

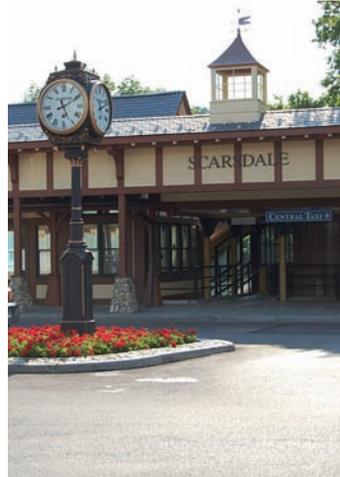
SCARSDALE GUIDE



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OVERVIEW



Located 21 miles from Manhattan, Scarsdale is a community of gently rolling hills dotted with single-family homes. Its resplendent setting has retained its natural appeal, with swan ponds, expansive meadows, and a nature preserve with walking paths.

Offering a unique combination of ample recreational facilities, unspoiled natural beauty and an outstanding educational system consistently ranked among the top nationwide, Scarsdale has been compared to a Utopian village. Strolling through downtown Scarsdale, one can enjoy the charm of Tudor-style buildings which dominate the area and are a landmark of the Village's English heritage. It offers shoppers a selection of old-fashioned and gourmet food stores, a supermarket, unique flower shops, book and toy stores, a variety of clothing stores for adults and children, gift and jewelry shops, and the town's main Post Office.

Chase Park, in the heart of downtown, further enhances the area. There is open green space where residents enjoy picnicking or music concerts. Scarsdale residents can also shop at the Heathcote "Five Corners" where there is a vast selection of food stores including Balducci's, a gourmet food store which is a favorite among local residents who enjoy meeting for cappuccino at the espresso bar.

For those who prefer the sophistication and wide selections available at larger stores, the highly acclaimed The Westchester, is located only a few minutes away in neighboring White Plains. One can shop at department stores such as Neiman-Marcus and Nordstrom and over 200 other specialty stores. Lord and Taylor, Bloomingdale's, Macy's and Whole Foods are located nearby.

AREA

6.6 square miles

POPULATION

17, 800

HISTORY

The land that is now Scarsdale was first settled in 1660 by John Richbell. In 1702, Caleb Heathcote bought the land and created the Manor of Scarsdale, comprising 6,000 acres. The name Scarsdale reminded Heathcote of Scarsdale in Derbyshire, England. (Scars is a Saxon word for crags and dale a common word for valley.) During the battles of the American Revolution, the British and Continental armies passed through the Manor of Scarsdale. Shortly thereafter, as the New York State government was being formed, the Manor became the Town of Scarsdale by an act of the Legislature on March 7, 1778. Scarsdale's first "town meeting" was held in 1783, and on March 7, 1788, Scarsdale became a "Town" by law.

The first federal census of Scarsdale in 1790 recorded 281 inhabitants in 6½ square miles. The town became more populated when the New York and Harlem Railroad began servicing the

area. By 1900, the population grew to 885 and Scarsdale, as we now know it, began to emerge. In 1915 Scarsdale was incorporated as a "Village" with a population of about 3,000. In 1922 the Village Board adopted a Zoning plan to ensure that Scarsdale would remain a primarily residential community of detached single family homes.

VILLAGE GOVERNMENT

Scarsdale was the first community in New York to become a Town and Village (two district municipalities within one set of boundaries). The convenience of this system results in one administration with one set of employees and one elected Board serving both the Village and Town. The State's laws define the structure of the local government. Since 1949, Scarsdale has operated under a council-manager government structure.

The Village Board of Trustees and the Mayor, all non-salaried, part-time officials, form the decision making body. The Office of the Village Manager is the administrative body. The Village Manager and his staff are all professional, salaried employees.

Citizen government thrives from the devoted service of two volunteer boards – the Village Trustees and the Board of Education. Both are elected through a non-partisan process designed to seek the best qualified volunteers to serve. There are no traditional political parties in Scarsdale.

