

Great Attractions Along Route 9W North (from the Bear Mt. Circle)

Route 9W runs parallel to the Hudson River. The span from Bear Mountain to Marlboro is approximately 30 miles. Even if you don't venture onto Route 218, you can take in spectacular river views from overlooks off the northbound lane in the section between West Point and Cornwall as well from many of the tourist sites on this route.

Continuing north, find the entrance to the **Fort Montgomery State Historic Site** just 3 minutes from the Bear Mountain Circle. Hike the grounds to view the ruins of buildings and groundworks at this Revolutionary War battle site. Walking trails wind past cannon mounts overlooking the Hudson and over the Popolopen Creek footbridge. Stop at the Visitors Center to view exhibits and learn more about the site.

Next in line, about 5 miles from the Bear Mountain Circle, is the **United States Military Academy at West Point**. Guided tours on the West Point Tour Bus depart from the Visitors Center in Highland Falls daily. Also, visit the museum's extensive collection of weapons, military memorabilia and military art. Army football at Michie Stadium is another fun option during the fall season. There are lots of casual eateries in Highland Falls or enjoy fine dining at the Thayer Hotel on the academy grounds.

The next exit on 9W north leads to Route 218, also known as **Old Storm King Highway**. Winding high above the Hudson along the edge of Storm King Mountain, it's a great motorcycle experience. There are some pull-offs where you can stop for breathtaking panoramic views. Be warned that this 3-mile section of road is sometimes closed during inclement weather due to rockslides or for special events. Exit Route 218 in Cornwall-on-Hudson, the home of **Painter's Tavern**. This combination inn, restaurant and art gallery offers an impressive beer collection in addition to an eclectic menu including pub fare and vegetarian options. At this point, you're just minutes away from **Storm King Art Center**, the world-renowned 500-acre outdoor sculpture park. Turn left off Route 218 onto Main Street. At the circle, take the 2nd exit to Quaker Avenue. At the intersection with Route 32, turn right. Just across the bridge, turn left on Orrs Mills Road. Take the first left on Old Pleasant Hill Road. The art center entrance is on the left. Allow at least 2-hours to wander the grounds.

Back on 9W, a little north of Cornwall, **Kowawese Unique Area at Plum Point**, is a small, sandy beach on the bank of the Hudson River perfect for a picnic. The entrance road is on the right between the bowling alley and Newburgh Toyota just past the sports complex. This quiet, scenic park offers picnic tables and grills.

Next up, the exciting **Newburgh Waterfront** has many restaurants ranging from barbecue to fine dining, river cruise boats and numerous special events. Dine on the patio while you take in the spectacular views of the Hudson Highlands. To get here, take the Plum Point exit just after passing Anthony's Pier 9 and the Windsor Motel. Turn right on

