

Trail Site Addresses & Contact Information

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- 1 Bennington Museum** 75 Main Street, Bennington
802-447-1571 | www.benningtonmuseum.org
Vermont Veterans' Home 325 North Street, Bennington
802-442-6353 | www.vvh.vermont.gov
Garrison Monument Old Bennington Village Green, Monument Avenue
- 2 Hildene, The Lincoln Family Home** 1005 Hildene Road, Manchester
802-362-1788 | www.hildene.org
The Equinox Hotel (Resort) 3567 Main Street, Manchester
802-362-4700 | www.equinoxresort.com
- 3 Bardwell Hotel** 142 Merchant's Row, #1, Rutland (Now Bardwell Apts.)
Gen. Wheelock Veazey Home 55 Pleasant Street, Rutland
Rutland Fairgrounds US Route 7 South, Rutland
802-775-2006 | www.rutlandhistory.com
- 4 Brandon Museum & Welcome Center** 4 Grove Street, Brandon
802-247-6401 | www.brandon.org/the-brandonmuseum
- 5 Middlebury Congregational Church** 2 Main Street, Middlebury
802-388-7634 | www.middleburyucc.org
Middlebury College 14 Old Chapel Road, Middlebury
802-443-5000 | www.middlebury.edu
- 6 Vergennes Railroad Depot** VT Route 22A and US Route 7, Vergennes
Downtown Vergennes Village Green and Park, Main Street, Vergennes
www.vergennes.org
- 7 Adams Ferry** Arnold's Bay Road, Panton. Historic Marker on site.
- 8 Rokeby Museum** 4334 US Route 7, Ferrisburgh
802-877-3406 | www.rokeby.org
- 9 Shelburne Museum** 6000 Shelburne Road, Shelburne
802-985-3346 | www.shelburnemuseum.org
- 10 Battery Park** Along Lake Champlain waterfront, Battery & College Streets,
Burlington 802-864-0123 | www.enjoyburlington.com
Lakeview Cemetery 455 North Avenue, Burlington, 802-863-2075
*** **Please note: The following are now private residences.** ***
Gen. George Stannard Home 1871-1873, corner of George and Pearl
Streets, Burlington
Gen. William Wells Home 1877-1892, 158 South Willard Street, Burlington
Gen. Oliver Otis Howard Home 1892-1909, 26 Summit Street, Burlington
G.G. Benedict Home 31 South Prospect Street, Burlington
- 11 Winooski Mill Museum** 20 Winooski Falls, Winooski
802-355-9937 | www.themillmuseum.org
- 12 Gen. George Stannard Home and Farm** 1866-1871, I-89 Exit 17 East, US
Route 7 North 1 mile, Milton. 802-734-0758 | www.generalstannardhouse.org
- 13 Gen. George Stannard Birthplace and State Mounument** 2.5 miles
North of Georgia, on US Route 7
- 14 Taylor Park & Saint Albans Museum** Main Street and 9 Church Street,
Saint Albans | 802-527-7933 | www.stamuseum.org
One Federal Restaurant Former Stannard Foundry, corner of Federal and
Lake Streets, St. Albans
- 15 1864 Saint Albans Raiders' Escape Route** Rte 105 North of St. Albans to
2.5 miles North of Route 104 intersection. On to Canada via back roads.

Why this Trail is being organized

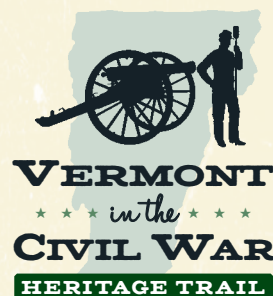
The *Vermont in the Civil War Heritage Trail* follows US Route 7, South to North. Each site is a link to the crucial contributions Vermont made to the preservation of these United States in the American "War Between the States." There are also many little-known connections critical to that War, and it is our Mission to better illustrate and explain those connections. From Abolitionist John Brown to Stephen Douglas to William Lloyd Garrison to Frederick Douglass to the Northernmost land battle of the Civil War, to the General who made the decision to flank Pickett's Charge at Gettysburg, Vermont has a significant story to tell.

The contributions and influences Vermont had on the Civil War are not widely known or appreciated, even within the state. We are here to fix that. There are other important sites and connections to the Civil War in Vermont, but the majority of our sites are found along the 'western coast' of Vermont, along the Route 7 corridor. Future expansion of our Trail may include Eastern sites such as the rifle, machinery and clothing factories of the Connecticut River Valley, and more.

What's next?

We are looking at a lot of improvements ahead for our Trail. They include plans for a website, geo-locating application, QR codes for additional information and pictures, virtual reality tours, and local/statewide Public Broadcasting videos and presentations. Our current brochures are only the beginning!

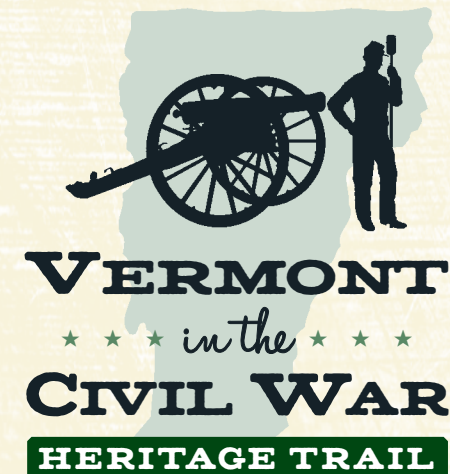
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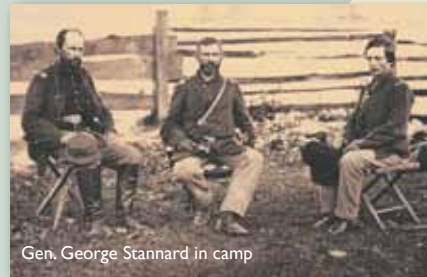
Site Listing



Special thanks to Howard Coffin's "Something Abides". All information is as of July 2017. Some sites may charge admission.

