



Tap Rooms & Tasty Delights

Most people recall Sturbridge from school fieldtrips and summer daytrips, but it's just as fun a playground for adults. With four independent breweries operating in the area and a bevy of unique restaurants dotting its streets, Sturbridge is the best place for your next girl's getaway, guy's weekend, or a simple night out with friends.

Start Your Journey

Begin your tour of the culinary scene at the Sturbridge-Fiskdale line, and work your way east down Main Street to discover some of the best food and drink in town.

❖ Brush It Off

If you're looking for a fun activity to pair with your cocktail, stop by this popular paint and sip bar. Located in *Sturbridge Marketplace*, a historic renovated mill overlooking the Quinebaug River, Brush it Off has something for everyone! Reserve a spot in one of their group painting classes, where you'll receive step-by-step professional instruction. Or drop by during Open Paint hours, where you can paint any Brush It Off design of your choice. Work on canvas, ceramics, plaster, a sea glass frame, and more! Their on-site bar serves select dishes from the Stone and Sparrow, another *Marketplace* vendor, as well as beer, wine, and non-alcoholic options.

559 Main St, Fiskdale, MA 01518

<https://brush-it-off.com/>

❖ Altruist Brewing Company

If you're not a painter, don't fret – *Sturbridge Marketplace* is home to another beer-related hot spot: Altruist Brewing Company. This brewery prides itself on making beer that "brings people together and makes friendships out of strangers." Using quality ingredients and hand-crafted recipes, Altruist's brews its IPA's and ales patiently in small batches, ensuring that every drop is better than the last. Drawing inspiration from the 150-year-old-mill, their tap room is a unique, industrial environment where friends can share a drink and enjoy live music on Saturdays. If your friends are of the four-legged variety, you can also bring them along and relax on the outdoor Beer Garden patio. Although Altruist allows customers to BYOF (Bring Your Own Food), they also serve their own signature regional dishes and frequently have food trucks on site.

559 Main St, Sturbridge, MA 01518

altruistbrewing.com

*** Insider Tip: Sturbridge Marketplace is home to Sturbridge Flea Market and a number of other shops that are worth exploring while you're there!*

Stop For A Bite

Your next stop, Homefield Kitchen & Brewery, is known for their food as much as their beer. But if your stomach can't wait, you'll find an overwhelming number of options as you walk along Main Street. The following have rave reviews:

❖ **Stonewall Tavern & Grille**

This cozy, chef-owned pub is “cooking up your newest cravings.” Like many things in Sturbridge, the tavern has a quaint, inviting feel, with its exposed beams, stone walls, and plenty of polished wooden accents. With a commitment to quality and service, Stonewall uses only the freshest ingredients sourced from local farmer’s markets. The kitchen specializes in a variety of classic pub and Italian cuisine, including a selection of gourmet burgers.

538 Main St, Fiskdale, MA 01518

<http://stonewallgrille.com/>

❖ **The Duck or Avellino**

Walk by 502 Main St and you'll see a unique building that offers you two dining options in one place. Half 19th century barn, half Modern Greek revival, this property is the home of two acclaimed restaurants: **The Duck** and **Avellino**. At **Avellino**, you'll find a one-of-a-kind Italian dining experience, spearheaded by Chef Rico Giovanello. This beloved eatery is known for its “open kitchen” format, which allows you to see into the kitchen and watch as Chef Rico deftly prepares your food. The result is an interactive experience that lets you engage with the staff and savor all the “aromas, sounds, and activity of the kitchen.”

Looking for American fare in a more casual environment? Then loosen your tie and head to **The Duck**, where you can listen to live music at the fully stocked bar and sink your teeth into a mouthwatering stuffed cheeseburger under the The Duck’s charming barn ceilings and antique-style Edison lights.

Note: Due to COVID-19, both Avellino and The Duck are only offering patio service; tent seating; To Go service with contactless curbside pickup; and extremely limited indoor seating (call ahead to make reservations).

