



History Was Made Here.
Celebrate It.



A Guide To Rev250 Experiences



DESTINATION
DUTCHESS
HEART OF THE HUDSON VALLEY



COMMANDER IN CHEERS

TOAST WITH TINY GEORGE

Dutchess County played an important role in the Revolutionary War, and local legend says that during his time here, George Washington visited nearly every tavern in the county. This augmented reality experience brings that lore to life, serving up a Tiny George to share a story about the county's revolutionary endeavors.



SEE TINY GEORGE?

Post a screen grab on social with the hashtag **#CommanderInCheers**



Find all six experiences in taverns, tasting rooms and restaurants throughout Dutchess County. Visit commanderinc Cheers.com for locations and details.

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BEERS

From taverns to taps, local breweries have crafted limited-edition, collectible beers. Collect all four while supplies last through Labor Day weekend and taste the richness of Dutchess' revolutionary history.



Visit destinationdutchess.com/cic-beers to learn more.



Events & Experiences

Events

Quaker Meeting House Tours | Second Sunday of each month, June 14–Nov. 8, 2026, 1–4 p.m. Participating locations include Clinton Corners, Millbrook, Pawling, LaGrange, Stanford and Hyde Park. Not every location will be open for each month's tour. meetinghousetour.com

Cannons & Cocktails | July 5, 5 p.m., Veterans Memorial Bldg. Nov. 7, 2026, Feb. 6 and May 1, 2027, 7 p.m. Denning's Point Distillery, Beacon Enjoy an evening of spirited discussion, bold history, and craft cocktails with host Scott Ramsey and military historian Colonel Sean Sculley. denningspointdistillery.com/events

LaGrange Freedom Day | Sunday, July 5, 2026, 11 a.m.–2 p.m., Freedom Park, Pleasant Valley Festivities include a performance by the Young Colonials Fife and Drum Corps, reading of the Declaration of Independence, and artisanal demonstrations. lagrangenyhistoricalsociety.org

2026 Dutchess County Historic Tavern Trail | July 24, Germania of Poughkeepsie; Sept. 4, Lasting Joy Brewery, Tivoli; Oct. 28, Foster's Coach House, Rhinebeck. 6 p.m. Join County Historian Will Tatum as he highlights Rev War history through regaling tales of local patriots and loyalists. facebook.com/DutchessTavernTrail/events

America's 250th and the Beekman Arms' 260th | Saturday, July 25, 2026, 3 p.m., Beekman Arms Inn, Rhinebeck The event opens with a reading of the Declaration of Independence and includes music performances, military drills and fireworks at the Dutchess County Fairgrounds. beekmandelamaterinn.com



Colonial Trades Day | Saturday, Aug. 8, 2026, 10 a.m.–4 p.m., the Brinckerhoff House Historic Site, Hopewell Junction A day of demonstrations by skilled colonial craftspeople including blacksmithing, woodcarving, gunsmithing and a special demonstration of colonial iron smelting in a bloom furnace. eastfishkillhistoricalsociety.org

"Amenia's Spycatcher" Play | Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 21–23, 2026, Amenia Town Hall A new full-length historical play that showcases the American Revolution in Dutchess County. ameniahs.org

An American Tapestry Concert | Saturday, Sept. 19, 2026, 3 p.m., Veterans Memorial Hall, Beacon The Putnam Chorale traces the musical story of the U.S., from early Colonial roots to the anthems of the 20th century. melzingahnsdar.org



**“Harlem Valley Glimpses” Play |
Wednesday, Sept. 23, 2026, 5:30–7 p.m.,
Old Drovers Inn, Dover Plains**

Vignettes of documented Dover-area denizens and visitors, like Eunice Mauwee and Marquis de Chastellux.

facebook.com/groups/1477834272438945



**Music of the American Revolution | Thursday, Oct. 1, 2026,
7:30 p.m., Howland Cultural Center, Beacon** An interactive program highlighting music of the American Revolution.

