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From exciting small towns to new destination spas, more top getaways for 2006

MILFORD, PA

The best little town you've never visited

"It's like there's a big cone of protection over this town," an ex-Upper-East-Sider-turned-local recently confided. It's easy to see what she's talking about.

This artistically-inclined Delaware River village a little over an hour from the George Washington Bridge is remarkably easy to find, yet housing remains inexpensive, the weekend scene low-key.

What to do? As much or as little as you want. Hike the mountains, check out the new organic farmer's market downtown Saturday mornings; peek in at the art galleries; or just sit on the porch at Dimmick's, a true road-house style restaurant.

When to go: The town hosts two major events, its **Music Festival** (June 9-11) and the **Black Bear Film Festival** (Oct. 12-15).

Where to stay: This weekend marks the beginning of a new era in local history — the long-awaited reopening of the historic **Hotel Fauchere**. Managed by veterans of the exclusive Amanresort group, expect superb hospitality, top-notch amenities and a memorable dining experience in the slow-food tradition (from \$220, [570] 409-1212; hotelfauchere.com).

Info: pikechamber.com



MILFORD, PENNSYLVANIA: Quiet charm (and now, the sexy Hotel Fauchere, right) not too far from the GWB.

