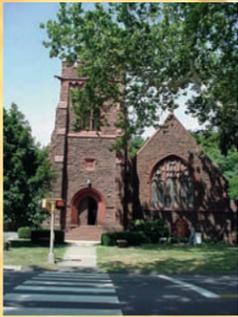


HOPMEADOW WALK

To Westminster School

799 METHODIST CHURCH founded circa 1800, built 1909. The church, a gift of the R.H. Ensign family, has received many valuable gifts including the Louis Comfort Tiffany windows and the Carillon. It is also distinguished by its decorative gargoyles.



8 755 SIMSBURY CEMETERY 1688. The intricate ironwork gates, bronze tablets and eagles are a Civil War Memorial. Wander through the cemetery, looking at the many early grave markers and Classical Revival mausoleums on top of the hill.



7 749 SIMSBURY FREE LIBRARY 1890. William Phelps Eno Library and Simsbury Genealogical and Historical Research Library; Chamber of Commerce. Considered avant-garde for its time, this early example of Colonial Revival has Palladian windows, quoins, elliptical windows, and fan lights.



741 CAPTAIN JACOB PETTIBONE HOUSE 1790. Sovereign Bank. From a plain center chimney colonial, substantial decorative renovations were done in the 1890s including cornices, pilasters, and trim.



5 731 ELISHA PHELPS HOUSE "EAGLEWOOD" 1822. The Simsbury 1820 House. This inn reflects Georgian and Adamesque influences with its Palladian windows and Doric columned porch. Renovation in the 1890s enlarged the house and added Beaux Arts Classicism details. Birthplace of Gifford Pinchot who founded the U.S. Forest Service in 1905.



3 695 SIMSBURY TOWN HOUSE 1839. Boy Scout Hall. A true wood-frame Greek Revival, characterized by gable, columns and porch, this building has served many public functions.



2 680 FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST founded 1697, built 1830. A Greek Revival structure, this is a quintessential New England colonial church.



To Ethel Walker School



77 West Street GRIST MILL 1688. Situated on a dramatic site with post-and-beam, mortise-and-tenon construction and brownstone walls, this beautifully restored structure was an active grist and saw mill for 300 years, 4 miles west of First Church.



397 Hopmeadow Simsbury Inn. Contemporary accommodations with modern conveniences and Evergreens Restaurant. 1.4 miles south of First Church.

933 BELDEN SCHOOL 1907 Town Offices. Built on the site of a colonial militia field, this former high school is an outstanding example of native redstone. Note the chalet-style dormers of the academic Gothic style.



835 Ariel Ensign House 1812 Private Home, ABC House for boys studying at Simsbury High School. This Adamesque center-hall colonial is distinguished by its four end chimneys.



9 921 SCHULTZ PARK Named in honor of Annie Ellsworth Schultz, who purchased the site and established the Simsbury Community Club. The Club provided facilities for tennis, billiards, bowling, cards and dances. After the building was later demolished, this community park was established and named in her honor. The Simsbury Community Band held summer concerts in the Park until attendance outgrew the space, which remains a small oasis in the heart of town.



930 BENAJAH ROOTS HOUSE 1762. This 18th century center-chimney colonial honors historic tradition in its adaptive reuse as a commercial building.



11 928 BARNS Portions to 1762. Simsburytown Shops. These buildings represent a trend toward adaptive re-use of historic buildings for commercial purposes which has created a thriving nucleus of restaurants and shops.

920 TITUS BARBER HOUSE 1812. Prudential Connecticut Realty. The main structure is Georgian in style, but tradition holds that the ell may be one of the oldest structures in Simsbury dating to 1690.

880 ADELAIDE WILCOX HOUSE "ELMSTEAD" 1852. The Vincent Funeral Home. As a grand residence with Italianate features, this home boasts linguista walls in the parlor, imported marble mantles, and a ballroom on the third floor.

