

2020 is not the year to mingle with thousands at The North Quabbin Garlic and Arts Festival, but you can still spend a day or more enjoying the bounty and beauty of great farmstands, markets, and outdoor adventure in the festival vicinity, with family and friends.

Check all websites for hours of operation, directions, and other details.

### **Farmstands**

[Little White Goat](#) is a licensed raw milk goat dairy with self-serve farmstand just a half-mile from the festival site, with delicious yogurt, kefir, cheeses and more.

[Seeds of Solidarity Farm](#), a mile from the festival site, is the source for all of your culinary and seed garlic! Get yours at your leisure from their self-serve farmstand (starting 9/12) or on Garlic Saturdays Sept 12-October 10, 12-5PM when you can meet the farmers.

[Diemand Farm](#) is a long-time festival vendor and friend with fabulous prepared foods at their family farm kitchen in Wendell, featuring their turkey, chicken, eggs, and more.

[New Salem Cider and Preserves](#) will miss selling their apples, cider, and donuts to you at the festival, but you can find them and a stunning Quabbin view in historic New Salem and enjoy a hard cider while there too. [Quabbin Sky Vineyard](#) is another great New Salem stop. The [Orange Farmers Market](#) on Thursday afternoons features wares from Foothill Farm, Rachel's Everlasting, and other local farmers.

### **Markets and Cafes**

[Quabbin Harvest cooperative market](#) is a festival favorite in downtown Orange, with many local products including fresh fruit and veggies, cold drinks and ice cream, and Nalini's Kitchen savory prepared foods. [Terrys Corner Cafe](#) inside Trailhead Gear in Orange center is another stop for a mid-day treat. [The New Salem General Store](#) makes great sandwiches and has an impressive selection of beverages, including Orange's own [Honest Weight beer](#), and a wonderful selection of local history books too. [The Petersham Country Store](#) offers a yummy take out lunch menu, Ari's famous prepared foods, and local gifts and crafts. You can even picnic on the town green across the street.

### **Take your farm-fare or picnic into the great outdoors!**

Paddle the Millers River with your own or rent (reserve in advance) from [Billy Goat Boats](#) at the Orange Community Boathouse ramp. Get a [Millers River Blue Trail map](#) to learn about the industrial and natural heritage. Nearby Lake Mattawa and Tully Lake are great paddling spots too. [Mount Grace Land Conservation Trust](#) offers many public hiking trails on their conserved properties. For those coming or going, east or west, visit [ByWays Western Mass](#) for many walks and hikes from Central MA to the Berkshires, including links to the many Quabbin reservoir gates. Back home, you can deepen appreciation of the natural history of the North Quabbin by viewing one of the [videos created by Athol Bird and Nature Club](#).

Now or as the holiday season rolls around, reach out to the great [Garlic and Arts exhibitors](#) for **hand-crafted gifts that support artist and farmer livelihoods** and our local cultural economy.

The festival has compiled resources for creative, resilient lives that you'll find [on our website](#). Live locally? Check out the [Launchspace](#) maker-space in Orange, opening for small classes soon!