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## DeMeritt Hill Farm offers seasonal fun for all

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DeMeritt Hill Farm has a gift shop with a little something for everyone. Melissa Cardin

LEE - DeMeritt Hill Farm, located on route 155 in Lee has a little something for everyone to celebrate the fall season.

Apple picking is now available, and prices that are comperable to grocery store produce, \$6.00 for a half-peck and \$11.00 for a peck if you pick-your-own. Add \$0.95 to the cost if visitors choose to buy

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Also in the gift shop, guests to the farm can find unpasteurized apple cider that is made on site, as well as baked goods, tee-shirts, candy, preserves, and other unique gift ideas. This is also where apple-pickers go to get bags for the apples.

The orchard is a little bit of a walk up a hill, so if bringing young children, be prepared with a stroller, carrier, wagon or however else you would like to get them up to the orchard.

The apples that are ready for picking are well marked with ribbons on the trees, and signs directing the way. The trees are tall, but the orchard has "pickers" available to help reach the higher up apples. The trees are spaced out well so parents can pick and still be able to see their little ones, who may be having more fun finding apples on the ground.



A view of the apple orchard at DeMeritt Hill Farm. Melissa Cardin photo.



Perhaps one of the best things about DeMeritt Hill Farm is the play area, picnic tables and animals! Those help make a trip to the orchard better than just an hour picking apples, so plan to spend some time there checking things out! Along with apples, the farm has blueberries, peaches, pumpkins, maple syrup, pre-picked produce, restrooms, picnic area, face painting, pony rides, petting zoo, farm animals, and they schedule birthday parties, weddings and school tours. Hay rides are done on the weekends in September and October, and one special hay ride in particular, the [Halloween Storybook Hay Ride](#) (.pdf file), is very popular with elementary aged kids, and reservations are recommended. While there is no fee to visit the farm, there is a fee for the Halloween Storybook Hay Ride - it is \$10 for children

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backwards, children really *are* more expensive for this event).

The farm also has a series of [recreational trails](#) that are great for all abilities of recreational hiking. The trails are short, and don't require any special equipment.

With so much to do at the farm, why not spend the afternoon at DeMeritt Hill Farm?

**For more info:** Visit DeMeritt Hill Farm [online](#), or call at 868-2111

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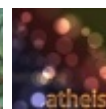
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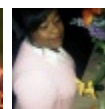
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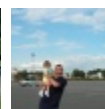
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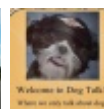
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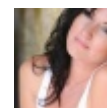
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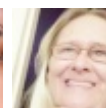
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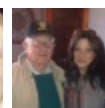
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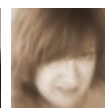
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