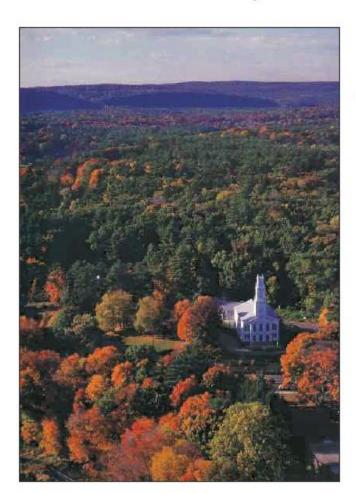
HOPMEADOW WALK invites you to stroll along Hopmeadow Street, Simsbury with short walks to adjacent sites.

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.



