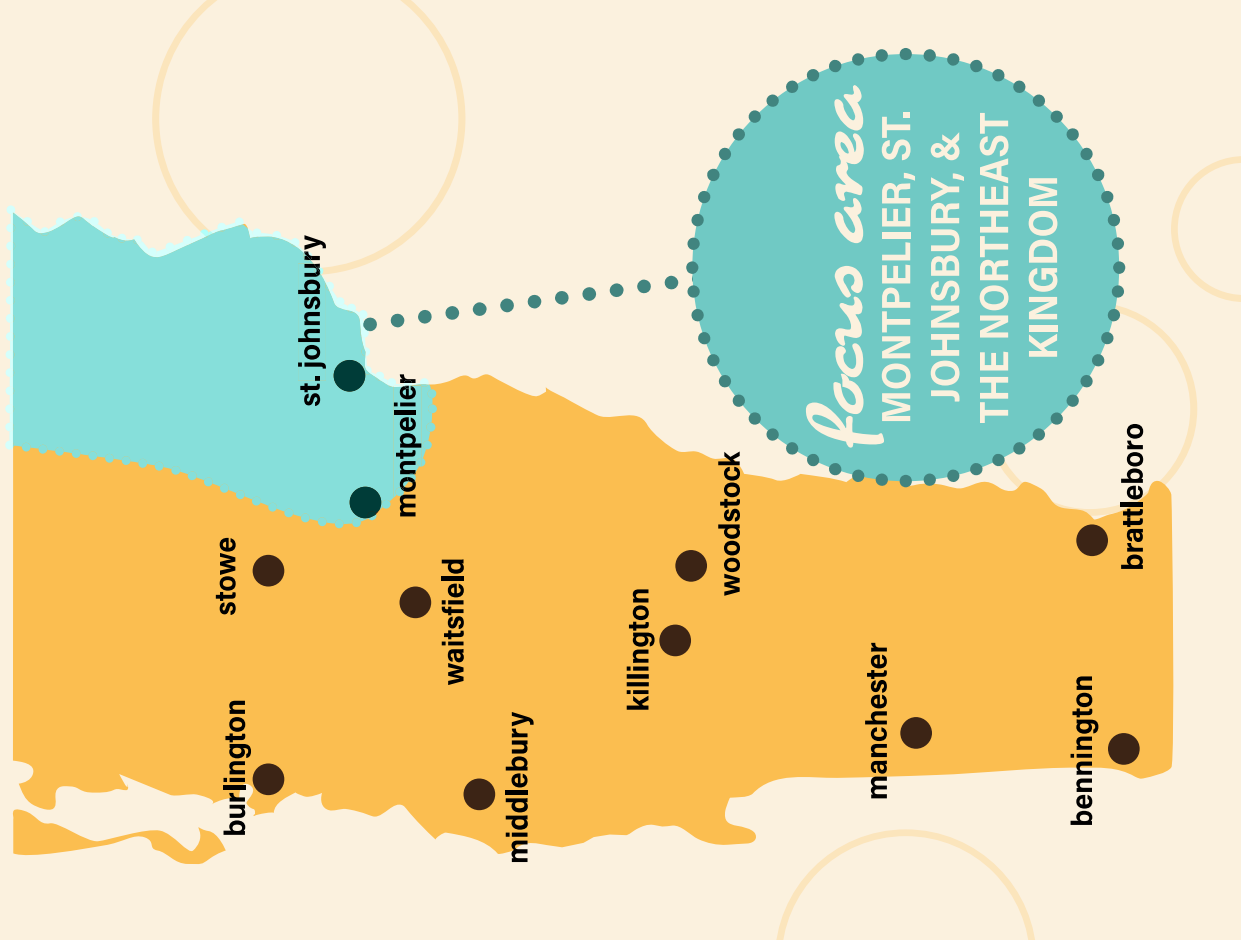


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INSTRUCTIONS You must complete:

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.

focus area
MONTPELIER, ST. JOHN SBURY, & THE NORTHEAST KINGDOM

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.

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 indemnify and hold The Vermont Cheese 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!

Near Montpelier

[Plainfield Co-op](#)

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 <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 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 must 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 Complete and submit the answer sheet at the end of this packet!

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

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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-cheese-trail-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 (continued...)



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: <https://nofavt.org/find-organic-local-food/farmers-markets>.

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!



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CLUE 2

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 ["finding cheese"](#) page in the beginning of this clue packet.

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

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

Find Vermont's chocolate trail here: <https://www.vermontvacation.com/plan-your-visit/made-in-vermont/chocolate>



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CLUE 3

IN THREES!

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

canoe or kayak	bicycle	general store
sign with "hill" in it	you eating cheese	dirt road
hay bales	town hall or orange sign	sign with "beach" in it



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 1 foot giant of hint 2 who is hint 3 by her hint 4 hint 5.

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)

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

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CLUE 5

FIND IT...

WHERE RIVERS AND PEOPLE COME TOGETHER ...

Prove when the home town of the Dog Chapel was established using a picture of one of your team members with the proof to complete this clue!

For any dog lovers our there - we recommend you visit this unique site!



