



# Great Bike Tours

## Vermont Fall Foliage 2027 The Heart of New England

Our six-day bike tour was designed to include all that Vermont is famous for, including fantastic roads for cycling, gorgeous fall colors, peaceful farm countryside, covered bridges, great hiking trails, small villages with their quintessential country stores, local artisans, micro-brew beers, cheese production, locally-sourced organic food, apple & berry picking, and of course maple syrup.

Our Vermont bike tour explores more areas of the state than any other bike-tour-company. We'll spend four action-packed days exploring the countryside on the east side of the state (Woodstock & Quechee), on the west side of the state (Brandon & Middlebury), as well as two days of riding in the Lake Champlain Valley – on the islands of Lake Champlain, and around Shelburne and Charlotte.

### Tour Length

6 Days/5 Nights

### 2027 Tour Dates

Sept. 26 – Oct. 1

October 3-8

October 10-15

### Cost of the 2027 Tour

Still To Be Determined  
(the 2026 cost was \$3,595 per person, with no extra cost for solo travelers)

### Tour Start/End

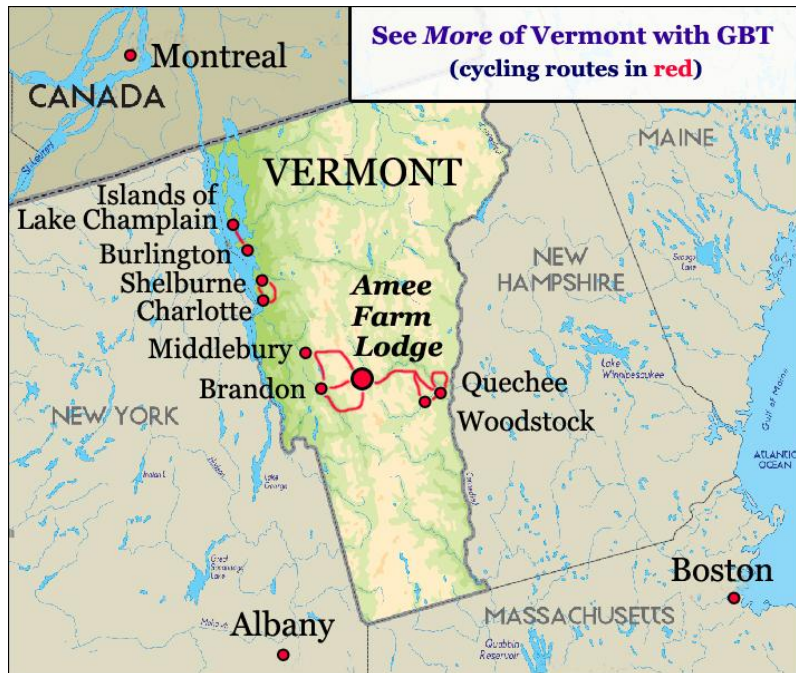
Burlington, VT

### Level of Difficulty

**Easy to Moderate** – 20-40 miles/day, with total mileage of 115-235. Most rides follow easier valley routes. Optional hill climbs (we like to think of it as *challenge by choice*), or get a lift in the van whenever you like. Cycle at your own pace. E-bikes available.

### Accommodations

Our trip is based out of the Amee Farm Lodge in Central Vermont, where we'll be



staying all five nights (you only have to unpack once). The fully restored grand Vermont farmhouse features 15 deluxe guest rooms, and is relaxed country elegance at its best.

## Highlights

- **Stay at one lodge** the entire week, and only unpack your bags once
- **Explore more areas** of Vermont than any other bike tour company
- **Solo travelers get their own room** (at no extra charge)
- **Cycle one of the “Top 10 Scenic Roads”** in the U.S. (Rt. 100 Scenic Byway)
- **Savor the best fall foliage** in New England, from the seat of your bike
- **Explore quaint New England towns** of Burlington, Woodstock, Shelburne, and Middlebury
- **Taste local micro-brew beers** at [Long Trail](#) and [Fiddlehead Breweries](#)
- **Enjoy short hikes** on the Appalachian Trail, through Quechee Gorge, and on the [Robert Frost Interpretive Trail](#)
- **Watch glassblowers** at work in the [Simon Pearce](#) gallery
- **Taste local maple syrup** at a mom-and-pop “sugar house”
- **Explore [Shelburne Museum](#) or [Shelburne Farms](#)**
- **Bike one of the “10 Best Rail Trails”** in the nation, with water on both sides, from Burlington to the Lake Champlain Islands (bike ferry included)
- **Sip the local wines** at [Snow Farm Vineyard](#) and [Shelburne Vineyards](#)
- **Enjoy optional activities** including golf, kayaking, massages, yoga

