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RESORT & SPA

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Welcome to The INNsider; your curated guide to authentic Vermont experiences. More than just a magazine, this is your gateway to the best of The Essex Resort & Spa - the Burlington region's only Resort - and the vibrant community surrounding it. Immerse yourself in the true essence of Vermont. Enjoy hands-on culinary adventures at our Essex Kitchen Workshops and a rejuvenating oasis at the Spa at The Essex. Savor local flavors at Junction and The Lazy Goat Tavern, connect with nature, and visits with our friendly goats, Stewart and Penelope.

Beyond our Resort, we celebrate the artistry, culture, and local businesses that make The Essex Experience a destination in itself - proudly named Best Retail Hub by Yankee Magazine's 2025 Travel Issue. Through thoughtfully crafted stories, insider recommendations, and behind-the-scenes features, we'll guide you to one-of-a-kind shopping, entertainment, and outdoor adventures - ensuring your stay is as memorable as it is relaxing.

We believe every visit should be more than just a getaway - it should be a journey into the heart of Vermont's craftsmanship, flavors, and traditions. Let us be your compass to unforgettable moments at The Essex Resort & Spa!

Welcome to the INNsider



From Your Hosts

*We warmly welcome you to
The Essex Resort and Spa.*

*Whether you are here for
adventure, romance,
business, or just a relaxing
getaway, The Essex will do its
best to make your stay a
memorable experience.*

*We hope that our staff,
property, and Vermont
exceed your expectations.*

*Thank you for choosing us.
We hope you love The Essex
as much as we do!*

Peter & Jessica
Ebert Edelmänn

Proud to Support Vermont Public

A SHARED COMMITMENT TO COMMUNITY



Vermont Public

**SUPPORT THE
STORIES THAT BRING
US TOGETHER**

We invite you to tune in, support, and be part of the conversation. And while you're here at The Essex, take a moment to enjoy the stories, hospitality, and sense of community that Vermont Public helps foster every day.

**LEARN MORE AT
VERMONTPUBLIC.ORG**

The Essex Resort & Spa believes in the power of community, storytelling, and connection - which is why we are proud members of Vermont Public's Corporate Circle. Vermont Public is a vital part of life in our state, offering trusted news from NPR and PBS, award-winning local journalism, enriching music, and meaningful programming that reflects the diversity and heart of our region.

We welcome guests from near and far to relax, recharge, and reconnect. Supporting Vermont Public is an extension of that mission. Like The Essex, Vermont Public brings people together - whether through thought-provoking programming, live cultural events, or in-depth reporting that keeps Vermonters informed and engaged.

Through the Corporate Circle, we're honored to invest in a nonprofit media organization that is local, community-funded, and accessible to everyone - no paywall, no subscription, just high-quality content that serves the public good.

Become an INNsider:

LOYALTY SHOULD FEEL LIKE LUXURY



Welcome to a loyalty program that treats you like a VIP from your very first visit. With INNsider Rewards at The Essex Resort & Spa, every experience you enjoy - whether it's a cozy overnight stay, a gourmet meal, or a relaxing massage - brings you closer to exclusive perks and unforgettable moments.



Earn Points for every stay, meal, and spa treatment



Exclusive Room Rates just for members



Special Spa Pricing to help you unwind for less



Early Access to resort events and limited-time offers



Birthday Perks to celebrate your special day in style

From romantic weekends to spa days and celebratory dinners, your loyalty adds up to more of what you love. Best of all? **It's free to join.**

INNsider Rewards — it's free to join, easy to use, and packed with perks. Earn points for every dollar you spend at the resort, then turn those points into rewards you can use right here on property.



Experiences at the Essex: Amenities to Enjoy



Spa at The Essex

Indulge in serenity with spa treatments from our skilled team. Enjoy our sauna, steam room, spa menu, and more. Call Ext. 1452 or go online to book.

Mon - Wed 10AM - 6PM

Thurs - Sun 8AM - 8PM



Complimentary Bikes & Snowshoes

Experience the outdoors year-round with complimentary seasonal equipment. Discover the beauty of every season with complimentary snowshoes (winter) and bicycles (spring, summer, and fall). Adults only.



Tennis Courts, Fitness Center, Indoor Pool, Outdoor Pool, & Hot Tub

Stay active in our fitness center, 25-yard indoor lap pool, and tennis courts, then unwind in the outdoor pool and hot tub. Enjoy handcrafted food and drinks poolside - because wellness should taste as good as it feels.

Fri & Sat 6 AM - 10 PM

Sun - Thurs 6 AM - 9 PM



Penelope & Stewart

Take a stroll around the property and stop by to meet our two Nigerian Dwarf Goats, Stewart & Penelope!



