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Valley Rock Inn gets noticed by Condé Nast Traveler

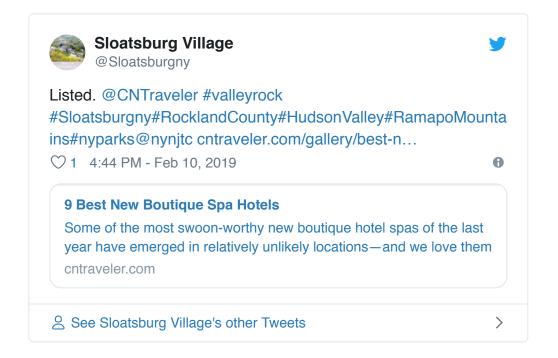
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The lawn at Valley Rock Inn is at the heart of the complex and is surrounded by the bar & grill, the pool, lodge, and guest houses.

If you stand on Valley Rock Inn's big lawn and look west, you'll see the Liberty Rock ridge in the western sky. Turn around and the Ramapo Mountains along the southern tip of Harriman State Park loom in the far northeast sky, across the Ramapo River. That Sloatsburg sweet spot is at the heart of the Mill Street neighborhood undergoing transformation in the village center.

The May newstand issue of Condé Nast Traveler features Valley Rock Inn & Mountain Club as one of nine new boutique spa hotels worldwide that are worth noting. Sloatsburg's Valley Rock Inn is mentioned alongside new spaces and places that include Sparta, Greece and Zanzibar, Tanzania.



Valley Rock Inn & Mountain Club is driving change in Sloatsburg's village center for sure. Although a unique world unto itself, businesses surrounding Valley Rock, such as Seven Lakes Drive, Village Blend, and Characters, are finding their own grooves. The Condé Nast Traveler mention is high praise for the effort Michael Bruno and company has put into making Valley Rock Inn a place people want to visit. The attention is ricochetting along Route 17 in Sloatsburg's downtown area, attracting businesses while drawing new and repeat visitors.

The whole Mill Street neighborhood is beginning to gel into a place worth a visit.

So while Sloatsburgers step gingerly across Route 17, dodging intermittent traffic, there's been a uptick in other pedestrians visiting the village. Whether to pick up something at the Village Blend or to tuck in to Seven Lakes Station for a craft beer pour or meet at Characters, the Mill Street area appears to be coming alive. It'll will be fun to see what the spring brings.

Below The Journal News visits Valley Rock Inn & Mountain in Sloatsburg as Condé Nast Traveler lists the inn as a world-class boutique spa & hotel.



The Valley Rock Market offers an assortment of organic, farm fresh fruits and vegetables most Thursdays through Sunday, with hours changing seasonally. The market is rumored to be set to move in the spring to the Henry Club building next to Village Blend and provide Sloatsburgers with a regular place to find market goods and more.