



FARM HERITAGE TRAIL

EST 2016

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Buncombe County Soil & Water Conservation District

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49 Mount Carmel Rd Suite 101

Farm Heritage Trail Farm Stops

Here are the locations where you can experience and enjoy a farm along the trail

Carolina Bison

Hours Open: Monday-Friday 10 am to 5pm
Location: 356 Ridgeview rd. Leicester, NC 28748
Phone Number: 828-772-9274

Gaining Ground Farm Stand

Open Hours: Open 7 Days a week
Location: 305 Sluder Branch Rd Leicester, NC 28748
Phone Number: 828-545-2315

Sycamore Valley Farm Store

Open Hours: 9:00 am to 6:30 pm Year round
Location: 2555 New Leicester Hwy Leicester, NC 28748
Phone Number: 828- 243-0057

Mount Gilead Farm and French Broad Creamery

Hours: Farm Store open daily, to schedule tours email mtgileadtours@gmail.com
Location: 588 Green Valley Road, Leicester, NC 28748
Phone Number: (828) 515-0120

Franny's Farm

Open Hours: Please schedule farm visit by appointment only
Tours can be scheduled through website or by phone
Location: 22 Franny's Farm Rd Leicester, NC 28748
Phone Number: 828-708-5587

Addison Farms Vineyard

Tasting Room Hours:

- Thursday: 12-5pm (May 1- October 31st)
- Friday/Saturday: 12 - 5 pm
- Sunday: 1 - 5 pm
- Other Hours by Appointment only

Location: 4005 New Leicester Hwy Leicester, NC
Phone Number: 828-581-9463

Wells Dale Farm

Hours: 7 days a week at the old Milk House Farm Store (call ahead)
Location: 258 N Turkey Creek Rd Leicester, NC 28748
Phone Number: (828) 242-0615

Aubrey Wells Farm

Hours: By appointment only (call ahead)
Location: 290 Willow Creek Rd Leicester, NC 28748
Phone Number: (828) 777-2244

Sandy Hollar Farm

Hours: November 19-December 18 from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

Location: 63 Sandy Hollar Lane Leicester, NC 28748

Phone Number: 828-683-3645

Long Branch Environmental Education Center

Open Hours: Everyday 8 am to 5 pm (self-guided anytime, but call if you want personal tour)

Location: 278 Boyd Cove Rd Leicester, NC 28748

Phone Number: 828-683-3662

Sandy Mush Herb Nursery

Open Hours: Thursday-Saturday 9 am to 5 pm

Location: 316 Surrett Cove Rd, Leicester, NC 28748-5517

Phone Number: 828-683-2014



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Northwest Buncombe County Trail Directions Alternate route to Farm Heritage Trail from I-40

From I-40 exit 33 via Freedom Drive/ Beaverdam Rd. / Willow Creek Rd. (Approx.6 miles)

- From I40W exit 33 continue straight onto Freedom Drive, then right onto Beaverdam Rd. which turns into Willow Creek Rd. to enter Sandy Mush valley and view conserved farms.
- Drive along Willow Creek Rd. to view conserved farms and **Aubrey Wells Farm Stop** at 290 Willow Creek Rd.
- At the end of Willow Creek Rd., take a left onto Bald Creek Rd. to visit Farm Stops.
 - 1.2 m to visit **Sandy Hollar Farm Stop** on left at 63 Sandy Hollar Lane.
 - 1.4 m take a right onto Boyd Cove Rd. to visit **Long Branch Environmental Education Center Farm Stop** at 278 Boyd Cove Rd.
 - 1.6 m take a right onto Surrett Cove Rd. to visit **Sandy Mush Herb Nursery Farm Stop** at 316 Surrett Cove Rd.
- To continue the trail return on Bald Creek Rd. to Big Sandy Mush Rd.
- **Stop at Sandy Mush Community Center** on the left at 19 School Rd. for Farm Heritage Trail Historic Farming Community Informational Signage. (.5m from Willow Creek Rd.)
- Continue for 1.8 miles and take a left onto Sandy Mush Creek Rd.
- Continue for 2.5 miles and take a right onto New Leicester Hwy.
- Farm Stop on the left at **Addison Farms Vineyard** at 4005 New Leicester Hwy.
- 2.5 miles from turn onto New Leicester Hwy. take left onto Don Flement which will turn into Turkey Creek Rd. continue for 4.8 miles
- Turn left on New Leicester Hwy. and take first right onto South Turkey Creek Rd.
- Farm Stop on the right at **Franny's Farm** at 22 Franny's Farm Rd
- Continue on South Turkey Creek for 2.5 miles
- Take a left on Green Valley Rd for the **Mount Gilead Farm stop** at 588 Green Valley Rd. Head back to South Turkey Creek Rd and take a left.
- Continue for .5 miles and take a left onto Potato Branch Rd. which turns into Morgan's Branch
- Continue for 2.8 miles and take a left onto Newfound Rd. and drive for .9 miles
- Take a left onto Browntown Rd. and continue for 2 miles
- Take a left onto Old Newfound Rd. and continue for 2.7 miles, then Rt. onto Leicester Hwy.
- Farm Stop on the left at **Sycamore Valley Farm Store** at 2555 New Leicester Hwy.
- 1.6 miles from turn onto New Leicester Hwy take a left onto Old Leicester Hwy. (next left after farm stop) and stay on it for .8 miles, then turn left at Sluder Branch Rd.
- Farm Stop on the left at **Gaining Ground Farm Stand** at 305 Sluder Branch Rd Leicester
- Continue 2.5 miles Rt. onto Alexander Rd., continue 1.9 miles Rt. onto Ridgeview Rd.
- Farm Stop at **Dr. Kings: Carolina Bison** on the right at 356 Ridgeview Rd.
- 1.3 miles from turn onto Ridgeview Rd., turn left onto Old #20 Rd. and continue for .3 miles
- Take a right onto Sluder Rd. (which is a gravel road) and continue for .5 miles
- Take a right onto Mag Sluder Rd. and continue for 1 mile
- Southern Appalachian Highlands Conservancy Community Farm is on Rt. at 10 Mag Sluder Rd.