<http://www.avellinorestaurant.com/index.php>

<https://theducksturbridge.com>

502 Main St, Sturbridge, MA 01566

❖ **Enrico's Brick Oven Pizza**

If you need an excuse to saddle up to Enrico's bar, it's for the direct view you'll have of their 900-degree, wood-burning brick pizza oven. Featured on the Phantom Gourmet and certified by The Association of True Neapolitan Pizza, Enrico's pies are as authentic as it gets. If you're not in the mood for pizza, you can also indulge in a variety of pastas, salads, sandwiches, and desserts, along with your seasonal draft of choice.

500 Main St, Sturbridge, MA 01566

<http://www.enricosbrickovenpizzeria.com>

❖ **Kaizen Sushi Bar & Grill**

A self-described “East meets West” Japanese-fusion experience, where you can enjoy high quality sashimi, sushi, and sake, alongside premium cuts of steak and a cold pint of Guinness. A casual, friendly atmosphere where you can strike up a conversation with the professional sushi chefs, or sit back and mingle with friends.

Note: *Due to COVID-19, Kaizen is currently only offering Take Out.*

479 Main St, Fiskdale, MA 01518

<https://www.kaizen479.com>

Homefield Kitchen & Brewery

Less than half a mile into town is Homefield Kitchen & Brewery. If you managed to not give in to Main Street’s many tempting eateries earlier (or if you’re simply ready for a second course), then you’re in for a treat at Homefield. Serving up “big flavors from small farms,” Homefield believes pub food shouldn’t be a supporting player, but an experience all its own. Their menu changes almost daily (although it always has vegan options), and they “never brew the same beer twice.” In an age where foodies can browse menus online and place an order with the click of a button, Homefield’s whimsical approach may come as a surprise. But for Homefield, they prefer to let the catch-of-the-day or latest haul from the farmer’s market dictate what they put on the table. Their beer is also “field to glass,” and they’re always churning out new recipes for eager fans to try, from Peach Sangria to Gooseberry Saison. Things at Homefield may constantly change, but whatever you order is always guaranteed to be an indulgent, unique experience crafted from only the freshest ingredients available.

Note: *Due to COVID-19, Homefield is only open for Take Out and occasional outdoor picnic table seating. Sign up for their e-newsletter or visit their Facebook page for updates on their menu, brewery, and operations.*

3 Arnold Road, Sturbridge

homefieldbrewing.biz

Rapscallion Brewery

Just 2 miles up Arnold’s Road is Rapscallion Brewery, where you will experience one of the most unique brewery spaces in Sturbridge. Operating out of a 1900’s apple barn, Rapscallion is part of Hyland Orchard, a third-generation farm set on 150 stunning acres. Sip one of Rapscallion’s small batch beers while enjoying the view of Hyland’s 2,400 apple trees, or dine inside their tap room, which was named one of TripAdvisor’s 2020 Travelers’ Choice winners. Take advantage of their free weekend tour, dog-friendly outdoor space, and weekly live entertainment. Bring your own food, order delivery, or grab a bite from the on-site food truck (available Friday-Sunday).

If you’re a fan of disc golf, consider stopping by before dusk to try out Rapscallion’s 18-hole course that winds through leafy forests and sunny fields. To get the full nature experience, plan your visit for the third weekend in September, when Hyland Orchard opens to the public for fall activities like apple picking and hay rides (Hyland closes again at the end of October).

