

# NC-ANA 2023 FARM TOUR

Monday, February 20, 2023

Farms we will be visiting.....

---



## **Sweetwater Farms ~ Huntersville, NC**

[sweetwaterfarmsnc.org](http://sweetwaterfarmsnc.org)

*Sweetwater Farms is an extraordinary place designed to nurture one's soul. Come and explore nature, engage with remarkable animals, increase the daily intake of physical activity for your whole family, discover more about who you are and what you love and your natural instincts to extend love and kindness to others. The land that is now home to Sweetwater Farms, was purchased in 2016 by Susan Lurz, co-founder of Proudtree Empowered Learning—a company that develops products which empower the whole child with brands that focus on social and emotional development, physical activity, and healthy nutrition. In 2017, Proudtree established Sweetwater Farms as an empowerment incubator to refine and practice wellness concepts for children. Today this teaching farm offers children and their families an amazing outdoor experience for social, emotional, and physical well-being.*

## **Misty Meadows ~ Weddington, NC**

[mityriders.org](http://mityriders.org)

*Mitey Riders was built on the belief that children's lives could be strengthened through horses. Four guiding principles shaped the program that would become Mitey Riders: 1) A belief in the power of horses to change lives 2) A belief in the value of community 3) A belief that therapeutic riding can help riders achieve life goals both on and off the farm 4) A belief in high standards of service for our riders and care for our horses. These principles shape all they do at Mitey Riders. Mitey Rider participants range in age from 5 to 18. They manage conditions such as autism, spina bifida, muscular dystrophy, cerebral palsy and Down syndrome, among others. Without the inspiration of their amazing riders, their program would not have reason to exist. It is because of these kids that Mitey Rider has over 200 dedicated volunteers, 14+ wonderful horses and a passionate staff of instructors and directors; and it is because of these kids that motivate them to do what they do, ever day. Feel the magic that happens when horse and rider connect.*

## **The Hunter Farm ~ Weddington, NC**

[thehunterfarm.com](http://thehunterfarm.com)

*The Hunter Farm is family owned and operated, working farm offering seasonal experiences for their community to enjoy. The Hunter Farm has been in the same family since 1868. Farmer Nancy's great grandmother was raised here, and the farm has been passed down on her mother's side since. While the operations of the farm have certainly changed over the years – from cash crops to dairy cattle to small scale agritourism – it has always existed as a place its community could call home. Today the Hunter Farm serves as a small scale agritourism business, offering a space for the community to reconnect with the land and its animals, and experience a seasonal, working farm. The remaining acreage has been placed in a conservation easement, protecting it from any future commercial or residential development thanks to our valuable partnership with Catawba Lands Conservancy. Truly a forever farm!*

## **Aw Shucks Farms ~ Monroe, NC**

[awshucksfarms.com](http://awshucksfarms.com)

*Aw Shucks is a fall destination but opens on select dates in the Spring and Summer. Aw Shucks offers a wide variety of fun for all ages. A 6-acre corn maze, pumpkins, hayrides, haunted trail, giant grain bin slide, fossil mining, fishing, target shooting, pony rides, and more are all part of the fall experience. Other months are by appointment for educational field trips, birthday parties, weddings, and other special events. For history buffs, check out the old passenger railroad car from the 1800's and a general store built in 1910.*

Continued --->

# NC-ANA 2023 FARM TOUR

Monday, February 20, 2023



## Treehouse Vineyards ~ Monroe, NC

[treehousevineyards.com](http://treehousevineyards.com)

Treehouse Vineyards, a family-run winery on a 200-year-old farm in Monroe, is a gem of a weekend getaway for wine-lovers! The Nordan family has been growing organic muscadine grapes and producing wine for personal use for 50 years. They opened the grounds to the public back in 2010. Today, they also source regional grapes from the Yadkin Valley to produce merlot and cabernet sauvignon along with their award-winning native muscadine wines. The vineyard's standout feature — three gorgeous treehouses available for hourly and overnight rentals — are the main draw for visitors. The overnight treehouses are extremely comfortable and are equipped with heating, AC, bathrooms, running water, kitchenettes, linens and electricity. You're not exactly roughing it. Treehouse Vineyards is open all year.

## Wild Hope Farm ~ Chester, SC

[wildhopefarm.com](http://wildhopefarm.com)

Wild Hope Farm, is passionate about bringing high-quality, USDA Certified Organic food into their local communities through sustainable farming approach. Their hope is to grow their land into a place for education, exploration, and celebration centered around nature. Wild Hope Farm aspires to build a top performing organic farm demonstrating efficiency, profitability and productivity while improving the land. At Wild Hope Farm, they seek to share their knowledge and optimized growing systems with the greater farming community. They're a small team with big ambitions! From corporate off-site meetings, to private events, their rural farm with touches of modern amenities makes for a perfect event destination suited to your needs. Wooded trails, picturesque silos, rolling pastures lined with old oak trees, farmhouse and sunsets mirrored on their 10-acre pond will bring your dreams to life at Wild Hope Farm. They provide delicious, organic produce and flowers freshly harvested from the land to transform your event into a truly unique farm-to-table setting. Activities may include (but are not limited to) the following: seated or picnic meal, lawn games by the pond, farm tour, skeet shooting, trail walks, outdoor yoga, guided bird walking and bass fishing.

**VISIT NC FARMS!**  
Download App + Explore!  
#VisitNCFarms

**PLAN YOUR TRIP**

Download on the App Store | GET IT ON Google Play

## NC-ANA 2023 FARM TOUR

NORTH CAROLINA AGRITOURISM NETWORKING ASSOCIATION

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2023

To register, please visit our website [www.nc-ana.org](http://www.nc-ana.org) for more details