



INSTRUCTIONS Complete ANY FIVE clues in this packet, then submit your answers/pictures using the instructions provided, and you will be entered into our winner drawing!

Complete eight clues, and you will be given two "entries" to our winner drawing.

DURATION This packet is estimated to take about 4-6 hours to complete for anyone starting in this region, with longer duration for anyone doing longer biking or hiking adventures. It is a good fit for those looking for a day trip around the region! For those pursuing the longer hikes/bike rides, planning for two days may be more appropriate.

THE hunt northwest



HUNTING IN THE TIME OF COVID

Ground Rules Follow the COVID guidelines for any site you visit please! We will provide you with links for those when applicable in a clue. And you'll need to wear a mask if you find yourself within 6 feet of anyone else from outside your household (state rules!). We are all in this fun adventure together – and it's important that we help keep one another healthy, while also having a bang up, good time! **MAXIMUM TEAM SIZE:** One household. We do not, due to COVID, recommend that people from multiple households jump in a car together...though we totally recommend that you compete with your neighbors and friends!

Visiting Sites Many sites may have special visiting rules, due to COVID. We encourage you to visit their websites/call before visiting to see if you need to make any kind of reservations to visit their sites (and this is true even if they are free to visit in that it may relate to things like limits on visitors they can host).

IMAGE & LIABILITY RELEASE

By participating in The Hunt participants (a) take on full personal responsibility for any risk, injury, or harm that may come from the activities they pursue during The Hunt; (b) commit to pursuing all activities related to The Hunt in a safe and responsible manner that is both considerate of those around them and also within their individual capability levels; and (b) agree to hold Council (VCC) harmless of any and release VCC of all liability due and or related to participation in this event. Participants also agree that in participating, submitted images may be utilized in Vermont Cheese Council marketing and promotional materials.

PROBLEMS ALONG THE WAY

Email us at info@vtcheese.com

finding cheese glorious cheese!

Below is a list of locations where you can find and buy a mix of locally produced cheeses in and near this region. All of these are worth stopping at to grab a mix of delightful food items that will be perfect for your car ride!

in Burlington

[City Market](#) (downtown & South End locations)

[Dedalus Wine Shop, Market, & Wine Bar](#)

in South Burlington

[Cheese & Wine Traders](#)

[Dakin Farm](#)

or directly from local cheesemakers

You can search for a local maker and see if they have a farmstand/are open using the Vermont Cheese Trail at <https://vtcheese.com/vermont-cheese-trail-map/>

OPTIONS FOR SUBMITTING ANSWERS/PICTURES

Instagram Users You can store your images on Instagram then upload links to those posts when you submit your "answers". When using this option, please note that ALL of your images must be accessible via Instagram and that you must provide VCC with access to "follow" you on Instagram if necessary to view your "answer" images. You can find this region's Instagram Answer Upload Link here at any time:

<https://vtcheese.com/hunt-uploads/>

Digital Uploads for NonInstagram Users This option is for folks who take pictures using mobile devices but don't use Instagram. It will link you to an upload site that you can use to upload answers/ images. You can find this region's Non-Instagram Answer Upload Link here at any time:

<https://vtcheese.com/hunt-uploads/>

Mail In Answers Last page in this packet is your answer form and has mail in instructions.

You can find all these options available online at www.vtcheese.com/hunt

PLAY TIC TAC TOE

Take a picture of one of your team members with the objects on the tic tac toe card on the next page until you have three in a row – diagonally, across, or up and down!

wall mural	a boat	a bridge
hay bales	cow	dirt road
barn	a stone wall	sheep

ISLAND EXPLORING

Time to get out of the car and do a little exploring in the Champlain Islands.

To complete this clue: You'll need to do one of the following, taking a picture of yourself to commemorate your adventure:

- (a) walk the Ironwood Trail
- (b) picnic at the Fisk Quarry Reserve

PICK ONE

...And take a pic of yourself on your outing! All are north of Burlington.

(a) Jump aboard the Island Line Bike Ferry (insider tips: check its schedule before you go at https://www.localmotion.org/bike_ferry and know you can go on foot, not just by bike(at least that's how it was last time we checked)!)

