



CONNECTICUT



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MAJOR CITIES:

North Connecticut
West Connecticut
South Connecticut

Central Connecticut

Hartford
Waterbury, Danbury
Stamford, Bridgeport, New Haven, New
London, Milford
Middletown

CONNECTICUT – CLIMATE

Much of Connecticut has a [humid continental climate](#), with cold winters with frequent snowfall and hot, humid summers. Far southern and coastal Connecticut has a humid [temperate climate](#) (also called [subtropical](#) in some climate classifications), with hot, and humid summers and cool winters with a mix of rain and infrequent snow. Most of Connecticut sees a fairly even precipitation pattern with rainfall/snowfall spread throughout the 12 months. Connecticut averages 56% of possible sunshine (higher than the USA average), averaging 2,400 hours of [sunshine](#) annually.^[25]

Early spring (April) can range from cool to warm, while mid and late spring (May/early June) is warm to hot. By mid June, the building [Bermuda High](#) creates a southerly flow of warm and sultry tropical air, bringing hot and sultry weather conditions throughout the state, with average highs in New London of 81 °F (27 °C) and 87 °F (31 °C) in Windsor Locks. Although summers are sunny in Connecticut, quick moving summer thunderstorms can bring brief downpours with thunder and lightning. On rare occasion these thunderstorms can be severe, and the state usually averages one tornado per year.^[26] During hurricane season, the remains of tropical cyclones occasionally affect the region, though a direct hit is rare.

CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

<http://www.ctvisit.com/experience/arts-culture>

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One Railroad AvenueEssex, CT, 06426Phone: 860-767-0103Toll-Free: 800-377-3987

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A Connecticut River adventure by train and boat

Gather family and friends for a sightseeing adventure aboard the only steam train and riverboat connection in the United States! This 2½-hour narrated journey explores the nature and beauty of the Connecticut River Valley, designated as one of “the last great places on Earth” by The Nature Conservancy. View historic sites such as Gillette Castle and the Goodspeed Opera House. Excursions begin and end at the historic 1892 Essex station. Rain or shine.

Mark Twain House & Museum



351 Farmington AvenueHartford, CT, 06105Phone: 860-247-0998

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Come and explore the beautiful home of America’s favorite author which was featured in *1000 Places To See Before You Die*. Take guided tours through Mark Twain’s historical home, visit his personal library, the children’s rooms, the servants’ wing and his famous Billiard Room where he wrote *The Adventures of Tom Sawyer* and *Huckleberry Finn*. Enjoy informative exhibitions and documentaries held in the Museum Center, visit the museum store to discover one of a kind treasures, or grab a relaxed lunch in our Nook Farm Nook cafe. House tours run daily beginning at 9:30 A.M. with the last tour leaving at 4:30 P.M., while the Museum Center is open for self-guided visitation during regular hours.

Harriet Beecher Stowe Center



77 Forest StreetHartford, CT, 06105Phone: 860-522-9258

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Don't Miss the Harriet Beecher Stowe Center in Hartford's Nook Farm

Nineteenth century Hartford was an intellectual mecca for writers, publishers and social thought leaders. Harriet Beecher Stowe came to Connecticut's capitol city as the most famous American women in the world. Her landmark novel *Uncle Tom's Cabin*, published in 1852, set the world on fire and helped to escalate an international groundswell of opposition to the enslavement of people in the United States. Stowe's Hartford home was her residence for 23 years. The Stowe Center uses the story of Stowe's life to inspire social justice and positive change, with a 21st century tour experience using the historic collections to "paint a picture" of the significance of Stowe's impact and to engage visitors in connecting Stowe's history to today's headlines. Open year round, check website for tours, programs and events (Park once and visit both Stowe and Twain with a combination ticket).

The Glass House



199 Elm Street New Canaan, CT, 06840 Phone: 203-594-9884

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Architect Philip Johnson's eclectic country home

One man's extraordinary skills and whimsy led to the construction of this most unique house that's not a house. The Glass House is a space divided into 14 structures instead of walls dividing a single interior into rooms. Built over 37 years on 49 acres in New Canaan, architect Philip Johnson gave each structure a different function. The Pavilion in the Pond is for gatherings and views of the rustic landscape. The Brick House was where Johnson read and slept. The stucco studio served as workplace and library. Grainger, a warm weather retreat had both air conditioning and a television. Certified as a National Trust Historic Site, it serves as a museum to Johnson's work and architectural style. Open May 1 to November 30.

