

2021 INSTRUCTIONS You must complete:

1. Clue #1

2. AND any other FOUR clues in this packet (for a total of five clues)

then submit your answers/pictures using the instructions provided to be entered into our winner drawing!

DURATION This packet is a good fit for those looking for a day trip around the region estimated to take 3-6 hours to complete for anyone starting in this region, with longer duration for anyone doing longer outdoor adventures. For those pursuing the longer hikes/bike rides, planning for two days may be more appropriate.

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HUNTING GUIDELINES

Ground Rules For all suggested activities, please be aware that it is your responsibility to take on activities (such as hiking, cycling, boating, walking, etc.) at your own skill level. We have tried to provide many options and alternatives - so something for people of all levels! You can always email, call, or ask a site when visiting it to inquire as to (a) what skills, equipment/supplies, etc. are needed to take on various activities or (b) for recommendations for what to do with the specific skill level you/your group has.

Visiting Sites/COVID Some sites may have special visiting rules, such a requests that you wear a mask or still socially distance, due to various levels of COVID concerns or vaccination statuses that their personnel may have. 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 (even if they are free to visit they may have things like limits on visitors they can host). Please respect the needs and requests of all our various event host sites, so that we can make sure everyone - visitors and visitees - can enjoy The Hunt!

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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 or in relation to 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 (c) 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!

Montpelier

Hunger Mountain Co-op

North of Montpelier

Craftsbury General Store (Craftsbury)

The Willey's Store (Greensboro)

Buffalo Mountain Food Co-op (Hardwick)

Bradford

Out of the Whey Cheese Shop

Get it directly from local cheesemakers!

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

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OPTIONS FOR SUBMITTING ANSWERS/ PICTURES

Instagram Users You can store your images on Instagram then upload links to those posts by using the IG Answer Upload button at the bottom right of each page. When using this option, please note that ALL of your images mus be accessible via Instagram and that you must provide Vermont Cheese Council with access to "follow" you on Instagram if necessary to view your "answer" images. You should be able to upload answers/images clue by clue using this button as you go along.

Digital Uploads This is for folks who take pictures using mobile devices but don't use Instagram. The "upload answers" button at the bottom of each page will link you to an upload site that you can use to upload answers/images. Mail In Answers You can download a printable answer form with mail in instructions here:

www.vtcheese.com/hunt-uploads You can also find all these options available online at www.vtcheese.com/hunt upload answers

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GET CHEESY

Visit a cheesemaker at ONE of the following locations and take a photo of yourself visiting the cheesemaker/ business location to complete this clue:

(1) A cheesemaker's farmstand or store. You can find cheesemakers' farmstands/ stores on the Vermont Cheese Trail here: https://vtcheese.com/vermont-cheesetrail-map. Please note: Not all makers have farmstands/are open to the public - so do be sure you are visiting one that is labeled "open" on the trail map or uses the 'cheese wedge' icon - which means they are open to visitors IF you call ahead. Using the trail map, you can find their phone numbers to do just that; we recommend calling at least a day in advance if possible - and a few sites may

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GET CHEESY (continued)

give you a site tour if you call/plan ahead too (it never hurts to ask!). OR ...

(2) At a local farmers markets. Find a market here: <u>https://nofavt.org/findorganic-local-food/farmers-markets</u>. *Insider tip: We recommend reviewing the market online/asking them via email to make sure a cheesemaker is at the market. Not all have cheesemakers present!*



A PAIRED EXPERIENCE

Grab a Vermont cheese and visit the site of an organization that produces something that pairs with cheese! This can be chocolate maker, apple orchard, cider producer, wine maker, brewery, jam maker, etc. To complete this clue: Take a pic of your cheese and this pairing location (or a paired item you tried there) and tell us where you visited!

Find local cheese using the <u>"finding cheese"</u> page in the beginning of this clue packet.