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Northwest Buncombe County Farm Trail Directions Main Access to Farm Heritage Trail from Asheville

Asheville via New Leicester Hwy/Mt Carmel Rd/Old #20 Rd/Rt.at Jenkins Valley Rd/Left at Mag Sluder Rd

- Beginning at **SAHC Community Farm** at 10 Mag Sluder Rd. (Learn about their farm @ signage in lot.)
- From the community farm take a left onto Mag Sluder Rd.
- Continue 1 mile to take a left on Sluder Rd. (which is a gravel road).
- Continue .5 miles on this road and take a left onto old #20 Rd.
- Continue on this road for .3 miles and take a sharp right onto Ridgeview Rd. (hairpin turn)
- Farm Stop at **Carolina Bison** on the left at 356 Ridgeview Rd.
- 1.3 miles from turn onto Ridgeview you will take a left onto Alexander Rd.
- Continue for 1.9 miles and take a left onto Sluder Branch Rd.
- Farm Stop on the right at **Gaining Ground Farm Stand** at 305 Sluder Branch Rd Leicester
- Continue for 2.5 Miles and take a right onto Old Leicester Hwy.
- Continue for .8 miles and take a right onto New Leicester Hwy.
- Farm Stop on the right at **Sycamore Valley Farm Store** at 2555 New Leicester Hwy.
- 1.6 miles from turn onto N. Leicester Hwy. you will take a left onto Old Newfound Rd. (At Bell UMC Church)
- Continue for 2.7 miles and take a right onto Browntown Rd. (Before convenience store)
- Continue for 2 miles and take a right onto Newfound Rd.
- Continue for .9 miles and take a right onto Morgan Branch Rd. (Morgan Branch turns into Potato Branch)
- There is a short section of gravel (approx. 100 ft) toward the end of Potato Branch Rd.
- Continue for 2.8 miles on Morgan/Potato Branch Rd. and take a right onto South Turkey Creek Rd.
- Continue for .5 miles and take a right on Green Valley Rd for the **Mount Gilead Farm stop** at 588 Green Valley Rd. Head back to South Turkey Creek Rd and take a right.
- Continue on South Turkey Creek Rd and Farm stop on the left at **Franny's Farm** at 22 Franny's Farm Rd
- Continue for a total of 3 miles on South Turkey Creek Rd. and take a left on New Leicester Hwy.
- Take the first right (almost immediate) onto Turkey Creek Rd.
- Continue on Turkey Creek Rd. which turns into Don Flement Rd.
- Continue for 4.8 miles on Turkey Creek/Don Flement Rd. and take a right onto New Leicester Hwy.
- Farm Stop on right at **Addison Farms Vineyard** at 4005 New Leicester Hwy.
- 2.5 miles from turn onto New Leicester Hwy. you will take a left onto Sandy Mush Creek Rd.
- Continue for 2.5 miles and take a right onto Big Sandy Mush Rd.
- In 1.8 miles, stop at **Sandy Mush Community Center** at 19 School Rd. for Farm Heritage Trail Historic Farming Community Informational Signage.
- Trail continues past Sandy Mush Community Center (SMCC)
- Take a right back onto Big Sandy Mush Rd. (which will turn into Bald Creek Rd. at the Willow Creek Rd. intersection) in order to visit various farm stops:
 - 1.7 miles from SMCC on Bald Creek Rd., visit **Sandy Hollar Farm Stop** at 63 Sandy Hollar Lane
 - 1.9 miles from SMCC, take right on Boyd Cove Rd. to visit **Long Branch Environmental Education Center Farm Stop** at 278 Boyd Cove Rd. (the last 1/4 mile will be single lane gravel road)
 - 2.1 miles from SMCC, take right on Surret Cove Rd to visit **Sandy Mush Herb Nursery Farm Stop** at 316 Surret Cove Rd. (the last .9 miles will be single lane gravel road)
- Return and exit to Willow Creek Rd. to view conserved farms and **Aubrey Wells Farm Stop** at 290 Willow Creek Rd and continue on willow Creek rd. to connect to I40 via Willow Creek Rd. / Beaverdam Rd. / Freedom Drive

- You may also return to Asheville by following Big Sandy Mush Rd. over Early's Mtn. Rd which will turn into North Turkey Creek Rd. **Wellsdale Farm Stop** on the right at 258 N Turkey Creek Rd.
- Take a right from Wellsdale Farm and continue on until road ends and then take a right onto New Leicester Hwy to head back into Asheville.