Junction

An intimate, interactive dining experience where culinary artistry takes center stage. Watch our chefs in action at the open kitchen, or engage with them tableside at the exclusive Chef's Table. Serving dinner - reservations suggested. Call Ext. 1489 to book.



Lazy Goat Tavern

Kick back, relax, and bring your appetite. The Lazy Goat Tavern takes a fresh approach to pub favorites and offers an extensive selection of micro-brews. Call Ext. 1413 to book. Serving breakfast, brunch, lunch and dinner.



The Essex Bake Shop

Located underground in the Main Inn, The Essex Bake Shop invites you to watch our bakers in action and a chance to enjoy a sample of their freshest creations.



Essex Kitchen Workshops & Dinners

Low-pressure classes with high quality results. Join us for classes, workshops, and food experiences. Available for private events and custom classes in one of our two state-of-the-art teaching kitchens. Call the front desk or book online to schedule.



Lobby Bake Case

Grab a glass of wine or espresso and enjoy scrumptious cakes, pastries, and sandwiches crafted in-house by our talented chefs. For those on the move, our grab-and-go breakfast and lunch options make it easy to enjoy fresh, delicious fare anytime.



Room Service

Enjoy the flavors of The Lazy Goat Tavern and Junction from the comfort of your room. Call Ext. 1412 to order.



Sanctuary for Body + Mind

Step into a space designed for restoration, where thoughtful treatments and calming rituals invite you to slow down, reset, and reconnect.

INDOOR POOL & FITNESS

CENTER HOURS*

Monday – Sunday: 5AM – 10PM

SPA HOURS*

Monday – Wednesday: 10AM – 6PM

Thursday – Sunday: 8AM – 8PM

**CALL EXT. 1452
TO BOOK**

*hours are subject to change



Indoor Pool

A bright, peaceful space for laps or relaxation.



Outdoor Pool

A seasonal retreat to unwind in the Vermont air.



Outdoor Hot Tub

Warm, restorative soaking beneath the open sky.



Fitness Center

Fully equipped for strength, cardio, and movement.



Dry Sauna

Detoxify, improve circulation, and relax.



Steam Room

Soothe muscles and refresh body and mind.



Tennis Court

Detoxify, improve circulation, and relax.



Wellness Gardens (Coming Soon)

Tranquil outdoor paths and spaces for rest and reflection.



Massage Therapy

Relax and rejuvenate with our tailored massages, from the calming Essex Signature to targeted Deep Tissue and Prenatal sessions. Each treatment is enhanced with organic oils and aromatic Zents.



Hydrafacial™

Reveal your healthiest skin with our HydraFacials - deeply cleansing, exfoliating, and hydrating for a radiant glow with zero downtime.



Enhancements (Massage & Facial)

Elevate your treatment with enhancements designed to deepen relaxation and deliver results - from restorative CBD to advanced therapies like cupping and LED light.



Facials

Glow with facials thoughtfully tailored to your skin's unique needs, combining proven techniques with deeply nourishing products to restore balance, enhance clarity, and leave your complexion refreshed and radiant.



Rituals & Packages

Treat yourself to wellness with calming rituals that hydrate, refresh, and leave you feeling your best - featuring soothing treatments and gentle aromatherapy.



Beauty Services

Enhance your glow with our beauty treatments; from expert tinting and lifting to waxing and spray tanning, leaving you refreshed, polished, and confident.

CONTINUE THE RITUAL AT HOME

Extend your spa experience beyond your stay with a curated collection of wellness and skincare essentials. Thoughtfully sourced and available in our spa boutique, each product supports balance, restoration, and everyday ritual.

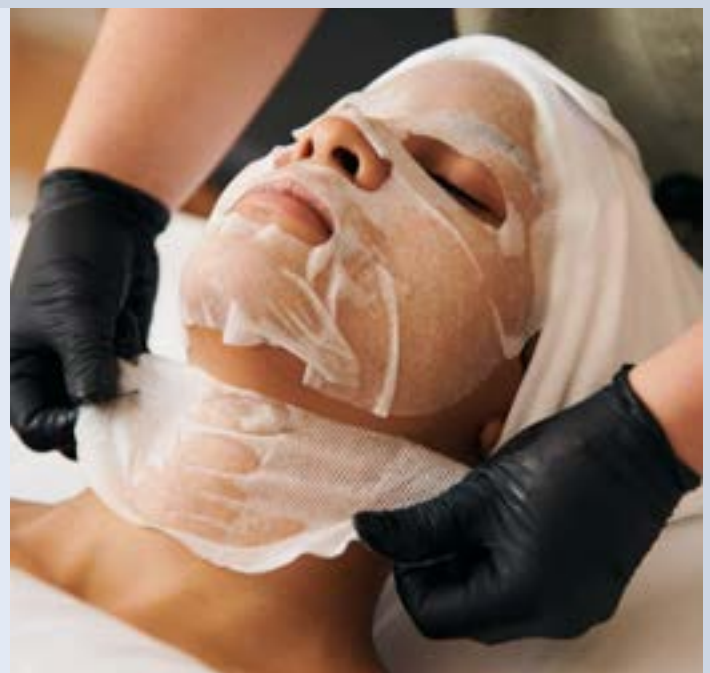


ANIMA MUNDI
APOTHECARY

Rooted in ancient traditions and indigenous wisdom, Anima Mundi offers potent botanical remedies crafted from organic, wildcrafted, and ethically sourced ingredients. From calming teas to nourishing tonics and elixirs, each blend is designed to support mind, body, and soul.