10 800 CAPTAIN ELISHA PHELPS HOUSE 1771. As the centerpiece of the Simsbury Historical Society, this house embodies the legacy of Simsbury history and the Phelps family's influence on the town. The house has maintained its integrity with a gambrel roof, elaborate window trim and transom lights.



PROBATE BUILDING 1876. Simsbury Historical Society. This charming tiny office with its high pitched gable roof was built by the town to serve a probate district established in 1760.



4 Railroad Street SIMSBURY TRAIN STATION 1874. Plan B Burger Bar. A classic of railway architecture of the period, the station interior has original freight doors, floors and walls.



760 SIMSBURY BANK AND TRUST COMPANY 1918. Simsbury Bank. As the first bank in the Farmington Valley, this structure is classic commercial Colonial Revival: Doric pilasters with rosette capitals, dentil molding, federal doorway, and an elaborate balustrade on a red brick facade.

6 754 ENO MEMORIAL HALL 1932. The heart of town activities for over fifty years, this building is an outstanding example of Colonial Revival style with its columns, marble rotunda, and domed cupola. Veterans Memorial in front.



FIDDLER'S GREEN 1800's. A cluster of historic commercial buildings which once included an opera house. Sensitive adaptive reuse carries on its history of shops and restaurants.



720 ROBERT AND JULIA DARLING HOUSE 1927. Cannon Medical Building. This Colonial Revival mansion with terra cotta tile hipped roof, six tall chimneys, casement windows, porte cochere, and keystone and wreath over the main entrance was an impressive residence.



1 690 J.R. ENSIGN HOUSE 1905-1910. Webster Bank and Arts Exclusive Gallery. Built of native brownstone in an eclectic style, this massive structure has interesting dormers and roof lines.

LEGEND

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Historic Tree



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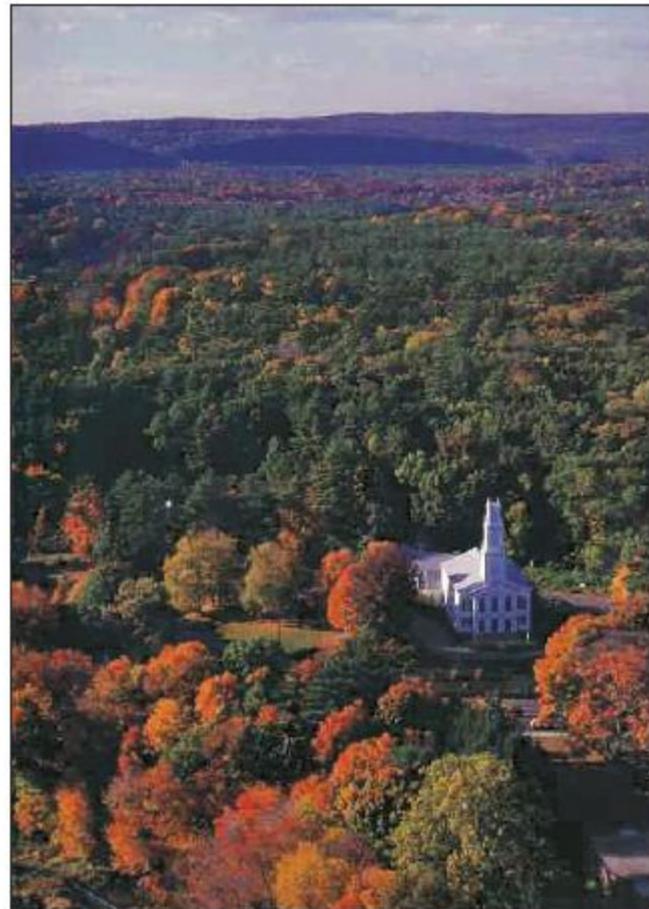


OLD BRIDGE ROAD DRAKE HILL FLOWER BRIDGE 1892. A wrought iron and steel through truss bridge, with pinned connections and a one-lane roadway designed for use before the time of motor vehicles. It is now used by pedestrians and bicycles. Flower baskets, planters and cottage gardens on the East and West sides of the bridge, maintained by volunteers, invite visitors to linger. Parties, luncheons, weddings and other events often take place on the Bridge.