(b) Explore one of the Champlain Island Bikeways routes: https://vtstateparks.com/assets/pdf/bike_champlain_islands_map.pdf

(c) Walk, ride or run on The Missisquoi Valley Rail Trail - Vermont's first rail trail! <http://www.champlainbikeways.org/documents/Missisquoi%20VRT%20FINAL.pdf>

FIND IT

Either....

(a) *HEAD TOWARD THE BORDER:* Consult the Vermont Cheese Trail and visit a cheesemaker in the northwestern corner of Vermont! Take a pic of yourself at their site with some of their signage in the background!

or (b) *HEAD TO THE CITY:* Visit any farmers market in the northwest corner of the state in this region and in your online answer uploads let us know what market you visited PLUS how many and which cheesemakers are at the market on the day you visit!

And of course - in both of these cases, we highly recommend buying some cheese while you are visiting ... you know, to stave off that hunger you are feeling while driving around!

Vermont Cheese Trail location:

<https://vtcheese.com/vermont-cheese-trail-map/>

WHAT AM I?

I tower over the city at 40 tall ...

Something that looks similar to me goes by the name "rook" ...

I have rock solid abs(olutely beautiful walls) ...

And I reside in the first city in the U.S. to run on 100% renewable power.

Find and take a picture with me.

GET PUZZLED

Complete the crossword on the next page...

ACROSS

4. Highest peak seen to the east from Burlington
6. Overnight train that preceded 7 across
7. Train that runs from St. Albans to DC