KIN AESTHETICS

Advanced Korean skincare grounded in innovation and respect for the skin barrier, KIN Aesthetics focuses on long-term skin health and visible results. Thoughtfully formulated and esthetician-approved, each product is designed to elevate your daily routine with intention and care.





WHERE THE HERD GATHERS & FLAVORS ROAM FREE

*Feelin' a little lazy? Scan
here to see what's cookin' at
The Lazy Goat Tavern!*



Breakfast | Brunch | Lunch | Dinner

70 ESSEX WAY, ESSEX, VT | OPEN DAILY



JUNCTION



AT THE ESSEX RESORT & SPA



LUXURY WITHOUT PRETENSION



Junction isn't your typical fine dining experience. With an open kitchen, tableside touches, and a seasonal menu built around fresh, local ingredients, every detail is designed to impress - without the fuss.

The vibe? Elevated yet easygoing. Bold flavors, warm hospitality, and a setting where five-star meals and jeans go hand in hand.



DINE DIFFERENTLY. BOOK YOUR TABLE TODAY.



The Essex Bake Shop: The Sweet Side of Your Stay

From morning pastries to celebration-worthy cakes, The Essex Bake Shop brings a touch of sweetness to every stay. Stop by our **lobby bake case** for a rotating selection of fresh, baked-daily treats.



Planning something special? Our pastry team creates custom cakes, cupcakes, cookies, and dessert displays designed for every occasion - from themed birthday cookies to intricate wedding cakes. Whether you're treating yourself or celebrating life's sweetest moments, The Bake Shop is here to make it memorable.



Crafting Holiday Magic: Inside The Essex Gingerbread House



Walk into The Essex lobby in December, and the scent of gingerbread fills the air. At the center of it all stands a life-sized gingerbread house - a tradition that signals the start of the holiday season for guests and staff alike.

The planning begins early. By October, the Bake Shop team is sketching designs and working closely with our Engineering team, whose construction skills help bring the house to life. In November, the first sheets of gingerbread go into the ovens, and over the next few weeks, the team bakes 700–800 bricks for the full-sized house. By late November, construction begins in the lobby, and guests and staff alike pause to admire the finished creation.

Alongside the life-sized display, the Bake Shop team prepares smaller gingerbread pieces for the popular take-home kits. Last season, more than 200 kits were sold, giving families a chance to enjoy a bit of Essex holiday magic at home. Guests are encouraged to share their creations on social media and tag us @essexresortspa - the team loves seeing your photos!

The gingerbread house is just one of the ways The Essex Resort & Spa brings the season to life. From Breakfast with Santa, to the cozy hot cocoa bar, and the heartwarming Gratitude Tree, every detail is designed to create shared experiences and lasting memories. Whether visiting this December or planning a return stay, The Essex is a place where traditions are celebrated, and the magic of the season is felt by everyone who walks through our doors.

THE ESSEX KITCHEN

WORKSHOPS + DINNERS



Roll Up Your Sleeves & Step Into
Our Kitchens for an Unforgettable
Culinary Experience

- Perfect for Friends, Family, and Lifelong Learners
- Date Night, Team Building, and Just for Fun!
- Seasonal & Themed Classes
- Pasta-Making to Pastry Arts



**SHARPEN YOUR
CULINARY SKILLS**

Scan QR Code to Explore Our Class Schedule





RESORT DINING, ROOMSIDE

Enjoy the flavors of The Lazy Goat Tavern and Junction from the comfort of your room. Simply call **Ext. 1412** to place your order and let us bring your favorites to you.



LET'S GET TOGETHER

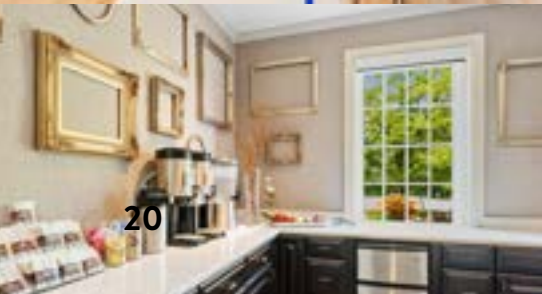
Meetings, retreats, conferences, and team-building experiences that inspire connection.

