

7 Family-Friendly Things to Do in Lackawanna County, PA



This day trip destination for families in the New York area has fun for all, year-round!

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If you're looking for a [fun day trip for your family](#) or a weekend away, Lackawanna County, PA is a historic destination that is a less than 2-hour drive from New York City—and has plenty of family-friendly things to do for all four seasons. There are [kid-friendly museums](#), vibrant theaters showcasing local and world-renowned artists in family-friendly performances, fun seasonal festivals, and historical attractions that everyone will love. For those families who have a touch of cabin fever, winter is a great time to visit Lackawanna County, PA, as there's downhill [skiing](#), [snowboarding](#), snow-tubing, and [ice-skating](#). Here are the top six things to do in the family-friendly Lackawanna County, PA.

Electric City Trolley Museum

Do you know how Scranton became known as the Electric City? Find out, by visiting the [Electric City Trolley Museum](#), a great interactive museum for kids. Plus, the kids can experience what it was like to ride on a trolley in the 1920s.

Steamtown National Historic Site

Train-lovers will adore this national park chock-full of technology and train history. A good option is spending an afternoon combining the [Steamtown National Historic Site](#) and the Electric City Trolley Museum.

Electric City Aquarium & Reptile Den



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The newly opened [Electric City Aquarium & Reptile Den](#) is proving to be a big hit with locals and tourists. Kids can feed the sting rays, visit with the sharks, and watch a catch fish feeding. The aquarium is located inside the mall, so it's a great excursion

before or after shopping.

Terra Preta Prime

This [family-friendly, farm-to-table restaurant](#) in the heart of downtown Scranton is a good place for dinner. With a variety of menu items, from kid-favorites such as burgers and pot pies to adult specialties including salmon and steak, the food is fresh and the service is friendly and fast.

Montage Mountain Resorts

Get ski lessons for the kids and then enjoy downhill skiing and tubing at [Montage Mountain Resorts](#). The slopes are well-maintained and offer a variety of levels. Be sure to grab lunch at the lodge, which has yummy food and great views of the mountain.

Cooper's Seafood House



This [pirate-themed restaurant](#) is a fun activity for kids, and the food is yummy enough for everyone! Favorites include shrimp, crab cakes, salmon, and pasta dishes.

Main image: Snow tubing at Montage Mountain Resorts



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