

LEHIGH VALLEY FARM TOUR & AGRITOURISM GUIDE

U-pick orchards, farm stands, and agricultural experiences

From June strawberries to autumn apples and December evergreens, the Lehigh Valley's farms invite you right into the fields.

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GRIM'S ORCHARD & FAMILY FARMS (U-PICK ORCHARDS)

9875 Schantz Road, Breinigsville (Lehigh County) — A full-experience pick-your-own farm with 20-plus apple varieties on a dwarf-tree trellis system, plus cherries, strawberries and pumpkins. Its fall festival features hayrides and the Lehigh Valley's first corn maze (started 1997) alongside a farm market. (Formerly 'Grim's Greenhouse & Farm Market' — the greenhouse operation closed in 2014.)

SEIPLE FARMS (U-PICK & FALL FESTIVAL)

5761 Nor-Bath Blvd, Bath (Northampton County) — Family-owned since 1889, Seiple's runs a late-July/early-August Sunflower Festival with 17 varieties across about 12 acres, then a fall festival with a 35-acre pick-your-own pumpkin patch, a 20-acre corn maze, hayrides and a gift shop.

BECHDOLT ORCHARDS (FARM STAND)

2209 Leithsville Road, Hellertown / Lower Saucon Township (Northampton County) — A Saucon Valley institution founded in 1947, known for peaches, apples, fresh-pressed cider, cider donuts and fruit pies, sold at its roadside stand and the Saucon Valley Farmers' Market.

WILLOW HAVEN FARM & CROOKED ROW FARM (FARM STANDS & CSAS)

Willow Haven in New Tripoli; Crooked Row in Orefield (Lehigh County) — Two well-established CSA options: Willow Haven offers certified-organic weekly produce boxes with Bethlehem-area pickups (plus eggs, raw milk and bread from partner farms), while Crooked Row runs a daily farm store and seasonal CSA shares with Bethlehem pickup.

Y KNOT ALPACAS (ALPACA FARM & FIBER)

6324 Hunters Hill Road, Germansville (Lehigh County) — Established 1998 as the first alpaca farm in Lehigh County, Y Knot raises both suri and huacaya alpacas and runs a farm store selling raw fleece, roving and yarn. Tours and visits are by appointment, and the store is generally open weekends (call ahead).

FOX SUMMIT FARM (SUNFLOWER FIELDS & PHOTO OPS)

1245 Keller Road, Bushkill Township (Northampton County) — A roughly 14-acre pick-your-own sunflower farm with sweeping ridge views, opening the first weekend of August — a popular golden-hour photo destination for families and photographers.

RODALE INSTITUTE (ORGANIC RESEARCH FARM)

611 Siegfriedale Road, Kutztown (Berks County, just west of the Lehigh Valley) — A world-renowned organic and regenerative farming research center on roughly 386 acres. It offers wagon tours, workshops, field days and mid-September apple picking, and is home to the Farming Systems Trial — North America's longest-running side-by-side comparison of organic and conventional cropping, running since 1981. (Retail items are now largely online or at pop-up events.)

YENSER'S TREE FARM (CHRISTMAS TREE FARM)

1910 Mahoning Drive E., Lehighton (Carbon County, at the valley's northwestern edge) — A cut-your-own farm run by the same family since 1971, with about 100 acres of firs and spruces six to twelve feet tall, complimentary hot chocolate and cookies, and a gift shop for ornaments and decor.

TIPS & PLANNING

Always check a farm's website or Facebook for live picking updates and hours before driving out — strawberries (June), blueberries and peaches (mid-summer), apples and pumpkins (fall), and Christmas trees (late November onward) each have short windows. Bring cash for smaller stands, wear closed-toe shoes for muddy rows, and call ahead for alpaca farms and group tours, which are usually by appointment. For a one-stop sampler, plan around the free Open Gate Farm Tours each fall, when dozens of Lehigh and Northampton county farms open their gates to the public. Note that a few favorites (Rodale, Yenser's) sit just over the county line in Berks and Carbon counties but are an easy drive from the valley.

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