

FINGER LAKES & 1000 ISLANDS HISTORIC ADVENTURE

TOUR CAYUGA

Spend a few days visiting Auburn's historic and cultural sites and you'll see why we are called 'History's Hometown.'

DAY 1

Start your walk through American History at the **Willard Memorial Chapel**. Experience the beauty of the only complete and unaltered Tiffany chapel known to exist. Enjoy this extremely rare example of the work of Louis C. Tiffany and Tiffany Glass and Decoration Co. and enjoy a private organ concert.

For over 50 years, the **Seward House Museum** was the home of William Henry Seward (1801-1872), Governor of New York, United States Senator, Secretary of State to Presidents Lincoln and Johnson, and instrumental in the purchase of Alaska. Enjoy a guided tour through 17 rooms at this registered National Historic Landmark.

Drive by **Fort Hill Cemetery**, set on a hill overlooking Auburn. This site was used for burial mounds by Native Americans as early as 1100 A.D. It includes the burial sites of William Seward, Harriet Tubman, Martha Coffin Wright, Col. Myles Keogh who fought with Gen. Custer at the Battle of Little Big Horn, and a monument to Indian Chief Logan.

Stop for a relaxing lunch at **Prison City Pub & Brewery**. Relish in the abundant selection of award winning, handcrafted beers brewed on premise by their Brewmaster. Enjoy their elevated pub food which focuses on farm-to-table cuisine. Come in and encounter this laid back, high quality, rustic establishment where their historic charm is part of the experience.





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DAY 1, CONT.

After lunch, make a stop at the **Harriet Tubman National Historical Park**, for a glimpse of the Underground Railroad. Harriet Tubman was known as "The Moses Of Her People." She settled in Auburn after the Civil War and operated this home for aged and indigent blacks. As a conductor on the Underground Railroad, a network of abolitionists that helped slaves escape to freedom, she made a dozen trips south over a period of 11 years. Tubman died in 1913 at her South Street property, and is buried at Fort Hill Cemetery.

Head back to the city of Auburn for a tour of the **Cayuga Museum & Case Research Lab.** Housed in the Willard Case Mansion (built in 1836), the museum offers permanent and changing exhibits on local figures, events and items pertinent to the development of Cayuga County. The Case Research Lab is the site where the first successful system of sound on film was invented.

Next, visit the **Schweinfurth Art Center**, a multi-arts facility offering exhibitions and a gift shop with nice and unique artsy gifts. Gems you're sure not to find anywhere else!

In the evening, dine at **Curley's Restaurant.** A classic neighborhood kitchen plying American & Italian standards to their many signature dishes. Good friends have been getting together at Curley's Restaurant since 1934 to share great times and relax over delicious food and drinks.





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DAY 2

Start the day with a visit to **Ward O'Hara Agricultural And Country Living Museum** for a look at farming tools and techniques that changed the face of agriculture in America. See tools from the 1800s to the 1940s, which is the time period when the greatest changes took place in the farming industry in the United States.

Depart Auburn and head north to Fair Haven on Lake Ontario to visit **Colloca Estate Winery** to swap stories, sip wine, and become a part of the Colloca Family. Taste estate wines at the burgeoning winery. Grab a glass and take a walk outside to enjoy the view overlooking the vineyard, a small pond and Little Sodus Bay.

Next, travel the Seaway Trail to the quaint village of Sackets Harbor and head over to **The Pickering Beach Museum,** an amazing 1817 home exhibiting 19th century village life. This home was once occupied by shipbuilders Joshua and Augustus Pickering as well as New York State Lieutenant Governor Allen C. Beach







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DAY 3

Continue your time in **Sackets Harbor**, which is less in the national memory than other War of 1812 regions, however just as important, the Canadian border and the Great Lakes were central to the action in the War. Sackets Harbor was a major player in the War as a base for naval operations across the Great Lakes.

The Sackets Harbor Visitors Center at the Sacket Mansion is the 1802 home of village founder Augustus Sacket. During the War, the building had many uses including officers' headquarters and a makeshift hospital. Every room is filled with exhibits and diagrams, telling the village's story, past and present.

Proceed to the **Sackets Harbor Battlefield** where Navy Yard exhibits and costumed interpreters at the Battlefield and Commandants House bring to life the passion of battles on this picturesque harbor. Two major battles were fought on these grounds.

Embark on a Two Nation Boldt Castle Tour with Clayton Island Tours. No passports are necessary to enjoy a cruise among the Canadian and US islands in the beautiful St. Lawrence River. An archipelago of over 1,800 islands creates an unparalleled backdrop to bring the narrated stories to life. See sites such as the replica train station, Whirlpool Channel, the Statue of Saint Lawrence, the 1000 Islands Bridge system, several lighthouses and magnificent mansion homes. A stop at Boldt Castle in the center of Millionaires Row will take you back to the Gilded Age. This 200 room island home is a testament to a man's love for his wife and his heritage.

