Hardwick StoryMap Assets

Name: Hardwick Sugar Shack

Description: The Hardwick Sugar Shack is a family-owned farm that makes their own maple syrup. They offer tours every March to show visitors how they tap, collect, and boil sap to make their maple syrup. Please navigate to their website for more information about how to access their products if you are visiting the area.

Address: 572 Jackson Road, Hardwick, MA 01037

Hours: Open every Sunday in March from 11am to 4pm, or call ahead before visiting

Website: https://hardwicksugarshack.com/

Contact Information: 413-477-0932

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Agritourism

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Name: Hardwick Vineyard and Winery

Description: Hardwick Vineyard and Winery is the only winery in Town. The winery holds tours, workshops, and events with live music.

Address: 3305 Greenwich Road, Hardwick, MA 01082

Hours: Sunday-Friday 11am-6pm and Saturdays 11am-8pm

Website: https://www.hardwickwinery.com/

Contact Information: 413-967-7763

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Agritourism

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Name: Round Table Farm

Description: Round Table Farm makes four kinds of small batch, raw milk aged cheese. The farm also grows specialty flowers available to florists and at farmers markets across Massachusetts. Raw goat milk and cheese is available on site.

Address: 42 Jackson Road, Hardwick, MA 01037

Hours: Everyday 8am-7pm

Website: https://www.roundtable.farm/

Contact Information: 617-875-6604

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Agritourism

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Name: Still Life Farm

Description: Still Life Farm specializes in winter storage vegetables and winter greenhouse crops, and offers a 5-month winter community supported agriculture (CSA) vegetable share program. This farm also offers a large variety of specialty fruits such as heirloom apples, sweet cherries, currants and gooseberries, among others, as well as holiday decorations, farm dinners, and farm fresh eggs. Please visit their website for a complete list of farmer's markets and CSA delivery locations where you can pick up Still Life Farm products in Massachusetts.

Address: 1643 Petersham Road, Hardwick, MA 01037

Hours: Email or call ahead for special requests

Website: https://stilllifefarm.com/index.html

Contact Information: 413-477-8268 or StillLifeFarm@aol.com

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Agritourism

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Name: Lone Birch Blossoms at Clover Hill Farm

Description: Lone Birch Blossoms offers wedding, holiday and event floristry, a summer bouquet Community-Supported Agriculture (CSA) Program, as well as a seasonal cut-your-own flower field (open weekends, July through September). The cut-your-own flower field is located across the street from Old Furnace General Store, and CSA pick-up is located at Clover Hill Farm on Barre Road.

Address: 1805 Lower Road, Gilbertville, MA

Hours: Check website or call ahead for most up-to-date hours

Website: https://lonebirchblossoms.com/contact-lone-birch-blossoms/

Contact Information: 508-837-5591 or lonebirchblossoms@gmail.com

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Agritourism

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Name: Hardwick Farmer's Market

Description: Supported by local farmers, the Hardwick Farmer's Market offers quality local products such as fruits, vegetables, honey and granola, as well as hand-crafted goods. The market also hosts live music.

Address: 40 Common Street, Hardwick, MA 01037

Hours: Sundays 11am-2pm Father's Day through October

Website: https://hardwickfarmersmarket.com/

Contact Information: 774-452-3061 or stillmans@verizon.net

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Agritourism

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Name: Four Acre Farm

Description: The Four Acre Farm Store offers pork, beef, eggs, and seasonal items, such as fall mums.

Address: 170 Petersham Road, Hardwick, MA 01331

Hours: Everyday 7am-7pm

Website: https://www.facebook.com/p/Four-acre-farm-100066935203509/

Contact Information: 978-257-4122 or 4acrefarmja@gmail.com

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Agritourism

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Name: Clover Hill Farm

Description: Clover Hill Farm is a fifth-generation farm that offers a variety of products from custom grains and hay to seasonal products and farm fresh meats.

