



FALL 2026 PROGRAMS & ACTIVITIES OCT-DEC

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FAMILY PROGRAMS

FALL 2026 | OCTOBER-DECEMBER

2-HOUR FARM PASS - \$6

Pre-registration Required

Everyday October - December - 9am-4pm.

Closed Thanksgiving & Christmas day.

Open to all ages. Ages 2 & under are free. Location: Farm Visitor Center.

Visit us at Pineland Farms! Tickets are sold every half hour between the hours of 9:00 AM and 2:00 PM and give you access to the Family Farmyard and Valley Farm for a self-guided tour. Corn Maze is included with a pass until November 1.

FRIDAY FARMERS - \$7

Pre-registration Required

Every Friday Oct. 2 - Dec. 18 - 10am-11:30am.

**No program on November 27th*

Open to ages 3 & up. Adult paid participation required.

Location: Education Barn.

Come get your boots dirty as we explore the many jobs on the farm and meet the animals. All will have a chance to lend a hand. Programs may vary due to the nature of a working farm.

APPLESAUCE MAKING - \$8

Pre-registration Required

October 4 - 1pm-2:30PM, October 7 - 10am-11:30AM

Open to ages 3 & up. Adult paid participation required.

Location: Education Barn.

From tree to table, join us to discover how apples become applesauce! We will learn about different apple varieties, and everyone will get a chance to try their hand at peeling, mashing, and mixing. Along the way, they'll gain tasty knowledge about cooking and farming while making a delicious fall treat.

STORYWALK - FREE

Pre-registration Required

Every Monday from Oct. 5 - Oct. 26 - 10am-11am.

Open to all ages. Adult participation required.

Location: Market & Welcome Center.

Enjoy a story as you explore the forest along our 1-mile StoryWalk trail. The StoryWalk Project was started by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT and developed in collaboration with the Vermont Bicycle and Pedestrian Coalition and the Kellogg-Hubbard Library.

PUMPKIN CARVING - \$6 (+\$2 PUMPKIN)

Pre-registration Required

Oct. 18, 24 - 10am-11:30am.

Open to ages 6 & up. Adult participation required.

Location: Education Barn.

Experience the fun of the season with some pumpkin carving at Pineland Farms! Unleash your creativity as you carve jack-o-lanterns out of pumpkins from our own Produce Division. Feel free to embrace the Halloween spirit by donning your spookiest or most creative costumes for an extra dash of fun and excitement!

FARMYARD HELPER - \$7

Pre-registration Required

Oct. 18, Nov. 7, Dec. 19 - 3pm-4:30pm.

Open to ages 6 & up. Adult paid participation required.

Location: Education Barn.

Add a little excitement to your day and join us in the Family Farmyard for a specially designed program for older kiddos where we tackle farm chores as a team. Your hands will get a little dirty while you get up close and personal experience as you engage with our resident farm animal personalities.



PLAY DAYS AT PINELAND - \$30

Pre-registration Required / Multi Week Program

Oct 14, Nov 11, & Dec 9 - 10am-11am.

Open to ages 2 & 3. One adult free with each child.

Location: Education Barn.

The farm is fun for everyone—even our youngest learners! Join us monthly to explore Pineland with a group of pre-school aged kiddos and their caregivers. This program offers the opportunity to build relationships while exploring the farm's environments. Engaging, age-appropriate games and activities will inspire participants natural curiosity in the world around them.

FAMILY FARMYARD FUN - \$7

Pre-registration Required

Oct. 20, Nov. 17, Dec 19 - 10am-11am.

Open to all ages. Adult paid participation required.

Location: Education Barn.

You will find both animals and plants thriving in our engaging family farmyard. Join us for an educator-led tour to see who lives in the farmyard, how we care for them, and what they give us in return. Be ready to jump into hands-on activities on the farm!

FAMILY TROLLEY TOUR - \$12

Pre-registration Required

Oct. 25, Nov. 15 - 12:30pm-2pm.

Open to ages 3 & up. Location: Education Barn.

Climb aboard Trina, our 25-passenger trolley, for a scenic adventure through the Pineland campus and Valley Farm! Along the way, we will get off the trolley at multiple locations to explore garden spaces and meet our variety of farm animals. We can't wait to share the farm with you and your family!