Note: *Due to COVID-19, Rapscallion Brewery is now first come, first serve, and reservations are recommended for parties of more than four. The tap room is open daily for pours, To Go can pickup, and outdoor dining only. Visit duration is limited to 1 hour for 2-4 guests, or 2 hours for 4-6 guests). BYOF is currently not allowed.*

195 Arnold Rd, Sturbridge, MA 01518

<http://drinkrapscallion.com/sturbridge/>

Tree House Brewing Company

For the truly dedicated IPA fans, no trip to the Sturbridge area is complete without visiting the nationally renowned Tree House Brewery. If you still have wind left in your sails, direct your Uber (or commendable designated driver) 15 minutes east of town. There you'll find the head quarters for Tree House Brewing Company. Founded in 2011, Tree House has taken the country by storm and garnered a passionate cult following – their brewery welcomes almost 500,000 beer-aficionados every year from around the country. Stop by during their weekday hours to pick up a few cans of their double IPA, *Haze*, or their nationwide-best seller, *Green*. Or schedule a trip for Saturday, when the tap room is open to the public for draft pours, live entertainment, and food truck delicacies.

Note: *Due to COVID-19, the brewery is currently closed for draft and ordinary sales. Order online for at-brewery, contactless pickup.*

129 Sturbridge Rd, Charlton, MA 01507

<https://treehousebrew.com>

Do Dinner In Town

Before you call it a night, head back into town for a hearty meal and a night cap (or two).

❖ Sturbridge Porterhouse

You might have to dip into your wallet to dine at this historic stable-turned-steakhouse, but it's well worth the investment. With steaks cooked perfectly to-order and a host of tantalizing entrees and appetizers, you'll find that a trip here is worth every cent. On Friday and Saturday nights, you can head to the second floor after your meal to unwind in the exclusive piano bar and lounge area.

<https://www.sturbridge-porterhouse.com>

407 Main Street, Sturbridge, MA 01566

❖ Publick House

For a true Sturbridge experience, make a reservation at Publick House, the 18th century inn that overlooks the Sturbridge Town Common. Step back in time at the inn's Historic Tap Room, where guests having been dining and socializing for more than 200 years. This charming room still boasts the same "post n' beam ceiling" and original wooden floors - each wide, hand-hewn plank hammered into place centuries ago. But the real focal point of the room is the gigantic, six-foot fireplace, whose open hearth can warm even the chilliest of travelers. Enjoy generous portions of traditional comfort food, like the Yankee Pot Roast or roasted turkey dinner. And if you find yourself utterly charmed by the famous hospitality of Publick House, you can always book an overnight stay at one of their equally quaint and inviting accommodations.

277 Main St, Sturbridge, MA 01566

<https://publickhouse.com>

For more information on where to dine, go to: <https://www.sturbridge.gov/businesses/pages/business-directory>

Where To Stay:

❖ Comfort Inn & Suites

Best for: *Tree House Brewery pilgrims*

Technically, *any* hotel in Sturbridge is a good fit for Tree House fans, because the closest hotels to the brewery are all located in Sturbridge! Comfort Inn & Suites will put you closest, however, at just 3.8 miles away. Because of Tree House's popularity, it's not uncommon for fans to wait in line for their craft beer fix – sometimes even outside the brewery! If you want to beat the rush, your best bet is to stay nearby and get there early (especially on the weekends). Some other nearby hotels to consider are the Super 8 by Wyndham, Holiday Inn Express & Suites, and the Hampton Inn.

83 Hall Rd, Sturbridge, MA 01566

choicehotels.com

❖ La Quinta Inn & Suites by Wyndham

Best for: *Brewery fans & city explorers*

Located around the corner from Homefield Brewery and a quick 10-minute walk from Altruist Brewing, La Quinta Inn offers visitors a prime location at a bargain price. With a 4-star Google Review rating, this affordable hotel is a great option for those who want to be in the center of town without breaking the bank.

478 Main Street, Sturbridge, MA 01518

wyndhamhotels.com

Sturbridge has a number of lodging properties to accommodate all types of travel. Following is a list of accommodations in Sturbridge:

[Days Inn Sturbridge](#)

[Econo Lodge](#)

[Hampton Inn Sturbridge](#)

[Holiday Inn Express & Suites](#)

[LaQuinta Inn & Suites Sturbridge](#)

[Publick House Historic Inn](#)

[Sturbridge Host Hotel](#)

[Super 8 Sturbridge](#)

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