



Come, breathe deeply,  
and enjoy our little corner  
of southern New Hampshire  
— only a step away from  
the busy world...

# Fitzwilliam NEW HAMPSHIRE

Founded in 1764, Fitzwilliam thrived throughout the 1800's. Today nearly 2,400 people live here. Little has changed in the past 150 years, leaving much of our 19th century heritage intact.

The village common looks much as it did in 1860's photographs, surrounded by the steeped town hall, stately Fitzwilliam Inn and houses that date back to 1850 and before. The original stone walls that once bordered small local farms are still visible in the woods. We are a living piece of history!

Different industries have defined the town at various stages in history. Earliest settlers farmed the rolling hills, growing mainly vegetables and berries, with limited livestock and poultry. The coming of the railroad in 1848 turned the village into a bustling commercial center. Around our waterways one can still see the remnants of many grist and saw mills which produced lumber and wood products – from carriages, sleighs and wheels to furniture, hat boxes and kitchen utensils.

Beginning in 1845, granite quarrying was also a major industry for more than 50 years. In their free time, early 20th century workers, mainly Italian immigrants, played bocce ball not far from the village common. Beyond that, for more than a century, the town has been a popular tourist destination.

Today Fitzwilliam is home to several charming bed & breakfasts, numerous antique shops, and the annual July Antiques Show on the Fitzwilliam Common. We've been dubbed the antiques mecca of southwestern New Hampshire.

We also offer a host of year-round recreational activities. In winter, there's cross-country skiing and snowshoeing trails, sledding, ice-fishing, and snowmobiling. Fitzwilliam is also home to beautiful Rhododendron State Park, the largest stand of rhododendron north of the Carolinas, and several spring-fed lakes and ponds for summer swimming, canoeing, kayaking, and fishing.

Hiking and mountain climbing attract many to come back year after year. Nearby Gap Mountain offers a short climb with a spectacular view of Mt. Monadnock at the top. Mt. Monadnock is just 4 miles away in Jaffrey. It's the most climbed mountain in the world without road access to its summit. The Metacomet-Monadnock trail runs through the northwest corner of Fitzwilliam, providing a chance for real backcountry hiking.

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New Hampshire!*



## FOUR SEASONS OUTDOORS IN FITZWILLIAM

### Laurel Lake

Swimming, fishing, boating, and public boat ramp with parking.

### Rhododendron State Park (blooms in mid-July)

Walking and hiking trails in a 2,723-acre park located on Little Monadnock Mt, containing a 16-acre stand of native Great Rhododendron. A 0.6 mile-long universally accessible trail encircles the grove allowing visitors to observe, close up, the fragrant clusters of white and pink blossoms.

### The Pinnacle Hiking and Skiing Trails

Only a short walk from the Fitzwilliam Common down Richmond Rd is the old Fitzwilliam ski area. While there is no designated "trail" up the hill, you can easily hike through the field and up the former ski slopes. There is a nice view looking back toward Fitzwilliam village partway up the hill. There are many trails that lead off from the ski slopes for snowshoeing, sledding, back-country XC skiing, and hiking.

### Metacomet-Monadnock (M+M) Hiking Trail

The Metacomet-Monadnock Trail is a 114-mile-long hiking trail that traverses the Metacomet Ridge of the Pioneer Valley region of Massachusetts and the central uplands of Massachusetts and southern New Hampshire. It winds through Fitzwilliam, intersecting with trails in the Widow Gage Town Forest and continuing up and over Little Monadnock Mountain.

### Widow Gage Hiking Trails

There is a kiosk with trail maps at the parking area on Rhododendron Rd. Walking trails are easy to moderate, and wind past old cellar holes and beautiful ponds. Trails connect with the M + M Trail where it is possible to complete a loop over Little Monadnock, down the Rhododendron Park Trail and back along Rhododendron Rd to the parking area (about 5 miles).

### Little Monadnock Hiking Trail to Summit

The Little Monadnock Hiking Trail branches from the Rhododendron State Park loop and climbs for one mile, where it joins the M + M Trail on open ledges near the summit. There is a vista of Mt. Monadnock at the junction of the two trails. Turning south on the M + M leads to the true summit of Little Monadnock about a half-mile away.

### Fitzwilliam/Cheshire Branch Rail Trail

An old, rail way further north from Walpole, MA to Keene, NH and further north to Winchendon, NH (33 miles total) has been transformed into a flat gravel trail. The trail runs past multiple ponds, rivers, and former quarries. Walking, running, mountain bike riding, XC skiing, and snowmobiling are welcome. Parking can be found at Rhododendron Rd, Royalston Rd, West Lake Rd, East Lake Rd, and NH Rte 12 at State Line Circle.

### Other Area Hiking Trails

Mount Monadnock — Many people come to the region to climb Mount Monadnock, "the most climbed" mountain in the world. While there are dozens of trails on the mountain, there are six major routes to the top.

