

A self-guided driving route of the hands and lands that feed us in Happy Valley.

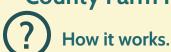
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# Welcome to Centre County Farm Routes!



A whole new way to get to know the hands and lands that feed us!

Use this map to guide you on a fun, flavorful exploration of Centre County's country roads.

Create your own self-guided driving route at your own pace, any time. Go for as long and often as you'd like!

This is Route 2 of three. You'll find digital maps of all three routes (48 stops!) at our website: centrecountyfarmlandtrust.org

Featured locations are farm stores on working farms, preserved farmland, eateries that feature local foods, farmers' markets, agricultural heritage sites - and a few extras for your convenience. Use info in the listings to check the latest on open times and happenings.



# What's a "preserved" farm?

A legal restriction is in place to prevent most development and help keep the land as farmland.

The Trust's mission is to protect farmland and open space in Centre County. The Trust, a non-profit organization, works with families to protect their farms with conservation easements, then to assist with stewardship of the land.

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Tag: #centrecountyfarmlove

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centrecountyfarmlandtrust@gmail.com

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Digital Access for ALL the info: https://www.centrecountyfarmlandtrust. org/farm-routes

Images courtesy Farmland
Preservation Artists

Clockwise from top left: Reflections, Denise Wagner November Joy, Susan Nicholas Gephart

Meyer Farm, Cinda Kostyak

# Happy Valley Vineyard & Winery



Sip and savor a local, "farm-to-bottle" experience beside picture-perfect, preserved land at Happy Valley Vineyard & Winery.

Barb Christ and Elwin Stewart – retired Penn State plant pathologists – both grew up on farms. They bought 28 acres of farmland in Happy Valley in 1994, seeking a new farm venture.

Stop 5 - 576 S. Foxpointe Drive

Stewart had been making wine as a hobby. After learning their soils and growing conditions were perfect for grapes, they began to plant a healthy vineyard that has resulted in award-winning, exceptional wines.

In 2010, they began making their own wines. They grow 13 varieties of grapes on 10 acres.

The secret? We think it's their love of land, stewardship of good land – and a lot of hard work.

"We strive for perfection in the vineyard as well as in the winery, which in turn produces flavorful, crisp clean wines," says Barb Christ.

#### Preserving a Gem

The farm deed dates to 1855. About 27 acres are preserved through Centre County's Purchase of Agricultural Conservation Easement Program, which prevents the land from being sub-divided or developed.

"We just felt strongly that we wanted to keep this in agriculture and we just kind of had the right person in Centre County, Sarah Walter. She felt we had a gem here and we agreed," says Christ.

They rely on close monitoring of the



vineyard, rather than fertilizers or pesticides.

Solar panels power the buildings. The skins of pressed grapes and grapeleaves are composted, then returned to the land as nutrients.

Happy Valley has won two Governor's Cup awards from the Pennsylvania Farm Show. At the Finger Lakes International Wine and Spirits Competition, Happy Valley has won more than a dozen silver medals, four gold medals and one double-gold:

- Meritage won gold in 2015, 2016 and 2017.
- Blaufrankisch won double-gold in 2017.
- Appalachia Red won gold in 2022.
- "We have been in ag our entire lives, and it's just part of us, part of our soul," says Christ.



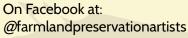






# Thanks to our partners!

Farmland Preservation Artists of Central PA On Facebook at:









