

Places to See

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When you need a break from skiing, there's plenty more to see and do near the Edelweiss Lodge. Take in the Norman Rockwell Museum or tour historical Fort Ticonderoga. For lighter fare, you can visit Vermont's own Ben and Jerry's ice cream factory, the Vermont Teddy Bear Factory, or any of the nearby maple or cheese farms. Our list of nearby activities is so long, you'll have to come back again and again just to see them all.

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Food & Fun

Apple Hill Orchard

Open August 1- March 1, this nearby apple orchard grows McIntosh, cortland, empire, red delicious, early varieties, old-fashioned varieties. Its farm stand also sells pies, doughnuts, baked goods. (6.9 miles west of the Edelweiss Lodge, in West Rutland)

New England Maple Museum

"A tour of the New England Maple Museum brings over 200 years of maple sugaring history to life." (12 miles northwest of the Edelweiss Lodge)

Long Trail Brewing Company

"Since 1989, Long Trail Brewing has been a regional brewer of high-quality, Vermont hand-crafted alternatives to imported beer. On the banks of the beautiful Ottauquechee River," Bridgewater Corners. (19.8 miles east-southeast of the Edelweiss Lodge)

Consider Bardwell Farm

The closest stop on The Vermont Cheese Trail, this 300-acre farm straddles the rolling hills of Vermont's Champlain Valley and easternmost Washington County, New York. (22 miles southwest of the Edelweiss Lodge)

Sugarbush Farms

"Our family farm is famous for its excellent waxed cheeses and Pure Vermont Maple Syrup made here on our hillside farm," in Woodstock. (32 miles east of the Edelweiss Lodge)

Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream Factory Tours

"Nestled in the heart of the Green Mountains our ice cream factory sits on a rolling pasture overlooking the Worcester range, just north of the small town of Waterbury. Our guided tours are fun and educational for all ages." Please note: The Factory Tour route will be undergoing renovations beginning February 2007, so viewing might be limited. (52 miles south-southwest of the Edelweiss Lodge)

Vermont Teddy Bear Factory Tours

"We've been making the best Bears in the Universe for over twenty years -- and every bear is lovingly designed, cut, sewn, stuffed, and stitched right here in Vermont." (65 miles north of the Edelweiss Lodge)

Boyden Valley Winery

Boyden Valley Winery is part of a fourth-generation farm in the pastoral Lamoille River Valley of Vermont. (71 miles north of the Edelweiss Lodge)

Vermont Ski Museum

"The museum contains skis, boots, artifacts from the 10th Mountain Division, and a variety of items relating to Vermont's ski legacy. There are also assorted memorabilia from Olympic events and equipment owned by famous Vermont skiers." (78 miles north of the Edelweiss Lodge)

History & Culture

Norman Rockwell Museum

"Americans first knew and loved Norman Rockwell's art as it appeared on and between the covers of America's most popular magazines. These magazine covers, advertisements, and illustrations are at the heart of our collection." (2.6 miles southeast of the Edelweiss Lodge)

Covered Bridges

"Short, long, red, white, brown, open, closed, with windows or without, there are covered bridges throughout Vermont"-- some quite nearby. (Scroll down the page for listings of Rutland-area bridges.)

Wilson Castle

"This architectural masterpiece was built in the middle of the 19th Century in the heart of the Green Mountains." (9.5 miles west-northwest of the Edelweiss Lodge)

Hubbardton Battlefield

One of the most successful rear guard actions in American history, the Battle of Hubbardton was the only Revolutionary War battle fought entirely in Vermont. (12 miles west-northwest of the Edelweiss Lodge)

Vermont Marble Museum

"Your connection to the history, science and art of Vermont Marble." (12.6 miles west of the Edelweiss Lodge)

Calvin Coolidge Homestead

"Plymouth Notch, Vermont, the birthplace and boyhood home of Calvin Coolidge, the 30th president of the United States, remains virtually unchanged since the early twentieth century." (14 miles east-southeast of the Edelweiss Lodge)

Mount Independence

"Atop this rugged promontory along the Vermont shore of Lake Champlain, American Revolutionary War troops built a fort complex to guard against a British attack from Canada. The troops named it Mount Independence in honor of the Declaration of Independence." (21 miles northwest of the Edelweiss Lodge)

Fort Ticonderoga

On May 10, 1775, early in the American Revolutionary War, Colonels Ethan Allen and Benedict Arnold captured the small British garrison at Fort Ticonderoga. (28 miles northwest of the Edelweiss Lodge)