## What’s Included?

- Five nights of lodging at the Ameer Farm Lodge in Pittsfield, VT
- 13 meals (5 breakfasts, 3 lunches, 5 dinners) catering to all dietary needs
- Free use of our [bikes](#), plus helmet, rear rack bag, rear safety light + triangle, basic bike computer, water bottle, and T-shirt. E-bikes available (limited supply)
- Superior level of support throughout your stay (each trip comes with two 15-passenger vans and three professional [bike tour guides](#))
- *Ride with GPS* navigation (using your own device) or paper route notes & maps
- Exclusive GBT activities, including: unlimited raspberry and apple picking at local organic farms; bicycle ferry to the Lake Champlain Islands
- Admission to the [Billings Farm & Museum](#) and [New England Maple Museum](#)
- Full access to our online photo gallery with photos/videos from your trip
- Small group size of 15-20 people
- Pick-up and drop-off at the Burlington, VT airport (or nearby hotels)

## What’s Not Included?

- Optional activities such as golf, yoga, and massage
- 3 lunches
- Alcoholic beverages
- Gratuities for the bike tour guides

## Detailed Itinerary

### **Day 1 (Sunday) – Exploring the Burlington Bike Path and the Lake Champlain Islands**

Let us show you why *Bicycling Magazine* rated Burlington as one of the top six cycling cities in the nation. The adventure begins on Sunday at 8:30 am when we pick you up from your Burlington hotel, dressed to cycle. We'll head down to the waterfront for a bike fitting and quick safety talk. We then head out for an easy 18-mile ride along the flat bike path that starts in Burlington and takes us out onto a causeway that travels over part of Lake Champlain. We then jump on a bicycle ferry which will take us the Lake Champlain Islands. After lunch at a local café, we then head over to the [Snow Farm Vineyard](#) for some optional wine tasting (don't miss out on their ice wines). To get to our final destination tonight we'll need to cover a total of 86 miles, so an afternoon van ride will be essential.

<b>Accommodations:</b>	Amee Farm Lodge, Pittsfield, VT
<b>Cycling Options:</b>	18 miles
<b>Hiking Options:</b>	None
<b>Meals Included:</b>	Lunch and dinner

### **Day 2 (Monday) – Quechee Gorge and Billings Farm**

Today we'll shuttle you to the small town of Quechee to begin your day. Following a short hike through the Quechee Gorge, we jump on our bikes and head towards Woodstock. Our journey takes us on a very quiet route through peaceful farm countryside, past covered bridges, and into small Vermont villages.

In the middle of the day, we will treat you to a visit to [Billings Farm & Museum](#), where you can easily spend several hours learning about dairy farming and Vermont's rural heritage. In the afternoon we'll cycle back towards the Lodge, passing Barnard and Bethel, and alongside the scenic White River. We'll also offer a van shuttle in the afternoon for those folks that would like to get back to the Lodge a little earlier.

<b>Accommodations:</b>	Amee Farm Lodge, Pittsfield, VT
<b>Cycling Options:</b>	9, 28 or 39 miles (some dirt roads, but well-graded)
<b>Hiking Options:</b>	Quechee Gorge, or the trails across the road from the Lodge
<b>Meals Included:</b>	Breakfast, picnic lunch, and dinner

### **Day 3 (Tuesday) – Route 100 Scenic Byway (Middlebury and Brandon Gaps)**

Today we'll be treated to one of the highlights of the tour; biking along Scenic Byway 100 as it cuts through the backbone of Vermont, with spectacular mountain views along the entire stretch. Route 100 already has quite a reputation as one of the Top 10 scenic roads in the U.S. (*New York Times*), and one of the six best places in New England to view the fall colors (*U.S. News and World Report*).

We will start off with our favorite local ride, travelling an easy 11 miles to the small village of Rochester. Along the way we will have options to visit a coffee shop, a small bicycle shop, and a local gallery (run by our friends) that specializes in wood and marble carvings. We then head off for some raspberry picking at a local organic farm. Next, we then hop on our bikes again for some more easy-cruising along Scenic Route 100. For our first major challenge of the day, some folks may wish to tackle the three-mile climb up to the top of the pass (known as Middlebury Gap). The rest of us will take the van to the top. And then the best part, we'll unload your bikes so you can cycle down the other side – how fun is that! Picnic lunch today will be served at the [Robert Frost Interpretive Trail](#). The trail is short and easy to walk, and you can read his poems along the way. Robert Frost wrote most of his poetry from, and about, Vermont.