From executive retreats and conferences to incentive trips and team-building experiences, The Essex Resort & Spa offers the perfect setting to gather, collaborate, and recharge. With versatile event spaces, exceptional dining, wellness experiences, and Vermont-inspired activities, we'll help create a meeting that's anything but ordinary.



Ideal For: Corporate Meetings, Retreats & Trainings, Conferences, Team Building, & Incentive Travel

Bring your team together. Scan to explore meeting spaces and group experiences.





LET'S CELEBRATE

Weddings, anniversaries, birthdays, reunions, and milestone moments made unforgettable.

Whether you're planning a wedding weekend, family reunion, birthday celebration, or holiday gathering, our beautiful spaces and dedicated team help turn special occasions into lasting memories. From intimate dinners to grand celebrations, every event is thoughtfully tailored to you.

Ideal For: Weddings, Rehearsal Dinners, Showers, Anniversaries, Birthdays, Reunions, & Holiday Parties

Celebrate life's biggest moments. Scan to explore about hosting your event at The Essex.





Where Culture, Connection, & Celebration Come Together

There's something unmistakable about an Italian gathering. It's more than the food or the wine (though both are essential); it's the warmth of conversation, the joy of shared experiences, and the feeling of being welcomed to the table.

For more than 40 years, the **Vermont Italian Cultural Association (VICA)** has brought that spirit to communities across Vermont. Founded in 1983, the organization celebrates Italian culture through food, music, language, film, and tradition, creating meaningful connections with every event.

"Sharing the bond of family and Italian traditions has always been central to who we are," says President Lisa DeNatale. "We hope our guests walk away with a deeper appreciation for how Italian culture enhances our enjoyment of life."

That sense of connection has found a natural home at The Essex Resort & Spa. From board meetings and elegant dinners to festive celebrations and hands-on classes in The Essex Kitchen, VICA has hosted a wide

variety of events across the property, each thoughtfully tailored to its guests.

With a team that understands VICA's vision, The Essex helps bring every gathering to life through collaborative planning, customized menus, and thoughtful details that honor Italian culture.

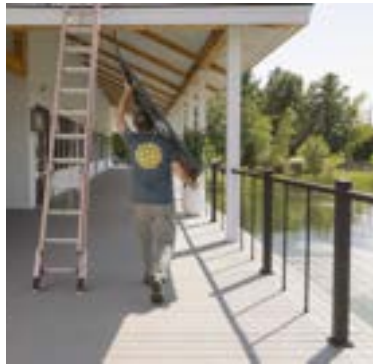
"If we can't be in Italy," DeNatale says, "we want it to feel as though we are."

For organizations looking to create memorable events, The Essex offers more than versatile venues and overnight accommodations - it offers a dedicated team committed to making every gathering feel effortless and meaningful.

Planning your next event? Connect with The Essex sales team to bring your vision to life, whether you're hosting an intimate dinner, corporate retreat, or milestone celebration.

Email sales@essexresort.com to get started!

Powering Your Stay with Clean Energy



At The Essex Resort & Spa, creating exceptional guest experiences goes hand in hand with caring for the environment. That's why we've made one of our most significant sustainability investments to date through an ongoing partnership with SunCommon, bringing clean, renewable solar energy to multiple buildings across both The Essex Resort & Spa and Essex Experience.

What began with a single rooftop solar installation in 2018 has grown into a multi-phase project spanning our Main Inn, Spa, and Farmhouse buildings. Combined with the Essex Experience, these installations now generate more than 750,000 kilowatt-hours of clean electricity each year! That's enough renewable energy to power approximately 125 average homes, and is equivalent to taking about 80 cars off the road annually.

This investment reflects our commitment to being responsible members of the Vermont community while preserving the natural beauty that makes our state so special. By generating our own renewable energy, we're reducing our reliance on traditional power sources and investing in a more sustainable future for the place we call home.

Looking ahead, our partnership with SunCommon continues to grow, with a solar parking canopy and additional energy-efficient upgrades on the horizon. When you stay at The Essex, you're supporting a resort committed to thoughtful environmental stewardship.

Whether you're relaxing at the spa or enjoying a getaway, your next stay is powered by the sun!





Our Neighborhood: Just a Short Walk Across the Bridge

Immerse yourself in **THE ESSEX EXPERIENCE**, a solar-powered collection of 25+ locally owned and operated businesses. Our indoor and outdoor Double E performance spaces, along with Vermont's two largest movie screens, promise superior viewing and entertainment experiences.

Enjoy the convenience of easy access and ample free parking. Within a 2-minute drive of the Resort, discover award-winning coffee, cider, wine, craft beer, dining, shopping and Vermont's largest art gallery.

