WESTCHESTER COUNTY GUIDE TO ORCHARDS & FARMS













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MESSAGE FROM COUNTY EXECUTIVE Robert P. Astorino

The more I travel, the more I realize just how lucky we are to visit and live in this charmed place called Westchester County. No matter where you go in our county, you're within minutes of beautiful parks, protected open space, rivers, farms and historic treasures.

And for me, there's no better time to enjoy Westchester's scenic beauty than the Fall. Autumn brings with it not only a colorful change of season, but a harvest of opportunities for family fun at Westchester's many farms, orchards and Fall festivals.

The purpose of this guide is to serve as a resource for you and your family as you explore all that our county has to offer this season. Think of it as a treasure map, leading you on a journey to discover invaluable memories with loved ones this Fall in wonderful Westchester County.



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HOW TO GET AROUND:

Transportation Information

Westchester County is easily accessible by major interstate highways and thoroughfares including I-87 (New York State Thruway), I-95 (New England Thruway), I-287 (Cross-Westchester Expressway) and I-684.

Westchester County Airport (HPN) is conveniently located in the center of the county.

Public transportation is a good travel choice. It helps our environment by reducing air pollution and traffic congestion. It can also be cost-effective.

PUBLIC TRANSIT OPTIONS PROVIDE EASY ACCESS AND INCLUDE:

RAIL TRANSIT: For information, schedules and fares call 800-METRO-INFO or go to www.mta.info.

BUS TRANSIT: The County's Bee-Line bus system is one of the nation's best, safest and most reliable transit systems. Our shuttles, BxM4C Westchester-Manhattan Express and frequent local buses provide many options.

Call (914) 813-7777 for route and schedule information. www.beelinebus.com

Additional bus service is available from surrounding counties into Westchester: Tappan Zee Express - Rockland County (845) 364-3333. Putnam Area Rapid Transit - Putnam County (845) 878-RIDE. I-Bus - CT Transit (203) 327-7433.

Westchester County Parks Department

450 Saw Mill River Rd., Ardsley, New York 10502 (914) 864-PARK parks.westchestergov.com

Westchester County Tourism & Film

Let the Tourism Office assist you with your visit by offering other guides and information to aid you in planning your trip.

148 Martine Ave., White Plains, New York 10601 (914) 995-8500 or (800) 833-9282 info@visitwestchesterny.com www.visitwestchesterny.com

Westchester County Tourism & Film is the official destination tourism marketing organization for the county.

Hotels & Accommodations

Whether you seek the charms of a historic castle or the chic ambiance of an ultra-modern hotel, Westchester can accommodate you. Bed and breakfasts, luxury lodging and budget hotels provide just the right place to stay and play.

For complete hotels/accommodations information visit www.visitwestchesterny.com

This brochure is a sampling of Westchester orchards and farms and is subject to change.

1. Faraway Farm

1315 Baptist Church Road, Yorktown 914-962-2110 By Appointment farawayfarmalpacas.com

Faraway Farm breeds and sells alpacas, as well as stores and stocks a wide range of items made from their luxurious fleece. The heated farm store features an extensive selection of alpaca garments, yarn and toys, as well as hand-crafted items by local artisans.

2. Hilltop Hanover

1271 Hanover Street, **Yorktown Heights** 914-962-2368 Winter Hours: Tuesday-Saturday, 10am-4pm; Closed on Mondays hilltophanoverfarm.org

Hilltop Hanover Farm and **Environmental Center offers** guided tours, classes, and field trips for school groups, garden clubs, and scout troops. The farm features demonstration models for backyard farming, animal management, rainwater harvesting, organic composting, and green-roof technology. Visitors can hike the farm's 3.5 miles of woodland trails, enjoy a picnic overlooking the property, and visit its chickens and goats.

6. Muscoot Farm

51 Route 100, Katonah 914-864-7282

Open 10am-4pm daily; including weekends and most holidays muscootfarm.org

Muscoot Farm has an on-site museum offering a glimpse of a working dairy farm in 1880. The farm raises animals and grows vegetables, including carrots, tomatoes, cucumbers, potatoes, lettuce, garlic, and squash. A farmer's market, hayrides, adult programs, farming workshops, a young farmer's camp, and annual events are all part of the year-round attractions at Muscoot Farm.

7. Harvest Moon Orchard & Farm

130 Hardscrabble Road, North Salem 914-485-1210 Open daily 8am-6pm harvestmoonfarmandorchard.com

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Harvest Moon Farm & Orchard offers farming opportunities year-round. From "pick-yourown" apples and pears and a Fall Festival every weekend from Labor Day to Halloween, to vegetable-fed, antibiotic and

9. Stuart's Farm

62 Granite Springs Road, Somers 914-245-2784 Open daily September-November 10am-5pm stuartsfarm.com

Stuarts Farm is over 200 acres of apple orchards, pumpkin fields and vegetable crops. It is the oldest apple orchard in Westchester County, providing nine different varieties of apples from which visitors can pick.

