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5 NY drives offer autumn escapes

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Travelers looking to take a trip through spectacular spots in the Empire states should look no further than these five scenic treks. With varied terrain of mountainous landscapes, stunning waterfalls and pristine waterways, the more rural routes offer an autumnal escape.

Upper Delaware Scenic Byway

The 70-mile-long road connects Port Jervis in Orange County and Hancock in Delaware County. The passage snakes along the Delaware River, mostly just north of the border of New York and Pennsylvania and through small but mighty villages and towns. The Upper Delaware Scenic Byway is a windy, hilly road that was constructed in the 1920s. The most swoon-worthy stretch, known as the Hawk’s Nest Highway, is close to Port Jervis. The route offers plenty of access to fishing spots and there are many quaint camping

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Just two hours from New York City, the Catskill Mountains are an ideal weekend getaway destination for the Mid-Atlantic crowd. The area has a robust farm-to-table restaurant scene alongside a handful of craft breweries, distilleries and wineries. Buttermilk Falls and Hunter Mountain Fire Tower attract hikers, while the drive along the Upper Delaware Scenic Byway appeals to leaf peepers. GETTY IMAGES

Can dogs go apple picking in New York?

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Can you bring your dog to apple orchards in New York state? It’s officially fall, which means apple-picking season is underway across New York. The state is known for its apples and countless orchards, making apple picking a popular fall tradition. As families and communities begin planning their apple-picking trips this fall, many dog owners may wonder whether their furry, four-legged friends can join them in the orchard. Here’s what to know before bringing your dog apple picking in New York state.

Can you bring your dog apple picking in NY?

There is not a straightforward answer to this, as it depends on which farms and orchards you are looking to visit. While there are a select number of NY orchards that allow dogs, most of them do not. The few that do allow dogs have varying rules, like only service dogs being allowed at the orchards or

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Troy council OKs license plate reader regulation

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Troy’s City Council has become the first local legislature in New York to approve legislation regulating automatic license plate reader technology, according to the New York Civil Liberties Union. The council voted 6-0 Thursday, Oct. 1, to approve Local Law No. 3, which would establish standards governing the city’s use of automatic license plate reader, or ALPR, systems and the data they collect. One council member was absent. The measure comes amid growing scrutiny of ALPR technology and nationwide backlash involving Flock Safety cameras, including protests, efforts to block cameras and incidents in which cameras have been vandalized or destroyed. Mayor Carmella Mantello has said she plans to veto the legislation. The measure states that it would take effect 30 days after passage.

What Local Law No. 3 would do

The legislation would limit the city’s use of ALPR systems and captured plate data to specified purposes. See **READERS**, Page 2A



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