



Lehigh Valley, Pa. is easily accessible by major highways, connecting to Philadelphia and New York City. Plan a one-day visit, a multiple night stay, or use our region as a hub-and-spoke for nearby Mid-Atlantic destinations.

Set amid gentle hills and charming countrysides, Lehigh Valley is home to **Allentown**, **Bethlehem**, and **Easton**, as well as dozens of small towns and picturesque boroughs.

Home to a few of the world's favorite brands such as **Crayola**[®], Martin Guitars and Mack Trucks, Lehigh Valley has an impressive range of attractions. Steeped in pre-Colonial, Early American, and Industrial history, **Bethlehem** not only has a **National Historic Landmark District** but recently made the **U.S. Tentative List for nomination to the UNESCO World Heritage List**.

Lehigh Valley offers up a variety of lodging options to fit your lifestyle. Enjoy relaxing getaways to charming B&Bs including the rustic **Glasbern Inn**, situated on a 100+ acre sustainable farm. Experience the heart of the Christmas City at the **Historic Hotel Bethlehem**, artfully restored to its original 1920s splendor. Or, opt for a bit of modern luxury at the full-service **Sands**[®] **Bethlehem** casino and resort or the **Renaissance**[®] **Allentown Hotel**, located in the center of the Queen City's resurgence.



Top Experiences in Lehigh Valley, Pa.

RELIVE THE HISTORY.

- Founded in 1741, Bethlehem was the first well-established Moravian Church settlement in the Americas. Of the 20 historic sites and museums, notables include (all open to the public):
 - » The **1741 Gemeinhaus**, a National Historic Landmark, was home for several years to the entire Moravian community of 80 people, speaking 14 different languages with German as their common language. Constructed of white oak timbers in the Colonial Germanic style, it is the oldest building in Bethlehem and the largest 18th century log building in continuous use in the United States.
 - » The **1744/52 Single Sisters' House**, constructed of stone in the Colonial Germanic style, was home to single women until 2007 and, today, highlights the unique role of women in the Moravian community.
 - » The **1758/65 Nain-Schober House** is the only building remaining in the **Delaware & Lehigh National Heritage Corridor** that was built and lived in by American Indians and includes exhibits exploring Moravian and American Indian relations.
 - » The **1762 Moravian Waterworks**, a National Historic Landmark and Civil Engineering Landmark, is America's first pumped municipal water system and provided spring water to the residence on the hillside. It features a working 18 ft. or 5.5 meter diameter water wheel and pumping mechanism.
- The oldest American Bach Choir, the **Bach Choir of Bethlehem** gave the first complete American performances of Bach's Mass in B Minor in 1900 and Christmas Oratorio in 1901 Under Greg Funfgeld's passionate direction. Today's performances feature a finely-honed vocal ensemble of nearly 100 volunteer singers, a professional orchestra, and world-renowned soloists. The repertoire includes 133 cantatas, all of the motets, and 15 of Bach's larger works.
- In testament to the importance of music in Moravian culture, the **Central Moravian Church** has the distinction of being designated a National Landmark of Music, as it was here that the Bach Choir of Bethlehem gave the performance of Johann Sebastian Bach's complete Mass in B Minor. To this day, a trombone choir performs from the belfry for special occasions and community celebrations.
- The **Moravian Book Shop** is the oldest continuously operating bookstore in the world celebrating Moravian traditions such as the Moravian Star, Moravian Candle, themed gifts, and books.
- The **National Museum of Industrial History**, a Smithsonian Affiliate, is dedicated to preserving America's rich industrial heritage. The museum is located in a 100-year-old former Bethlehem Steel facility on the largest private brownfield in America.



HANDCRAFTED HERE.

- A visit to **C. F. Martin & Co.** is a must for any music lover who wants to enjoy what's inside the world of Martin Guitar. Take to the factory floor for the art of guitarmaking as you follow a guitar from rough lumber to a finished product in more than 300 steps. In addition, The Pickin' Parlor is a private room where you can play high-end and limited edition guitars. The Play Me Wall is where the world comes to test out the new factory offerings and some of the best-known and top-selling guitars.
- The **Mack Trucks Historical Museum** celebrates Mack's long and storied history as the leading American truck manufacturer and world-renowned brand name. Among the antique vehicles in the museum's collection is Megatron, leader of the evil Decepticons in the third "Transformers" movie, which was a blockbuster for DreamWorks in 2011.

RECREATE WITH SOFT ADVENTURE.

- Just the sight of covered bridges suggests thoughts of old-world charm and romance. In Lehigh Valley, seven of the 200 covered bridges in Pennsylvania are still standing and welcome visitors. The **Lehigh Valley Covered Bridge Tour** is about 50 miles long.
- Go underground at **Crystal Cave** and **Lost River Caverns**. Guided tours are available at both caverns.
- Take a journey through time. The 48-ton Josiah White II canal boat plies the waters of old Section 8 of the Lehigh Canal. Trained and authentically-dressed crew interpret the story of the anthracite canals and the people who worked and lived on them. Two mules – Hank and George – tow the boat on a 45-minute trip from the **National Canal Museum** to the Locktender's House and back. Couple this with a picnic lunch in Hugh Moore Park.