Address: 1096 Barre Road, Gilbertville, MA 01031

Hours: Everyday 8am-6pm

Website: https://cloverhillfarm.info/

Contact Information: 413-813-8119 or cloverhillfeeds@gmail.com

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Agritourism

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Name: Hardwick Farmers Co-Op

Description: The Hardwick Farmers Co-op is a large retail store that meets the needs of local farmers by offering livestock feed, farm supplies, and programming. They also offer an extensive nursery, clothing, boots, pet supplies and gifts.

Address: 444 Lower Road, Gilbertville, MA 01031

Hours: Open Monday through Friday 8am-6pm, Saturday 8am-5 pm, Sunday 9am-3 pm

Website: https://www.hardwickfarmers.net/index.html

Contact Information: 413-477-6913 or info@hardwickfarmers.net

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Agritourism

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Name: Whistle Stop

Description: The Whistle Stop is a local restaurant known for its hometown comfort and its unique dining experiences. The restaurant used to be a historic train station that served as a stop on the Massachusetts Central Railroad in the 1800s.

Address: 248 Main Street, Gilbertville, MA 01031

Hours: Open every day from 6am-2pm

Website: https://the-whistle-stop-gilbertville.edan.io/

Contact Information: 413-477-8888

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Agritourism

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Name: Mimi's Coffeehouse

Description: Mimi's Coffeehouse offers a place for visitors to escape the daily stresses of life and features as many locally sourced ingredients as possible in its food and drink products.

Address: 14 Barre Road, Hardwick, MA 01037

Hours: Open Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 7am-2:30pm, Saturday and Sunday from 6am-2:30pm, and Thursdays from 5pm -9pm

Website: https://www.mimiscoffeehouse.com/

Contact Information: 413-477-1144

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Agritourism

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Name: Rose 32 Bread

Description: Rose 32 Bread is a small-batch bakery that makes gourmet breads and European-style pastries with their products on display. You can order cafe food served fresh from the kitchen, as well as specialty drinks, espresso and coffee. The summer months offer outdoor dining opportunities, and indoor dining is offered year-round.

Address: 412 Main Street (Route 32), Gilbertville, MA 01031

Hours: Open Thursday through Saturday 9am-3pm

Website: https://www.rose32bread.com/

Contact Information: 413-477-9930

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Agritourism

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Name: Lost Towns Brewing Company

Description: Lost Towns Brewing Company is a nanobrewery that partners with local farms for organically grown grain for brewing. The brewery holds live music events, has friendly people, as well as a great environment.

Address: 483 Main Street (Route 32), Gilbertville, MA 01031

Hours: Open Thursday and Friday 3pm-8pm, Saturday 12pm-8pm, and Sunday 12pm-6pm

Website: https://ltbrew.com/

Contact Information: 413-277-0818

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Agritourism

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Name: Hardwick House of Pizza

Description: Hardwick House of Pizza is located in the old railroad depot next to the Massachusetts Central Railroad.

Address: 76 Main Street, Gilbertville, MA 01031

Hours: Open Monday through Saturday 11am-8pm

Contact Information: 413-477-6001

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Agritourism

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Name: Briar Ridge Farm

Description: Briar Ridge Farm is a family-owned farm specializing in craft honey, eggs and seasonal organic sweet corn. Pasture-raised lamb will be available in 2025.

Address: 670 Ridge Road, Gilbertville, MA 01031

Hours: Please contact the farm ahead of time

Contact Information: aculrosslmhc@gmail.com

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Agritourism

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Name: Stillman Quality Meats

Description: Stillman Quality Meats raises grass-fed and pasture-raised beef, pork, lamb, chicken, turkey and fresh eggs. Items can be purchased online or at various farmers' markets in MA. Please check their website for a list of occasional events that the farm hosts.