Gap Mountain South Trail and North Trail — Gap Mountain is named for the "gap" between the middle and south peaks. The north and middle peaks provide excellent views of Mount Monadnock and the surrounding area. The best time of year to hike to the summit is in mid-July when the blueberries are ripe.

Mount Watatic Trail — The summit is open ledge with expansive views to the south. The Boston skyline can easily be seen on clear days. The round trip hike is about 2.5 miles and is steep in some sections.

Wapack Trail — The Wapack Trail is a 21-mile trail along a ridge-line that offers spectacular views throughout its distance beginning at Mt. Watatic in MA.

## AREA ATTRACTIONS

### Cathedral of the Pines

<http://www.cathedralofthepines.org/>

### Cheshire Fair Grounds

<http://www.cheshirefair.org/>

### The Friendly Farm

<http://www.friendlyfarm.com/>

### Mount Monadnock State Park

<http://www.nhstateparks.org/explore/state-parks/monadnock-state-park.aspx>

### Windblown Cross Country Skiing & Snowshoeing

<http://windblownxc.com/>

### Sharon Arts Center Gallery

<http://www.sharonarts.org/>

### Monadnock Center for History & Culture

<http://monadnockcenter.org/>

### Windswept Mountains View Christmas Tree Farm

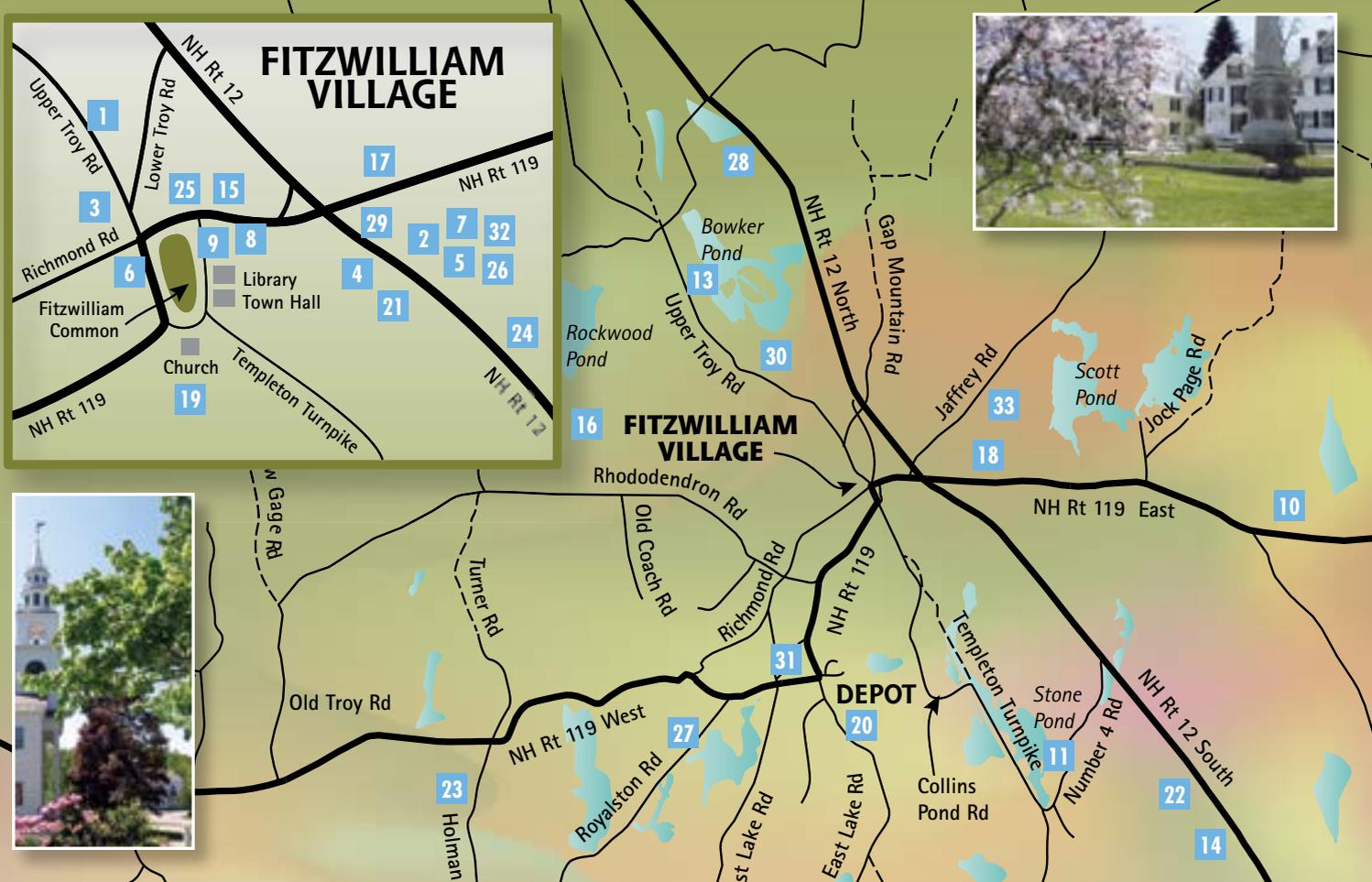
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## DINING & LODGING

