



# OFF-THE-BEATEN-PATH ADVENTURES: EXPLORING THE MOST UNIQUE DESTINATIONS IN CONNECTICUT

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Fascinating, spooky, unusual, and sometimes scary places exist throughout Connecticut that you can witness. From the Cushing Brain Collection in New Haven to Hogpen Hills Farm in Woodbury, Connecticut has dozens of enthralling destinations to visit.

Just recently, I wrote an article about **11 of Connecticut's Most Mysterious Places Hiding in Plain Sight** and it got me thinking what other fascinating things are happening here that not many people know about? I took a deep dive in and discovered even more.



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## Hogpen Hills Farm - Woodbury

In Woodbury, there's a 234-acre tree farm and landscape sculpture park created by Edward Tufte. The metal and stone sculptures and the contoured landscape of hills, trees, and fields are the unified vision of one of our era's most visual and visionary thinkers, Edward Tufte according to [ctexplored.org](https://ctexplored.org).



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The 70-year-old Yale University Professor Emeritus of Political Science, Statistics, and Computer Science is the father of a field known as "data visualization," the art/science of presenting complex quantitative data graphically in forms that make it easier to understand and detect patterns and trends. Honestly, I have no idea what that means.



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There is an admission fee to get into the park which is \$80 per car which includes a map guide to Hogpen, restrooms for all, parking, access to the sculpture barn, and picnicking is welcome.



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**Atlas Obscura** describes the park as, "Each of the works transforms the landscape, see these amazing artworks up close." Connecticut Magazine describes the park as "One of Connecticut's 30 Hidden Gems."