

New England Today
TRAVEL

Perfect Weekend In The Berkshires

Outdoors and in, the Berkshires of western Massachusetts have an appeal all their own. Our guide to the perfect Berkshires weekend is here to help inspire your next visit.



Tucked away along Massachusetts's western border, the Berkshires combine classic New England appeal with stunning modernity and culture. Don't be dissuaded by its rural appearance; the Berkshires have a lively arts and cultural scene to rival some of the largest surrounding cities. Though the area has enough world-class dining, lodging, and museums to keep visitors busy, this being October you'll want to venture outdoors into the forests and mountains to explore the region's true allure.

WHERE TO STAY

BEST SMALL-CITY BOUTIQUE HOTEL HOTEL ON NORTH, *Pittsfield*

This suave new hotel near the Barrington Stage Company brings contemporary comfort to a pair of handsome 1880s buildings. The 45 bedrooms, all a bit different, are decorated in low-key, soothing tones and furnished with pieces crafted by local artisans. Two rooms have working fireplaces and some have kitchenettes. Rates: from \$159. *297 North St. 413-358-4741; hotelonnorth.com*



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