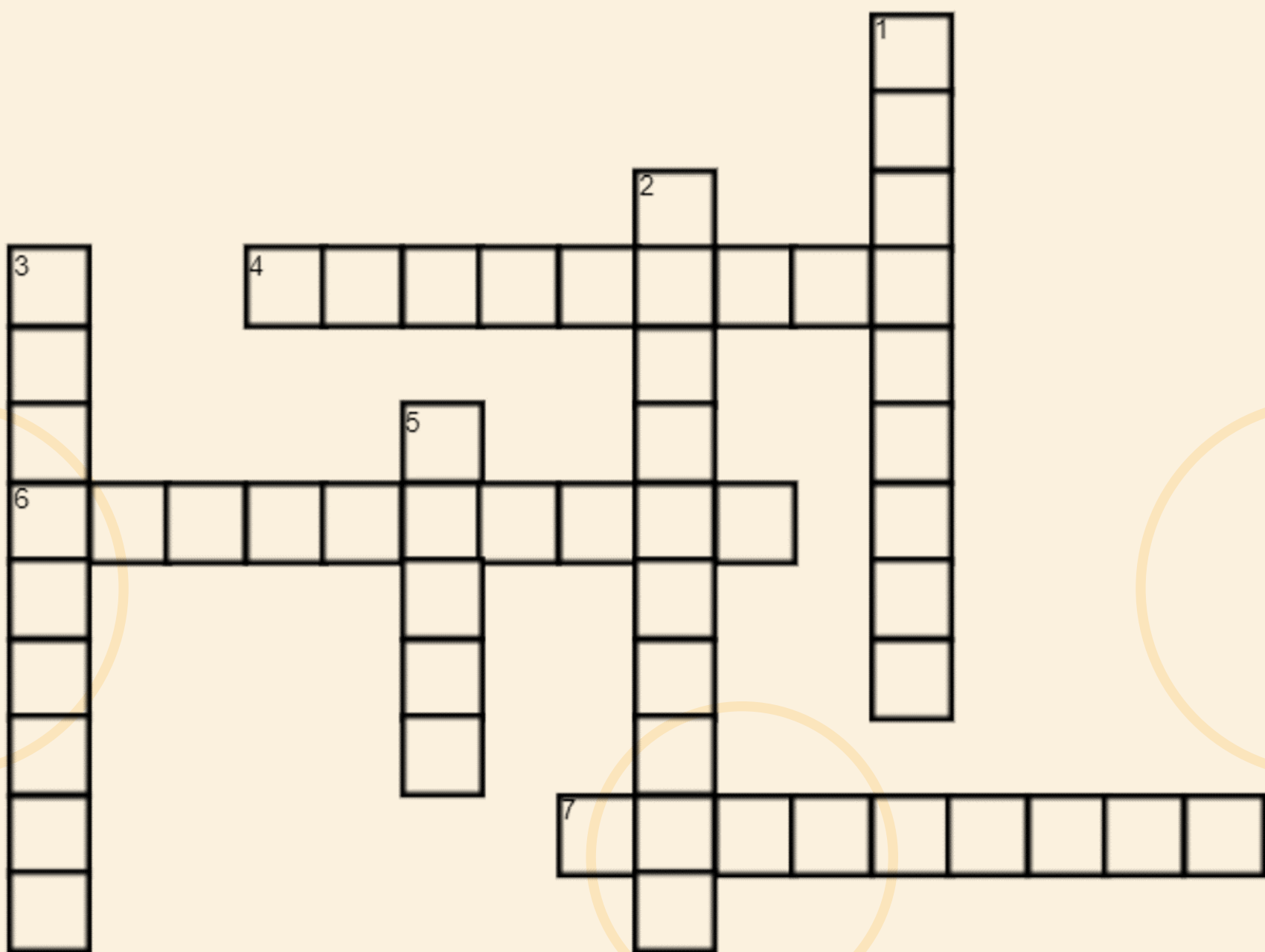
DOWN

1. UVM professor who wrote Cheese & Culture: A History of Cheese and Its Place in Western Civilization
2. State vegetable of VT
3. Next largest freshwater in the US after the great lakes
5. 15 minute route from Grand Isle to Plattsburgh

(GET PUZZLED CON'T)

Complete the crossword using the clues on the previous page...

*** for those doing this on a mobile device - we recommend recording your answers in your phone's notes app/on paper; then in the answer upload site you'll be able to upload your answers there.*



PAIR IT UP!

Hope you packed your Vermont cheese along, because you will need it for this stop! Visit an organization north of Burlington (Champlain Islands or the mainland!) that offers a great pair with Vermont cheese! Perhaps a winery, brewery, or apple orchard! Try some of what's local - wine, beer, cider, apples, pears, or maybe just a trail on site or walk through the orchard; it's all undoubtedly going to go well with your cheese!

To complete this clue: Take a pic of a team member, your cheese, and the site you have visited (a "its me and the cheese "selfie!)

Insider info: (con't on next page)

PAIR IT UP! (CONT')

Search for u-pick apple/fruit orchards and wineries here: <https://www.diginvt.com/places>

Find local breweries here: <https://www.vermontbrewers.com/create-your-own-trail>

Find local cheesemakers here: <https://vtcheese.com/vermont-cheese-trail-map>

Be sure to check the location you plan to visit's website or call ahead to see if you need to make any kind of reservation to visit; some locations are working with maximum guest limits at this time

FIND IT...

Name a Vermont cheesemaker or Vermont cheese whose name contains BOTH

(a) the LAST LETTER of any team member's FIRST NAME and

(b) the FIRST LETTER of any team member's LAST NAME.

To complete this clue: Let us know what team member names you used, and the cheese or cheesemaker name!

Insider Tip: You can search for cheesemakers and cheese names using the Vermont Cheese Council's cheese search too, which you can find online here: <https://vtcheese.com/vermont-cheeses/vermont-cheese-search/>

SEE SOMETHING UNIQUE

Visit the “jelly bean suites” of the Champlain Islands and take a picture of at least one team member there!

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ANSWER PACKET

Instructions: Please circle the clues you completed, then provide answers and send in the photos associated with those clues. Mail your submission to: Vermont Cheese Council, PO Box 714, Waitsfield, VT 05673

Name: _____ **Email:** _____ **Phone:** _____

Mailing Address: _____

Clue 1. What three things did you pick (and please include your pictures!): _____

Clue 2. Circle your choice and send us pictures: Ironwood Trail Fisk Quarry Reserve

Clue 3. Tell us what your outing was and send us your picture: _____

Clue 4a: Send us your pic

Clue 4b: What market did you visit: _____

How many and which cheesemakers were at that market: _____

Clue 5: Send us your pic

Clue 6. Fill in the puzzle on the clue page and send that in with this sheet

Clue 7. Tell us where you visited and send in your pic: _____

Clue 8. The two names you used: _____

Name of the cheese/cheesemaker: _____

Clue 9. Send in your pic!

EARLY BIRD CLUE Answer: _____