

## Suggested Tour Itinerary



### Scenic Route 5-See the Sights, Sample, and Shop

Take Route 5 along the shore of beautiful Lake Erie in Chautauqua County stopping first for a tour of the Dunkirk Historical Lighthouse and Veterans Park Museum. The light was first established on Point Gratiot in 1827 to guide ships to the safety of Dunkirk Harbor. A covered passage connects the light tower to the 2 story eight room stick style keepers dwelling. The Veterans Museum consists of 10 rooms of displays including each branch of the military services, maritime history and depiction on the life of Lighthouse Keepers. Outdoor attractions include a 44 foot Surf Boat, assorted anchors, Civil War Cannon, assorted buoys, Lighthouse Keepers rescue boat and much more.

1 hour      Group rates and times: [www.dunkirkighthouse.com](http://www.dunkirkighthouse.com)

Get back on Route 5 and head west for a visit to Vinewood Acres Maple-Grape Farms Sugar Shack. Find maple products, fruit syrups, butters and jellies from New York State grown produce. Sugar Shack products are made on site in the farm kitchen in small quantities from the fruits grown on Vinewood Acres. Be sure to sample some syrup on ice cream in the country gift shop. The shop is cozy with a wood fire or cooled with a Lake Erie breeze. Tours by reservation only.

1 hour      Group rates and times: [www.sugarshack@netscape.net](mailto:www.sugarshack@netscape.net)

Route 5 is in the heart of Chautauqua-Lake Erie's Wine Trail. This region is the largest grape growing region east of the Rockies. It is home to 23 commercial and estate wineries. Take a tour of one or more wineries and sample some award winning wines. The experience is sure to please.

1 hour per winery      Group rates and times: [www.chautauquawinetrail.org](http://www.chautauquawinetrail.org)

As you travel through this grape belt region check out the new Grape Discovery Center. The center is located in Westfield [www.grapediscoverycenter.com](http://www.grapediscoverycenter.com)

Get ready for a unique shopping experience. Next stop is Cross Roads Market. This "Mall-ternative" features Chautauqua's finest arts, crafts, collectibles, farm produce and incredibly edible delights. There are 40 shops to choose from. Monthly activities, entertainment and great food. Let the Cross Roads take you back to the days of the village square where people from miles around gathered to shop, socialize, and see artisans at work.

2 hours minimum      Calendar of events: [www.thecrossroadsmarket.com](http://www.thecrossroadsmarket.com)

Finish the day with some sightseeing stops. Learn the story about Abraham Lincoln and his meeting with Grace Bedell in Westfield with a visit to the Lincoln Bedell statue. Then stop at the Lighthouse at Barcelona for a spectacular view. This lighthouse is privately owned but can be seen from the boat ramp just east of the lighthouse. A motor coach can easily park at this spot for the view before the trip home.