TRANSPORTATION

New York City: 21 miles

LaGuardia Airport: 21 miles

Kennedy Airport: 28 miles

Newark Airport: 34 miles

Greenwich: 17 miles

Westchester County Airport: 13 miles

White Plains: 4 miles

Scarsdale is a major stop on the Metro North Railroad with a commuting time of approximately 30 minutes to Manhattan's Grand Central Station. There is bus transportation via Bee-Line and the Paratransit system (a curb-to-curb alternative service for people with disabilities), and taxi service.

LIBRARY

Conveniently located near the High School and village center, the Scarsdale Public Library is an active community center. More than 120,000 volumes can be found, along with a large collection of newspapers, periodicals and a Village History Collection. There is a large-print book collection for the visually handicapped. Books-on-tape, CDs and DVDs are available for loan.

The library offers a main reading room and a newly renovated children's room. Recent renovations have resulted in an expansive facility which includes the Scott Room — a 225-seat special events room used for library-sponsored movies, lectures, programs and exhibits, and the Jaffin Room — a small conference room available to the public during library hours.

The library sponsors a variety of activities for adults and children including a popular film series and a book discussion group. The children's schedule includes story times and a summer reading program for children entering second grade and beyond.

The Scarsdale Public library is a member of the Westchester Library System which enables card holders to borrow books and materials directly from any of the 38-member libraries.

RECREATION

Recreation is an integral part of the Scarsdale lifestyle. Approximately 25% of the village is controlled, open land, offering a wide array of activities for all ages. There are 20 parks and 5 major playing fields, 26 public tennis courts and 6 paddle tennis courts. A complex of 4 swimming and diving pools, a public golf course and a private horseback riding facility are among the resources available to Scarsdale residents. Natural areas such as the Weinberg Nature Center and the Greenburgh Nature Center offer seasonal programs.

A variety of intramural and intra-community sports are sponsored for students in grades 3 through 12. There are more than 300 athletic teams throughout Scarsdale.

The Scarsdale pool is a prominent feature of the town's summer recreational activities. The Recreation Department offers an extensive program of instruction, exercise, competition and special events for the entire community. It sponsors a six-week summer camp for Scarsdale residents in grades K through 8.



Scarsdale Town Pool

Other yearly events sponsored by the Recreation Department include a Halloween Window Painting Contest, a Safety Poster Contest, an Easter "Eggstravaganza," July 4th fireworks at the Scarsdale Pool, and summer concerts in Chase Park.

SCHOOLS

Scarsdale is known as an education-focused community, having drawn national media attention for its exceptional school system. Today's administrators, teachers, students and adult residents continue a long tradition of pursuit of educational excellence. In a program that is widely regarded as one of the nation's best — public or private — for college preparatory programs, a locally-elected Board of Education and the resident-appointed Superintendent of Schools, govern and administer school programs.

A spirit of public service is very much alive in the Scarsdale schools. Parents and concerned citizens actively support the schools' officers and teachers by assisting in areas such as learning and curriculum, administration, budget and fundraising activities.

The Scarsdale Union Free School District serves the Village of Scarsdale and an adjacent portion of Mamaroneck. The District includes five elementary schools: Edgewood, Fox Meadow, Greenacres, Heathcote, and Quaker Ridge, as well as Scarsdale Middle School and Scarsdale High School. All school buildings and grounds are well-maintained and renovations are budgeted to keep the facilities in superb condition.

Transportation is provided by the School District to public and private school students who live at least a mile and a half away from their school. Approximately 4,700 students are currently enrolled in the district schools.

Scarsdale's mission for its school system is to help each student develop his or her abilities as fully as possible, while allowing for individual differences. Enrichment activities are available at every



Edgewood Elementary School

grade level, and philosophy of individual attention is maintained throughout the schools. Scarsdale offers remedial instruction within each school for those students needing extra help. A well-rounded curriculum places an emphasis on major academic areas in combination with instruction in computers, music, art, technology, physical education and other areas.

