

BARN QUILT TRAIL

Green Loop

Please allow two and one-half to three hours to complete this quilt tour

Leave the Ashe Arts Center and take S. Main Street two blocks to the intersection with N. Jefferson Avenue. TURN RIGHT. Drive 5.5 miles on NC 194/88 to Warrentonville. TURN RIGHT onto NC 194. Immediately look left to find the **Ohio Star** barn quilt on a small red barn shed.

Return to the intersection of 194 and 88 West then TURN RIGHT and proceed 1.4 miles; TURN RIGHT onto Staggs Creek Road. Drive 0.2 miles to find the **North Carolina Lily** on left at the intersection of Staggs Creek Road and Teaberry Road (289 Staggs Creek Road).

Return to NC 88 West, TURN RIGHT and drive 1.5 miles then TURN RIGHT onto West Mill Creek Road. Continue 0.4 miles; RIGHT TURN onto West Sugar Tree Road; then 0.2 miles to the first home on the left. Look for the **Ray's Star** barn quilt on the far side of the barn.

Return to West Mill Creek Road. TURN RIGHT and drive 1.7 miles to view the eight-point **Star Variation** on the large red barn on left.

Return to NC 88 West and TURN RIGHT. After driving about 1.5 miles look for a red-brick-and- yellow- shingle home on right (address: 9284 Hwy 88 West). As you pass the house, look to your right across the North Fork of the New River and an open field to find the **Double Pinwheel with Christmas Tree Border** barn quilt.

From the **Double Pinwheel** barn quilt, continue 2.3 miles on NC 88 West. After about 2.0 miles, start looking to your left through the trees for the **Blackford's Beauty** barn quilt. There is a home with blue siding behind the barn and barn quilt. (This BQ may not be easy to see in summer with leaves on the trees).

Continue on Highway 88W for another 0.1 – 0.2 miles to Rich Hill Road. Look for another barn quilt, **Maple Leaf**, on the right - on a hill behind the brick ranch home that is closest to 88W.

From Rich Hill Road, drive 4.5 miles to intersection of Three Ridge Road (a private drive) and 88W. Find a small barn/shed on left directly across from Three Ridge Road, just past home with address 15993 Highway 88W. There are three barn quilts – one on each side of the barn: **Star & Stripes**, **Eastern Star**, and **Diamond Cross**. The barn is in the middle of a curve so if you miss it turn around at the next road on the right (Roundabout Road).

From Three Ridge Road, drive about 1.0 mile to Muddy Branch Road. Turn left onto Muddy Branch, then 0.4 miles to large red barn on left. The barn quilt, **Star Within a Star**, is on the far side of the barn.

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Return to Highway 88. As you reach the intersection of Muddy Branch with Highway 88, look for ***Dresden Flower*** across the road in a field to the right of the farm house at 16928 NC Highway 88.

From the intersection of Muddy Branch Road and Highway 88 west, continue west for about 3.6 miles. Look for barn quilt, ***Robbing Peter to Pay Paul***, on left.

The next barn quilts on the Green Trail are a bit of a drive but the scenery makes this one worth it. Make a U-turn and drive 8.5 miles back to Big Laurel Road, also Highway 167, to Mountain City, TN. TURN LEFT; drive 7.6 miles; TURN LEFT on Rash School Road, a gravel road about 100 yards short of the Tennessee state line. Follow Rash School Road for 1.3 miles and begin looking for barn quilts. One is on an outhouse in a pasture on the left, another is on a barn on the left, four are on the home on the hill to the right, and one more is on the far side of the home at 1403 Rash School Road: ***Lori's Star, Premium Star, Rolling Star, Nine Patch Star, and Summer Star Flower***. This is a beautiful 45 acre pastoral enclave complete with walking trails, a fish pond and pastures full of wild flowers in spring and summer.

Return to Highway 88W. The last barn quilt is most easily seen on the return trip to Warrentonville/West Jefferson. From the intersection of Big Laurel Road and Highway 88, proceed 4.5 miles east toward Warrentonville. The barn quilt ***Stars and Squares*** can be seen on the right just before coming to Carl Eastridge Road.

We hope you enjoyed your trip.

