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Easy weekend

getaways

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fresh ideas

Downtown brews
to lakeside views

DURHAM REGION DISCOVERY GUIDE



The Sunflower Farm, Beaverton

From historic sites to starry nights.

Durham Region is an easy, quietly surprising, and welcoming weekend getaway.

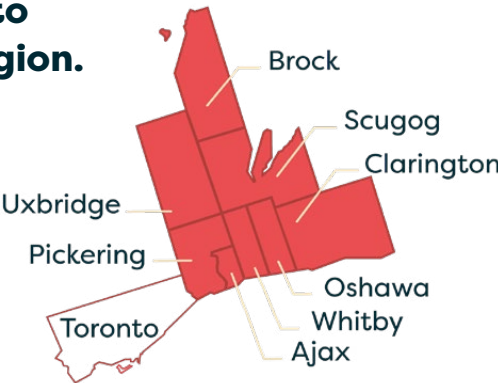
Take your time here: Our region offers rolling hills of agriculture, inventive restaurants, a celebration of sound in 125 live music destinations, and more than 40 annual festivals. Historic mansions and verdant waterfronts, luxury spas and ski hills. Trails to hike, games to catch, go-karts to race, fruit to pick, and a fresh glass of apple cider calling your name.

Located within an hours drive from downtown Toronto, explore our collection of creative cities, charming towns and family-friendly communities.

Stay for the weekend and go glamping, check into one of our hotels, or visit a casino or campground.

Keep your luggage light and your dollars in Canada.

Plan a trip to Durham Region.



Chips and guac for the table?

Chúuk Mexican Kitchen and Bar, Pickering





Locally recommended, visitor approved.

Experience warm hospitality and creative dishes that will have you coming back for more.

- ☒ Three Six Kitchen, Bowmanville
- ☐ Mansion Kitchen + Bar, Pickering
- ☐ Avanti Trattoria, Oshawa
- ☐ Sundays Restaurant, Uxbridge
- ☐ Sea Salt Seafood Café, Ajax
- ☐ Marwan's Global Bistro, Port Perry
- ☐ The Springwood, Whitby
- ☐ Stefano's Bistro, Beaverton
- ☐ Casa Verde Ristorante, Ajax
- ☐ The Snug, Newcastle



Memorable moments over carefully crafted beverages.

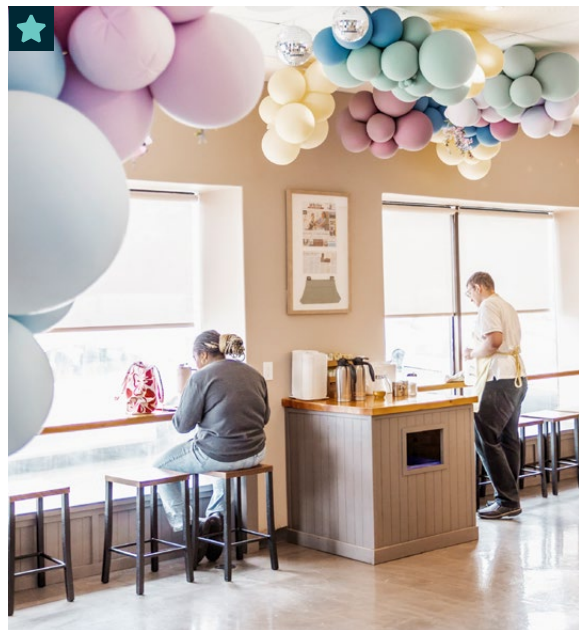
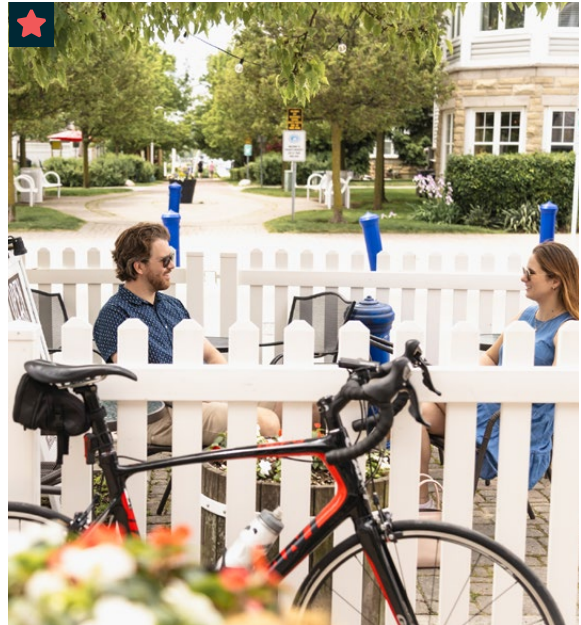
Discover exciting flavours at one of Durham's 20+ breweries, cideries, distilleries, or wineries.