Find fruit orchards and wineries here: <u>https://</u><u>www.diginvt.com/places</u>

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

Find Vermont's chocolate trail here: <u>https://</u>

<u>www.vermontvacation.com/plan-your-visit/</u> <u>made-in-vermont/chocolate</u>



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!

| COWS | lake or pond | kayak |
|------------------|---------------------|---------------|
| general store | eating a creemee | beach |
| ski trail | dirt road | any hikina |











A CLOSER LOOK

Each item referred to here may be found in the state's capital city ... Use the hints to build the clue you must solve...

TO SOLVE THIS CLUE: Take a photo of at least one team member with this **hint** foot giant of hint 2 who is hint 3 by her hint <u>hint 5.</u> 4

WORD HINTS

- 1. Walk west on State St. from Hint 2's location until you come to the little red house that's very friendly to visitors. What are the first and last numbers of this street address?
- 2. Last word on the second line of the main building sign found at 116 State St.

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A CLOSER LOOK (continued)

- Find the William Upham historic marker, last word on the line that is five down after the quote
- 4. First medal
- Find the Montpelier Recreation Field historic marker - 3rd word on the second line, replace the first letter of this word with the letter "d"



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 LAST 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: <u>https://vtcheese.com/vermontcheeses/vermont-cheese-search/</u>



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GET ARTY

Pick one:

(a) Visit the Highland Center for the Arts and/or its gallery for a free glimpse into the state's local art community. The center is only open certain days of the week and these days may change during the summer and fall. We recommend calling them to confirm open days/hours and/or visiting their website to see what is on display: <u>https://highlandartsvt.org/</u> gallery/

OR

(b) visit the Bread & Puppet Museum!

Take a photo with your favorite exhibit item to complete this clue!



LEG STRETCH & LEARNING STOP

Vermont is known in the spring for one of its less pleasant and biting experiences: Black Fly Season. But not all of our bugs are that irritating! To complete this clue, visit and take a photo of yourself with one of the bug exhibits at the Fairbanks Museum. From butterflies to bug art, you have some unique options to choose from!

Museum Info: <u>https://www.fairbanksmuseum.</u> <u>org/visit</u>



PICNIC TIME...

Time to take a break! Pick one of the options below and take a photo of yourself at your picnic spot to complete this clue:

(a) Visit the beach at Caspian Lake for a low key picnic that comes with a "dip" to cool off OR

(b) Pack up your picnic and hit the trails exploring one of Kingdom Trails' mountain bike, pedestrian, or family/beginner trails for a more active outing! Trail info is here: <u>https://www.</u> <u>kingdomtrails.org/trails#SummerTrails_OR</u>

(c) Put your picnic in a pack and explore the trails at Bar Hill Natural Area for beautiful local views. Site information: <u>https://www.nature.org/en-us/</u> <u>get-involved/how-to-help/places-we-protect/</u> <u>barr-hill-natural-area</u> *Insider Tip/Special Request: This is a beautiful site so we wanted to include itthough as the Nature Conservancy website notes - it's also very overused. Per their request: If the parking lot is full, please pick another option or come back another day to enjoy the site so that its beauty remains preserved. Thank you!!*

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TAKE IN THE VIEW

Explore farmlands, old railroad bridges, woods, and mountain views of this region by talking a walk, run, bike ride, or even horseback ride on the Lamoie Valley Rail Trail.

Check out the trail map and more at https://www.lvrt.org/trail-maps Please be aware that this interactive trail map shows "future" sections of the trail in red (so don't go there yet!) - though trail is open between St. Johnsbury and West Danville as of 2021. You can use the map to find parking areas for the sections open between West Danville and St. Johnsbury.

To complete this clue take a photo of yourself on your adventure!



SEE SOMETHING UNIQUE

A perfect clue for the dog lovers! Visit Dog Mountain in St. Johnsbury - check out its 150 acres of hiking trails, dog chapel, dog art, and many dogs! Take a picture with any dog statue at this site to complete this clue.

