

Westview Farms – Litchfield, CT

Once a working dairy farm, Westview Farm serves as a quintessential example of the New England house and garden. The farmhouse and many of the trees on this 5 acre property date back to when it was established in 1850, an apple orchard on the property dates back to circa 1940. The gardens of Westview Farm, which include an herb and flower garden, a "red border" featuring plantings with red blooms and foliage contrasted with bright yellow and green plantings, a vegetable garden, and a cutting garden, were established in 1986 when the current owners purchased the property. One of the most recent additions to the property is a 1/3 acre pond added in 1993 which is surrounded by willows, forsythia, and daffodils.

The extensive vegetable garden includes over 115 varieties of vegetables that are grown over the course of the growing season. In addition to the annual plantings which vary from year to year, the cutting garden features espaliered pear trees, boxwood and Alberta spruce topiary, and a dwarf apple tree, all of which provide structure and definition to the garden, particularly in winter.