Address: 3674 Greenwich Road, Hardwick, MA 01082

Hours: Monday through Friday 9 to 5 pm

Website: https://www.stillmanqualitymeats.com/

Contact Information: (413) 277-9600 or farm@stillmanqualitymeats.com

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Agritourism

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Name: Rosy Goat Farm

Description: Besides fresh eggs, seasonal produce, and friendly farm animals, Rosy Goat Farm offers private camping sites with beautiful views of the quintessential New England Town. The campsite, referred to as Find Your Muse, is visited by many cyclists who travel the Rail Trail from Boston to Northampton.

Address: 233 Upper Church Street, Gilbertville, MA 01031

Website: https://rosygoatfarm.com/find-your-muse/

Contact Information: 774-202-9502

Hours: Open Friday through Sunday 12pm-4pm

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Both

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Name: Upper Church Scenic Road

Description: Scenic views of Upper Church Street exist in this area of Hardwick. At this location, you can find examples of fine stone walls, as well as the site of the Ruggles homestead from the 1700's.

Address: Intersection of Upper Church Street and Barre Road, Hardwick

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Ecotourism

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Name: Quabbin Reservoir

Description: The Quabbin Reservoir is the largest inland body of water in Massachusetts that serves as the main source of water for Boston and other communities. Swimming and dog walking are prohibited at the reservoir, but fishing, bicycling, picnicking, walking and snowmobiling recreation activities are all allowed uses. Please be respectful of your surroundings while visiting the Quabbin Reservoir. Please visit the Commonwealth of MA website for more seasonal information.

Address: Greenwich Road, Hardwick, MA (West of Route 32A)

Website: https://www.mass.gov/locations/quabbin-reservoir

Contact Information: (413) 323-7221

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Ecotourism

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Name: Hardwick Pond

Description: Hardwick Pond is a 72-acre waterbody with a boat launch area that is open to the public for boating and fishing recreation activities. The average depth of Hardwick Pond is 10 feet, with a maximum depth of 17 feet. MassWildlife regularly stocks trout here every spring, and roughly half of the shoreline is developed with summer cottages and year-round residences.

Steward: Hardwick Pond Preservation Association

Address: Hardwick Pond Road, Hardwick, MA 01031

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Ecotourism

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Name: Hardwick Pond Boat/Fishing Access

Description: Hardwick Pond is a 72-acre waterbody with a boat launch area that is open to the public for boating and fishing recreation activities. There are no restrictions on horsepower. If you plan on using any boating equipment at Hardwick Pond, please remove any plant fragments from your boat or equipment before leaving the launch area, as the incidence of invasive weeds needs to be controlled to protect the Quabbin Reservoir's water supply that is located nearby, and to protect water quality at Hardwick Pond.

Address: Hardwick Pond Road, Hardwick, MA 01031

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Ecotourism

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Name: Southwest Dougal Preserve

Description: The Dougal Range is situated between Hardwick Center and downtown Ware, and includes 2,000+ contiguous acres of upland forest. The East Quabbin Land Trust owns 175 acres of forested land within the Dougal Range - this region is known as the Southwest Dougal Preserve and is open to the public for hunting, fishing, and passive recreation. Access to the preserve is from existing trails along the Dougal Range, either through the Ware Town Forest parcel or from Hardwick Pond Road to the abandoned section of Old Stagecoach Road.

Address: 65 Hardwick Pond Road, Ware, MA 01082

Website: https://eqlt.org/our-properties/hyde-wooland-preserve-ware/

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Ecotourism

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Name: Muddy Brook Wildlife Management Area

Description: The Muddy Brook Wildlife Management Area (WMA) spans 375 acres and includes a unique sandplain ecosystem as well as birding opportunities. The WMA is just one part of a 500-acre barrens restoration project. There are no access roads that are open to the public for driving. Parking does exist along Patrill Hollow Road with turnouts and

gated entrances. The trails that exist within the WMA are unmaintained and subject to change.

Address: 862-900 Patrill Hollow Road, Gilbertville, MA 01031 (graded road)

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Ecotourism

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Name: Ware River and Valley

Description: The Ware River is a 35-mile long river that is located in Central Massachusetts with special clean water safeguards. Fishing and paddling are all allowed recreational uses. Hiking and biking trails also exist for residents to use along the river.