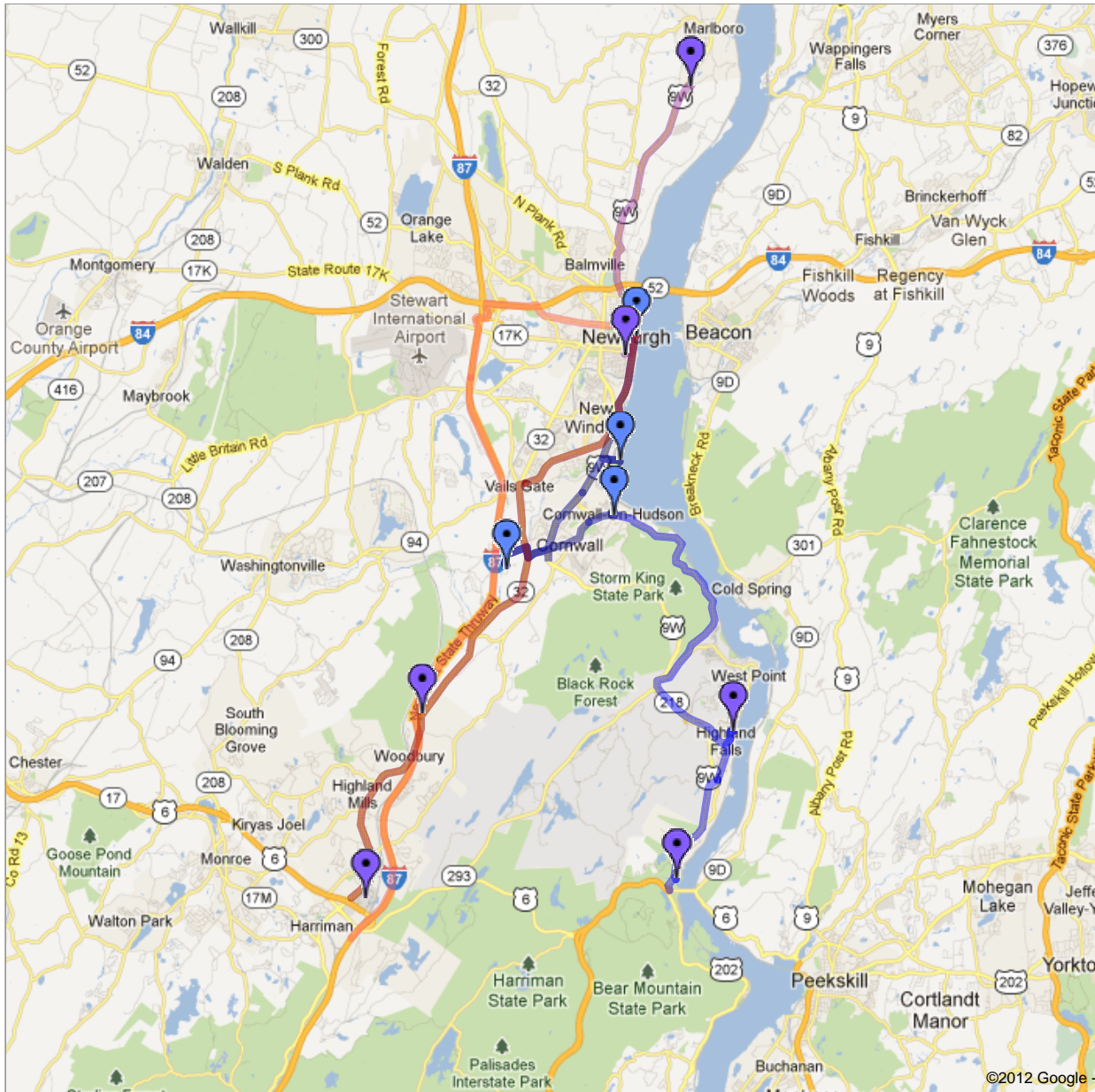
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River Road and continue approximately 3 miles. Turn right on 4th Street. History buffs may want to visit **Washington's Headquarters State Historic Site** just up the hill from the waterfront at the intersection of Washington and Liberty Streets.

Also on 9W, 5 miles north of the Newburgh Waterfront, right on the northern border of Orange County is **Gomez Mill House**, the oldest manor house in Orange County and the earliest extant Jewish residence in America. Through the years, it was home to five notable owners from patriots to artisans. Shortly after passing the Mill Creek Golf Course, be on the lookout for Mill House Road on the right.

Heading back south from Newburgh, you have the option of picking up the New York State Thruway at exit 17. Turn right leaving the Newburgh Waterfront, then right on 9W and left on Route 32 north. Take the entrance for I-84 west. The Thruway entrance is at exit 7A. For a more scenic ride, travel along Route 32 south from New Windsor to old Route 17 south. Turn left out of the Newburgh Waterfront on to River Road and straight ahead on Blooming Grove Turnpike. At the stop sign, go left on Route 94. At the 5-Corners intersection, make a sharp left on Route 32. About 6 miles ahead, you'll pass **Palais Vineyards** on the right. This location has a great tasting room in their 200-year old barn. A few miles south, just past **Woodbury Common Premium Outlets**, you can get on the Thruway at exit 16 – Harriman, pick up Route 6 east to get back to the Palisades Parkway, or continue straight on Route 17 south.





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Bear Mountain Traffic Circle to Ft. Montgomery
Destinations: Fort Montgomery State Historic Site & Visitors Center

Fort Montgomery State Historic Site
Scene of a fierce Revolutionary War Battle for control of the Hudson River. Hiking trails, ruins and earthworks. Interpretive programs. Museum and grounds open Wed-Sun 9 to 5.

