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Reap the Rewards of Eastern Long Island's Harvest on a LIRR Weekend Getaway

MAKE SATURDAY OCTOBER 25TH A "TRIP AND TREAT" FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

Spend the week before the Halloween holiday going door-to-door on the Long Island Rail Road's Vineyard Harvest one-day getaway tour. Visit the country farms, wineries and picturesque villages that have come to define eastern Long Island's North Fork. Taking a harvest time tour of the region and experiencing three of its most popular points of interest, is a great way to enjoy autumn and all of its beauty.

The first stop: Wickman's Fruit Farm. Hop on a hayride guided tour of the orchard where everyone can participate in apple picking at no additional cost. There'll also be an opportunity to purchase scrumptious homemade items such as donuts and pies that can be added to the family's bag of goodies.

The next stop: Duckwalk Vineyards North. Sampling five of the areas best local wines (which is included in the price) will be a treat for the taste buds. (For additional information about North Fork wineries, visit LI Wines.)

The last stop: the seaport Village of Greenport. While here, purchase a late lunch at one of its many revered restaurants. After dining, stroll over to the East End Seaport Maritime Museum or check out the 1920's restored carousel. With a train leaving Greenport Station at 6:14 pm, there's no need to rush. Just relax and enjoy taking in the sights while roaming around the harbor.

The Vineyard Getaway is \$41 for adults and \$31 for children ages 5 – 11.

With the following train schedule, please note that the times are approximate due to the track work program.

Be sure to check track assignments at the information booth, as well as remember to board the rear car.

Train Schedule

Departs	Returns
New York 7:42 AM	6:50 PM (Switch to the Montauk train at Jamaica)
Woodside 7:54 AM	7:03 PM (Switch to the Montauk train at Jamaica)
Brooklyn 7:39 AM	7:01 PM (Switch to the Montauk train at Jamaica)
Jamaica 8:04 AM	6:24 PM
Babylon* 8:52 AM	5:38 PM

*At the Babylon Station, there's a transfer to a bus (it's changed from Westhampton because of track work).

Tickets for this One-Day Getaway can be purchased in advance at the LIRR's blue or gray ticket machines. Both blue and gray machines accept credit and debit cards; gray machines also accept cash. Select "Getaways & Packages," then "One Day Getaways" followed by the tour or package of your choice. LIRR ticket offices accept cash, credit and debit cards or personal checks.

Please consult our website, www.mta.info for updated information. Before you leave, call the LIRR's Travel Information Center at 718-217-LIRR, 516-822-LIRR or 631-231-LIRR to confirm tour status. For a copy of the "2008 One-Day Getaways" brochure, contact the LIRR's Travel Information Center at the phone numbers listed above.