

West Point Parents Club of Massachusetts Parent's Guide 2009-2010

Hotels/accommodation

WEST POINT / HIGHLAND FALLS/FT MONTGOMERY/ (0-20minutes)

ECONOLODGE

17 Main St Highland Falls

Phone: 845-446-9400

Distance from West Point: 10 minutes

Additional Info: less expensive; convenient

FIVE STAR INN

Highland Falls and on post

Phone: 845-446-5943

Distance from West Point: Next to West Point Museum, just outside Thayer gate.

Additional Info: Special reservation requirements/restrictions (call for instructions). Cadet's military ID needs to be on file with the Inn for family members to make reservations. Do this during A day or Plebe Parent Weekend. Low price; very convenient; suites with kitchenettes available.

HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS

1106 Route 9W Ft. Montgomery

Phone: 877-863-4780

Distance from West Point: 10 mins

Additional Info: swimming pool, free breakfast: Good Value; convenient

THAYER HOTEL

West Point

Phone: 800-247-5047

Distance from West Point: On campus.

Additional Info: elegant, expensive but convenient

OVERLOOK LODGE AT BEAR MOUNTAIN

9W- South of the Rotary- Seven Lakes Parkway

Phone: 845 786-2731

Distance from West Point: 15 mins

Additional Info: Views of the Hudson, surrounding Hessian Lake, fishing, boat rentals, carousel, great for the family.

Reasonable rates www.visitbearmountain.com/accommodations (20 minutes)

NEW WINDSOR (20 MINUTES)

WINDSOR MOTEL

2976 US Route 9W, New Windsor, NY

845-562-7777 Friendly, but can be noisy with road traffic.

COLD SPRING (20 MINUTES)

PIG HILL INN-BED AND BREAKFAST

73 Main Street, Cold Spring-on-the-Hudson

Phone: 845-265-9247

Distance from West Point: 20 min

Additional Info: Drive north on 9D after crossing Bear Mountain Bridge to Main St, Historic Inn www.pighillinn.com/

NEWBURGH (25 MINUTES)

HAMPTON INN

1292 Route 300, Newburgh

Phone: 845-567-9100

Distance from West Point: 25 mins

Additional Info: swimming pool

MOUNTAINVILLE (15 MINUTES)

STORM KING BED AND BREAKFAST

100 Pleasantville Rd. Mountainville

Phone: 845-534-9421

Distance from West Point: 15 mins

Additional Info: swimming pool www.stormkinglodge.com

FISHKILL (30 MINUTES)

All listed below are 30 minutes to West Point,
moderately priced, fairly new, right next to highway.

COURTYARD BY MARRIOTT

17 Westage Dr, Fishkill

Phone: 845-897-2400

Additional Info: fitness, indoor pool

www.marriott.com

HOLIDAY INN

542 RT 9, Fishkill

Phone: 800-315-2621

Additional Info: outdoor pool, renovated in 2008

www.holidayinn.com

HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS

21 Schuyler Blvd, Fishkill

Phone: (845) 896-4001

Additional Info: indoor pool, fitness www.expressfishkill.com

RESIDENCE INN BY MARRIOTT

14 Schuyler Blvd., Fishkill - (845) 896-5210

Phone: 845 896-5210

Additional Info: outdoor pool, full kitchen www.residenceinnfishkill.com

Restaurants by city/town

West Point/Highland Falls, Ft. Montgomery

THAYER HOTEL- Wonderful grand hotel atmosphere. Some evenings with buffet dining. Sunday morning brunches are a favorite. Reservations suggested for dinner and brunch. Lounge with a view of the Hudson is a great place to hang out for a drink and casual meal.

BARNSTORMERS BBQ- 1076 Route 9W, Fort Montgomery 845-446-0912. Within walking privileges. Near the Holiday Inn. Huge portions, cheap prices.

TONY'S PIZZA- Highland Falls outside Thayer Gate

CORNWALL (10 MINUTES)

CANTERBURY BROOK INN- 331 Main Street

Phone: 845-534-9658.

German/American food, on brook. Moderately priced. <http://www.thecanterburybrookinn.com/>

PAINTER'S RESTAURANT 266 Hudson Street

Phone: 845-534-2109

Historic Inn with good food. Can accommodate large parties. <http://www.painters-restaurant.com/home.html>

COLD SPRING (20 Minutes)

CATHRYN'S TUSCAN GRILLE- 91 Main St

Phone: 845-265-5582 <http://www.tuscangrill.com/>

COLD SPRING DEPOT RESTAURANT- One Depot Square

845-265-5000

Charming pub located in the refurbished train depot at the end of Main Street. Burgers, salads and comfort foods; also fish and duck. across the Bear Mountain Bridge, follow 9D North. A bonus is the ice cream parlor next door.

www.coldspringdepot.com

HUDSON HOUSE INN-2 Main St

Phone: 845-265-9355

Historic hotel on the National Register of Historic Places with views of West Point and the Hudson River.