- ☒ The Second Wedge Brewing Co., Uxbridge
- ☐ Banter & Co. Brewing, Brooklin
- ☐ Applewood Farm & Winery, Seagrave
- ☐ Slabtown Cider Co., Uxbridge
- ☐ Two Blokes Cider, Seagrave
- ☐ Town Brewery, Whitby
- ☐ Chronicle Taphouse, Oshawa
- ☐ Old Flame Brewing Co., Port Perry
- ☐ Lightcaster Brewery, Bowmanville
- ☐ 1840 Farmhouse & Vineyard, Orono



Relax, stay a while.

Downtown Port Perry



Skip the drive-thru and step inside our indie cafés and bakeries.

Awaken your senses to the smell of brewing coffee and fresh baked goods.

- ☒ Bean & Basket, Ajax
- ☒ OpenStudio Art Café, Pickering
- ☒ Melly's Market + Café, Whitby
- ☐ Nexus Coffee, Port Perry
- ☐ Canter Coffee, Cannington
- ☐ Coffin Creek Coffee Co., Courtice
- ☐ Little Thief Bakery Company, Uxbridge
- ☐ The Shortis's Cafe Bar, Beaverton
- ☐ Karèza Café, Oshawa
- ☐ Roam Coffee, Bowmanville



Discover trendy treats and insta-worthy eats.

Make your followers jealous when your photos of mouth-watering meals hit their feed.

- ☒ Market at 70 King, Oshawa
- ☐ Lloyd's Lunchbox, Whitby
- ☐ The Big M, Pickering
- ☐ Hank's Pastries, Port Perry
- ☐ BanBan Korean Fried Chicken, Multiple locations
- ☐ The Original Patty Gyal, Ajax
- ☐ Gangster Cheese, Uxbridge
- ☐ Butchie's, Whitby
- ☐ Junior's Sourdough Pizza, Bowmanville
- ☐ Cool Cow, Beaverton



Winter dining with a glow-up.

Deer Creek Golf Club, Ajax



Get in on the good vibes.

Keep your calendar full with this lineup of music, arts and culture festivals.

- ☒ ★ Springtide Music Festival, Uxbridge
- ☐ Convergence Music & Art Festival, Oshawa
- ☐ Durham Region International Film Festival
- ☐ Pickering Village Jam Fest, Ajax
- ☐ Mississaugas of Scugog Island First Nation Powwow
- ☐ Home Sweet Home Festival, Whitby
- ☐ Fiesta Week Street Festival, Oshawa
- ☐ Winding Roads Music Festival, Port Perry
- ☐ Artfest, Pickering
- ☐ North Durham Pride

“Best day ever!” - your kids

Honour your inner child by chasing thrills at these attractions.

- ☒ ★ NEB’s Fun World, Oshawa
- ☐ Volt Raceway, Bowmanville
- ☐ Archers Battlefield, Pickering
- ☐ 8-Bit Beans, Whitby
- ☐ Joey’s World Playground, Clarington
- ☐ Flying Squirrel, Whitby
- ☐ Treetop Eco-Adventure Park, Oshawa
- ☐ Durham Escape Rooms, Whitby
- ☐ iFly Indoor Skydiving, Whitby
- ☐ Ajax Rock Oasis

Set your out of office.