Owned by the same family and operated in partnership, The Essex Resort & Spa and The Essex Experience function as true sister properties. This unique connection transforms the Experience into a signature amenity - expanding your stay with effortless access to culture, flavor, and entertainment just across the bridge.



LEARN MORE

www.essexexperience.com

SHOP

Discover local makers, unique finds, and specialty boutiques just steps away.



ADDIE & GRACE

19 Essex Way, #414

Contemporary designer women's fashion meets the warmth of Vermont hospitality. Explore a curated mix of clothing, accessories, and unique finds that bring style and ease to every day.



ARTHOUND GALLERY

19 Essex Way, #405

Visit Vermont's largest gallery featuring over 400+ diverse Vermont artists and local product makers in over 11k sq ft.



FAMOUS FOOTWEAR

21 Essex Way, #103

Shoes, bags, footwear accessories, and great prices!



Homeport

21 Essex Way, #113

New to The Essex Experience, Homeport is a lifestyle and home furnishing store, offering a large range of products to suit your household needs.



MAGIC MANN

25 Essex Way, #216 & #218

Premium crafted Vermont cannabis and supports local growers, with a focus on quality, education, and community. Vermont's choice for cannabis and edibles. Adult use only, 21+ with valid ID.



NUSANTARA

19 Essex Way, #415

Global fashion, vintage finds, and artisan-made goods rooted in 40+ years of Southeast Asian collaboration and fair trade - new treasures arrive daily.

DINE

Taste your way through vibrant flavors, casual bites, and chef-driven favorites.



BLACK FLANNEL BREWING CO. & DISTILLERY

19 Essex Way, #201

Black Flannel: Vermont's only combination brewery & distillery, with live music and special events. Reservations suggested.



BRAMBLE

21 Essex Way, #101

The food is kissed with fire and wrapped in passion. Mother Nature and whimsy determine their menu, meant to be shared. Reservations suggested.



LEO & CO.

19 Essex Way, #418

Casual café with counter service, patio, and take-away market featuring juices, smoothies, sandwiches, salads, soups, and local Vermont products.



MAD TACO

25 Essex Way, #213

Latin-inspired cuisine from local farms, with Vermont craft beer, cocktails, and house-made sauces & meats. Eat-In/Takeaway.



ORIENTAL WOK

21 Essex Way, #110

This award-winning, family-run restaurant has been serving traditional Hunan, Szechuan, and Cantonese cuisine for over 20 years. Takeaway only.



SALT & BUBBLES WINE BAR & MARKET

19 Essex Way, #412

Each wine and market item is carefully curated for a unique and delicious experience. Reservations suggested.



UNCOMMON COFFEE

19 Essex Way, #201

A cozy café offering expertly roasted coffee paired with house-made breakfast sandwiches and fresh-baked treats.



VERMONT CIDER LAB

25 Essex Way, #214

Hard cider, live music, trivia nights, and lite bites - seasonal paninis, cheese boards, desserts - plus a cozy tasting room and outdoor patio.

DID YOU KNOW?

In 2025, The Essex Experience was named **Best Retail Hub in Vermont** by *Yankee Magazine*.

EXPERIENCE

Immerse yourself in music, wellness, art, and unforgettable moments around every corner.



DOUBLE E

21 Essex Way, #302 & 303

Discover a world of entertainment at The Double E in Vermont, a vibrant cultural hub offering live performances, music, cinema, and community events. With three venues, it's the perfect destination for exploring diverse arts and culture.



ELEMENTS OF HEALING

21 Essex Way, #109

Holistic health and wellness practice founded by Leslie Chadwell, a dedicated practitioner of Chinese Medical Massage, essential oils, and nutritional counseling.



ESSEX CINEMAS

21 Essex Way, #300

Consistently voted Vermont's Premier Theatre featuring Vermont's two largest screens, it's the premier destination for movie lovers.



MAGIC NAILS

21 Essex Way, #208

Exceptional, creative designs. Quality nail service for over 20 years.



PEACE OF MIND PILATES

25 Essex Way, #210

Community-focused fitness studio with classes for Pilates, Barre, Yoga, Cardio and more! All skill and fitness levels are welcome. Pre-registration required.