Specializes in prime steaks and fresh fish. <http://www.hudsonhouseinn.com/>

PLUM BUSH INN-1656 Route 9D

Phone: 845-265-3904

Upscale gourmet restaurant in a Victorian inn. Rustic American cuisine. www.plumbushinn.net

RIVERVIEW RESTAURANT- 45 Fair Street

Phone: 845-265-4778

Contemporary American menu. Views of Hudson. Can handle large groups. www.riverdining.com

CORTLANDT MANOR (15 minutes)

MONTEVERDE AT OLDSTONE MANOR- 28 Bear Mountain Bridge Road (Routes 202 and 6 West)

Reservations: 914-739-5000

Upscale fine dining in a manor home on a 29 acre estate located on Bear Mountain Bridge Road.

<http://www.monteverderestaurant.com/>

GARRISON (15-20 minutes)

THE BIRD AND BOTTLE INN- 1123 Old Albany Post Road (Route 9)

Phone: 845-424-2333 *Call for reservations*

Colonial era tavern and inn which offers fine dining, offering a seasonal menu of gourmet cuisine. Brunch.

www.thebirdandbottleinn.com/reserve.htm

THE GARRISON-2015 Route 9 at Snake Hill Road

Phone: 845-424-3604

Old country inn overlooking the Hudson River featuring American "Farm to Table Cuisine".

www.thegarrison.com/dining.html

HIGHLANDS COUNTRY CLUB TAVERN- 955 Route 9D

Phone: 845 424-3254

A country club setting; naturally raised meat products. www.highlandscountryclub.net/tavern.html

THE STADIUM- 1308 Route 9

Phone: 845- 734-4000

Sports fans will enjoy the museum-quality collection of baseball, hockey, and other memorabilia.

www.stadiumbarrest.com/lace

HIGHLAND MILLS (25 minutes)

BLACK FOREST MILL RESTAURANT- Highland Mills. German food served family style. Located on route 32 just north of Central Valley. 716 Route 32, Highland Mills, NY 845-928-9895.

Hyde Park (60 minutes)

CULINARY INSTITUTE OF AMERICA- 1946 Campus Dr.

Phone: 845-452-9600

Many restaurants with different cuisines; great reputation; make reservations. www.ciachef.edu

NEWBURGH ON THE WATERFRONT (20 MINUTES)

ALL OF THESE NEW RESTAURANTS FEATURE DINING WITH SPECTACULAR RIVER VIEWS.

THE BLUE MARTINI- 50 Front Street
Phone: 845- 562-7111
Sushi, Casual, Go early for dinner.

BIG EASY BISTRO- 40 Front St
Phone: 845-565-3939

CAFE PITTI – 40 Front St
Phone: 845-565–1444

CENA 2000- 50 Front St
Phone: 845-561-7676

GULLY'S RESTAURANT 2 Washington St

NEW WINDSOR/ NEWBURG (30 MINUTES)

JOHNNY D'S RESTAURANT/DINER- 999 Union Ave
Phone: 845-562-1600 <http://johnnyDs.net/>

STONEY POINT (25 minutes)

PASTA CUCINA. 253 South Little Tor Rd.
Phone: (845)-634-8777

In the Patriot Square Shopping Plaza. Italian food; family atmosphere. South on 9W about 15 minutes from the Bear Mountain rotary. www.pastacucina.com

Tarrytown (40 minutes)

BLUE HILL AT STONE BARNS 630 Bedford Rd.
Phone: 914-366-9600
Fine organic dining. Clintons and Obamas have eaten there.

Palisades Mall has a number of restaurants; notable is the Fox Sports Grill.

Useful Websites- Lists of restaurants in the area:

www.boorah/restaurants/c/2117/NY/Newburgh.html

<http://www.hvgateway.com/CS25.HTM>

www.mytravelguide.com/restaurants/ctrestaurants-8889601-United_States_New_York_Cold_Spring_restaurants.html

www.hvmag.com/Hudson-Valley-Magazine/Dining/

www.frommers.com/destinations/lowerhudsonvalley/3443_inddin.html

Places of Interest

PLACES TO SEE AT WEST POINT

Porch on the back of **Cullum Hall**. It has a commanding view of the Hudson and possibly tables and chairs--a great place for a picnic or just some quiet time with your cadet.

Round Pond, off Route 218 at Lee gate; camping, RV sites and cabins, paddle boats and picnic areas. Cadet will need to set this up for family first time. <http://www.westpointmwr.com/ACTIVITY/OUTDOOR/Roundpd.htm>

West Point Cemetery, Beautiful area. Many famous people buried here. Spend 30-60 minutes.

West Point Golf Course, Route 218 & 9W

West Point Museum, Outside Thayer Gate. Excellent museum of military history and equipment. Spend one or two hours.