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Ecotourism

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Name: Mandell Hill Preserve

Description: The East Quabbin Land Trust's Mandell Hill Preserve is a working farm/ecological management property that includes a 1.5 mile trail loop. Scenic views exist in all directions. To utilize the passive recreation opportunities that are available at Mandell Hill Preserve, head east on Barre Road for one mile from Hardwick Common. Parking is located on the right-hand side of the road.

Address: 658 Barre Road, Gilbertville, MA 01031

Website: https://eqlt.org/our-properties/mandell-hill/

Contact Information: (413) 477-8229

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Ecotourism

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Name: Patrill Hollow Preserve

Description: The East Quabbin Land Trust's Patrill Hollow Preserve is a 136 acre woodland preserve that offers hiking, picnicking, nature study, photography, bird watching, cross country skiing, and mountain biking recreational activities. The preserve entrance and informational kiosk area are located ½ mile southwest of Hardwick Center, or 400 feet north of the intersection between Patrill Hollow Road and Czeski Road. Look for signage!

Address: Two parking options 1) between 1073 - 1098 Hardwick Road, 2) across the street from 164 Patrill Hollow Road

Website: https://eqlt.org/our-properties/patrill-hollow-preserve-hardwick/

Contact Information: (413) 477-8229

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Ecotourism

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Name: Old Furnace Boat Launch

Description: The Old Furnace Boat Launch area provides residents and visitors with a canoe/kayak/boat and fishing access point to the Ware River.

Address: 1474 Barre Road, Gilbertville, MA 01031

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Ecotourism

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Name: New Furnace Boat Launch and Gazebo/Ware River Park

Description: The New Furnace Boat Launch offers recreational boating access to the Ware River, as well as a gazebo with a view of the Ware River and access to Ware River Park. A connection to the East Quabbin Land Trust's Rivers Edge Trail exists adjacent to the entrance off of Main Street. A limited amount of parking spots exist at the boat launch location.

Address: Across the street from 76 Main Street, Gilbertville, MA 01031

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Ecotourism

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Name: Gilbertville Fitness Trail Parking Area

Description: Gilbertville Fitness Trail, newly renovated, is connected to the Mass Central Rail Trail and includes ten fitness stations and a picnic area for visitors to enjoy. Visitors can also access the Ware River Blue Trail and Ware River Park from here. Please note that the entrance to the St. Aloysius Cemetery is separate from the fitness trail parking lot. Another alternate entrance to the trail is located across the street from the Hardwick House of Pizza on Main Street.

Address: Adjacent to 202 Lower Road (Route 32) (across from St. Aloysius Cemetery)

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Ecotourism

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Name: Quabbin Reservoir Fishing Gate 3 Access Point

Description: Quabbin Reservoir Fishing Gate 3 is a fisherman access point for folks looking to partake in fishing and boating recreational activities. Boats, kayaks, and canoes are available to rent at this area. Folks are likely to catch bass and warm-water species in the area immediately surrounding the access point, and eagles and loons are often sighted here.

Address: Hell Huddle Road, Hardwick, MA

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Ecotourism

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Name: Old Northeast Music Camp

Description: The Old Northeast Music Camp operated from 1972 to 1989, and offered campers the opportunity to strengthen their vocal and instrumental skills. The land was recently taken over by the Massachusetts Department of Fish and Game and cleared of all abandoned structures. This area connects the Muddy Brook Valley corridor and the Dougal Range and is considered to be a priority conservation area for a series of terrestrial barrens obligate species, bog obligate species, and aquatic species. Parking exists at the site, and there is ample access to Hardwick Pond fishing opportunities as well.

Address: 1382 Turkey Street, Gilbertville, MA 01031

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Ecotourism

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Name: Massachusetts Central Rail Trail

Description: The Massachusetts Central Rail Trails spans over 100 miles from Northampton to Boston. The full 3-mile section that runs between Hardwick to New Braintree was officially opened by the East Quabbin Land Trust in October of 2015. Visitors are encouraged to use this trail for passive recreation and for access to the Ware River. Visitors may also have the chance to see wildlife such as bears, otters, deer and coyotes while utilizing the trail pathway.

