



SELF-GUIDED DRIVING TOURS

TOUR OF GREATER CHAPEL HILL/CARRBORO AND SURROUNDING RURAL BEAUTY

THIS APPROXIMATELY **30-MILE** TOUR takes a drive through mostly rural residential areas sprinkled with some remaining farms and can be done in as little as an hour if you never leave your vehicle; or take an entire afternoon, depending on how much of it you wish to experience as well as add in. Throw in **shopping, walking on the Riverwalk** and a **meal** or two and make a day of it!

1 Horace Williams Airport

1001 Estes Drive Extension

Built on 50 acres in 1928, the Chapel Hill Airport became the Horace Williams Airport when it was bought by UNC in 1940 and named for the professor who donated most of the land needed to expand it. The airport is slated to close and become part of Carolina North, a 250-acre planned expansion of the University of North Carolina.

2 Chapel Hill High School

1709 High School Road

Established in 1916, Chapel Hill High School moved from its location near the Columbia and Franklin Street intersection in 1966, to what was then the country. It remained the only high school in the district until 1996; there are now three high schools and the “country” around it continues to sprout housing.

3 Homestead Road

Besides centuries of farming, some of the fields along Homestead Road were once training fields for World War II pilots. In 1950, Andy Griffith and his bride moved to a farmhouse on Homestead Road, walking trails and fishing nearby creeks for two years while writing and performing monologues that would launch his career and lead him to become the beloved TV icon, Andy Taylor, of the “Andy Griffith Show.”

4 Won Buddhism Temple

8021 Old NC 86

Always open, the temple is accessible by wheelchair and offers a calming respite. Check wonbuddhismnc.org for meditation and program schedule. You may prefer to go when nothing is scheduled. There is a garden, which is not wheelchair accessible.

5 Daniel Boone Village

South Churton Street at Exit 164 on I-85

You never know what you might find at one of the 30-odd shops here, but chances are it will be different from anything else you'll find during your visit to the area.

6 Historic Downtown Hillsborough

Drive around, stroll up and down, and check it out! Find shops, restaurants, the Riverwalk, and delightful historic residential districts in vicinity of the main intersection of Churton and King Streets.

7 Occoneechee Mountain State Natural Area

625 Virginia Cates Road

Enjoy a pretty day sitting by a pond with fishing access, or have a picnic nearby.



8 Maple View Farms Country Store

6900 Rocky Ridge Road,
919.960.5535.

Rocking chairs on a wraparound porch overlook lush, rolling fields that support the Holsteins from which the ice cream comes. For over 90 years, these 400 acres have supported farming and dairy operations. The barley and corn crops provide healthy nourishment for approximately 300 cows, which produce two million gallons of milk, plus butter and ice cream, each year. Lick it up—the cream and the view!

9 Cane Creek Reservoir

NC 54, eight miles west of Carrboro Plaza; entrance is next right after Stanford Road. 919.942.5790.

The source from which clean, pure water is provided to the towns of Carrboro and Chapel Hill, the reservoir also offers a 540-acre surface of blue, open space for respite from the trees! Picnic on a bluff above, where you can rent a canoe or an electric-powered boat, and get a fishing license, as well as assistance, for those requiring it. Drive down to the dock below, which was especially designed for wheelchair users. There is also a nature trail with 60 identified plants. Open Friday and Saturday only, late March through mid-November.