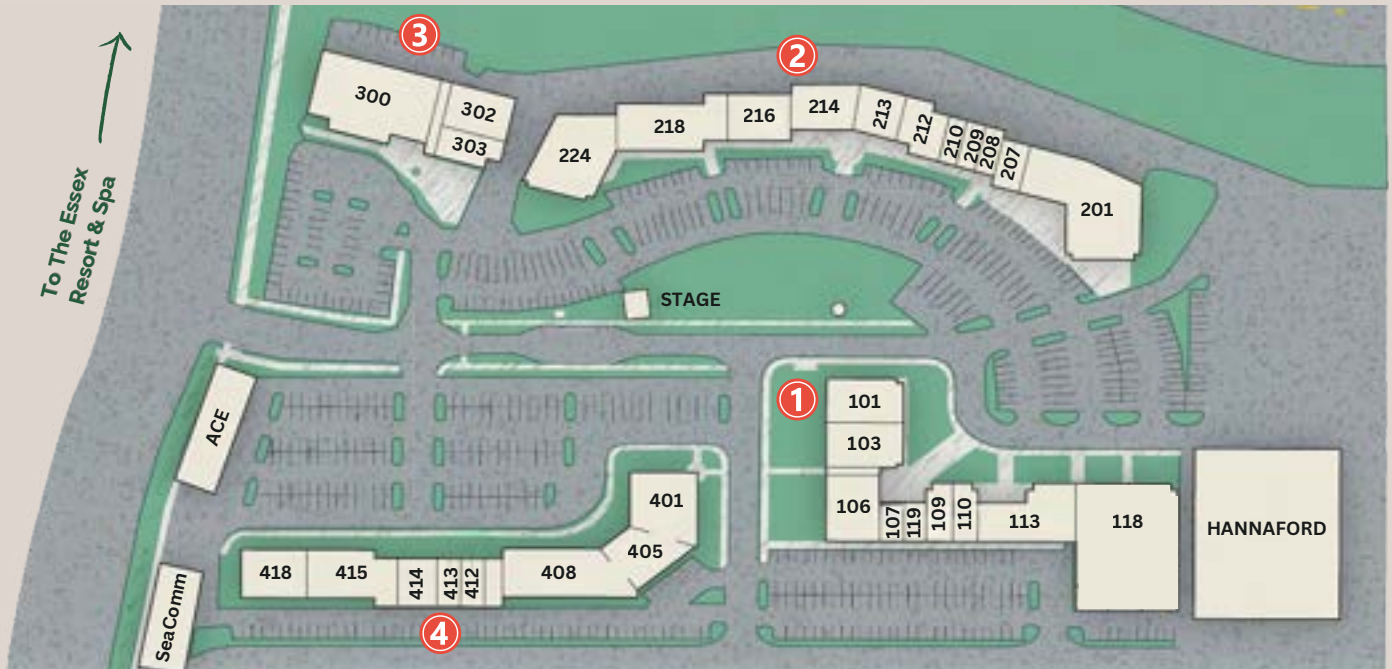


PURPLE SALT

25 Essex Way, #224

Spa treatments, therapeutic salt cave and sauna sessions, and a boutique with skincare, wellness products, and more. Relax in the salt cave while halotherapy helps support respiratory health, soothes the skin, and promotes deep relaxation.

ESSEX EXPERIENCE CAMPUS DIRECTORY



BUILDING 1

- 101** Bramble
- 103** Famous Footwear
- 106** Inspired Minds Daycare
- 109** Elements of Healing
- 110** Oriental Wok
- 113** Homeport
- 118** Phun Entertainment Center -
Under Development, Coming Soon!

BUILDING 2

- 201** Black Flannel Brewery
- 207** Black Flannel Distillery
- 208** Magic Nails
- 210** Sukho Thai
- 212** Peace of Mind Pilates
- 213** Mad Taco
- 214** Vermont Cider Lab
- 216/218** Magic Mann
- 224** Purple Salt Salon & Salt Cave

BUILDING 3

- 300** Essex Cinemas
Parallax: A World Class Holographic
Experience, Coming Soon!
- 302** T-Rex/ Double E
- 303** Double E Lounge

BUILDING 4

- 405** Art Hound Gallery
- 408** Uncommon Coffee
- 412** Salt & Bubble Wine Bar & Market
- 413** L'lvresse
- 414** Addie & Grace
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- 418** Leo & Co.



LEARN MORE

www.essexexperience.com

Homeport Finds a Second Home at The Essex Experience

Summer 2026, one of Burlington's most beloved local businesses is expanding - bringing its curated mix of home goods and personal approach of retailing to The Essex Experience.

What began in 1987 as a Pier 1 franchise has evolved into a truly independent, multigenerational business, shaped by a passion for creating spaces that feel warm, welcoming, and distinctly human. Over the years, the Bouchett family has built a loyal following by focusing on something simple: making customers feel welcome and helping them find items they'll truly use and enjoy.

In a world that increasingly leans toward convenience and transactions, Homeport stands firmly for something else: experience. "If someone gives us their time," owner Mark Bouchett says, "we want them to leave feeling like it was time well spent." That philosophy is woven into every corner of the store - from thoughtfully selected kitchen tools and housewares to unexpected, delightful finds that invite you to linger just a little longer.



The Essex Experience felt like the right fit. With its mix of locally owned businesses, restaurants, and gathering spaces, it offers a strong sense of community and an alternative to the traditional downtown shopping trip. It's a place that offers the same energy and sense of discovery that has long defined Burlington's Church Street, all while creating something entirely its own.