Address: Parking is located at the location of the former New Braintree train station at the intersection of Hardwick and West Roads in New Braintree

Website: https://www.masscentralrailtrail.org/ or https://eqlt.org/our-properties/

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Ecotourism

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Name: River's Edge Preserve

Description: The River's Edge Preserve (formerly the Cernauskas Conservation Area) is located on an approximately 50-acre riverfront property owned by the East Quabbin Land Trust. The loop trail extends off of the Massachusetts Central Rail Trail and takes you down to the Ware River waterfront, where a picnic bench lies for visitors to use at their leisure.

Address: Intersection of Maple Street and Pine Street

Website: https://eqlt.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/Rivers-Edge.pdf

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Ecotourism

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Name: Moose Brook Preserve and Valley

Description: The East Quabbin Land Trust's Moose Brook Preserve lies at the heart of the Moose Brook Valley, which is considered to be an area of great ecological significance in the region. The area used to be an early industrial site as well, but there are hardly any ruins that remain from the mills that existed here. Excellent birding opportunities exist here, (especially opportunities to spot interior forest breeding birds). According to MassAudubon, Moose Brook Preserve is considered to be the second-best breeding area in the Commonwealth. An interpretive trail also exists inside for visitors to explore.

Address: West side of Brook Road, 1 mile north of intersection of Brook and Prouty Road

Website: https://eqlt.org/our-properties/moose-brook-preserve/

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Ecotourism

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Name: Prouty Road Scenic Overlook

Description: Traveling along Prouty Road, visitors will find scenic views of vast farmland and open fields. Views of Moose Brook Valley can be seen to the west as well.

Address: Prouty Road

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Ecotourism

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Name: Hemingway Swamp

Description: Located in the northern part of Hardwick, Hemingway Swamp is the largest wetland complex in Town. The swamp serves as the headwaters of Muddy Brook which drains western Hardwick and flows into the Ware River in Ware.

Address: Northside of Thresher Road and West of Jackson Road, Hardwick, MA 01037

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Ecotourism

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Name: Deer Park Reserve and Coxhall Kitchen Garden

Description: Deer Park Preserve is managed by the East Quabbin Land Trust to support the diverse wildlife and habitat that exist on the property, such as American kestrel, oak-hickory trees, white pine trees, and mixed hardwood trees. Within the preserve, visitors can find the Coxhall Kitchen Garden, formerly owned by Brigadier General Timothy Ruggles, (a controversial figure in both the French and Indian Wars and the Revolutionary War). Gardens like this were built in the 1700s to keep out wild animals and to create microclimates for fruits and vegetables. To access Deer Park Preserve, park at the Deer Park Preserve sign at 481 Barre Road. To access Coxhall Kitchen Garden, visitors can follow the trails, or walk there from unpaved Simpson Road, about 1000 feet south from Ruggles Hill Road. Two large oak trees mark this intersection instead of a road sign, (EQLT).

Address: 481 Barre Road, Gilbertville, MA 01031

Website: https://eqlt.org/our-properties/deer-park-preserve-hardwick/

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Ecotourism

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Name: Harwick Crossing Country Club

Description: Hardwick Crossing Country Club is a local golf club located in Gilbertville that has scenic views. Open to public, this country club includes a restaurant with indoor and outdoor dining, as well as a special events/wedding venue.

Address: 262 Lower Rd, Gilbertville, MA 01031

Website: hardwickcrossing.com

Contact Information: 774-757-8907

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Ecotourism

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Name: Benjamin Roach Athletic Field

Description: Benjamin Roach Athletic Field is a popular recreative destination for local residents. The field is located in close proximity to the Ware River, as well as to nearby

wetland areas. Recreational programming that is available for youth at this field include youth football, cheerleading and soccer.

