



So You Think You Know the Empire State?

**A Story of Upstate
New York Told
In 100 Buildings**

If those walls could talk...this is what they would say. A story of Upstate New York.

What caused Rochester's nickname to change from Flour City to Flower City? (page 37). Where is the oldest fish hatchery in America (page 44). What Upstate New York building inspired Madison Square Garden (page 102). Where is the country's oldest miniature golf course? (page 94)

Cobblestone construction... octagon houses... strategic forts... iron horses... Chautauquas... kazoos... trout propagation... Dutch architecture... the CCC... steamboats... apples... kit houses...the golden age of motoring... transportation canals... early aviation... salt... cure cottages... carousels... castles... courthouses... Frank Lloyd Wright... Adirondack camps... trolley parks... the Borscht Belt... Carengie libraries... round barns... Shakers... dairy cows... This book will have you telling stories like a native in no time.

The photos and stories collected here are a fast and fun way to learn the explanations behind the quirks, the traditions and the secrets that make Upstate New York uniquely Upstate New York. Where was the birthplace of American viticulture? Solved. Where was the electric chair first deployed? A mystery no more. What New York airfield did flying legend Glenn Curtiss found? Identified. The ballfield where Babe Ruth walloped a home run before Yankee Stadium was ever built? Revealed.