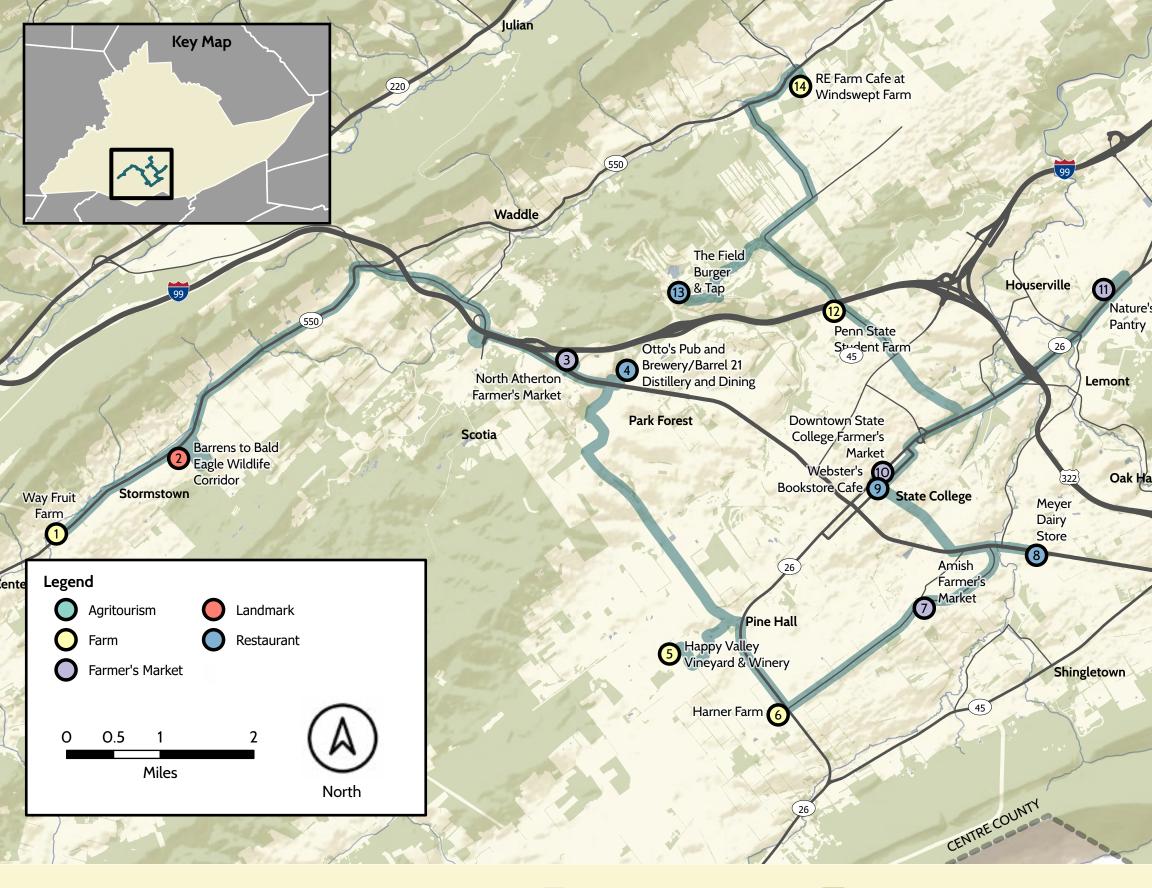
Route 45 Getaways! www.route45getaways.com

www.HappyValley.com









#### 1. Way Fruit Farm

2355 Halfmoon Valley, Port Matilda 814-692-5211 @wayfruitfarm

www.wayfruitfarm.com

814-237-0400

The farm store offers fresh produce, jams, sauces and other food products, and the café offers a lunch menu and deli items. Pick-yourown at this 6th generation family farm since 1826. Watch for a new, downtown location on Calder Way.

2. Barrens to Bald Eagle Wildlife Corridor End of Harness Downs Lane, Port Matilda Coordinates: 40.798455, -78.002538 @ClearWaterConservancy www.clearwaterconservancy.org/

Explore wildflower meadows and woodland areas while watching for wildlife along this 103-acre wildlife corridor connecting Scotia Barrens and Bald Eagle Ridge. The 0.66 mile loop is suitable for all ages. Please drive slowly through the neighborhood and watch for children at play.

3. North Atherton Farmers Market 2615 Green Tech Dr., State College @NorthAthertonFarmersMarket www.nathertonmarket.com

Find beautiful, quality food and food products from local farms at this sprawling, producersonly market in the Home Depot parking lot, Saturdays, 10 am- 2 pm, mid-May 15 to late November. Farm-fresh produce, meat, bakery, milk, cheese, flowers, food trucks and much

#### 4. Otto's Pub and Brewery / Barrel 21 **Distillery & Dining**

2235 N. Atherton St., State College 2255 N. Atherton St., State College 814-867-6886 / 814-308-9522

@OttosPubandBrewery / @B21Distillery Enjoy craft beer and spirits made on-site at these sister restaurants, each with menus inspired by farm fresh local ingredients. Barrel 21 offers signature cocktails. Otto's offers vegetarian fare, burgers, sandwiches, fish tacos and more. Check Facebook for current hours and offerings.

