HIKES & TRAILS

BASH BISH FALLS TRAIL

Copake Falls, NY 25-minute drive Difficulty ★★☆☆ Distance 2.1 miles, up-and-back.

Bash Bish Falls is the highest single-drop waterfall in the state. Picnic areas and restrooms are presently closed, but trails remain open. Explore the neighboring wilderness at Mt. Washington State Park or cross the border into New York's Taconic State Park.

BRACE MOUNTAIN

Millerton, NY 23-minute drive Difficulty ★★★☆ Distance 5 miles, up-and-back.

Brace Mountain is the peak of a ridge in the southern Taconic Mountains, near the tripoint of the U.S. states of New York, Connecticut and Massachusetts. Its 2,311-foot main summit is in New York; it is the highest point in that state's Dutchess County.

DOVER STONE CHURCH

Dover, NY 16-minute drive Difficulty ★★☆☆ Distance 1.2 miles, up-and-back.

According to local legend, the site was a refuge for Pequot Sachem Sassacus and his warriors as they fled from the English Army in the 1600s. Enjoy the unique rock outcroppings, scenic vistas and fauna of the West Mountain ridge and appreciate the Stone Church's ageold ecological history.

KENT FALLS

Kent, CT 20-minute drive Difficulty ★☆☆☆ Distance 0.7 miles, loop trail.

Entrance fee levied for out of state registered vehicles. \$10 on weekdays, \$15 on weekends & holidays.

A beautiful trail that walks along one of the largest waterfalls in Connecticut with many overlooks. This is a kidfriendly walk that is suitable for all levels of fitness and skill. While the trail is not wheelchair-accessible, the view can be appreciated from the bottom near parking.

MACEDONIA STATE PARK

Kent, CT 18-minute drive Difficulty ★★★☆ Distance 6.8 miles, loop trail.

The Macedonia Brook State Park spans 2,300 acres. The park's exciting terrain has resulted from the slow wearing down of its hard rock formation base. The Blue Trail crosses Cobble Mountain and several other peaks, offering outstanding views of the Catskill Mountains and Taconic Mountains.

STISSING MOUNTAIN

Pine Plains, NY 25-minute drive Difficulty ★★★☆☆ Distance 1.9 miles, partial loop.

Features an enormous fire tower that boasts excellent views. The ascent to the tower begins by crossing approximately 100 yards of Nature Conservancy property, after which the trails cross private property all the way to the tower.