Address: 2380 Barre Road, Gilbertville, MA 01031

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Ecotourism

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Name: Charity Hill Scenic Walk

Description: At the intersection of Charity Hill Road and Thresher Road, visitors can find an old logging road (not driveable) with a side trail that leads down to a swampy area, with opportunities for wildlife viewing. The trail is considered to be the unpaved area that leads through MassWildlife conservation land.

Address: Intersection of Charity Hill Road and Thresher Road

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Ecotourism

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Name: Goddard Park

Description: Goddard Park, located adjacent to the Paige Memorial Library, is a recreational area where residents and visitors can utilize the playground and pickleball court area.

Address: 87 Petersham Road, Hardwick, MA 01037

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Ecotourism

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Name: Wheelwright Memorial Field

Description: Wheelwright Memorial Field is primarily utilized by youth for little league baseball recreational activities.

Address: 1776 Barre Road, Gilbertville, MA 01031

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Ecotourism

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Name: Hardwick Town Common

Description: The Hardwick Town Common used to be the center of commerce in early Hardwick. The Hardwick Community Fair is also hosted here every August (usually the third weekend of August). Established in 1762, the Hardwick Community Fair is dubbed as the

"Oldest Fair in the United States." The fair includes a variety of activities for visitors, including an antique tractor parade, agricultural and creative exhibits, live music, dance, children's games, wagon rides, as well as demonstrations and food.

Address: 40 Common Street, Hardwick, MA 01037

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Both

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Name: Ware-Hardwick Covered Bridge

Description: The Ware-Hardwick Covered Bridge is the longest covered bridge in Massachusetts. The bridge overlooks the Ware River. Built in 1887, it is located within the Village of Gilbertville on the border with Ware. The Town of Hardwick's National Register (NR) program began with the listing of the Ware-Hardwick Covered Bridge in 1986, according to the Hardwick's 2008 Reconnaissance Report created by the Department of Conservation and Recreation.

Address: 40 Bridge Street, Gilbertville, MA 01031

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Landmark

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Name: Stone Church Cultural Center

Description: The Stone Church Cultural Center is a historic church that is currently being preserved by the Friends of the Stone Church, (a local public charitable corporation and community group). The vision for the building is to use this historic landmark as a place of cultural and community enrichment. Please visit the Friends of the Stone Church website for more information about community events that currently take place here.

Address: 283 Main Street, Gilbertville, MA 01031

Website: https://friendsofthestonechurch.org/

Contact Information: 508-404-7552

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Landmark

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Name: Cutler-Paige House

Description: The Cutler-Paige House is an outstanding example of Georgian style architecture with a facade gable lit by an oculus, a three-part window in the center of the

second floor, and a fan-lit entry. The house was built in 1810 and is listed on the National Register of Historic Homes.

Address: Private residence, do not trespass

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Landmark

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Name: Gilbert School

Description: The Gilbert School, now abandoned, is a former school building that hosted schoolchildren from grades 1 - 8 in Gilbertville.

Address: 58 Ruggles Hill Road, Gilbertville, MA 01031

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Landmark

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Name: Town Hall

Description: The Hardwick Town Hall Building, built in 1837, houses the municipal government building.

Address: 307 Main Street, Hardwick, MA 01082

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Landmark

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Name: Hardwick Town House

Description: The Hardwick Town House is the site of the former Town Hall. The building is now used for community purposes such as public meetings, library programming, and community events.

Address: 32 Common Street, Harwick, MA 01037

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Landmark

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Name: Paige Memorial Library

Description: Founded in 1802, the first Library Association in Hardwick was housed along with the post office in the general store owned by the Hammond and Mixter families. When the high school was built in 1888 the Library Association collection, (along with antiques and books from Reverand Lucius Paige), were moved to the new school. When the school

burned in 1905 only the foundation remained. The Lucius Paige family eventually built the Paige Memorial Library using that same school foundation (Paige, 1883).

