Leaf Peeping in New England



My colorful morning walk in Simbury, Connecticut

I can't recall the last time we took a week and just went meandering. A perfect place for this is New England in the fall and it appears we timed leaf peeping just right. Thanks for joining me today and I hope you love these glimpses into autumn back East.

Our first spontaneous hotel selection was the Simsbury 1820 house in Simsbury, Connecticut. Even though I was born and raised in this state, there are many parts of it I have never visited.



Simsbury 1820 House

While in Simsbury, we hiked up Talcott Mountain and toured the Heublein tower located at the top. Thankfully the State of Connecticut saved it from developers and it is now a state park for all to enjoy.



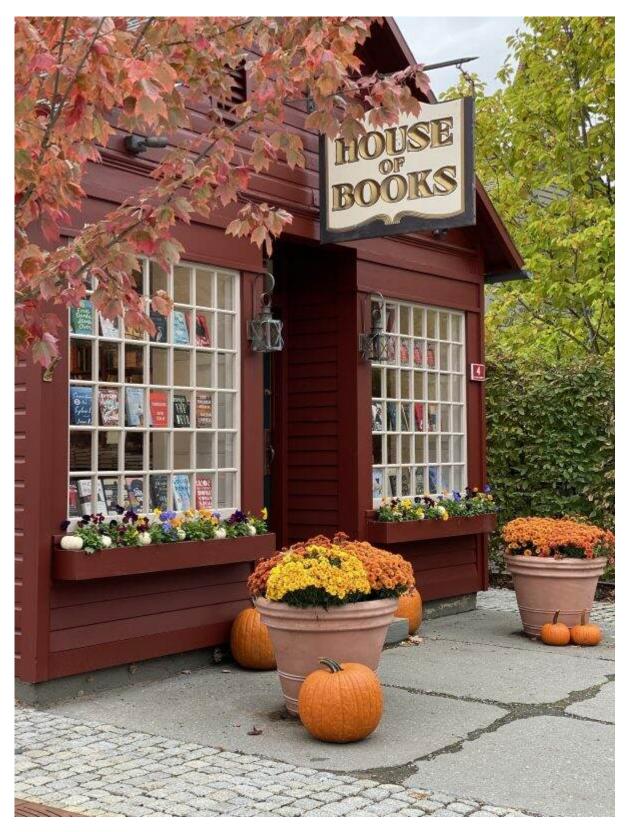
Hike up Talcott Mountain



Yes, I could live here!

From Simsbury we drove to Kent, CT and stayed at the Starbuck Inn, which was right in town and walking distance to shops and restaurants.





The innkeeper, Peter Starbuck provided a delicious breakfast and a view of these gorgeous hydrangeas in his backyard.



From there, we drove to Kent Falls and hiked the path to the top of the falls.

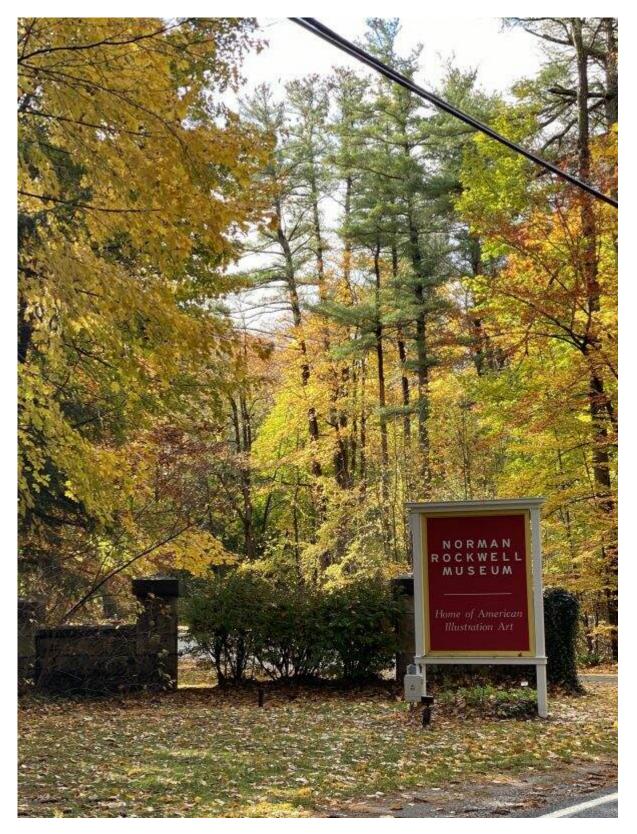


Entrance to Kent Falls hike

Stockbridge, Massachusetts provided a photo of an exceeding large pumpkin (over 1000 lbs.) and a stay at the Red Lion Inn.