# 5. Happy Valley Vineyard & Winery

576 S. Foxpointe Dr., State College 814-308-8756 @HappyValleyWinery

www.thehappyvalleywinery.com Relax beside the vines to share a flight or bottle and picnic. Check FB or call ahead for hours. These plant pathologists turned wine-makers grow 10 different cultivars and 90 percent of their own grapes. Some of the acreage has been farmed since the 1850s. Nearly 27 acres are preserved through Centre County's Purchase of Agricultural Conservation Easement Program. Flip this

#### 6. Harner Farm

2191 West Whitehall Road, State College 814-237-7919

map over for more of their story!

*@*narnertarm

This 75-year-old family farm, orchard and farm stand is likely best-known for its apples, peaches, corn ... AND fresh vegetables, melons, bedding plants, corn maze, Christmas trees and wreaths, pumpkins and fall decorations. Open May - December.

#### 7. Amish Farmer's Market

State College Assembly of God 2201 University Drive, State College 8 am- 4 pm Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays through mid-October. Shop produce from farmers in the central Pennsylvania and mid-Atlantic regions. This market was previously located in the South Hills Plaza and is not a strictly producer-only market. Great source of seasonal veggies and Amish-made preserves and products.

#### 8. Meyer Dairy Store 2390 S. Atherton

814-237-1849

@meyerdairystore on FB

Every step of creating Meyer's milk and ice cream happens in the State College dairy or farm fields behind it. Taste Meyer's farmfresh, small-batch ice cream and shop for local honey, baked goods, cheese, maple syrup and jam.

#### 9. Webster's Bookstore & Cafe

133 E. Beaver Ave., State College 814-272-1410

@WebstersBooksandCafe www.webstersbooksandcafe.com

A vibrant community café featuring local, organic food, vegan options AND 80,000 books. Webster's works with local farmers to turn seconds into a weekly community meal on Wednesdays. Those meals are vegan, gluten-free and \$10 for those who can afford it - and free to those who can't.

#### 10. Downtown State College Farmer's Market

Locust Lane & E. College Ave., State College 814-571-8247

@statecollegefarmers

www.statecollegefarmersmarket.com Browse for produce, cut flowers, perennials, baked goods, honey, jams and jellies at this festive, downtown producers-only market Fridays, 11:30am-5:30pm until the week before Thanksgiving.

#### 11. Nature's Pantry

2331 Commercial Blvd., State College 814-861-5200

@NaturesPantryPA

www.naturespantrypa.com/ This family-owned, natural foods store carries raw local milk, and local grass-fed beef from its family farm, Fetterolf Family Farm in Aaronsburg. Offering a variety of vegetarian and vegan items, plus gluten-free, dairy-free and allergen-free products.

#### 12. The Dr. Keiko Miwa Ross Student Farm at Penn State

Big Hollow Rd. and Fox Hollow Rd. www.studentfarm.psu.edu @psustudentfarm

www.studentfarm.psu.edu See how much is growing here - from food to student leaders to community and conversation. Visit this living laboratory and classroom for the Sustainable Food Systems Program. Group tours available via the website. Watch for community events.

#### Legend

Restaurant that purchases from the AFW distribution hub

Agricultural heritage landmark

Drive by only

Alcoholic beverages

Delivery or curbside pickup

Farm store

# 13. The Field Burger & Tap

1 Country Club Lane, State College 814-234-8000

@TheFieldBurger

www.toftrees.com/the-field.htm Enjoy hand-crafted burgers from locally sourced bread, meat and Amish cheeses with a central Pa. craft beer or milkshake made with Penn State Berkey Creamery ice cream. Shop the gallery for art from our partners at the Farmland Preservation Artists of Central Pennsylvania.

### 14. RE Farm Café at Windswept Farm

1000 S. Fillmore Rd., State College 814-321-5097

@re\_farm\_cafe refarmcafe.com

Enjoy seasonal dishes composed of produce grown in the farm's greenhouse and fields, plus lamb, pork, chicken and eggs. Dine in a farm-to-table, net-zero-energy and net-zerowater restaurant built with local materials, craftsmanship, and a deep commitment to sustainability.

### Share your adventure!





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