Fall is upon us with leaves turning, crisp nights and some of our favorite family activities! Check out these fun, local places offering apple picking, corn mazes, hayrides, pumpkin patches and more.

**Note**: please do not bring your dog to the orchards; they cannot allow dogs into the orchards and pumpkin fields per health regulations, so you'll have to leave your four-legged friend in the car.

**COVID Updates**: All individuals over 2 years must wear a mask. Please maintain social distance between your group and other groups. Hand sanitizer and/or hand-washing stations are available at all orchards. Unfortunately, no snacking or sampling while picking is allowed this year.

To stay in the KNOW, sign up for our FREE weekly email newsletter **HERE**! Each week, you will a new list of family-friendly events in the Greater Lowell area plus great local family resources, guides, recipes, crafts and more.
BERLIN

**Berlin Orchards, Rt. 62 and Lower Sawyer Hill Road, Berlin MA** 978-838-2400  Facebook page

Open 10 AM to 5 PM every day through the end of October. Hay rides. apple picking, pumpkins and farm stand with mums, corn stalks, honey and maple syrup. Wagons to the orchard run daily. The orchard recommends picking on weekdays if at all possible due to fewer visitors. Reservations are not required for picking.

BOLTON

**Bolton Spring Farm, 159 Main Street (route 117), Bolton MA** 978-779-2898  Facebook page

Open daily 9 AM to 6 PM, with apple-picking from 10 AM to 5 PM. Farm stand with fruit, vegetables, baked goods, decor and more. Cash only; no credit or debit cards. Note, there are no hayrides to the pumpkin patch in 2020.

**Schartner Farms, 279 West Berlin Road, Bolton MA** 978-779-6293  Facebook page

Opening September 19. Corn maze, apple orchard, animal viewing area, farm stand and pumpkins. Farm animal viewing area included with maze, apple or pumpkin purchase. Open on Saturdays and Sundays only from 10 AM to 5 PM. Note that there will be no hayrides in 2020.

DRACUT

**Farmer Dave's, 437 Parker Road, Dracut MA** 978-349-1952  Facebook page

Apple picking and potato digging Wednesday to Sunday from 10 AM to 5 PM. Cider doughnuts and other baked items and corn maze. Hayrides available on weekends, with limited capacity (those who can walk to the orchard, about 5 minutes, are asked to walk to allow space for seniors, those with limited mobility, and families with young children).

GROTON

**Autumn Hills Orchard, 495 Chicopee Row, Groton MA** 978-448-8388  Facebook page

Apple picking daily from 9:30 AM to 4:30 PM. Bring your own bag and pick by the pound. Check *Today on the Farm* for daily updates.

HARVARD

**Carlson Orchards, 115 Oak Hill Rd, Harvard MA** (978) 456-3916  Facebook page
Pick-your-own apples and pumpkin patch daily 9 AM-4 PM. Farm store with doughnuts, ice cream, baked goods, and fruit is open until 6 PM. Check the Pick Your Own page for daily updates.

**Doe Orchards, 327 Ayer Rd, Harvard MA** (978) 772-4139  Facebook page

Pick-your-own apples 10 AM-5 PM daily through late October. Also Christmas trees. Farm stand with apples, honey, cider, maple syrup, and pumpkins.

**Westward Orchards, 178 Mass Ave, Harvard MA** 978-456-8787 Facebook page

Pick your own apples daily 10 AM to 4 PM. Cider doughnuts available but may not be consumed on the farm. Wagon rides to the pumpkin patch are not available in 2020; however, a large selection of pumpkins are available to choose from. For purchases from the farm store, please shop online and pick up curbside. Some products are also available outside on the covered porch.

(Interested in other family-friendly activities in the Harvard/Leominster area? Check out Macaroni Kid Leominster-Clinton!)

**PEPPERELL**

**Kimball Fruit Farm, 184 Hollis St, Pepperell MA** (978) 433-9751 Facebook page

Pick-your-own apples and farm stand open daily 9 AM to 7 PM. Cider doughnuts and fresh cider available.

**STERLING**

**Davis Farmland, 145 Redstone Hill, Sterling MA** (978) 422-6666 Facebook page

Pick your own apples and pumpkins opening September 19. Weekends only 10 AM to 5 PM. Tickets also available for visiting the Animal Showcase area, Adventure Land, Imagine-Acres and Davis Mega Maze (separate admission).

(Interested in other family-friendly activities in the Leominster area? Check out Macaroni Kid Leominster-Clinton!)

**STOW**

**Carver Hill Orchard, 101 Boxmill Rd, Stow MA** (978) 897-6117 Facebook page

Open daily from 9 AM to 5 PM. Pick-your-own apples, pumpkins and vegetables. Farm store with picked fruit, vegetables, cider, doughnuts, cheese and baked goods.
Honey Pot Hill Orchards, 138 Sudbury Road, Stow MA 978-562-5666  Facebook page

Pick-your-own apples 10 AM to 5 PM daily. **Reservations strongly recommended.** If you don't have a reservation, call to see if there is availability. Farm store with apples, corn, tomatoes, doughnuts, caramel apples, baked goods and ice cream. Hayrides available but only for apple-pickers. Wagons and strollers not allowed on hayride. Large and small hedge mazes (additional cost) and farm animals.

Shelburne Farm, 106 West Acton Road, Stow MA 978-897-9287  Facebook page

Pick-your-own apples, peaches and pumpkins 9 AM-5 PM daily. Farm animals, farm store and cider doughnuts. Reservations are not required.

(Interested in other family-friendly activities in the Stow/Marlborough area? Check out Macaroni Kid Marlborough!)

TYNGSBORO

Parlee Farms, 95 Farwell Road, Tyngsboro MA 978-649-3854  Facebook page

Families are encouraged to visit on weekdays (Tuesday to Friday 10 AM to 4 PM) when the farm will be quieter, and there will be free hayrides and other weekday-only options.

Pick-your-own apples, flowers, and pumpkins Tuesday through Sunday 10 AM-5 PM, closed Mondays. Call ahead or check Today's Farm News for current picking conditions and hours as some varieties may be picked out earlier in the day. Farm store and outdoor store annex with doughnuts, baked goods, fruit, vegetables, jams, cider and more. Hayrides have limited capacity; groups who can walk are asked to in order to save space for those who are less mobile. Farm animals and ice cream stand. Note that the hay maze and tractor course will not be available this year.

WESTFORD

Drew Farm, 31 Tadmuck Rd, Westford MA (978) 807-0719  Facebook page

Open daily 10 AM-5 PM. Apples and pumpkins. Mums available for purchase. On weekends apple cider and cider doughnuts are available. No tractor rides in 2020.

Farmer Dave's at Hill Orchard, 4 Hunt Rd, Westford MA (978) 392-4600  Facebook page

Entrance to the pick-your-own orchard is off of Chamberlain Rd. Pick-your-own on weekends only from Labor Day to Halloween, 10 AM-5 PM. Farmstand with picked fruit, honey, pies, vegetables, jams and more open from 10 AM-5 PM. Check their Facebook page for the latest updates, since hours/days can change.
Scanlan Orchards, 22 Texas Rd, Westford  (978) 692-8881

This no-frills orchard is open weekends from 9 AM to 6 PM through late October. 26 varieties of apples are available.

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