Welcome!

Exhibits, House, Farms and Grounds Hours

Open Daily⁹:30 to 4:30 (Closed Thanksgiving, December 24, 25, 26, & Easter)

Exhibits, House, Farms and Grounds Admission

\$20/Adults, \$5/Children 6-14
Under 6 & Members of Friends of Hildene Free

Second Consecutive Day Admission

+\$5/Adults and Children 6-14

Guided Tours of House

+\$7.50/Adults and +\$2/Children 6-14 Call for Reservations

Behind the Scenes Guided Tours of the Archives

+\$7.50/Adults and +\$2/Children 6-14 Call for Reservations

Cross-Country Skiing and Snowshoeing

Open Daily Weather Permitting 9:30 to 4:00 (Mid-December to Mid-March - Call for Rates)

Group & Motor Coach Tours

20 or more by Reservation Year-Round \$15.00 per person

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The Goat Dairy at Hildene Farm is designed for public viewing of the cheesemaking process from milking Hildene's herd of Nubian goats through processing and packaging to the aging room. Powered by solar panels and heated with a wood-burning furnace, the operation employs sustainable energy practices.

His father was born in a log cabin and became the 16th president. One generation later, Robert Lincoln, president of the Pullman Company, the largest manufacturing corporation in America, built his ancestral home in this scenic village of Manchester in The Shires of Vermont. Hildene sits on a promontory with breathtaking views of the surrounding mountains and the valley and wetlands 300 feet below the quintessential Vermont landscape.

Robert was the only child of Abraham and Mary Lincoln to survive to adulthood. His first visit to Manchester was as a young man in the summer of 1864 when he came to the Equinox Hotel with his mother and brother Tad. As it turns out, his law partner, Edward Isham was a native of Bennington, Vermont

and forty years after his first visit, Robert returned to purchase almost 400 acres of land to build what would become home to the Lincoln family for 70 years. All of the original acres of the estate are still intact.

The non-profit Friends of Hildene purchased the estate in 1978 after the death of the last Lincoln descendant to live here and began the long process of restoration. The Formal Garden, designed by Jessie Lincoln for her mother Mary, includes many of the original plantings from 1907 and produces thousands of peony blooms each June.

Sunbeam is a 1903 Pullman palace car built during Robert's tenure as president of the company. It tells the provocative story of "Many Voices" - those of the

company, it's wealthy passengers, its workers, the black Pullman porters and our voices.

Many programs take place each year children's camps, lecture series, workshops, Farm Chores for Children and bird walks. A complete schedule can be found online at www.hildene.org.

The home of Robert and his wife Mary, The Museum Store, Pullman car, farms, exhibits, observatory, and gardens are open daily, year-round, with the exception of major holidays. The home and grounds are also available for private functions, corporate meetings and retreats, weddings and receptions. Larger groups, including schools and motorcoach tours are welcomed by reservation throughout the year