howlandculturalcenter.org

Experiences

- ★ **Wappinger Revolutionary Roots: History, Heroes, and Hidden Places** Guidebook and map that highlight Revolutionary War era Wappinger landmarks; available at the Mesier Homestead. wappingershistoricalsociety.org

- ★ **Sergeant Chirp Dispatch**
Through an augmented-reality app, Sergeant Chirp appears within existing exhibits at nine historic sites in Dutchess County, guiding visitors through the stories of the American Revolution. sergeantchirp.com



- ★ **Washington in Pawling** Exhibit and immersive virtual-reality experience. (John Kane House, Pawling) pawlinghistory.org
- ★ **From Mount Beacon to the Hudson: Beacon's Role During the American Revolution** New exhibition and map for self-exploration in Beacon. (Beacon Historical Society Museum) beaconhistorical.org/rev-250
- ★ **Elmendorph Inn Tavern Experience** Interactive elements and an immersive soundscape bring the tavern to life. (Elmendorph Inn, Red Hook; launch date Sept. 19, 2026) historicrodhook.org



Discover even more ways to celebrate America's 250th with engaging events, unforgettable sights and visits to the places legends made history.

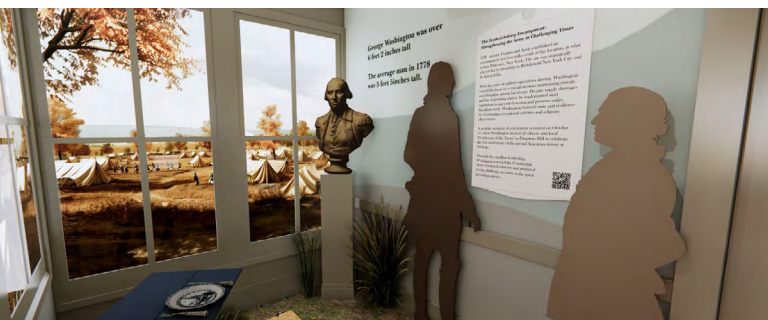


Historic Sites to Explore

Dine and stay at **Old Drovers Inn** (Dover Plains), whose history as a watering hole dates back to 1750. Have a drink and spend a night at “America’s Oldest Continuously Operated Inn,” **the Beekman Arms and Delamater Inn** (Rhinebeck); reported guests and tavern visitors include George Washington, Benedict Arnold, Aaron Burr and Alexander Hamilton. **Tenmile Distillery** (Wassaic) continues their monthly release of Revolutionary War-themed whiskies with a bottle for every battle.



Visit the **John Kane House** (Pawling) museum’s new exhibit focused on Washington’s 1778 headquarters in Pawling. **Mount Gulian Historic Site** (Beacon) was headquarters for General Friedrich Von Steuben, who helped form America’s first veterans’ organization. Get a glimpse of colonial life at **Mesier Homestead and Museum** (Wappingers Falls), the rumored site of The Wappingers Tea Party of 1777. Learn about Daniel Nimham, the last Sachem of the indigenous Wappinger people, who fought alongside the Continental Army. ✨





Legends lived here.

The Story Finder Rev250 Discovery Trail mobile passport presents 25 ways to experience America's Semiquincentennial in the heart of the Hudson Valley. Trace the road to the Revolution for your chance to win a grand prize at two iconic locales.

Ends Wednesday, November 11, 2026 (Veterans Day)

How This Pass Works

-  Get your free pass online
-  Receive a text or e-mail with a link to your passport
-  When visiting a participating location, present your phone and check in with location services to count toward available prizes.



Trail Rewards



Check in at 25 locations and be entered to win a Rev250 Prize Package. Every check-in is an additional entry for the grand prize drawing. The more check-ins, the more chances to win.



Grand Prize

A White Glove Tour for two at Mount Gulian Historic Site in Beacon and a \$75 gift certificate to The Tavern at the Beekman Arms in Rhinebeck.



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