This sweet town was home to illustrator and artist, Norman Rockwell and has a museum in his honor (that is certainly worth visiting).



Our last stop was in Old Saybrook, Connecticut which was home base for 4 days. The Saybrook Point Inn & Spa is located right on the water (my favorite) and here is a morning view from our room.

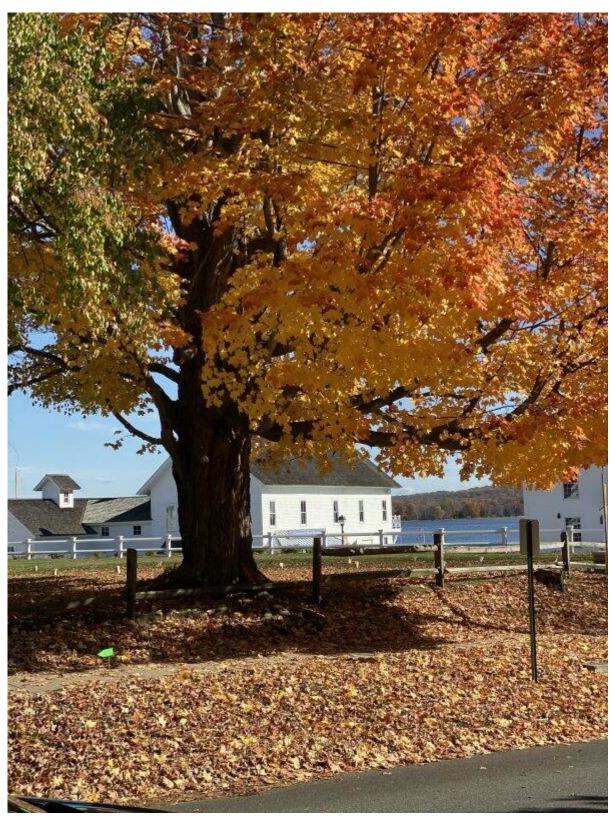


From here we were able to see family and friends; attend my high school reunion and go for bike rides and long walks.

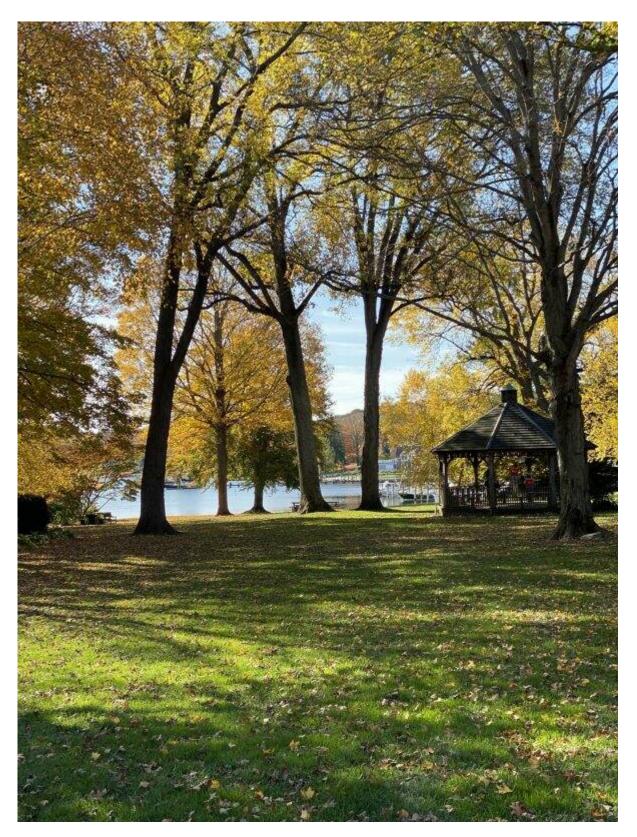


Biking in Old Saybrook, CT Here are a few more of my favorite photos!





Essex, Connecticut



Thanks for tagging along with me on my week off. Happy Tuesday, my friends!

Mary