Out & About

WHERE TO GO. WHAT TO SEE. AND HOW TO GET A FRESH PERSPECTIVE THIS SUMMER

ON THE ROAD

SPACE ODYSSEY

For stellar stargazing, venture deeper into nature: The farther you travel from man-made light, the clearer the cosmos appears. Marvel at the Milky Way from **Headlands International Dark** Sky Park, on Lake Michigan's woodsy northeastern shoreline (right), and in July and August you can catch dazzling meteors, too (midarkskypark.org). Here, three more brilliant spots.



♥ GLENWOOD, N.M.

Almost 40 miles from the negrest light source, the Cosmic Campground is so remote you'll see Earth's airglow (the atmosphere's natural luminescence), as well as Jupiter and Venus.

♥ COUDERSPORT, PA.

During a new moon at Cherry Springs State Park, the constellations are bright enough to cast your shadow. Join a laser-guided tour to hear the myths behind each cluster, and zoom in via telescope.

STANLEY, IDAHO

Go off-grid at the Central Idaho Dark Sky Reserve, where the Sawtooth Mountains rise in jagged silhouettes at dusk. Camp near Redfish Lake, and sleep under Cygnus, Hercules, and Scorpius.







ON OUR BOOKSHELF

Embark on this escapist itinerary: first stop, rural North Carolina, where The Girl From Widow Hills (Simon & Schuster) opens on the 20th anniversary of Olivia Meyer's headline-grabbing childhood disappearance—and a new murder linked to it. The small-town cast is drawn in shrewd, suspicion-arousing detail; you'll point fingers at someone new every few pages. The doyenne of An Elegant Woman (Scribner), Tommy Brown, always told her granddaughters they were descended from royalty. This epic tale transports you out west and back in time to meet Tommy's glam suffragette mother, an unforgettable queen of self-invention. In The Margot Affair (Hogarth), 17-year-old Margot Louve, the secret love child of a French politician, sets out to get her due and causes plenty of drama and collateral damage (broken promises, broken families) along the way. Debut novelist Sanaë Lemoine unspools her plot at a languid pace, and seduces with the flavors of France.

| WHY NOT? |

Salute Your Sisters

One hundred years ago this August, the 19th Amendment went into effect. Celebrate herstory at these pivotal locales.

Seneca Falls, N.Y.

This tiny Finger Lakes hamlet (pop. 6,700) hosted the first women's-rights convention in 1848. Discover new role models at the **National** Women's Hall of Fame, scheduled to reopen in July in an 1844 knitting mill.

Salt Lake City

Women in Utah were trailblazers in the fight for recognition, as the debate over polygamy thrust them into national politics in the 1870s. Pay homage at Council Hall, the very building where Seraph Young (Brigham's grandniece) cast the U.S.'s first female ballot.

Nashville

In the dim, woodpaneled bar underneath the Hermitage Hotel, many a clandestine drink passed hands ahead of the state legislature's fateful decision on suffrage. Sip cocktails that cheekily honor local heroines.