Photo Credit: Sarah Seitz



Pre-register for family programs here:

**EDUCATION
CONTACT INFO**

(207) 650-3031
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*Ask about our Annual Farm Pass,
Recreation Annual & Season Passes



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BUTTER MAKING - \$8

Pre-registration Required

Oct. 28, Nov. 25 - 10am-11:30am. **Dec. 18** - 2:30pm-4pm.

Open to ages 3 & up. Adult paid participation required.

Location: Education Barn.

Join us for a fun, hands-on adventure as we shake, mix, and taste our way through the butter-making process! Participants of all ages can learn where butter comes from, how it is made, and spend time meeting some of our friendly dairy animals. A sweet and simple way to explore the world of dairy products together!

FARMYARD STORYTIME - \$7

Pre-registration Required

Every Monday from Nov. 2 - Dec. 28 - 10am-11:30am.

Open to all ages. Adult paid participation required.

Location: Education Barn.

Reading story books amongst the farmyard critters, what could be a more enjoyable start to your week? Gather with us in our Family Farmyard where we will join our friendly animals and hear a selection of stories from our classroom library.

WORKING WITH WOOL - \$8

Pre-registration Required

Nov. 4, 19 - 10am-11:30am.

Open to all ages. Adult paid participation required.

Location: Education Barn.

Come learn about our fiber animals and get familiar with the process behind turning sheep's fleece into ready-to-use wool. Everyone will have a chance to make a simple woolen craft to take home!

NIGHTTIME EXPLORERS - \$7

Pre-registration Required

Nov. 18, Dec. 30 - 4:30pm-5:30pm.

Open to ages 6 & up. Location: Education Barn.

Darkness transforms the natural world around us into a different and mysterious place. We hope you join us to discover the reasons for the change of season and explore the curiosities of the natural world at night.

FELTED FLOWERS - \$10

Pre-registration Required

Nov. 29 - 10am-11:30am.

Open to ages 10 & up. Adult paid participation required.

Location: Education Barn.

Join us on the farm for this special afternoon of woolly craftsmanship. Using processed wool, a bit of creativity, some patience, and soapy water we will be crafting a felted flower. This lovely craft is great as a gift or to take home to enjoy yourself. This class is designed with older children in mind.

WREATHMAKING FOR KIDS - \$6

(+\$4 wreath supplies)

Pre-registration Required

Dec. 5, 13 - 10am-11:30am. **Dec. 10** - 4:15pm-5:45pm.

Open to ages 6 & up. Adult paid participation required.

Location: Education Barn.

We're excited to have you join our class where children get to create their own evergreen wreath to add that special holiday touch to their home! We'll provide fresh-cut greens and encourage you to bring along any extra decorations like ribbons, ornaments, or winter berries to make your wreath totally unique. Don't forget to grab a ticket for each wreath you and your family want to make.

HOLIDAY BALSAM BALLS - \$6

(+\$2 balsam ball supplies)

Pre-registration Required

Dec. 8 - 10am-11:30am.

Open to ages 3 & up. Adult paid participation required.

Location: Education Barn.

Spread some holiday cheer with your little one and have fun making a balsam ball to hang up at home this holiday season! This activity is great for our younger kiddos who are still developing their fine motor skills and may not be ready for our wreath making program just yet.

Learn more and inquire about group visit here:



PROGRAM FAQ's

- Ticket fee includes a self-guided farm pass (used before or after your program) for all programs that occur during open farm hours, 9am-4pm.
- Our barns are exposed to the elements. Please wear clothes appropriate for the weather.
- Adult paid participation is required.
- Participants under 18 must have an adult chaperone.
- Programming begins promptly, please arrive 10-15 minutes early.
- Programming may be cancelled if enrollment is not met.
- Due to the nature of a working farm some programs/featured animals may vary.
- FOR CANCELLATIONS follow us on Facebook or call Education at 207.650.3031



Pre-register for all programs here:



Photo Credit: Heather Genest

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ADULT PROGRAMS

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WOMEN'S HIKE - \$7

Pre-registration Required

Oct. 4, Nov. 1, Dec. 6 - 9-10:30AM

Open to ages 18 & up. Location: Pineland Farms Trails.

