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Connecticut's Last Green Valley Featured in Yankee Magazine

Dublin, New Hampshire (February 25, 2009)—Yankee Magazine's March/April issue, on newsstands March 3, 2009, features a travel story about northeast Connecticut's Last Green Valley. According to the article, "Lost in the Last Green Valley," the area is an unexpected oasis of peace and old-time nostalgia.

"It's one of the last good-sized unspoiled spots on the East Coast city-sprawl continuum," writes Annie Graves. "A wide, quiet corridor of pretty villages and dreamy landscapes hidden within one of the most densely populated parts of the country. More than 80 percent of the Last Green Valley remains field or forest."

The article explores the region and recommends things to do, where to eat and places to stay.

"Yankee's article really captures the true essence of the Last Green Valley and will surely entice readers to visit and explore in their own personal ways," says Charlene Perkins Cutler, executive director of The Last Green Valley (TLGV). "We always welcome the opportunity to share our abundant natural and cultural resources and to interpret what it truly means to be TLGV, and we're very thankful Yankee Magazine chose to showcase this area in the March/April issue. They spent a lot of time immersing themselves in our natural beauty and abundant cultural treasures."

More than 20 destinations are listed in the article, covering trails to hike, places to stay, meals to eat, gifts to buy, and things to do with kids. These destinations will be listed online in Yankee's travel database, and the article will be archived online at YankeeMagazine.com.

Trails to Hike

- Bigelow Hollow State Park, Union
- James L. Goodwin State Forest, Hampton
- Mansfield Hollow State Park, Mansfield
- Mashamoquet Brook State Park, Pomfret

Places to Stay

- Chickadee Cottage B&B, Pomfret
- Feather Hill B&B, Pomfret
- The Inn at Woodstock Hill, Woodstock

Meals to Eat

- 85 Main, Putnam
- Golden Lamb Buttery, Brooklyn
- Mansion at Bald Hill, South Woodstock
- Still River Café, Eastford
- Vanilla Bean Café, Pomfret
- Connecticut Wine Trail

Gifts to Buy

- Antiques Marketplace, Putnam
- **Celebrations Gallery & Shoppes, Pomfret**
- Christmas Barn, Woodstock
- MAJiLLY, Pomfret Center
- Scranton's Shops, South Woodstock

Things to Do with Kids

- Creamery Brook Bison, Brooklyn
- Ekonk Hill Turkey Farm, Sterling
- Mik-Ran's Sugarhouse, Brooklyn
- Safe Haven Alpaca Farm, Hampton

To read more about Yankee's March/April issue, go to:
<http://www.yankeemagazine.com/contact/pressroom/marchapril2009>. The issue will be

on newsstands through the end of April. For more information, visit:
YankeeMagazine.com

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Note to media: Yankee welcomes the media to interview our writers and editors, who are experts on New England. For more information, contact Heather Atwell.

About Yankee Magazine: Yankee Magazine was founded in 1935 and is based in Dublin, New Hampshire, with a sales office in Boston. It is the only magazine devoted to New England through its coverage of travel, home, food, and features. With a paid circulation of over 350,000 and a total audience of nearly 2.5 million, it is published by Yankee Publishing Incorporated (YPI), one of the few remaining independent magazine publishers in the United States. YPI also owns the nation's oldest continuously produced periodical, The Old Farmer's Almanac. More information about Yankee: New England's Magazine is available at: YankeeMagazine.com

About the Last Green Valley: The Last Green Valley (TLGV) is two things: It is the popular name given to the Quinebaug and Shetucket Rivers Valley National Heritage Corridor, designated by Congress as a place of significant national resources; and it is the name of the nonprofit organization that administers the programming and provides visitor resources. TLGV preserves resources while encouraging compatible economic development. The region is a very special place:

- with 35 towns that have 43 historic town commons and greens and 118 historic sites and museums;
- with two of the most scenic and productive river systems in New England;
- with many designated scenic roads, including one of the first National Scenic Byways, Route 169;
- with more than 80 lakes and ponds with exceptional water quality;
- with 5 state parks, 7 state forests, and 16 state wildlife management areas comprising thousands of acres;
- and with more than 130 miles of trails, including the East Coast Greenway, a National Millennium Trail.