

Upper Housatonic Valley National Heritage Area

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“2016 ANNUAL HOUSATONIC HERITAGE WALKS” PSA

The Upper Housatonic Valley National Heritage Area will be offering it's 15th annual “Heritage Walks Weekends” on Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 17 & 18, Sept. 24 & 25 and October 1 &

2 . Enjoy **62 Free**, guided interpretive walking tours at historic, cultural and outdoor nature sites throughout the Housatonic River valley area in Berkshire County, Mass. and Litchfield County, Conn.

The interpretive Walks connect people to the nature and history of the area; and when people know the history and appreciate the sites, they become advocates for them. The tours are led by experienced guides who can orient you to the history of the landscape, which enhances the overall experience...so you can walk away from an active and pleasant day knowing a lot more about the scenery than someone who goes it alone.

The Heritage Walks feature short nature walks, trail hikes to scenic ridges and forest ponds, biking tours, tours of historic villages and buildings, industrial site ruins, a canoe trip on the river, and Native American walks. Expert historians, naturalists, and environmentalists will be your guides to explore the region's rich history.

Heritage Walks Brochures can be found at libraries, post offices and stores. To view the entire schedule of Walks, visit website: www.HousatonicHeritage.org/Heritage-Walks or email programs@HousatonicHeritage.org to request a brochure to be mailed to you.