Thermae Spa Village, Whitby



No screens, just fresh air.

Breathtaking views, tranquil trails and adrenaline-fueled fun awaits you.

- ★ Snow tubing at Lakeridge Resort
- ☐ Cycle the Great Lakes Waterfront Trail
- ☐ Hike at Rouge National Urban Park
- ☐ Do yoga on an SUP in Lake Simcoe
- ☐ Downhill ski at one of our three resorts
- ☐ Rent a boat and tour Lake Scugog
- ☐ Go birdwatching at Second Marsh
- ☐ Go camping at Darlington Provincial Park
- ☐ Mountain bike in Durham Forest
- ☐ Choose from 30+ un-fore-gettable golf courses



Catch a show.

Concerts, live theatre, dance, drag shows, film sing-alongs and more. That's show biz, baby!

- ★ Regent Theatre, Oshawa
- ☐ Whitby Courthouse Theatre
- ☐ Biltmore Theatre, Oshawa
- ☐ The Arena at Pickering Casino
- ☐ St. Francis Centre for Community, Arts & Culture, Ajax
- ☐ Town Hall 1873 Theatre, Port Perry
- ☐ BOND|ST Event Centre, Oshawa
- ☐ Theatre on the Ridge, Port Perry
- ☐ Uxbridge Music Hall
- ☐ Tribute Communities Centre, Oshawa

A couple is walking away from the camera down a grassy path in an apple orchard. The path is flanked by rows of apple trees laden with red fruit. The sky is bright blue with some light clouds. In the foreground, on the right side, there is a large, out-of-focus branch of an apple tree with several ripe red apples. The couple consists of a woman with long dark hair wearing a white top and a dark skirt, and a man wearing a dark plaid shirt and dark pants. They are holding hands.

Pick a delicious day trip.

Archibald's Orchard and Estate Winery, Bowmanville



Home grown fun.

Growers welcome you with open gates to experience the true meaning of farm fresh.

- ★ Pingle's Farm Market, Hampton
- ☐ Willowtree Farm, Port Perry
- ☐ Sargent Family Dairy, Enniskillen
- ☐ Tindall Farm & Market, Uxbridge
- ☐ Linton's Farm Market, Oshawa
- ☐ Hy-Hope Farm, Ashburn
- ☐ Hope's Christmas Tree Farm, Enniskillen
- ☐ Pepperlaw Creek Farms, Uxbridge
- ☐ Nature's Bounty Farm, Port Perry
- ☐ Tranquility Trails Lavender Farm, Pickering



Refine the art of slowing down.

Open your mind as you immerse yourself in galleries, museums and historic sites.

- ★ The Robert McLaughlin Gallery, Oshawa
- ☐ Visual Arts Centre of Clarington, Bowmanville
- ☐ Canadian Automotive Museum, Oshawa
- ☐ Scugog Shores Museum Village, Port Perry
- ☐ Rolling Hills Studio, Sunderland
- ☐ Thomas Foster Memorial, Uxbridge
- ☐ Pickering Museum Village, Greenwood
- ☐ Station Gallery, Whitby
- ☐ Scugog Arts, Port Perry
- ☐ Lynde House Museum, Whitby



