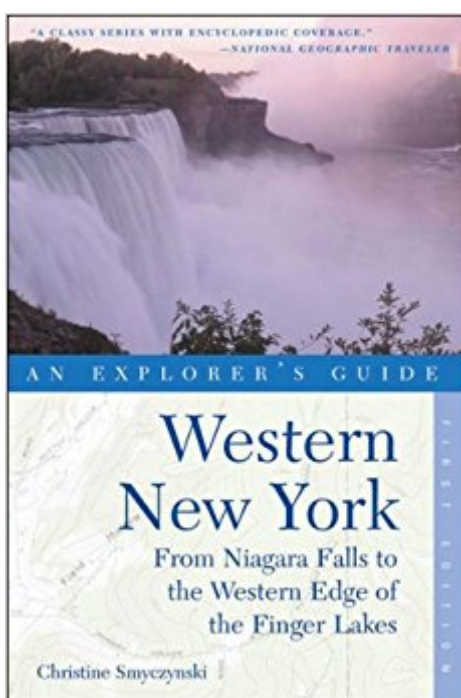


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# Western New York, An Explorer's Guide: From Niagara Falls And Southern Ontario To The Western Edge Of The Finger Lakes



## Synopsis

Called the Western Door by the Seneca Indians, western New York is the Empire State's open secret. Here travelers will find Niagara Falls. And nearby, the Erie Canal ends its 300-mile trip as it empties into Lake Erie near Tonawanda. The famous five stair-step locks that carried the canal over the Niagara Escarpment at Lockport are still preserved near the Erie Canal Museum. Buffalo has the largest concentration of theaters and art galleries in the state outside of New York City. In Rochester, museums, cafes, and shopping abound. This book is the first comprehensive guide to this vast cultural, historic, and natural destination. This guide also includes opinionated listings of inns, B&Bs, hotels, vacation cottages, and camp-grounds; hundreds of dining recommendations, from roadside diners to four-star cuisine; up-to-date regional and downtown maps; an alphabetical What's Where subject guide to aid in trip planning; and handy icons that point out places of extra-value, family- and pet-friendly establishments, wheelchair access, and popular wedding venues.

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## Customer Reviews

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Useful book with lots of information

Overall this is the (only) book to buy if you're visiting Western NY and I'd definitely buy it again! It's just probably due to the crappy economy but SOOOO many businesses listed in the book are out of business that you need to back this book up with a phone call before showing up. This is true of stuff listed on the internet too, not just this book. We also found that the Maid of the Mist in Niagara (Canada) doesn't run until dusk (per book) it stops at 5 pm. We've now used this book on two trips to New York state on vacation and it was well worth the price.

I bought this book for my son who will be spending 3 years in Buffalo attending school and it is perfect for someone new to the area. He's already trying the restaurants in the area and is planning day trips to see the many attractions in Western New York. A few more maps would be a plus but with the availability of maps online, unnecessary. A few more pictures would be a nice addition for the next edition.

Very helpful if exploring this area. Loved the information and photos. Would suggest this book to for the adventurer looking for places to go.

WOW this is the book to have...if you live here or are visiting. Looked up my ole haunts and they were included in the book. It's a must own!!!

I haven't read the entire book yet but the information will be useful when I visit this region this summer.

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