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CLUE 6

GET ARTY

This corner of Vermont has a unique view of museums and displays - not seen many other places! Pick one of these unique options:

1. Bread and Puppet Museum: To complete this clue, take a pic with the 12' tall founder's statue. It may not be heated - so if colder out, bring a coat!
2. Check out the Fairbanks Museum's bug displays or art (yes, you are reading that correctly). Take a pic with the most story-worthy thing you find! You have some unique options to choose from! Museum hours/fee info: <https://www.fairbanksmuseum.org/visit>



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CLUE 7

LEG STRETCH & LEARNING STOP

BLAZE YOUR OWN TRAIL FOR THIS ONE...

Walk, bike, hike, run, or choose any non-motorized method to enjoy one or more of the Kingdom Trails trails! The Kingdom Trails network offers over 100 miles of non-motorized recreational trails for all ability levels, so you should be able to find the ideal trail for you! You can use their trail listing here to find the perfect trail just for you: <https://www.kingdomtrails.org/trails#SummerTrails>.

To complete this task: Take a picture of yourself on the trail you explore!



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CLUE 8

PICNIC TIME...

LAKES AND PONDS AND RIVERS, OH MY!

Go on a waterfront picnic somewhere beautiful with one of your favorite VT cheeses; this can be at the edge of a creek, in a kayak or canoe, or in a sailboat – we don't care what as long as it's near or on the water!

To complete this clue: Take a pic of your picnic stop, let us know what you like about that favorite cheese of yours, and let us know what body of water you visited!



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TAKE IN THE VIEW

When cheese is made, its milk reflects the land that feeds the animals that produce that milk. Many of the cheesemakers in the Northeast Kingdom have named cheeses after a feature of their nearby landscape - a mountain, a road, a lake, a town....

To complete this clue: Find a feature that has inspired a cheese name, take a pic with that feature!

Insider tip: Use the Vermont Cheese Trail map to find local cheesemakers: <https://vtcheese.com/vermont-cheese-trail-map>

And use the Vermont Cheese Council cheese search tool to see what cheeses they make (i.e. to find the cheese names you can pick from!): <https://vtcheese.com/vermont-cheeses/vermont-cheese-search>

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SEE SOMETHING UNIQUE

Visit the (WORD 1) (WORD 2) at (WORD 3) Lake. It's known for sometimes being under (WORD 4) sometimes.

Sometimes you can drive on it.
Sometimes you can't.

WORD 1: not sinking

WORD 2: b + (top edge of a mountain range)

WORD 3: solar event at dawn

WORD 4: material that makes up creeks, rivers, and lakes

To complete this clue: Take a pic at/with this site!

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THE hunt 2023 ANSWER PACKET

STEP 1: PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY AND PROVIDE YOUR CONTACT INFO. WHEN YOU HAVE COMPLETED STEPS 1, 2, AND 3 - MAIL YOUR SUBMISSION TO: VERMONT CHEESE COUNCIL, PO BOX 714, WAITSFIELD, VT 05673

Name: _____ Email: _____ Phone: _____

Mailing Address: _____

* IF YOU HAVE ADDITIONAL TEAM MEMBERS TO ENTER INTO THE PRIZE DRAWING - PLEASE CIRCLE WRITE THEIR NAMES, EMAILS, AND MAILING ADDRESSES ON THE BACK OF THIS FORM. IF THE ADDRESS IS THE SAME AS ABOVE - YOU CAN JUST WRITE "SAME AS MY ADDRESS"

STEP 2: SELECT THE REGION FOR WHICH YOU COMPETED YOUR CLUE PACKET/ARE SENDING IN ANSWERS/PHOTOS (USE ONE FORM PER REGION TO BE CONSIDERED FOR THAT REGION'S PRIZE RAFFLE):

<input type="checkbox"/> BURLINGTON & NORTHWEST	<input type="checkbox"/> MONTPELIER, ST. JOHNSBURY, & NORTHWEST KINGDOM	<input type="checkbox"/> MIDDLEBURY, SHELburnE, & LOWER CHAMPLAIN VALLEY	<input type="checkbox"/> STOWE, MAD RIVER VALLEY, & CENTRAL RT.100 CORRIDOR	<input type="checkbox"/> MANCHESTER, BENNINGTON, & SOUTHWEST	<input type="checkbox"/> WOODSTOCK, UPPER VALLEY, & SOUTHEAST
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STEP 3: CIRCLE THE CLUES YOU COMPLETED, THEN PROVIDE ANSWERS/SEND IN THE PHOTOS ASSOCIATED WITH THOSE CLUES.

Clue 1. GET CHEESY Please attach the picture from cheesemaker site or farmers market visit!

Clue 2. A PAIRED EXPERIENCE Both (a) include your picture and (b) tell us where you visited: _____

Clue 3: IN THREES! Attach your three winning pictures!

Clue 4: A CLOSER LOOK Send us your pic

Clue 5. FIND IT! Share your pic, and if you were to share something else, share that here too: _____

Clue 6. GET ARTY Attach your pic from your visit

Clue 7. LEG STRETCH AND LEARNING STOP Hope you learned something new and fun! Share the picture of your outing

Clue 8. PICNIC TIME Attach your picture; If you were to share something else, share that here too: _____

Clue 9. TAKE IN THE VIEW Share your view photo with us by attaching it to this packet

Clue 10. SEE SOMETHING UNIQUE Share your picture showing us what you found