Hockey night in Oshawa

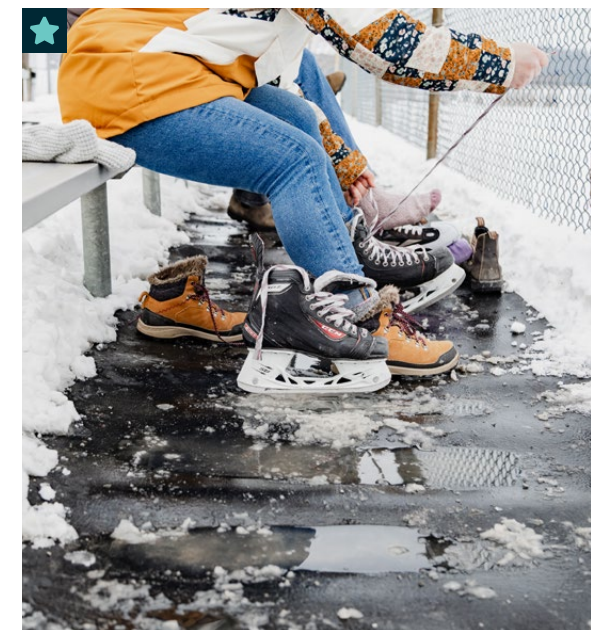
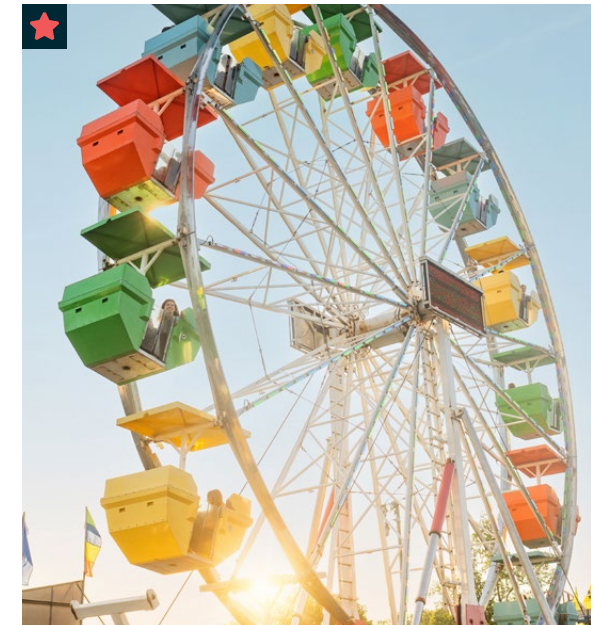
Tribute Communities Centre, Oshawa



Make it a weekend getaway or overnight stay.

Extend your adventure with this list of accommodations and explore some more.

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| ★ Birchwood Luxury Camping, Port Perry | <input type="checkbox"/> The George Stanley Inn, Port Perry |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wooden Sticks Cabins and Suites, Uxbridge | <input type="checkbox"/> Royal Ashburn Golf Club Cottages, Whitby |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pickering Casino Resort Hotel, Pickering | <input type="checkbox"/> Rising Spirit, Orono |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Great Blue Heron Casino & Hotel, Port Perry | <input type="checkbox"/> Comfort Inn and Suites, Bowmanville |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hilton Garden Inn, Ajax | <input type="checkbox"/> Holiday Inn, Oshawa |



10 more ideas to add to your bucket list.

Visit DurhamTourism.ca/blog for more trip itineraries and must-see destinations in Durham.

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| ★ Cheers at All or Nothing Brewhouse | <input type="checkbox"/> Visit the Sunderland Maple Syrup Festival |
| ★ Ride the ferris wheel at Brooklin Spring Fair | <input type="checkbox"/> Cycle the Cannington Countryside Loop |
| ★ Go skating outdoors in Port Perry | <input type="checkbox"/> Hit the links at Royal Ashburn Golf Club |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Get tickets to The Book Drunkard Festival | <input type="checkbox"/> Attend Bowmanville Applefest |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bring your furry friend to Pickering's Petapalooza | <input type="checkbox"/> Visit Leaskdale Manse, the home of Lucy Maud Montgomery |

Meet you at the top.

Trail Hub and Nest Restaurant, Uxbridge



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We honour, recognize, and respect Indigenous Peoples as rights holders and stewards of the lands and waters on which we have the privilege to live. In our efforts towards reconciliation, we continue to build and strengthen relationships with First Nations, as well as the large Métis communities and growing Inuit communities here in Durham. We commit to learning from Indigenous values and knowledge, building opportunities for collaboration, and recognizing that we are all connected.

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Buzzing Bees Adventure Farm, Sunderland



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