### 1. Ashburn House B&B

An intimate bed and breakfast in the heart of Fitzwilliam Village. 20 Upper Troy Road; 603-585-7198; [www.ashburnhouse.net](http://www.ashburnhouse.net)

### 2. Ed's Crossroads

Pizza, subs, salads and pasta dinners. Full liquor license, big screen TVs. Closed Mon. Rte 12 and Rte 119 at Fitzwilliam Crossroads; 603-585-7077; [www.edscrossroads.net](http://www.edscrossroads.net)

### 3. The Fitzwilliam Inn B&B

Featuring cozy accommodations on the Fitzwilliam Common. Fine dining, pub fare, wood-fired pizza, and full bar. Open Wed-Sun at 4pm, check our website for additional summer hours. 62 Rte 119W; 603-585-9000; [www.fitzwilliaminn.com](http://www.fitzwilliaminn.com)

### 4. Flip Side Grill

Fun, family dining with daily seafood specials and Annabelle's ice cream! Breakfast and lunch year round, dinner Thurs-Sat in summer. Eat in or take out. 10 Rte 12S; 603-585-7702

## GOODS AND SERVICES

### 5. AEC Computers and Consulting, Inc.

Computer sales, repairs and consultation. Alan Chipura, Fitzwilliam Crossroads Suite #3D; 617-600-8091; [www.aecompany.com](http://www.aecompany.com)

### 6. The Amos J. Blake House Museum & Gift Shop

(Seasonal) 13 rooms open to public, 19th-century theme rooms. Tours are free on Sat from 1-4pm. Private tours and Twilight Tours conducted on other days by appt. Donation requested for private tours. Open 1-5pm Sat & Sun; [www.fitzwilliamhistoricalsociety.org](http://www.fitzwilliamhistoricalsociety.org)

### 7. Bee Hive Hair Salon

A full service salon specializing in haircuts and colors, and shellac nail service. Check out monthly specials on website. Fitzwilliam Crossroads Suite #4A; 603-585-3400; [www.beehivenh.com](http://www.beehivenh.com)

### 8. Bequaert Old Books

Antiquarian bookstore with over 50,000 old books, rare books room, prints, and maps. Open April thru Nov, Thurs-Sun 9-5pm, Sat/Sun 12-5pm. Rte 119W, just off the Common; 603-585-3448; [www.beqbooks.com](http://www.beqbooks.com)

### 9. Bloomin' Antiques

Antique furniture and accessories, art, old toys, weather-vanes, quilts, and pottery. Open Thurs-Sat 10-5pm, Sun 12-5pm. On the Fitzwilliam Common; 603-585-6688

### 10. The Blueberry House (Seasonal)

Local farm fresh blueberries to buy or pick yourself! Pies and other blueberry treats. Weekends mid-July thru Sept. 479 Rte 119 East; 978-600-8651; [www.theblueberryhousenh.com](http://www.theblueberryhousenh.com)

### 11. Bullock's Farm Stand (Seasonal)

Fresh picked seasonal vegetables, fruits, plants, and sweet, juicy corn. We also sell homemade sausages. 74 Number 4 Rd; 603-585-6870

### 12. Chandler's on the Common

Providing your pets with raw food, as nature intended 100% all natural. An Oma's Pride Distributor. Order by phone or website (no retail outlet, mail order only); 617-329-5101; <http://www.mkt.com/muddyriver>

### 13. CJ the DJ

Entertainment experience organizing special events for families, businesses, and communities. Chris Holman, 328 Upper Troy Road; 603-852-6185; [www.CJtheDJ.com](http://www.CJtheDJ.com)

### 14. The Coin Shop

Buy and sell gold/silver coins, silver and bullion pieces, foreign coins. Will take consignments. Open Mon, Wed, Fri 1-5pm. Alan Pinheiro, 850 Rte 12S (inside State Line Campground); 603-562-9214

### 15. Covey House

Offers an array of antique, new and vintage items by dealers and local artisans including furniture, decor, and local handcrafted gifts. Open Thurs thru Sat 10-5pm, and Sun 11-5pm. Rte 119W, just off the Fitzwilliam Common; 617-877-7170; [www.Facebook.com/CoveyHouseNH](http://www.Facebook.com/CoveyHouseNH)

