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Find Farm-Fresh Food and Fun in Orange County

Experience agricultural bounty at farm-to-table restaurants in Chapel Hill, Carrboro, and Hillsborough or go straight to the source by visiting farms and markets on your own. Here are some ways you can sample the goodness we grow.

Here is sample itinerary #1.

SATURDAY: Start your day at the market

Carrboro Farmer's Market 301 W. Main Street, Carrboro • 919-280-3326 www.carrborofarmersmarket.com

The lively Carrboro Farmers' Market, considered one of the best markets in the country, showcases more than 75 farms, food, and craft vendors all from within an impressive 50-mile radius of Carrboro. In business since 1979, the market attracts throngs of shoppers every Saturday morning and on Wednesday afternoons spring through fall. Special events include cooking demonstrations and tastings held by bakers, chefs, and farmers. Hours: Sat 7am-Noon (winter 9am-Noon), Wed 3:30pm-6:30pm.

SATURDAY: Mid-Morning at the Garden

North Carolina Botanical Garden

100 Old Mason Farm Road, Chapel Hill • 919-962-0522 www.ncbg.unc.edu

When you visit, go first to the Display Gardens and Education Center. Here you will find native plants arranged in natural habitat gardens and wildflower borders, an herb garden, carnivorous and aquatic plant displays, container gardens, and more. Inside the Education Center, you will find information and maps, exhibits, an art gallery, a reference library, and a gift shop. The Piedmont Nature Trails wind through 80 adjacent acres of woodlands.

Weekend Hours: September through May; Saturday 9am–5pm and Sunday 1–5pm. June through August; Saturday 9am-6pm and Sunday 1-6pm. Open weekdays 8am-5pm year-round. Free.

SATURDAY: Lunch downtown

Downtown Chapel Hill

www.visitchapelhill.org/plan-a-visit/dining

Walk down Franklin Street for a sampling of award winning farm to fork restaurants – the hard part is choosing.

SATURDAY: Afternoon Tea

Honeysuckle Tea House 8871 Pickards Meadow Rd., Chapel Hill • 919-903-9131 www.honeysuckleteahouse.com

Located in the pastoral Chapel Hill countryside, 15 minutes from downtown and tucked away on a country road, Honeysuckle Tea House is the unique destination you have been waiting for. The tea house itself is an open air structure,

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built with repurposed materials and timber framing, and vaulted on four shipping containers from a Norfolk, Va. shipyard. Most every ingredient under their label, has been grown, processed, and packaged on site. Besides selling seasonal apothecary items, 'Garden to Glass' artisanal beverages and health-conscious bites, Honeysuckle offers WiFi, live music, myriad educational workshops, yoga, and monthly garden tours. Hours: Sun-Thurs 9am-9pm, Fri & Sat 9am-10pm.

SATURDAY: Dine in Hillsborough

Panciuto

110 S. Churton Street, Hillsborough • 919-732-6261 www.panciuto.com

Panciuto is devoted to the people - farmers and friends - who supply the restaurant with virtually all of its food, the plates on which patrons eat, and the table at which they sit. Reservations recommended. Hours: Wednesday through Saturday 5:30 pm to close.

SATURDAY: Plan an overnight farm stay

Fickle Creek Farm

211 Fickle Creek Crossing, Efland • ficklecreek@gmail.com www.ficklecreekfarm.com

Relax, rest, renew at this small-scale sustainable working farm in a quiet rural setting just minutes from Hillsborough.

Here is sample itinerary #2

SUNDAY: Breakfast at Fickle Creek

Fickle Creek Farm

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Create your own meals using farm fresh seasonal fruits, vegetables, cheeses, eggs, and meats. The Garden View Efficiency offers you the comforts of home with its full kitchen, private bath, and spacious deck.

SUNDAY: Country drive

Maple View Country Store

6900 Rocky Ridge Road, Hillsborough • 919- 960-5535 www.mapleviewfarm.com

On your way back to Carrboro and Chapel Hill, take the scenic route and be sure to stop by the Maple View Farm Country Store for scenic views of open farmland, antique dairy collections, Holstein Cows, and fresh-churned Southern ice cream. Hours: Noon - 9pm seven days a week









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SUNDAY: Jazz at the Weave

Weaver Street Market

101 East Weaver St, Carrboro • ficklecreek@gmail.com www.weaverstreetmarket.coop

Feel the soul of funky Carrboro at Weaver Street Market, a nationally known food cooperative and source for local produce, meat, cheeses, and craft beer. During warm months, folks of all ages eat, hang, and hula-hoop on the front lawn. *Co-op hours:* Mon-Sun 7am-10pm, "After Hours" Thurs. 6:30 – 8:30 pm May-Jun (resumes in August), "Sunday Jazz & More Brunch" 11am – 1pm, May-Oct.

SUNDAY: Shop & Dine

Southern Season

201 S. Estes Dr. Chapel Hill, • 877-929-7133 www.southernseason.com/our-stores/chapel-hill/

In Chapel Hill, the destination gourmet and cookware store A Southern Season specializes in products made by small Southern food producers, including farmstead cheese, jams, and wine. Weathervane, its award-winning restaurant, emphasizes local products in creative American dishes. Just outside the store on Saturday mornings you'll find the Chapel Hill Farmers' Market. *Hours:* Mon–Thu 8am - 8pm; Fri & Sat 8am - 9pm, Sun 10am - 7pm.

SUNDAY: Dine on Franklin Street

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