Come join us on the first Sunday of each month for our Women's Hike! Connect with new friends as our staff leads you on an approximately 2-mile moderate-level hike along our picturesque trails. Boost your confidence on the trails for the next time you venture out solo or as a group at Pineland Farms.

MUSHROOM IDENTIFICATION - \$40

Pre-registration Required

Oct. 10 - 10am-12pm

Ages 14 & up (participants under 18 require a paid chaperone).

Location: Pineland Farms Trails

Join North Spore Mushrooms for an informative mushroom walk and learn about foraging and local mushroom species. Add to your knowledge or learn a new skill!

North Spore is based out of Portland and specializes in fresh mushroom cultivation as well as producing "mushroom spawn" for home growers and mushroom farms. These walks are a great time to learn and ask all your mushroom questions!

GOURD JACK-O-LANTERN LAMPS - \$40 (\$15 OPTIONAL LAMP BASE)

Pre-registration Required

Oct. 10 & 11 - 12pm-4pm

Ages 18 & up.

Location: Sugarhouse

Celebrate the fall season by creating your own one-of-a-kind jack-o'-lantern from a naturally grown hard-shell gourd (*Lagenaria siceraria*). In this hands-on workshop, participants will learn the basics of designing and carving gourds using micro carving tools before adding rich dyes to enhance the natural beauty of the gourd and create a unique Halloween decoration. Along the way, you'll learn about the fascinating history of gourds, how they're grown and cured, and what makes them such a unique artistic medium. A variety of finished examples will be on display to inspire your own creativity, and each participant will leave with a handcrafted gourd jack-o'-lantern to enjoy throughout the Halloween season.

TROLLEY TOURS - \$12

Pre-registration Required

Oct. 25, Nov. 15, Dec. 12 - 2:30pm-4pm

Ages 14 & up (participants under 18 require a paid chaperone).

Location: Market and Welcome Center.

This 1.5-hour journey designed for a mature audience will begin at our Market and Welcome Center where you will climb aboard Trina, our 25-passenger trolley. We will begin with a driving tour of the historic Pineland Farms campus before taking the scenic, winding road down to the Valley Farm. There we will get off the trolley at multiple locations to explore and visit the animals that call Pineland home before returning to the Market and Welcome Center. We can't wait to share the farm with you!

FULL MOON HIKE - \$10

Pre-registration Required

Oct. 26 - 5:30pm-7:30pm,

Nov. 24, Dec. 23 - 4pm-6pm

Ages 14 & up (participants under 18 require a paid chaperone).

Location: Pineland Farms Trails

Gather your friends or family and experience the beauty of the night under a glowing full moon. We'll set off for a relaxed, easy-paced hike through one of our many scenic trails. After our walk, unwind by a cozy firepit and take in breathtaking views of the moonlit sky, surrounded by stars and the peaceful sounds of nature.

NEEDLE FELTING FOR BEGINNERS - \$20

Pre-registration Required

Nov. 8 - 10am-12pm

Ages 14 & up (participants under 18 require a paid chaperone).

Location: Education Barn.

Join us for a needle felting program designed for absolute beginners. Needle felting is a type of textile art which uses specialized needles to form wool into 3-D shapes, creating unique art pieces. Participants will get the chance to meet our sheep, learn about how wool is processed, and create their own felted chicken to take home using a combination of dyed wool and natural, undyed wool from our own sheep. Participants of all skill levels are welcome.

FELTED SOAP FOR ADULTS - \$20

Pre-registration Required

Nov. 14 - 1pm-2:30pm

Open to ages 18 & up. Location: Education Barn.

Come join us for a Felted Soap Workshop. Participants will learn how to make unique felted soap bars and will leave the workshop with their own felted masterpiece. All materials are included. The soap bars provided are Yardley brand soap - if you would prefer a different brand, please feel free to bring your own bar of soap for this experience.

WREATH MAKING FOR ADULTS - \$35

Pre-registration Required

Dec. 6 - 1pm-3pm **Dec. 12** - 10am-12pm

Ages 14 & up (participants under 18 require a paid chaperone).

