



DAY TRIP TO FELTVILLE

From Summit · Union County, New Jersey



MILL, LUMBER
AND COMPANY



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OPEN DAILY

A Union County park site in the Watchung Reservation. Open dawn to dusk, with a self-guided walking tour.

Feltville is a half-day outing from Summit or an easy escape from New York. Walk the mile-long tour, then explore the Watchung Reservation's trails. Come in October for the county's history weekend or the haunted hayrides.

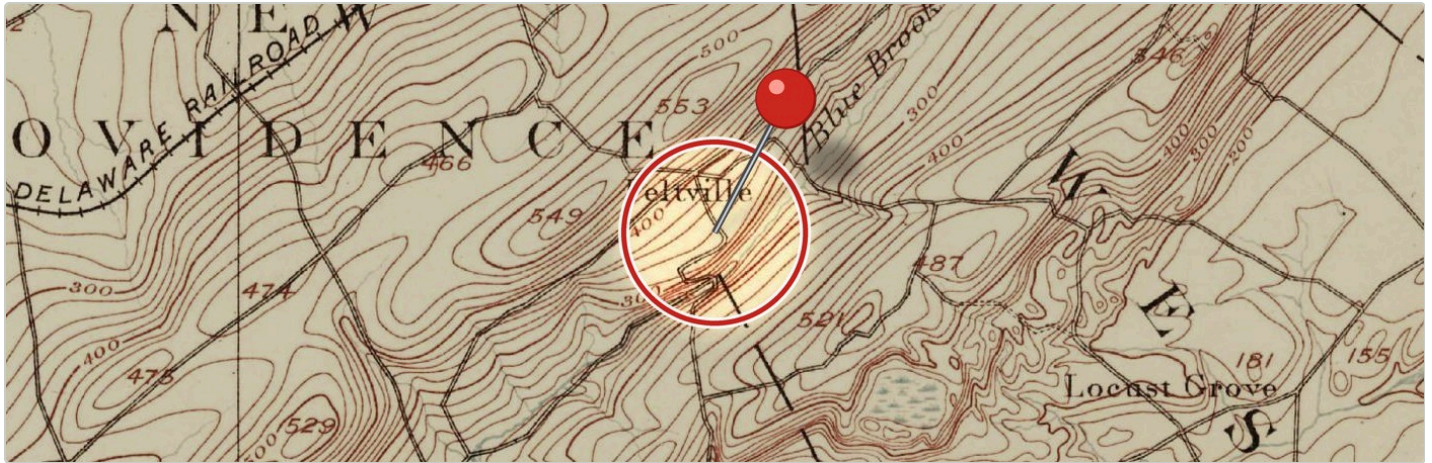
A SAMPLE DAY

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| ☐ Morning | Drive Glenside Avenue from Summit, about 10 minutes, and park in the lot off Glenside Avenue. |
| ☐ Late morning | Pick up the brochure and walk the tour: cemetery, Felt's office, the Church/Store, The Commons, the mill site and Masker's Barn. |
| ☐ Afternoon | Hike some of the Watchung Reservation's trails. The county's 6-mile History Trail links 16 points of interest. |

Coming from Manhattan? Allow about 40 minutes in light traffic.

WHAT TO PHOTOGRAPH

- **The Commons.** Four houses in a row, with the resort-era porches. Late-day side light brings out the siding.
- **The Church/Store.** The only porch you may step onto, and a good frame for the belfry.
- **The Blue Brook.** A bridle trail leads down to the brook and the site of Felt's mill.
- **Masker's Barn.** The restored 1882 carriage house at the end of the road.
- **Drones.** The county's page doesn't mention them. Ask Union County Parks first.



USGS topographic map, 1888 (public domain). The ring and pin mark the town.

DAY TRIP ESSENTIALS

DRIVE	4 mi, about 8 min each way from downtown Summit. From New York: 24 mi, about 42 min.
OPEN	Grounds every day, dawn to dusk.
ADMISSION	The county lists no fee for the grounds. The October haunted hayrides are ticketed; tickets usually go on sale in mid-September.
TIME ON SITE	The walking tour is about a mile, out and back from the parking lot.
RESTROOMS	In the Church/Store and Masker's Barn, both wheelchair accessible.
GUIDE	A walking tour brochure is usually at the brown kiosks in the parking lot and past the Church/Store, and online. Interpretive panels stand throughout.
FOOD AND WATER	The county's page lists none. Bring water.
EVENTS	On the third weekend in October, the "Four Centuries in a Weekend" program offers free guided tours, exhibits and hay wagon rides.
RULES	Dogs on leash. Don't walk onto any porch except the Church/Store's.
WEBSITE	ucnj.org/parks-recreation/deserted-village

BEFORE YOU GO

- Check the status with the land manager before you go; conditions change.
- Keep out of unstable buildings and off fenced ruins.
- Leave artifacts where they lie. Removing them can be a crime.
- Carry water, a paper map and a charged phone; signal is often poor.

Coordinates 40.68139, -74.38694 • 40°40'53"N
74°23'13"W

Full guide abandonedtowns.com/new-jersey/feltsville/

Directions [Google Maps](#)

Details checked October 2026. Hours, prices and access change: confirm before you go.