Concerts in the Garden Surrounded by Art



[Map](#)

Coastal Connecticut's history as a hub of American Impressionist painters (a la the Florence Griswold Museum) is alive and active at [Leif Nilsson Spring Street Studio and Gallery](#) at 1 Spring Street in **Chester**. In addition to its artwork on display the studio hosts a monthly concert series called [Concerts in the Garden](#). Musicians and singers performing every style from cool jazz to blue grass and beyond entertain for listeners seating outside in the garden amphitheatre (or inside the gallery, in colder weather). It's a BYOB and picnicking scene. Monthly concerts happen year-round; check the schedule! 860-526-2077.

Bees, Hawks, and Other Wild Sights



[Map](#)

The [Audubon Center](#) at 613 Riversville Road in **Greenwich** offers indoor and outdoor attractions and fun by people who are experts on nature and wildlife. The 295-acre sanctuary has miles of trails near a hardwood forest, fields, a lake, streams and ponds, stone walls, and homestead buildings. If the weather invites you indoors, the Kimberlin Nature Education Center building has many entrancing exhibits. Other offerings at the education center include the Kiernan Hall Nature Art Gallery with its wildlife viewing window and honey bee hive exhibit, and a Nature Gift Store. 203-869-5272

looking for things to do on an afternoon or weekend. Open daily 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. except holidays. Phone: 203-378-7754.

Come Visit Connecticut's Beautiful Barns



You don't need to be a photographer or painter to appreciate the beauty of farm barns. These icons of farming life have caught the attention of Connecticut historians, who created a [Connecticut Barn Trail](#). Use the trail and its maps to explore this beautiful countryside at your own pace. The trail has seven routes that highlight barns at farms and farm stands, orchards, wineries, and historic sites. The routes travel along beautiful roads with barns scattered in the landscape. Trail guides available. 203-562-6312.

Artwork Down on the Farm



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[Weir Farm National Historic Site](#) on Nod Hill Road in **Wilton** is one of two national historic sites that preserves and displays a place for the visual arts. (The other is the Saint-Gaudens National Historic Site in Cornish, New Hampshire.) From 1882 to 2005, Weir Farm was the home and workplace of three generations of painters, starting with J. Alden Weir. Visitors today can view the Weir home and studios, take guided walks of stone walls and painting trails, and enjoy the rotating art exhibits. The grounds are open year-round; hours at the Visitor Center vary seasonally. Phone: 203-761-9945

Bombs Awaaaayy!

GROCERY SHOPPING

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TIME ZONES




Connecticut Time Zone – Connecticut Current Local Time - Daylight Saving Time

Washington is in the Easter Daylight Time Zone

<http://localtimes.info/search/?s=connecticut&x=0&y=0>

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SHOPPING

Area 	City 	Mall 
Central-west	Waterbury CT	Brass Mill Center
Eastern CT	Lisbon CT	Lisbon Landing
Eastern CT	Mashantucket CT	Tanger Outlets Foxwoods
Hartford area	South Windsor CT	The Promenade Shops at Evergreen Walk
Hartford area	West Hartford CT	Blue Back Square
New Haven area	Clinton CT	Clinton Crossing Premium Outlets
New Haven area	Trumbull CT	Westfield Trumbull Shopping Centre
SW CT - NYC area	Danbury CT	Danbury Fair
SW CT - NYC area	Milford CT	Connecticut Post Mall
SW CT - NYC area	Stamford CT	Stamford Town Center

<http://www.mallseeker.com/connecticutmalls.aspx>

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MINIMUM WAGE

State	2017 Minimum Wage	2017 Tipped Wage
WA	\$10.10	\$6.38

<http://www.minimum-wage.us/states/connecticut>

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WORKMAN'S COMPENSATION

<http://wcc.state.ct.us/>

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COST OF LIVING IN CONNECTICUT

Cost of Living	Hartford, CT	United States
<u>Overall</u>	96	100
<u>Grocery</u>	118.7	100
<u>Health</u>	116	100
<u>Housing</u>	53	100
<u>Utilities</u>	117	100
<u>Transportation</u>	114	100
<u>Miscellaneous</u>	117	100

Our cost of living indices are based on a US average of 100. An amount below 100 means Hartford, CT is cheaper than the US average. A cost of living index above 100 means Hartford, CT is more expensive.

Overall, Hartford, CT cost of living is 96.20

http://www.bestplaces.net/cost_of_living/city/connecticut/hartford

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Greater Bridgeport Transit Authority

Danbury

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Valley Transit District

Madison

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New Haven

Shore Line East

<http://www.apta.com/resources/links/unitedstates/Pages/ConnecticutTransitLinks.aspx#a1>

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