make sure you get all the papers in place well before your travel date. A visit to the veterinarian is also advised. Make sure you mention the kind of pet, their age, breed and all other important information at the time of your visa process in order, for you, to be able to take your pet along. A pet needs to be vaccinated and all the documents should be produced at the airport and at any time you are requested to show them.



Conclusion – Why to select this destination

Buffalo is also called as city on the shores of Lake Erie located in Upstate New York. Buffalo can be classified as neoclassical, as beaux arts and art deco architecture speak to its history as an industrial capital in the early 20th century. Its landmarks include the Frank Lloyd Wright-designed open-plan Darwin D. Martin House and the Albright-Knox Art Gallery. About Buffalo's Tourism a lot of coolest and famous spots and interest that will surely catch your attention including the Edward M. Cotter fireboat, considered the world's oldest active fireboat and is a United States National Historic Landmark, Buffalo and Erie Country Botanical Gardens, the Buffalo and Erie County Historical Society, also, Buffalo Museum of Science, and the Buffalo Zoo, the third oldest zoo in the United States, Forest Lawn Cemetery, Buffalo and Erie County Naval and also the Military Park, the Anchor Bar and Darwin D. Martin House. Buffalo has also shown their interest in Sports, Buffalo and the surrounding region of it is home to two major league professional sport teams. In addition, The NHL's Buffalo is also a home to several minor sports teams, including the Buffalo Bison's for the baseball field, Buffalo Bandits for Indoor Lacrosse and FC Buffalo for the soccer field as well as a professional women's team several other Buffalo-area colleges and universities are also active in college athletics. The Buffalo Bills, established in 1959, played in War Memorial Stadium until 1973, when Ralph Wilson Stadium was constructed. Also, the Team competes in the AFC East Division. Since the AFL-NFL merger, the Bills have also won the AFC conference championship four consecutive times. Buffalo Sabres, played in Buffalo Memorial Auditorium when Marine Midland Arena, is now First Niagara Center, opened. The team is within the Atlantic Division of the NHL. The Team also won President's Trophy (2006-07) and the three conference championships. However, like the Buffalo Bills, the team does not have a league championship. Buffalo parks system has 20 parks with several parks that is accessible from any part of the city. First, the Olmsted Park and Parkway System is the hallmark of Buffalo's many green spaces. The Three-fourths of the city park land is part of the system, which comprises six major parks, eight connecting parkways, nine circles and seven smaller spaces. An ongoing project within downtown Buffalo's waterfront is being transformed into a focal point for social and recreational activity. They intend to revitalize the original Erie Canal Harbor with shops, eateries, and tourist attractions. To this end, Buffalo continues creating wonderful and awesome tourism

destinations. Festivals also became part of the Buffalo's culture and Tradition. Although, most of the festivals occur during the summer, the city has a winter festival that reflects the snowy reputation. In addition, Popular summer festivals include the Allentown Art Festival, Taste of Buffalo, National Buffalo Wing Festival, Thursday at the Square, and the Juneteenth Festival also the Winter festivals include the Buffalo Ball Drop, Buffalo Powder Keg Festival, and Labatt Blue Pond Hockey.



Index

Disclaimer

All rights reserved. This Travel Guide (inclusive of all content – text, graphics, images, illustrations, designs, etc.) is an Intellectual Property of Taxidio Travel India Pvt. Ltd. Copying, republishing, uploading, reproducing, downloading, distributing, posting, transmitting, or duplicating any of the material is prohibited. All the information contained in this Travel Guide is purely a work of research. The information may have undergone changes from the time it has been compiled. Taxidio Travel India Pvt. Ltd. Cannot be held liable for any alteration, inaccuracies or omissions.