Location: Education Barn.

Immerse yourself in the art of crafting a 10-inch holiday wreath at Pineland Farms. Let our guidance inspire you to create a stunning mixed evergreen wreath, perfect for display or as a thoughtful gift. We will provide the tutorial, wreath ring, and evergreens. We have a limited amount of pruners so bring your own if you have them, along with any decorations you may want to add to your wreath.

WINTER SOLSTICE FOREST BATHING - \$20

Pre-registration Required

Dec 20 - 2pm-4pm

Open to ages 18 & up. Location: Education Barn.

The Winter Solstice has long been recognized as a time for rest, reflection, and renewal. Together, we will embrace the stillness of the forest, honor the turning of the seasons, and create space for calm, clarity, and restoration. We hope you'll join us for this peaceful and grounding experience as we welcome the return of the light. Experience led by Hughes Kraft, a Certified Nature and Forest Therapy Guide



CORN MAZE NIGHTS!

Oct. 23, 24, 29, 30 - 6PM-8PM

\$8PP
TICKETS



CORN MAZE & PUMPKIN PATCH

9AM-4PM daily until November 1

(Extended hours of 9AM-6PM available on select dates.
Pumpkins are an additional fee.)

\$6PP
TICKETS



12th Annual



HARVEST FESTIVAL

**AGRICULTURAL DEMOS, CORN MAZE,
PUMPKIN PATCH, MUSIC, FOOD TRUCKS & MORE!**

Saturday, October 17, 2026
10am-5pm



\$8pp

Pre-registration
encouraged
(scan to register)



MORE THINGS TO DO

In addition to our programs & activities, Pineland Farms is open daily for farm visits and recreation. Stop by the Market for delicious food in our cafe & bakery or for a wide array of locally sourced produce, meats, cheeses, and grocery items - 15 Farm View Drive, New Gloucester, Maine.

FARM CELEBRATIONS

Join us on the farm for a memorable experience on your special day! We'll provide a classroom for your celebration, plus a one-hour guided tour of our family farmyard with a farm educator. Call 207.650.3031 for more info.

Visit:
<https://pinelandfarms.org/education/celebrations/>



RECREATION

Hike the trails, play disc golf, bike, cross-country ski, snowshoe, go sledding, ice skating and more. 30 kilometers of trails and beautiful grounds await. 207.688.4539



Visit:
<https://pinelandfarms.org/recreation/recreation/>

VISIT THE GARDENS

All of our professionally designed gardens are created and maintained for the public to enjoy and learn. The Garden, Lilac Garden and Annual Displays around Campus and the Great Lawn are available FREE for all to enjoy from 8 am until dusk spring, summer & fall.

Visit:
<https://pinelandfarms.org/experience/the-gardens/>



THE MARKET

The Market is a must stop during your visit to Pineland Farms. Grab lunch or breakfast to go. 207.688.4539



Visit:
<https://pinelandfarms.org/experience/visit-the-market-at-pineland-farms//>

PINELAND FARMS PASSES

Do you love our family programs and recreational opportunities? Get an annual or season pass to the farm, disc golf, xc skiing, biking, or snowshoeing for added benefits including 10% off purchases at the Market. Learn more about our Educational & Recreational opportunities at pinelandfarms.org

ANNUAL FARM PASS

Grants your family free farm visits, 50% off Family Programs, 10% off at the Market, and 10% off at Pick-Your-Own for one whole year!
207.650.3031

Visit:
<https://shop.pinelandfarms.org/collections/annual-season-passes>



FARM VISITS

You can visit the Valley Farm and Family Farmyard any day year round with a 2 Hour Farm Pass. Farm passes are available for purchase online. Pre-registration is recommended.
207.650.3031

Visit:
<https://shop.pinelandfarms.org/collections/all-classes-events/2-hour-farm-pass>



RECREATION SEASON PASSES

We offer season passes to XC skiing & snowshoeing as well as annual passes for mountain/fat biking & disc golf! All recreation season passes offer access to your favorite activity plus 10% off at the Market, and 2 free guest passes.

To learn more about each season or annual pass, scan the QR code below and select the pass that interests you!

Call **207.688.4539**

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