Address: 87 Petersham Road, Hardwick, MA 01037

Website: www.paigelibrary.com

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Landmark

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Name: Gilbertville Public Library

Description: The Gilbertville Public Library was constructed in 1913. Please contact the library for more information about library offerings and local history.

Address: 259 Main Street, Gilbertville, MA 01037

Website: www.gilbertvillelibrary.com

Contact Information: 413-477-6312 or gilbertvilllibrary@comcast.net

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Landmark

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Name: First Universalist Church

Description: Hardwick's Universalist Church, part of New Braintree's Tri-Parish Community Church communion, is located off of Hardwick Town Common and hosts Sunday services July through December. Sunday services usually rotate between Hardwick's Universalist Church and Stone Church, as well as Gilbertville and New Braintree Congregational Churches.

Address: 9 Ruggles Hill Road, Hardwick, MA 01037

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Landmark

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Name: Calvinistic Congregational Church

Description: Part of New Braintree's Tri-Parish Community Church communion, Hardwick's Calvinistic Congregational Church is now the current location of Hardwick food pantry.

Address: 18 Barre Road, Gilbertville, MA 01031

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Landmark

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Name: St. Augustine Mission

Description: St. Augustine Mission is part of a broad network of mission churches in the region, and is considered to be an extension of St. Aloysius Parish.

Address: 98 Church Lane, Wheelwright, MA 01094

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Landmark

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Name: Ruggles Hill School

Description: The Ruggles Hill School used to house Hardwick's elementary school. Please enjoy viewing it from the roadway.

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Landmark

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Name: Civil War Memorial

Description: The Civil War Memorial statue is located at the northern end of Hardwick Town Common and memorializes the lives lost during the American Civil War.

Address: North end of Hardwick Town Common

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Landmark

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Name: World War I Veterans Memorial

Description: The World War I Veterans Memorial is commemorated as a plaque on a large boulder with a cannon. This memorial is located next to the Hardwick House of Pizza on the corner of North Road and Main Street in Gilbertville, MA.

Address: Corner of North Street and Main Street, Gilbertville, MA

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Landmark

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Name: World War II Memorial

Description: Located next to the Barton Building in Wheelwright Village, the World War II Memorial memorializes the lives lost during World War II and all subsequent wars that followed.

Address: Adjacent to 1776 Barre Road (location of the Barton Building)

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Landmark

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Name: Pony Truss Railroad Bridge over Ware River

Description: Built in the 1800s, the pony truss railroad bridge (or Upper Hardwick bridge) is part of the former Massachusetts Central railroad. It was intact for use as the Wheelwright branch until 1981. The bridge is now owned by the East Quabbin Land Trust and can be accessed via the Mass. Central Rail Trail in Hardwick.

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Landmark

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Name: Lattice Truss Railroad Bridge over Mass Central Rail Trail

Description: Built in the late 1800s, the lattice truss railroad bridge is part of the former Central Massachusetts railroad. The lattice truss railroad bridge can be accessed via the Mass. Central Rail Trail in Hardwick.

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Landmark

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Name: Sixth Massachusetts Turnpike

Description: In 1799, the Massachusetts Legislature authorized a turnpike corporation that proposed the construction of the Sixth Massachusetts Turnpike. The turnpike, constructed in 1800, ran from Shrewsbury out west through Hardwick, and ended in Amherst, MA. The Sixth Massachusetts Turnpike was a key commercial road in central MA and critically linked to the Connecticut River. It crossed the Ware River just north of the current Old Furnace Launch area, then ran up Barre Road, through Hardwick Common, and then continued west up Greenwich Road near the Fishing Area #3, Gate #43 entrance. The last segment to Amherst is covered by the Quabbin Reservoir. Of interest, two taverns existed at the bottom of Barre Road near the Ware River, and near Hardwick Town Common. Traveling between these taverns was arduous for people and horses hauling goods, so the taverns provided needed rest and food. Please see https://www.shrewsburyhistoricalsociety.org/steamboats for more information.