10 Honeysuckle Tea House and Gardens

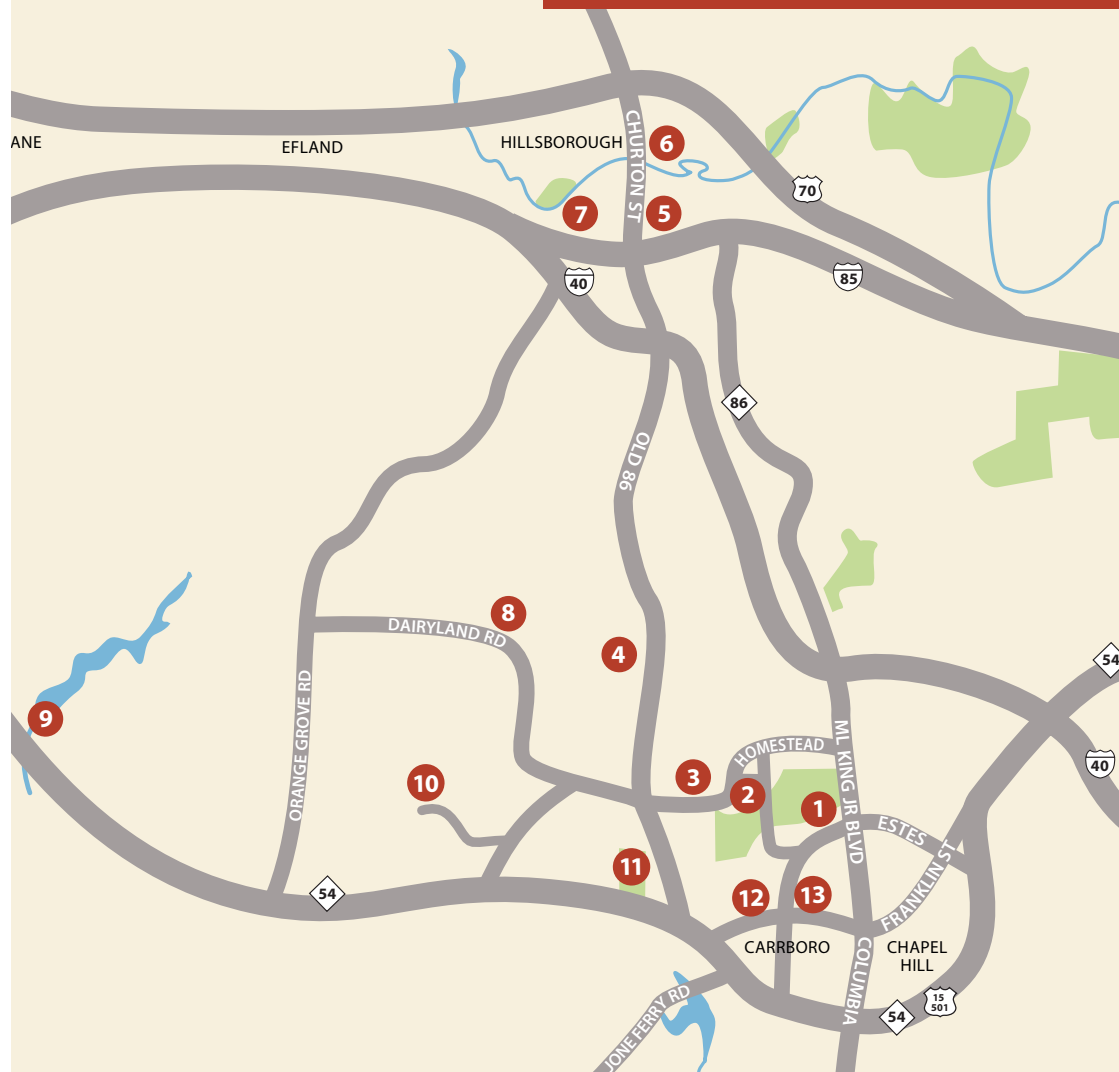
8871 Pickards Meadow Road, entrance on Jo Mac Road.
919.903.9131.

When you see the open-sided structure, you'll understand why it's only open mid-March through mid-November, but you can't imagine the many intricacies of this oasis without experiencing it. Many teas served here originated from the surrounding gardens, with much more to come as the great variety of tea and berry bushes mature and bear fruit. A wonderful place for children, gardeners, meditators—and of course, tea drinkers.

11 Hank Anderson III Community Park

NC 54, less than a mile west of Carrboro Plaza.

This 54-acre recreational area offers time with nature a few moments from downtown Carrboro. A wheelchair



negotiable crushed gravel trail surrounded by woods encircles a pond frequented by waterfowl. There are tennis courts, horseshoe, baseball, basketball and volleyball areas, plus an 18-pin disk golf course and dog park.

12 Carrboro Farmers' Market

301 West Main Street

Sited at Carrboro Town Commons next to Town Hall since 1996, this market has been incorporated since 1977. Seasonal vegetables and fruits, meats, cheeses, breads, jams, relishes, flowers, soaps and craft items—all produced within 50 miles by the vendors who sell them. Saturday market year-round, 9–noon in winter; 7–noon summer hours. Wednesday market April to mid-November, 3:30–6:30pm.

13 Carr Mill Mall

200 North Greensboro Street

The heart of Carrboro beats from the lawn of Weaver Street Market outside the former hosiery mill built in 1898, that town residents insisted be saved from the wrecking ball in the 1970s. Carr Mill Mall is on the U.S. Register of Historic Places and offers an exciting mix of locally owned shopping choices.

