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Welcome the Start of Fall at Coggeshall Farm Museum's *Harvest Festival*

Bristol, R.I., August 26, 2026 – To celebrate the culmination of their farming season, Coggeshall Farm Museum will be hosting *Harvest Festival* on **Saturday, September 19.** This event, hosted on an 18th-century coastal tenant farm, will feature local artisans, food trucks, farm animals, live music, children's activities, and more.

Coggeshall Farm has brought together an impressive list of more than 20 local vendors, including handmade crafts, handcrafted beer and cider, and delicious treats. There will also be games available for kids to play on the farm. Whether they're looking to browse, shop, craft, eat, or drink, there's something for guests of all ages to explore at *Harvest Festival.*

To celebrate their harvest, Coggeshall Farm Museum will host a variety of historic farming demonstrations. Guests will learn all about farming apples, including apple tastings, a talk about "Johnny Appleseed," and a trip out to the apple orchard. Guests will also have the opportunity to hear a history of beer, led by Pivotal Brewery, and witness how apple cider is actually made on the Farm.

During the *Festival*, visitors will be able to see many of the farm animals that made the harvest possible. There will be demonstrations of the oxen team that helps plow the fields, as well as a beekeeping session with Jim Dawber of Hill Crest Apiary. In addition, visitors will have the opportunity to take horse-drawn carriage rides.

"Harvest Festival is our favorite way to welcome autumn," says Coggeshall Farm Museum Director, Shelli Costa. "It's a wonderful celebration where visitors appreciate the summer's harvest, enjoy fresh apples, and embrace the change of the seasons on the farm."

Tickets for this event are $15 for non-member adults, $5 for non-member youth (4-17), and free for children 4 and under. For members of Coggeshall Farm Museum or Old Sturbridge Village, tickets are $10 for adults and free for youth (17 and under). Coggeshall Farm Museum will be open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Harvest Festival 2026 Sponsors: WaterRower, Bank Newport, Capital City Financial Corporation, The Coffee Depot, Graphix Plus, and Pivotal Brewing Company.

Please visit CoggeshallFarm.org for tickets and more information.

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About Coggeshall Farm
Set on 48 acres of coastal farmland in Bristol, Rhode Island, Coggeshall Farm Museum recreates the daily experience of tenant farmers on a salt marsh farm in the late 18th century through live interpretation, historic structures, heirloom plants, and heritage-breed animals. Coggeshall Farm merged with Old Sturbridge Village in July 2025, joining New England's largest living history museum in offering immersive experiences of early American life. For more information, visit coggeshallfarm.org.

Heirloom apple tasting.