The new location will focus on kitchen goods and houseware, while still featuring some of the items longtime Homeport customers know and love. From everyday essentials to well-made tools for cooking and entertaining, the selection is designed for a range of needs and budgets.

And like everything at Homeport, each item has been chosen with intention. The goal isn't just to sell - it's to enhance the everyday. To turn routine moments into something more meaningful. Because, as Bouchett puts it, "finding delight in the everyday is what makes a life feel full."

Located just minutes from The Essex Resort & Spa, The Essex Experience continues to grow as a destination for both visitors and locals. Homeport's addition strengthens that mix, offering visitors and locals alike another reason to shop, dine, gather, and explore, all in one thoughtfully designed community.

Because in the end, "home" isn't just a place. It's a feeling. And soon, you'll find even more of it waiting for you in Essex.



Memories Take Center Stage

When Essex Cinemas first lit up its marquee in 2001, it wasn't just opening a theater - it was establishing a new destination. Founder Peter Edelmann envisioned more than movie screens; he imagined a gathering place within what was then the Essex Outlets - now The Essex Experience - where community, creativity, and shared moments could thrive.

From the beginning, Essex Cinemas stood apart for its ambition and innovation. It introduced Vermont's largest movie screen, instantly setting a new standard for moviegoing in the region. In 2008, that vision expanded with the opening of the T-Rex theater. With its towering screen, powerful sound, and immersive design, T-Rex offered an experience unlike anything else in the state.

As the community grew, so did T-Rex's purpose. The 400-seat venue soon evolved from traditional cinema into a live performance space, hosting national touring

acts, tribute shows, and special events.

A smaller 150-seat venue created space for emerging artists to develop their following until they could command the main stage, helping Essex Cinemas become a true hub for cultural experiences. The arrival of Eve, a rare Steinway concert grand piano known for her remarkable dynamic range, elevated these performances even further, adding warmth and presence to every show.

Essex Cinemas has also shaped the lives of the people who have worked within its walls. Thousands of employees have started their professional journey here. One of them, Kaitlin Gillman, started as a high school student and returned to work summers during college. "The Cinemas gave me experience I carried into every job afterward," she shared. "It taught me how to work hard, take responsibility, and take pride in taking care of people."

Innovation also extends to sustainability. Essex Cinemas is the only solar-powered movie theater in Vermont, proving modern venues can respect the environment while serving the community.

More than two decades later, Essex Cinemas remains at the heart of The Essex Experience - where stories are shared, memories are made, and a bold vision continues to grow without losing sight of its roots.

EXPERIENCE
THE MAGIC



ON THE BIG
SCREEN



More Than Entertainment: Building Community at The Double E

The Double E is Essex's premier destination for live music, arts & cultural experiences. From concerts and lifestyle events to lectures, workshops, and classes, their multi-venue entertainment hub exists to feed the hearts and minds of Chittenden County, while building community on The Essex Experience campus.

The Double E Lounge - is an intimate performance space featuring a stage and screen with high-end production, tiered seating and a dance floor. From popular touring artists to local Vermont musicians, The Lounge shines a spotlight on the American roots traditions, comedy, classical and world music to move the body and nourish the soul. Their doors are open to entertain you with great music, pique your interest, satisfy your curiosity, or simply welcome you to hang out after work with friends.

The Double E presents larger concerts, speaking events, multi-media presentations and independent films right down the hallway from the lounge at **The Double E Theater**. This premier listening room with its superior

sound quality - attached to The Double E's sister company, The Essex Cinemas - features Vermont's only large format cinema screen (and the largest screen in the state), super comfortable seats, an expansive stage, excellent production, and "Eve", their Steinway D-Series concert piano.

Vermont's summer and fall seasons are magical, and The Double E takes every advantage of the warm weather to present larger shows, festivals and community gatherings outdoors at **The Old Stage**. This wonderful community space on the green in the center of The Essex Experience faces a 200-year-old barn that was lovingly restored and renovated to house a large, covered stage with top-end sound and lights, supported by two bars flanking the green.

Heading into 2027, the veteran music industry professionals and culture curators behind the new direction in programming and the overall brand refresh highlight the tagline "community, arts, culture" as a succinct summary of their goals. More than just providing entertainment, The Double E mission is: to facilitate and foster connection by

THE DOUBLE E LOUNGE



THE OLD STAGE



THE DOUBLE E THEATER



PRIVATE EVENTS



presenting educational experiences and opportunities for people of all ages and backgrounds. Their goal is to be as sustainable and ecologically friendly as possible as they strive to address the needs and desires of the community in an inclusive, accessible environment that not only accepts, but seeks to actively embrace and support their differences and diversity.

