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What I love about Vermont

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I love VT because of all the beautiful physical features it has. Vermont comes with green trees, mountains, beautiful lakes and rivers, and so many outdoor entertainment options. Vermont's hiking is outstanding! Hiking Vermont's big beautiful mountains are one of the most rewarding things you can do in Vermont. No matter where you hike you will always get a view that you will never forget. One of Vermont's biggest tourist attractions is skiing. Vermont is equipped with small family run ski areas and big company-run ski areas. One of Vermont's most famous ski areas is Cochran's. It is one of the smallest family-run businesses in Vermont that has become famous around the United States. The woman who started Cochran's won a gold medal in ski racing in the 50s. Now her son Ryan Cochran Siegel won a silver this year at the Beijing Olympics. One of the biggest ski areas in Vermont, Stowe, was just bought a few years ago by one of the biggest ski areas in the country, Vail. Swimming holes here are really fun to go to, especially on hot summer days. A few of my favorite spots to go swimming are Lake Elmore, and Lake Champlain, the biggest lake in Vermont. There are also a lot of really fun cliff jumping spots including Bristol Falls and Bolton potholes. Mountain biking is also a big thing that a lot of people do in Vermont, it's a really fun sport/exercise to do. A lot of mountain biking in Vermont is really techy, like roots and narrow trails, not so much downhill where you take a chair lift up the mountain. So in conclusion Vermont is one of the best states to live in. I know there are a lot of things I left out but those are a few of my favorite things.