



Fact Sheet

Situated on 300 acres in the Northern part of the beautiful and historic Catskill Mountains of upstate New York, Hull-O Farms is a seventh-generation working farm. Today, it has added Farm EdVentures and Farm Vacations for families that truly want to experience farm life. In addition to the farm, Hull-O Farms has three guest houses and offers guests farm-fresh, home-cooked meals in their 200 year-old farm house.

History: The Hull family is no stranger to country hospitality. When the original farm was started in 1779 by John and Sally Hull, they offered lodging to cattlemen driving herds over the great Susquehanna Trail and, in later years, to boarding house guests. Today, seven generations later, Frank and Sherry Hull are still providing country hospitality through their Farm Edventures. Fifteen years ago, they noticed that dairy farms were closing all around them and decided that they could save the farm by offering farm vacations to families looking for a different type of vacation: one that offered the unique experience of living on a farm. Since it's 1779 post-Revolutionary War founding, only the Hulls have been keepers of the land now known as Hull-O Farms. For their family's 200-plus years of dedication to farming heritage, they have been recognized and designated by New York State as a National Bicentennial Farm.

Location: Hull-O Farms is located in Durham, in the beautiful Northern Catskills of upstate New York. Situated on a hill, the farm overlooks the Durham Valley and offers lush greens and yellows in the summer and burnt red and gold colors in the fall. Hull-O Farms is a 60 minute drive south from Albany International Airport and a 2.5 hour drive north from NYC.

The Farmhouse: The farmhouse is where the Hulls have gathered for over 200 years, twice a day, to share delicious meals with family and guests. The original house, which is still home to the Hull family, was built in 1810. Along with many improvements over the years, in 2006 a great room and wrap-around porch were added offering even more room to share stories and memories with their farm family and guests. Since Hull-O Farms has hundreds of acres under cultivation, they not only grow forage for their own livestock but provide feed for an abundance of wildlife, such as white-tailed deer and wild turkey that can often be seen right from their porch.

The Accommodations: Upon arrival, guests are given an itinerary and a map of the farm. Hull-O Farms offers three private guest houses, each with their own distinct ambiance and charm.

The Rose - An inviting and cozy two bedroom country home on the farm. This charming home is walking distance from the barns. It has a full kitchen, full bath, and living room with beautifully finished pine floors (with lumber harvested from their own forests!)

The Austin - This two-story private country chalet has three bedrooms, one and 3/4 baths, living room, dining area and full kitchen. A wood stove with a glass door also helps set the mood on brisk country evenings. A 32-foot second-story deck overlooks their scenic Durham Valley.

The Gifford - This two-story, four bedroom cheery country home is walking distance from the barns. It has a full kitchen, full bath, sun porch, living room with a glass-door wood stove, entry room, and a deck which overlooks the cows in the meadows. The Gifford is the most recent addition to their offered accommodations.

Farm-Style Dining: You will be treated to farm-fresh, all-you-can-eat, farm-style meals. Guests enjoy their all-natural grass fed meats and farm-fresh produce (and usually end up taking some home with them). Some examples of their farm-style breakfast menu include: World-famous, melt-in-your-mouth buttermilk pancakes with real maple syrup and sweet cream butter, breakfast sausages, and farm fresh eggs. Examples of their dinner menu include: Homemade lasagna, barbecued spareribs, herbed chicken and dumplings, all-natural grass fed roast beef with real mashed potatoes and much, much more!

Activities: Both kids and adults love to participate in the farming activities which involve milking cows and nanny goats, gathering the freshly laid warm eggs, learning how to feed the baby animals, mending fences, and maybe even helping deliver a calf. After chores (which are completely optional), downtime includes fun activities like hay rides, finding your way through the Mystery Corn Maze, bonfires with s'mores, kite flying, etc. Locally, there is a water park, swimming hole, and world-renowned underground caverns to explore. After an activity-filled day in the country air, don't pass up the opportunity to test the hammock or the wrap-around porch for a real, country-style nap! Hull-O Farms is proud to be a part of the New York State Agritourism & Education Program.

Reservations: Room reservations are available May-October and can be arranged by calling (518) 239-6950 or visiting www.Hull-O.com

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