Constitution Island, tours from West Point's South Dock. www.constitutionisland.org/

PLACES TO SEE WITHIN AN HOUR OF WEST POINT

FT. MONTGOMERY

Bear Mountain State Park. Off 9W south of Bear Mountain Bridge rotary. Numerous outdoor activities. <http://nysparks.state.ny.us/parks/info.asp?parkId=55>

Nearby hike Anthony's Nose, a 900 ft peak overlooking the Bear Mountain bridge. Part of the Appalachian Trail, about 1.5 hours round trip, Great view! <http://www.summitpost.org/mountain/rock/305060/Anthony-s-Nose.html>

Beacon

Dia:Beacon, 3 Beekman, Street, Beacon, New York. 845-440-0100. Across the Hudson from Newburgh. Excellent display of modern art. Good rainy day activity. Spend 1-3 hours.

Central Valley

Woodbury Common Premium Outlets, 498 Red Apple Court, Central Valley, NY, (845) 928-4000. 30 minutes from WP. 220 Outlet Stores. Outdoors. Spend 2-3 hours www.premiumoutlets.com/outlets/outlet.asp?id=7

Cornwall

Jones Farm, Angola Road off R9. Homemade donuts etc. and gifts etc. <http://www.jonesfarminc.com/>

Garrison

Boscobel House, Route 9D, Garrison, NY.845-265-3638. Beautiful restored house museum of the Federal Period; on east side of the Hudson. Spend 1 hour. <http://www.boscobel.org/main.html>

Hyde Park

FDR Presidential Library and Homestead, Hyde Park. Guided tours. The museum emphasizes FDR's role as

Commander in Chief during WWII. www.nps.gov/hofr

Vanderbilt Mansion, Hyde Park. National Park Service historic site. Beautiful residence and grounds. On Route 9 on the east side of the Hudson <http://www.nps.gov/vama/>

Newburg

Washington's winter quarters, Newburgh. Historic home. Spend 1 hour.

Mountainville

Storm King Art Center, Old Pleasant Hill Road, Mountainville, just off 9W, 20 minute from WP. World class sculpture park in a natural setting. Spend 2-3 hours. 845-534-9115.

Palisades Mall (see above)

Rhinebeck

Old Rhinebeck Aerodrome, about 1 hour from WP. Open June 6-October 18.. Show and biplane rides are available, museum. Great for families. www.ldrhonebeck.org/

Tarrytown

Stone Barns Center for Food and Agriculture, Pocantico Hills, Tarrytown. Rockefeller Farm. Open to public for free. Farm animals and walking paths and scenic vistas. (see restaurants above)

Washingtonville

The Brotherhood Winery, America's Oldest Winery. 100 Brotherhood Plaza Drive, Washingtonville, NY. 845-496-3661. 20-30 minutes from WP. Tour, tasting. Spend 1 hour.

RANDOM SUGGESTIONS

If you are picking up a nongraduating cadet on Graduation Day without much luggage, have them take the ferry across the river to Garrison and pick them up there--this avoids the traffic snarls at WP that day.

The MD-DC-VA club website has a **great parents handbook**:

http://www.west-point.org/parent/wppc-mass/pdfs/handbook05_06.pdf

If your cadet needs a ride to Massachusetts any weekend, you can often find a ride for them by asking other parents using the WPPC list-serve. Usually there is someone (either a cadet or parent) driving to MA (or back to WP) that can give your cadet a ride.

For A day, consider bringing a tent so your exhausted cadet can sleep without interruption. The woods near North Dock is a quiet place for a picnic versus the more popular South Dock area. Arrange ahead of time a meeting place with your cadet to avoid lengthy wait. Additional items to bring: playing cards, games, favorite foods, blankets, pillow, lounge chairs.

RV: North Dock is free and first come basis. Busy Homecoming weekend. Rarely fills up. No electric, sewer dump nearby.

A **Fitness Center** is located near the Cemetery in a the plaza with small coffee shop and Subway Sandwich Shop. Showers available. Bring your ID, towel and toiletries.

Garrison, NY Train Information Metro North Hudson Line <http://mta.info/mnr/index.html>

Cadet Medical Care while on leave http://kach.amedd.army.mil/TRICARE_on_the_Road.pdf

West Point Parents Club of Massachusetts <http://www.west-point.org/parent/wppc-mass/>

West Point Parents Net <http://www.west-point.org/parent/wpp-net/>

WPPC Parents Resource Site: <http://www.west-point.org/parent/plebe-net/links.htm> The ticket and lodging exchange can be found on this page, as well as all info regarding the GMK buses, schedules, travel times, mailing and boodle info.

This list was prepared by Diana Lucivero , Richard Primack, and Marsha Ciccolo of the WPPC of Massachusetts. We have tried to make it accurate and up to date. Please let us know if any of the information needs updating, or if you have any additions. Please send your ideas to:

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