[Fort Montgomery State Historic Site](#)
1 review

690 U.S. 9W, Fort Montgomery, NY 10922
(845) 446-2134
nysparks.com



Ft. Montgomery to US Military Academy at West Point
Destinations: US Military Academy at West Point; Visitors Center, Village of Highland Falls



West Point Museum
Military uniforms, flags, weapons and military art. Galleries on History of the Academy and Corp of Cadets, US Army History, and the History of Warfare. Daily 10:30-4:15. www.usma.edu/museum

[West Point Museum](#)
2110 New South Post Road
West Point, NY 10996
(845) 938-3590
usma.edu/Museum



Route 218 into Cornwall-on-Hudson
Destinations: Painter's Tavern



Painter's Tavern
Inn, restaurant and art gallery. Eclectic menu, extensive beer selection.

[Painter's](#)
[64 reviews](#)
266 Hudson Street
Cornwall-on-Hudson, NY 12520
(845) 534-2109
painters-restaurant.com



Cornwall-on-Hudson to Storm King Art Center
Destinations: Storm King Art Center



Storm King Art Center
500-acre world renowned outdoor sculpture park and museum. Open Wed-Sun from April through mid-November.

[Storm King Art Center](#)
[16 reviews](#)
Old Pleasant Hill Road
Mountainville, NY 12553
(845) 534-3115
stormkingartcenter.org



Storm King Art Center to Plum Point
Destinations: Kowawese Unique Area at Plum Point



Kowawese Unique Area at Plum Point
102 acre park on the Hudson River. Magnificent vistas and sandy beach. Car top boating, picnicking, hiking, nature study and fishing. Daily Apr-Nov, 8am-dusk.

[Kowawese Unique Area](#)
New Windsor, New York
845-615-3830
orangecountynyparks.com



Plum Point to Newburgh Waterfront
Destinations: Newburgh Waterfront, Unico Park

Note: Municipal Parking Lots available along Front and Water Streets



Newburgh Waterfront
Variety of restaurants, sightseeing boat cruises and marinas. River walk with beautiful views of the Hudson.

[Newburgh Waterfront](#)
Front Street
Newburgh, New York



Washington's Headquarters State Historic Site
Destinations: Washington's Headquarters State Historic Site

This route will bring you from the Newburgh Waterfront to the Washington's Headquarters State Historic Site and Monument.



Washington's Headquarters State Historic Site
Tour the museum and the fieldstone farmhouse that served as General Washington's headquarters during the Revolutionary War. Wed-Sat; April thru Oct.

[Washington Headquarters State Historic Site](#)

84 Liberty St
Newburgh, New York 12550
845-562-1195
palisadesparksconservancy.org



Gomez Mill House
Destinations: Balmville Tree, Gomez Mill House

This route will bring you north along Balmville Road and Route 9W from the Newburgh Waterfront to the Gomez Mill House.



Gomez Mill House
Tour the oldest manor house in Orange County and the earliest extant Jewish residence in America. Wed-Sun; Apr-Oct.

[Gomez Mill House](#)

11 Mill House Road
Marlboro, NY 12542
(845) 236-3126
gomez.org



Direct Return: Newburgh Waterfront to I-87 South

This is the most direct route from the Newburgh Waterfront onto the Southbound New York State Thruway (I-87).



Scenic Return: Route 9W & 32

Destinations: Palaia Vineyards, Woodbury Common Premium Outlets

Note: This mapped route terminates at Woodbury Common Premium Outlets on Route 32, where you may chose the southbound New York State Thruway (I-87), eastbound Route 6 (to Palisades Parkway), or southbound Route 17 (to Tuxedo and points south).



Palaia Vineyards
Tasting room housed in a 200-year old barn with a view of the vineyards and historic homestead. Weekend music and events year round.

[Palaia Vineyards](#)

[5 reviews](#)
10 Sweet Clover Road
Highland Mills, NY 10930
(845) 928-5384
palaiavineyards.com



Woodbury Common Premium Outlets
With 220 stores, the world's largest collection of designer outlets. Open everyday except Thanksgiving and Christmas. VISITOR INFORMATION CENTER. Food court.

[Woodbury Common Premium Outlets](#)

[34 reviews](#)
498 Red Apple Court, Central Valley, NY 10917
(845) 928-4000
premiumoutlets.com/woodbury...