Address: Starting Point: Greenwich Road, Fishing Area #3, Gate #43 entrance
End Point: North of the Old Furnace Boat Launch area along Route 32/Barre Road

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Landmark

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Name: Hardwick Village Historic District

Description: Hardwick Village Historic District, Hardwick's meetinghouse and common center, was officially placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1991. Please visit https://www.hardwick-ma.gov/community-resources/page/history for more information.

Address: Petersham Road, Barre Road, Greenwich Road, Ruggles Hill Road, Gilbertville Road

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Landmark

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Name: Gilbertville Historic District

Description: Gilbertville Historic District, a historic textile mill village, was officially placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1991. Please visit https://www.hardwick-ma.gov/community-resources/page/history for more information.

Address: Main Street, Church Street, High Street, North Street, Broad Street, Bridge Street

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Landmark

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Name: The Bugle

Description: Technically considered to be located in Ware within the Dougal Range, The Bugle is a rock outcropping situated above the Ware-Hardwick Covered Bridge that provides a panoramic and scenic view of Gilbertville. Visitors can access this area via a walking path located directly across from the Ware-Hardwick Covered Bridge going up the hill.

Address: Bridge Street, Gilbertville, MA 01031

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Landmark

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Name: Original Town Center Site

Description: Traversing along Greenwich Road, visitors will find a plaque from the 1700's in large stone marking the site of the Congregational Meeting House, or the site of Hardwick's original Town Center. The Old Meeting House was eventually relocated in 1741 because it could no longer be used for religious meetings or gatherings.

Address: Private Residence, please do not trespass

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Landmark

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Name: First Parsonage

Description: Built in 1735, the First Parsonage is the oldest home in Hardwick. It was originally built for the Town's first settled minister, Reverand David White.

Address: Private Residence, please do not trespass

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Landmark

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Name: Old Furnace General Store

Description: Old Furnace General Store carries a broad selection of locally sourced products. They also offer a wide variety of beer, wine and spirits with more than 170 different types of whiskies.

Address: 1839 Lower Road, Hardwick, MA 01037

Website: facebook.com/OldFurnaceGS

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Landmark

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Name: Baptist Cemetery

Description: Hardwick's Baptist Cemetery began being utilized in the 1800's. Documentation of the cemetery began in 1989.

Address: Collins Road, Hardwick, MA 01031

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Landmark

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Name: Hardwick Cemetery

Description: Hardwick Cemetery (also known as Hardwick Upper Cemetery) began being utilized in the early 1800s up to the present day.

Address: Petersham Road, Gilbertville, MA (across from Hardwick Highway Department)

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Landmark

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Name: St. Aloysius Catholic Cemetery

Description: St. Aloysius Catholic Cemetery is a privately-owned cemetery that was utilized in the late 1800s after the establishment of St. Aloysius Church.

Address: 97 Upper Church Street, Gilbertville, MA 01031

Contact Information: 413-477-6493

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Landmark

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Name: Old Hardwick Cemetery (Hardwick's Old Cemetery on the Common)

Description: The Old Hardwick Cemetery is located on Hardwick Town Common next to the old Town Hall building. Bathsheba Bourne Newcomb (Timothy Ruggles' wife) is buried there. Please e-mail Hardwick Historical Society (hardwickhistoricalsociety@yahoo.com) if you are interested in attending any upcoming bi-annual Ghost Walk Tours at this particular cemetery, where visitors can listen to stories about some of Hardwick's earliest residents.

Address: 32 Common Street, Gilbertville, MA 01031

Asset Type (Agritourism, Ecotourism, Both, or Landmark): Landmark

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List of Mapped Trails

Mass Central Rail Trail

Deer Park Preserve (EQLT)

Mandell Hill Trail (EQLT)

Moose Brook Preserve (EQLT)

Patrill Hollow Preserve (EQLT)

East Quabbin Reservation Bicycle Access (MassDCR)

River's Edge Trail (EQLT)

Ware River Blue Trail White Water Segment