HOPMEADOW WALK invites you to stroll along Hopmeadow Street, Simsbury with short walks to adjacent sites.

Hopmeadow Street in many ways represents Main Street, USA. Buildings exemplify three centuries of American architecture. Small shops, a variety of restaurants, historic sites, public monuments and natural beauty tell a story of our village which grew into a classic New England town.

In the 1640's, when John Griffin and Michael Humphry first crossed the Farmington River at "The Falls," they were searching for virgin pine forest where they could pursue their tar and pitch business. What they found was a verdant valley bounded by two low mountain ranges, rich with fish and wildlife. The native Massacoe Indians of the Algonquin Nation had long lived off the bounty of the rich land and flowing river. The new settlers called the valley the "Massacoh Plantation."



The Phelps Homestead, at the Simsbury Historical Society, tells of the early days of Simsbury and of its development as a village. Modern-day Simsbury continues a tradition of respect for its past, even as it moves through the current century.

Enjoy a leisurely walk among our picturesque buildings and savor the restaurants and shops along the way.



Wander through Simsbury's historic village center at your leisure and visit our eclectic shops. A tour of Phelps Tavern Museum & Homestead will delight and entertain. Depending upon the time of day and your culinary tastes, plan to complete your visit by enjoying some good food and old-fashioned hospitality in one of our historic or more modern restaurants.

Where to stay:

Iron Horse Inn
969 Hopmeadow Street
Simsbury, CT 06070
(860) 658-2216

*Simsbury 1820 House
731 Hopmeadow Street
Simsbury, CT 06070
(860) 658-7658

The Simsbury Inn
397 Hopmeadow Street
Simsbury, CT 06089
(860) 651-5700

What to do:

For more information on events and the Farmington Valley region, call:

860-658-4000

www.simsbury-ct.gov/tourism

www.ShopSimsbury.com

Where to eat in Simsbury center:

Apollo Pizza and Pasta
775 Hopmeadow Street
860-651-3306

*Plan B Burger Bar
4 Railroad Street
860-658-4477

*The Iron Frog Tavern
6 Wilcox Street
860-408-9626

Peaberry's Café
712 Hopmeadow Street
860-658-2930

*Joe Pizza
2 Wilcox Street
860-217-0312

*Red Stone Pub
10 Mall Way
860-217-1744

Little City Pizza
926 Hopmeadow Street
860-658-4001

*Sakimura
10 Wilcox Street
860-651-7929

Maple Tree Café
781 Hopmeadow Street
860-651-1297

*Starbucks
930 Hopmeadow Street
860-651-7957

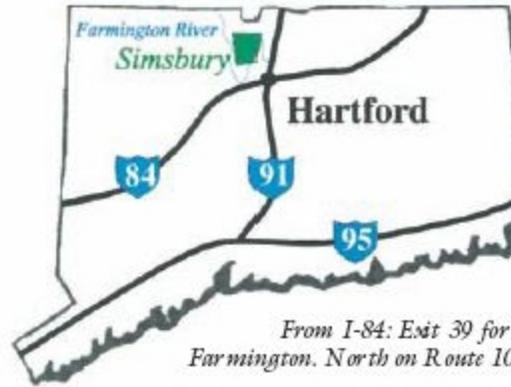
Metro Bis
928 Hopmeadow Street
860-651-1908

Subway
926 Hopmeadow Street
860-651-8500

One Bite Café
928 Hopmeadow Street
860-217-0730

**Listed on National Register of Historic Places*

YOU CAN GET THERE FROM HERE



From I-84: Exit 39 for Route 4 to Farmington. North on Route 10, 11 miles.

From I-91: Exit 40 for Route 20. West 9 miles to Granby and south on Route 10, 5 miles.

Heritage

Heritage More culture to explore

Charm

Charm Great things happen here

Adventure

Adventure More outdoors to explore

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