After lunch we continue cycling through the gorgeous scenery alongside Lake Dunmore, before ending at the small village of East Brandon. From here we will offer a van shuttle directly back to the Lodge, or you can continue cycling up-and-over the second pass of the day (Brandon Gap).

**Accommodations:** Amee Farm Lodge, Pittsfield, VT  
**Cycling Options:** 26, 42, or 66 miles  
**Hiking Options:** Robert Frost Interpretive Trail  
**Meals Included:** Breakfast, picnic lunch, and dinner

## **Day 4 (Wednesday) – Green Mountain National Forest and the village of Brandon**

Our ride today starts in the town of Mendon and then heads north along the edge of the stunning Green Mountain National Forest. Highlights include covered bridges, the quaint towns of Pittsford and Brandon, and maple syrup! Our first stop is at the [New England Maple Museum](#) for some maple syrup education and tasting.

We then head down into the valley for lovely bike ride alongside the Otter Creek. Lunch is on your own today in the village of Brandon. We highly recommend Café Provence, followed by maple creemees (soft ice cream) at the local ice cream stand! Following lunch you may continue cycling (including the option of climbing over the Brandon Gap), or hop in the van for an express ride back to the Lodge.

**Accommodations:** Amee Farm Lodge  
**Cycling Options:** 21 or 48 miles  
**Hiking Options:** Short hikes around the Amee Farm Lodge  
**Meals Included:** Breakfast and dinner. Lunch on your own in Brandon.

## **Day 5 (Thursday) – Pomfret Loop and the village of Woodstock**

This morning we offer a gorgeous 21-mile cycling loop just outside the town of Woodstock. We highly recommend stopping at the exquisite [Simon Pearce](#) Gallery, specializing in glassware and hand-thrown pottery. Be sure to head downstairs to watch the glassblowers in action. Lunch is on-your-own today at one of the local cafés in the

village of Quechee. After lunch we continue cycling, ending our ride in the quaint village of Woodstock, known for its many shops and galleries.

**Accommodations:** Amee Farm Lodge, Pittsfield, VT  
**Cycling Options:** 20 or 29 miles  
**Hiking Options:** Local walks around our Lodge  
**Meals Included:** Breakfast and dinner. Lunch is on your own in Quechee

## **Day 6 (Friday) – Exploring Shelburne & Lake Champlain Valley**

After an early breakfast we'll head back to the Champlain Valley (van trip of 90 minutes) for our final ride of the week. We offer a short & lovely ride that features rolling routes past farmland, quaint villages, and historic covered bridges. We are treated to great views of Lake Champlain, and even have the chance for a quick swim in the Lake (for the brave). Our ride travels past [Shelburne Orchards](#) where we can pick our own apples, and perhaps buy some of their signature apple cider donuts. Shelburne Orchards is owned by our friend Nick Cowles.

We plan to have lunch back in Shelburne, and we highly recommend Folino's Wood-Fired Pizza, which is conveniently located right next door to the [Fiddlehead Brewery](#) and the [Shelburne Vineyard](#)! At 3:00 pm we'll take the van to Burlington (20-minute drive), where we'll drop you off at your hotel. For those folks catching a flight on Friday evening, we can arrange to take you to the airport (and we'll also arrange for you to take showers back at the Shelburne Athletic Center).

If you're staying an extra day in the Burlington area, we highly recommend a visit to the [Shelburne Museum](#), one of the nation's finest, most diverse and unconventional museums of art, design, and Americana. The museum comprises 39 buildings covering 45 acres. Another local attraction worth visiting is the [Shelburne Farms](#); 1,400-acre working farm, historic site, and non-profit education center on the shores of Lake Champlain.

**Accommodations:** Downtown Burlington, or back at home  
**Cycling Options:** 18 miles  
**Hiking Options:** None  
**Meals Included:** Breakfast in included. Lunch and dinner is on-your-own

**If you require further information regarding travel logistics, please request our "Vermont Travel Information" document.**

**We hope you enjoy your Vermont Fall Foliage Bike Vacation.  
If you have any questions, or would like to confirm some  
spaces on this trip, please contact us soon.**