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EverMay on the Delaware's 25 acres of hushed pastures, woodlands and gardens makes for the ultimate escape. There are no televisions, and aside from the occasional roar of a motorcycle or heavy summer traffic, the only noise you'll hear will be the sound of your page turning...or your roommate's snores.

Built in the 1700s, and renovated in 1871 and in the 1990s, EverMay's Victorian charm is irresistible. Eighteen spacious guest rooms, all named after former Bucks County residents, are decorated with period antique and reproduction beds. Many of the Mannor House rooms feature original

Federal period mantels, wide floorboards, high ceilings and paneled doors. There is also a carriage house, a cottage and a barn, each equally alluring with true Victorian era décor. Several feature Vermont Castings gas fireplaces and one even has a claw-foot tub.

True romantics should request the David Burpee room, which overlooks the English, wildflower and vegetable gardens. The Colonel William Erwin Room overlooks the river and the Henry S. Stover room has multiple views, a spacious bathroom and relaxing whirlpool tub. The secluded Chief Nutimus loft, EverMay's sprawling fourth

floor loft, offers breathtaking views of Bucks County through dormer windows. Breakfast is served in the conservatory and afternoon tea is served in the parlor, or on the terrace during warmer months. But it's the elegant prix fixe meal, offered to guests all week and non-guests on the weekends, that sets this inn apart from others. A complimentary glass of champagne awaits you, followed by six courses with a choice of entrée. Foodies and oenophiles will be thrilled with the new hire, Executive Chef Doug Blatt, formerly of Napa Valley's famed French Laundry.

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well-stocked bar. A of scotch or brand there are games, b a baby grand pian to play); or in the head outside on th serenaded by the EverMay isn't sol though—canoeing museums are just Hope, Lambertville lunches are availa might want to w Canal Towpath.) (610) 294-9100; v