The Double E event and performance spaces are also available for **private events**. With a full bar, kitchen, stage and screen, multi-media capacity, and professional production and hospitality staff, they can accommodate parties, company meetings, banquets, awards ceremonies, recitals, speaking events, book or record release parties, private concerts, film screenings, art openings and gatherings of any kind.

Located in the heart of Chittenden County, just 20 minutes from downtown Burlington, 30 minutes from St. Albans, and about 40 minutes from Montpelier and Stowe, the central location, accessibility, and safe, worry-free campus - coupled with abundant, free, on-site parking and the eclectic selection of lifestyle-oriented businesses of The Essex Experience - make The Double E a welcoming entertainment destination for the broader community and out-of-state guests, while providing another high-quality option for touring artists and events in the greater Burlington market.

EXPLORE
TICKETS & EVENTS





Things To Do This Spring & Summer



Tee Off at The Links at Lang Farm

This beautifully maintained 18-hole executive golf course is great for golfers of all levels. Receive a voucher for practice balls at the front desk. linksatlangfarm.com - 2 min drive



Picnic at Burlington Waterfront Park

Lake views, fresh air, and the perfect sunset - bring a blanket and take it all in. enjoyburlington.com - 25 min drive



Above Reality Hot Air Balloon Rides

Enjoy a spectacular balloon flight over the picturesque Champlain Valley. balloonvermont.com - Drop Off & Pick Up Here at the Resort!



Bike Along the Island Line Trail

Borrow one of our complimentary bikes, make a quick drive, and ride along Lake Champlain from Burlington to South Hero with stunning views and a unique causeway over the water. - 25 min drive



Pick-Your-Own at Paul Mazza's Farm

Paul Mazza's Fruit and Vegetables offers fresh, locally grown produce, a hands-on farm experience, and products across Vermont's communities. - 5 min drive



Indian Brook Reservoir

A peaceful spot for hiking, fishing, picnicking, and soaking in nature around a serene reservoir. - 11 min drive

Things To Do This Autumn



Visit the Cold Hollow Cider Mill

Warm cider, fresh cider donuts, and Vermont-made goodies in a cozy fall setting of quaint Waterbury, VT. coldhollow.com - 32 min drive



Apple Picking

Nothing says fall like filling a bag with crisp Vermont apples right from the tree. chapinorchard.com - 8 min drive



Explore Stowe

Charming shops, mountain views, and peak foliage - the ultimate fall day trip. gostowe.com - 41 min drive



Leaf Peep & Hike

Take in vibrant views of Lake Champlain and the Adirondacks in wooded trails like Red Rocks Park in South Burlington. southburlingtonvt.gov - 21 min drive



Local Brew Tours

Sample local brews on a public or private tour of Vermont's craft beer scene. citybrewtours.com - 25 min drive



Take a Covered Bridge Drive

Cruise scenic backroads and discover Vermont's iconic covered bridges surrounded by fall foliage.

Things To Do This Winter



Take a Sleigh Ride (Shelburne Farms)

Glide through snowy fields wrapped in a blanket - pure winter magic.
shelburnefarms.org - 29 min drive



Winter Lights (Shelburne Museum)

A dazzling display of lights, music, and holiday charm for all ages.
shelburnemuseum.org - 31 min drive



Hit the Slopes

Ski or snowboard Vermont's legendary trails just a short drive from Essex. Bolton, Stowe, and Smuggs are nearby!
skivermont.com - 32 min drive



Ice Skating

Lace up at outdoor spots like Burlington's Rink at Lakeside Park or indoor arenas around the Greater Burlington Area.



Take a Winter Train

Enjoy a nostalgic, scenic train ride through snowy Vermont landscapes. Cozy, festive, and family-friendly!
rails-vt.com - 25 min drive



Try Snowshoeing

Pick up a pair of snowshoes at the front desk and explore serene trails winding through snow-covered forests.

INNsider Tip: Indian Brook Reservoir

A SCENIC ESCAPE FOR WHATEVER KIND OF DAY YOU'RE SEEKING.



Discover the Magic of Vermont

SWING BY THE FRONT DESK TO PICK UP YOUR COMPLIMENTARY DAY PASS - YOUR ADVENTURE IN NATURE AWAITS.

Just 10 minutes from The Essex Resort & Spa, Indian Brook Reservoir offers a peaceful retreat into nature in every season. Surrounded by miles of scenic trails, it's the perfect place to explore at your own pace - whether you're hiking on a sunny summer day, taking in vibrant fall foliage, or enjoying a quiet snowshoe through a winter landscape.

In the warmer months, the calm waters invite paddleboarding, kayaking, swimming, and fishing. Open spaces along the shoreline are ideal for picnicking or simply unwinding with views of the surrounding forest and wildlife. As the seasons shift, the experience transforms into a winter wonderland, offering new ways to connect with the outdoors each time you visit.

Each Season Has Its Own Story





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