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10. Hemlock Hill

500 Croton Ave, Cortlandt Manor 914-737-2810 Farm market open year round Monday-Saturday 9am-5:30pm, Sunday 9am-2pm hemlockhillfarm.com

Established in 1939, Hemlock Hill Farm provides fresh vegetables to the surrounding community. Stop by the market for fresh chicken, beef, pork, lamb, Italian sausage, smoked bacon, eggs, cheese, yogurt, milk, ice cream, honey and seasonal produce.

12. Westchester Greenhouse

450 Secor Road, Hartsdale 914-693-2935 Open daily 8am-6pm

Westchester Greenhouse provides produce, as well as home grown flowers and herbs, with a greenhouse on property. It also sells apples during the autumn season.

13. Wilkens Fruit and Fir Farm

1335 Whitehill Road, **Yorktown Hights** 914-245-5111 Open daily, starting late August through mid-December, 10am to 5pm wilkensfarm.com

The Wilkens Fruit and Fir Farm sells a wide variety of apples and pumpkins available for visitors to pick. The farm also has several acres of trees available for purchase during holidays, and three farmer's markets where it sells everything from its own cider to freshly baked pies,

6 **WESTCHESTER'S (8**) 3. Kitchawan Farm **737 737** & FARM kitchawanfarm.com WHITE PLAINS **Hemlock Hill Farm**

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716 Kitchawan Road, Ossining

914-941-0096 **By Appointment**

Operating on 300-acres, Kitchawan Farm offers fresh, sustainably grown vegetables, herbs and flowers. Back To The Garden at Kitchawan Farm occasionally hosts community events and work shops. Yoga classes are offered every Sunday morning during the growing season.

4. Mangone's Farmers' Market

1427 East Boston Post Road, Mamaroneck 914-698-3865 **Open daily July-October**

Situated on an acre, Mangone's Farmers' Market sells a variety of fruits and vegetables, but it is best known for corn and tomatoes. The Farmers' Market also sells wreaths, trees, and poinsettias during the holidays, and nursery and gardening resources including top soil, sand and gravel.

5. Meadow's Farm

329 Underhill Avenue, Yorktown Heights 914-962-4306 Open May-October, Monday-Saturday, 9am-6pm; Sundays, 9am-5pm meadowsfarmmarket.com

In business since 1958, Meadow's grows crops on 100 acres of land in Westchester, all within 10 miles of the market. Find arugula, basil, beets, tomatoes, swiss chard, as well as mums and a variety of squash, including acorn, delcata, butternut, buttercup, spaghetti, and hubbard.

hormone-free broad breasted bronze turkeys for Thanksgiving, plus 100% grass-fed beef, farm fresh free-range eggs, local honey, local dairy & cheese products, local maple syrup and other country store items, it's a destination for residents and visitors alike.

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8. Stone Barns Center for Food & Agriculture 630 Bedford Road, Pocantico Hills

914-366-6200 Open Wednesday-Sunday, 10am-5pm stonebarnscenter.org

Operating on an 80-acre farm, Stone Barns Center for Food & Agriculture's mission is to increase public awareness of healthy, seasonal and sustainable food. A variety of activities educate children about the sources of their food, and visitors are invited to explore the

fields, stroll through pastures

and walk in woodlands.

11. Thompson's Cider Mill

335 Blinn Road, Croton-on-Hudson 914-271-2254 Open on weekends, September 14-December 1; Thanksgiving Wednesday 9am-5pm;

Thanksgiving Day 9am-3pm thompsonscidermill.com Thompson's Cider Mill sits on property next to the 1,000 acre Teatown Lake Reservation nature preserve and has been an apple orchard since the 1870s. In addition to the artisanal cider

made from a blend of seven to more than 20 varieties, Thompson's offers a wide range of apples, including many heirloom and unusual varieties. The number of varieties peak in November when more than 20 selections are available. Several varieties of pears, as well as apple and pumpkin pies, are

sold. Thompson's does not offer

apple picking.

doughnuts and gift items. Harvest season starts in August with peaches and the beginning of September with apples. "Pick-your-own pumpkins" start in October, and "Choose-N-Cut Christmas Trees" start just after Thanksgiving.

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139 Hardscrabble Road, North Salem 914-277-3188 **Open daily September-October** 9am-5pm; Parking is \$5 outhouseorchardsny.com

Visitors can take a trip up to scenic Croton Falls in North Salem and walk through the **Outhouse Orchard apple** orchard. Kids can enjoy its new corn maze or participate in the hay rides on a Big Green Tractor. For fifteen minutes, families get a great glimpse of all of the orchard's gardens, apple trees and breath taking views of farming in the Hudson Valley. They can also pick their own pumpkins and a variety of pies for their holiday festivities.