### 16. CPorter Designs

Where Creative Ideas Inform Visual Design! Marketing graphics for print & web; email: [Coni@CPorterDesigns.com](mailto:Coni@CPorterDesigns.com)

### 17. Dennis & Dad Antiques

Specializing in 18th & 19th century English ceramics. Anytime by chance or appt. 33 NH Rte 119E; 603-585-9479; [www.dennisanddadantiques.com](http://www.dennisanddadantiques.com), email: [antiques@dennisanddadantiques.com](mailto:antiques@dennisanddadantiques.com)

### 18. Early American Antiques

Early American country furniture, specializing in treenware and 18th & 19th century accessories and folk art. Open by appointment. Bob Jessen & Jim Hohnwald, 327 Rte 119E; 603-585-9188

### 19. Fitzwilliam Community Church UCC

No matter who you are or wherever you are in your life's journey, you are welcome in this place! Sunday Worship 10:00am, Rev. Lynda Tolton. 85 Rte 119W; 603-585-3352

### 20. Five Wings Studio

Fine handmade porcelain: tile murals, tableware, vases, sculptural pieces. Etchings and digital prints. Susan Link Silverman, 67 East Lake Rd; 603-585-6682; [www.fivewingsstudio.com](http://www.fivewingsstudio.com)

### 21. Fuzzy Dog

Pet food, agility training, treats, and supplies. 10 Rte 12S; 603-585-7000; [www.thefuzzydognh.com](http://www.thefuzzydognh.com)

### 22. Holman Contracting and Landscape Materials

Site work, road repair and construction, tree trimming, brush work. Landscape materials. 590 Rte 12S; 603-585-9600 or 603-242-3660; [www.HolmanLandscapeMaterials.com](http://www.HolmanLandscapeMaterials.com)

### 23. Kerry P. Gagne Remodeling & Restoration

Restoration/repair of historic and older homes. Fine millwork and cabinetry. Fully Insured MA H.I.C. #134173; 603-209-0543 or 603-585-2260; [kpgagne@myfaripoint.net](mailto:kpgagne@myfaripoint.net)

### 24. Little Learners Preschool and Daycare

Infant, toddler and preschool. We believe that every child is unique. Our teachers spend time nurturing children's strengths and encouraging them to reach new heights. Mon thru Fri 7am-4:30pm; 27 Rte 12S; 603-585-3001; [www.littlelearnersdaycare.org](http://www.littlelearnersdaycare.org)

### 25. Macreay Landy Antiques

19th Century Furniture & Accessories, Wrought Iron Specialty. Open Thurs-Mon 10-5:30pm. 56 Rte 119W; 603-585-9581; [www.maclandy.com](http://www.maclandy.com)

### 26. Massage by Jennifer Fay, LMT

Specializing in chronic pain, work-related pain, and athletic performance. Fitzwilliam Crossroads Suite #7; 603-315-1394; [www.MakeMyFay.ME](http://www.MakeMyFay.ME)

### 27. Monadnock Septic Design, LLC

Designs for a better environment. Carl and Scott Hagstrom; 603-585-2272; [www.monadnocksepticdesign.com](http://www.monadnocksepticdesign.com)

### 28. Monadnock Timber Exchange and Log Yard

Wholesale/Retail Lumber. Chuck Nolan, 487 Rte 12N; 603-242-7774; [www.TommilaBrothers.com](http://www.TommilaBrothers.com)

### 29. Old Glory Antiques and Collectibles

Multi-dealer shop offering a variety of antiques and vintage treasures. Open 10am-5pm (closed Tues). Rte 12 and Rte 119; 603-585-9373; [oldgloryantiquesnh.com](http://oldgloryantiquesnh.com)

### 30. Pioneer Chairs

Available in exotic and native woods, easy to fold and carry, yet comfortable and sturdy. Call 603-585-6444 or 303-946-7253; [www.pioneerchairs.com](http://www.pioneerchairs.com) email: [pioneerchairs@gmail.com](mailto:pioneerchairs@gmail.com)

### 31. The Pottery Works

Handmade flameware cookware for fry pans, casseroles, coffeepots, and baking pans. 318 Rte 119W, Fitzwilliam Depot; 603-585-6644; [www.flamewarepottery.com](http://www.flamewarepottery.com)

### 32. Southern New Hampshire Vape Shop

Electronic cigarettes/vapes & premium e-liquid. Scott Salvi, Fitzwilliam Crossroads Suite #6; 978-616-9881; [www.snhvape.com](http://www.snhvape.com)

### 33. Tracie's Community Farm (Seasonal)

A CSA (Community Sustainable Agriculture) farm serving the Monadnock Region with high quality, chemical-free vegetables, spring plants, and flowers. Also selling locally sourced honey, jam, maple syrup, eggs, ice cream, and cheese. 72 Jaffrey Rd; [www.traciesfarm.com](http://www.traciesfarm.com)