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08/25/12 - Peaches, Apples, and so Much More in Londonderry this Weekend

Not exactly a southern peach, but still just as sweet and juicy! Located in southern New Hampshire, Londonderry's peaches are ripe for the picking. They're just waiting to be plucked from the trees or bought from the farm stand at all four farms.

> This does not often happen, Sunnycrest and Mack's have U-Pick Peaches. Go to Mack's U-Pick 3 behind the Methodist Church or go to the Sunnycrest Farmstand. For fresh pick your own peaches.

Less than an hour north of Boston, half an hour south of Concord, and minutes from many surrounding towns, Londonderry is the hot spot for fresh fruit. Easy access from I-93 makes this town an ideal stop on that family road trip. Plump peaches, U-Pick Apples, ice cold ice cream cones, various vegetables, homemade baked goodies make Elwood Farms, Sunnycrest, Merrill Farm and Mack's a must stop.

Mack's Apples, Moose Hill Orchards
The largest farm in town, located near the town center, where you will find a full service farm stand and multiple U-Pick locations across nearly a thousand acres of land. Much of the land is preserved through preservation easements with hiking trails and ponds doting the fields. The farm stand has local crafts and gifts, and almost every weekend a not-for-profit will have a bake sale at the front of the stand.

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Directions to Mack's Apples in Londonderry, New Hampshire

Sunnycrest Farms

Located on High Range Road, this farm was once a traveled through by Native Americans migrating to the fertile fishing grounds of the Cohas and Merrimack River. This farm specializes in a large selection of U-Pick from fruit to flowers. The U-Pick apples are in front of the farm stand, just across the street *(do not worry we all slow down and stop when you cross in Londonderry!)*. The rows go forever and so do the apples!

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Directions to Sunnycrest Farms in Londonderry, New Hampshire

Elwood Orchards

On Elwood Road, Ellwood Orchards which is still managed by the Elwood family has plenty of fruits and vegetables picked and ready for you. It also has the largest corn maze in the region. We have included a aerial photo of the first year maze, we will not spoil the puzzle as it is bigger and different this year. The maze takes up the green field to the left and the brown field to the north of the 2005 maze. Did you know? The Ellwood Farm is home to Londonderry Lithia Spring Water.

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Directions to Elwood Orchards in Londonderry, New Hampshire

Merrill Farms

Located in North Londonderry up the old stage coach road Merrill provides fresh eggs to stands in town, but if you want to get them the day they are laid this is the stand to go to. Open weekends (and an honor system during the week), you can be sure to find plenty of fresh fruit and vegetables plus fresh baked pies!

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Directions to Merrill Farms in Londonderry, New Hampshire

After you've gotten your peaches here in Londonderry. Here is an easy recipe for Peach Cobbler or you can use the pre-mixed Cobbler Packets sold at the farms. Thank you for considering Londonderry as a place to enjoy with your family this weekend! Business is Good. Life is Better! Check out visitlononderry.com for more information regarding all of the offering here in Londonderry

Fresh Peach Cobbler

Prep Time: 12 minutes
Total Time: 57 minutes

Ingredients
2 large fresh peaches, peeled and sliced
1 & 1/2 cups sugar, divided
1/2 cup butter, melted
1 cup flour
2 teaspoons baking powder
1/4 teaspoon salt
1 dash nutmeg
3/4 cup milk

Directions
Mix peach slices with 3/4 cup sugar, set aside.

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Pour butter in 8 inch square baking dish.
Mix flour, baking powder, salt, nutmeg and remaining sugar.
Stir in milk, until just combined.
Pour over butter.
Top with peaches.
Bake at 375° for 45 minutes.