Scarsdale students have gained national recognition for their achievements. Scarsdale High School was named by the United States Office of Education as "...one of the 144 exemplary schools to which others may look for patterns of success." Mean Scholastic Aptitude Test Scores consistently rank among the highest in the country. Approximately 99% of graduates advance to institutions of higher education. Additionally, three Scarsdale High School graduates have been named "Presidential Honor Scholars."

The Scarsdale Alternative School is a college-oriented program within the High School that offers students a smaller setting and a democratic, participatory system. The program is designed for students who thrive in a less structured learning environment.

Sports are an important element of Scarsdale school life. Elementary through 8th grade students play soccer, basketball, softball, or tennis in intramural leagues, while high school students participate in a wide range of Freshman, Junior Varsity and Varsity teams including soccer, basketball, tennis, football, skiing, swimming, gymnastics, field hockey, lacrosse and more.

For more information visit www.scarsdaleschools.org



Elementary School Playground

IMPORTANT SCARSDALE CONTACTS

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Emergency: 911
Non-Emergency: 914.722.1200

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Emergency: 911
Non-Emergency: 914.722.1215

SCARSDALE VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE CORPS

Emergency: 911
Non-Emergency: 914.722.2288
Emergency: 914.723.3003

SCARSDALE LIBRARY

50 Olmstead Road
914.722.1300
www.scarsdalelibrary.org

POST OFFICES

28 Chase Road: 914.723.6481
1112 Wilnot Rd: 914.725.8142

WHITE PLAINS HOSPITAL

Emergency Department: 914.681.1155
Main Number: 914.681.0600
www.wphospital.org

LAWRENCE HOSPITAL CENTER (BRONXVILLE)

Emergency Department: 914.787.1035
Main Number: 914.787.1000
www.lawrencehealth.org

SOUND SHORE MEDICAL CENTER OF WESTCHESTER (NEW ROCHELLE)

Emergency Department: 914.637.1370
Main Number: 914.632.5000
www.ssmc.org

WESTCHESTER COUNTY MEDICAL CENTER

Emergency Department: 914.493.7307
Main Number: 914.493.7000
www.wcmc.com

OTHER IMPORTANT NUMBERS

ASPCA Animal Poison Control Center:
888.426.4435 • www.aspca.org
Building Department: 914.722.1140
Central Taxicab of Scarsdale: 914.723.0016
Department of Public Works: 914.722.1150
Garbage, Recyclables and Waste Information:
914.722.1294
Department of Engineering: 914.722.1104

Metro North: 212.532.4900

www.mta.info
Scarsdale Adult School: 914.723.2325
www.scarsdaleadultschool.org
Scarsdale Animal Hospital: 914.723.0290
Scarsdale Board of Education: 914.721.2400
www.scarsdaleschools.k12.ny.us
Scarsdale Chamber of Commerce: 914.725.1602
www.scarsdalechamber.org
Scarsdale Edgemont Family Counseling Service:
914.723.3281 • www.sfcsinc.org
Scarsdale Historical Society: 914.723.1744
www.scarsdalehistory.org
Scarsdale Recreation Department: 914.722.1160
Scarsdale Street Maintenance: 914.722.1150
Scarsdale Veterans Taxi: 914.723.0132
Tax Assessor's Office: 914.722.1133
Village Clerk: 914.722.1175
Village Manager: 914.722.1110
Water Service and Emergency: 914.722.1138
Westchester County Bee-Line Bus System: 914.813.7777
www.beelinebus.westchestergov.com
24 Emergency Locksmith of Scarsdale: 800.380.2345

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Town of Scarsdale: www.scarsdale.com
Westchester County: www.westchestergov.com
Westchester County Airport: www.whiteplainsairport.com

