Thompson Agriculture Commission's Mission: To maintain, sustain and enhance agriculture so that it will remain a fundamental part of the Thompson landscape and economy by providing flexibility to assist in the evolution of the agricultural industry.

The Thompson Agriculture Commission made every effort to include all farms in the Thompson Grown Brochure. If you know of a farm that is not included and should be, please contact the Planning and Development Dept. at 860-923-9475.

THOMPSON GROWN

A Guide To Agricultural Products and Services In Thompson, CT

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Thompson is a Right-to-Farm town with an agricultural past dating back to the earliest settlers of its lands. It is a pursuit that has anchored the history of Thompson and continues today as an active and significant part of the community. Thompson is fortunate to have retained active farming operations and to have landowners who lease agricultural fields to farmers. According to the CT Dept. of Agriculture, Thompson contains 7,760 acres of prime and important farm soils. In a 2009 survey, 2,446 acres of land were actively farmed. Farmland also provides excellent wildlife habitat, scenic vistas, and, in some cases, recreational opportunities such as hunting, walking, horseback riding and bird watching. Farmland provides more in tax revenue than it consumes in services.

Support agriculture and maintain the rural character of Thompson. Farming provides a living presence of our history and a reminder for our future.

Connecticut Agriculture Fun Facts:

- 6,000 farms (110 dairy farms)
- 128 glasses of milk daily from one cow
- 22,000 jobs
- 440,000 acres of farmland
- 73 acres is average farm size
- 22% increase in number of farms from 2007 to 2012, the highest rate of farm growth in New England

Top 5 Agriculture Sectors in CT:
1. Greenhouse
2. Dairy
3. Poultry and Eggs
4. Tobacco
5. Aquaculture

Source: CT Dept. of Agriculture

You hold the key to the future of our agriculture by buying food, fiber and forest products from local farms and businesses and by supporting town and state policies that keep farms and forest viable.
1 Blackmer Farm
Randy and Myrtie Blackmer
438 Quinebaug Rd. (Rte 131)
May - Oct Daily 10-6
rblackmer@charter.net
Retail greenhouse & farm stand selling perennials, hanging baskets, bedding & vegetable plants. Famous for its fresh picked sweet corn, tomatoes & other vegetables. Also offering Beef, Pork & Chicken. See us on facebook.

2 Chase Road Growers
Warren and Jayne Reynolds
174 Chase Road
chaserdgrowers@gmail.com
Call for hours
Spring: Bedding Plants & Specialty Hanging Baskets. The SWEETEST sweet corn! Vegetables, Cut Flowers, Fall Mums and Gourds. See us on facebook.

3 Siegmund Family Farm
Colin Siegmund
860-315-7684
woollyone@charter.net
47 Fabyan-Woodstock Rd.
Border Leicester & Oxford Sheep
Shearer and Breeder

4 Orchard Products since 1938
David W. Eddy
860-935-5610
270 Sand Dam Rd.
Eldo92@aol.com
Mon - Fri 8-4 Sat 8-12
orchardproducts.net
Custom cut lumber. Design & construction of sheds & barns, kitchens, and woodworking. PYO Blueberries, apples, peaches in season. See us on facebook.

5 Sweet Sue's Sugar Shack
932 Thompson Road
See us on facebook
Joe Langer 860-428-9112
Kelli Langer 860-933-0162
Pure Maple Syrup year round. Call ahead.
Maple Candy, Cream and Coated Peanuts in season.

6 Go Organic LLC since 2007
John Tycz
860-935-5235
1244 Thompson Road
info@goorganicllc.com
goorganicllc.com
100% organic lawn and landscape. Organic nutrient dense vegetable gardens.

7 Fort Hill Farms since 1990
860-923-3439
260 Quaddick Road
See us on facebook.
www.forthillfarms.com
herrostrundelp@aol.com
April - December
Destination farm offering seasonal farmland experiences, including their own “The Farmer’s Cow” Ice Cream & Dairy products. Educational corn maze, PYO organic lavender, blueberries, pumpkins. Stroll the gardens.

8 Maplewood Farm
Heather & Brian Laffin
396 West Thompson Road
860-315-5420
www.MaplewoodFarmer.com
Sheep, Chickens, Ducks, Rabbits and More!

9 Little Bit of Heaven since 2008
Diana Couture
655 Fabyan Rd.
couturebobo@gmail.com
Call anytime for hay & eggs
Evening for seasonal sales May through Fall
Sustainably grown hay, free range eggs, seasonal vegetables, specially selected perennials & annuals.

10 Morning Beckons Farm
343A Sand Dam Road
860-821-0627
Alpaca Fiber & fiber products. Emu oil products: soap, lotion, oil

11 Olde Azud Farm
Nancy Donatiello
245 Ballard Road
Equestrian Boarding, Lessons and Training By appointment only

12 New Boston Beef since 2007
Jonathan R. Eddy
860-315-2408
9 Fabyan-Woodstock Road
newbostonbeefsales@gmail.com
www.newbostonbeefllc.com
*hours by appointment
All naturally raised on our farm. Available by select cuts or by the hanging weight.

13 Bitgood Performance Horses
91 Church Street
860-227-7144
Stacy cimochowski@gmail.com
Training, Lessons, Boarding
National Top 5 Showing

14 Sunrun Gardens & Gift Shop since 1982
Al and Lynn Landry
1121 Quaddick Town Farm Road
Early May - Sept. 10-6 Daily; Oct 10-5 Daily;
Nov & Dec Weekends 10-4
Heriloom tomatoes and vegetables in season. Cut and everlasting flowers. Tie-dyed clothing, handwoven goods, gifts.