

Traditional farming methods are demonstrated at the New Hampshire Farm Museum. Photo: Ralph Morang

The Branch River Valley Trail journeys through the small rural towns of Wakefield and Milton, and on to the Maine border. Take a walking or bike tour through the town of Wakefield or learn more about the agricultural heritage of New Hampshire at the New Hampshire Farm Museum.

The Branch River Valley Trail highlights the history of industrial, agricultural and tourism development in New Hampshire. The byway takes you through WAKEFIELD CORNER, a well preserved village featuring 26 buildings on the National Historic Register. You'll also pass through SANBORNVILLE, UNION, and by the New Hampshire Farm Museum. At the New Hampshire Farm Museum, you will experience a 19th century working farm and an agricultural

heritage museum. Continuing on, the byway weaves through woodlands, open pastures and alongside rivers and streams. Along the way you'll also see beautiful views of the Belknap Range.

You might also want to stop in at the Museum of Childhood, open seasonally, to admire an impressive private collection of toys, including dolls, doll houses, stuffed animals, puppets and music boxes. There are thousands of toys on display, collected both here and abroad. Be sure to take a break at the Wakefield Heritage Center, a seasonally run interpretive and information center. Here you'll find information about other nearby attractions and recreational opportunities, and learn more about this history of the area.

## SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS: The Wakefield Heritage Center is open

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