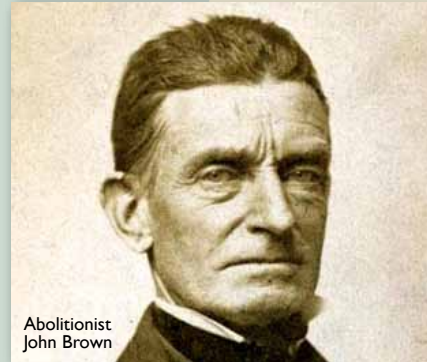


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Gen. George Stannard in camp

Vermont Historical Society



Abolitionist John Brown

Kansas Historical Society

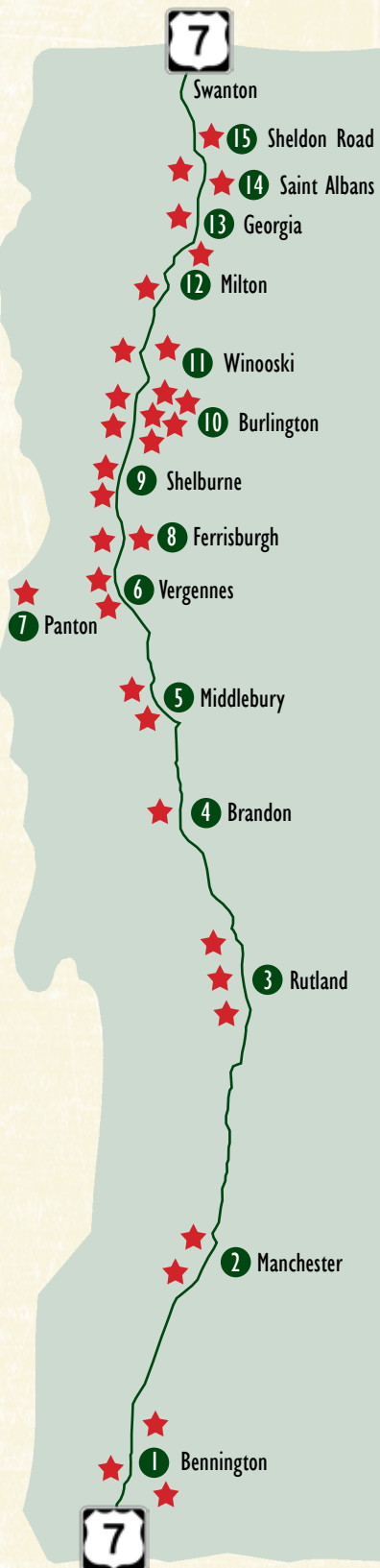
"Glory to God. See the Vermonters go at it!"

Gen. Abner Doubleday, July 2, 1863 at Gettysburg



St. Albans Raid

St. Albans Museum



- 1 **Bennington** Bennington Museum contains Civil War stories and artifacts, including some for George Stannard, as well as Clyde du Vernet Hunt's famed statue "The Lincoln Trilogy." Vermont's first Veterans' Home, 1887, with a graveyard including veterans from every Vermont Civil War Regiment, is just North of the Museum on Route 7. Bennington is where young newspaperman William Lloyd Garrison started the anti-slavery *Journal of the Times* in 1828, which later became the impetus for the anti-slavery movement, *The Liberator*, published 1831-1865.
- 2 **Manchester** Hildene, home of Robert Todd Lincoln. The Lincoln family also had reservations at The Equinox Hotel for the week after Lincoln's assassination. They had vacationed there the two prior years.
- 3 **Rutland** The famous Bardwell Hotel was a gathering place for numerous important Civil War figures, both North and South. Rutland includes the home of General Wheelock Veazey, and the Fairgrounds were the site for training of Lt. Col. William Y.W. Ripley's famous 1st U.S. Sharpshooters and mustering site for departing troops. Ripley's younger brother, Brig. Gen. Edward Hastings Ripley, led the Union Army into Richmond, the Confederate capitol.
- 4 **Brandon** Birthplace of Stephen Douglas, the Great Debater and Lincoln's opponent in 1860 election. The home is currently the site of the Brandon Welcome Center and the Brandon Museum.
- 5 **Middlebury** Famous public address site, the Congregational Church, with Wm. Lloyd Garrison and Frederick Douglass. It was the site of The Great Convention, abolitionist event of July 1863. Middlebury College 1860 commencement speaker Edward Everett, Mass. Governor and Harvard President, gave the main address at Gettysburg cemetery just before Lincoln's Gettysburg Address. The College graduated Alexander Twilight, the first black person to earn a degree in America.
- 6 **Vergennes** Deep connections to Abolitionist John Brown. Very large crowd attending Brown's funeral procession back to his North Elba, NY farm for burial. He had frequent trading visits, with his 20 children over the years prior. Vergennes Railroad Depot – oldest depot in VT – received Brown's casket en route to NY. Main Street downtown contains some of original trading area used by John Brown family.
- 7 **Panton** Ferry crossing at Arnold's Bay to NY State, for John Brown's body returning to his North Elba farm for burial. A State marker is at the site.
- 8 **Ferrisburgh** A documented stop on the Underground Railroad, is now the Rokeby Museum. Downtown Ferrisburgh Park also has a historic marker for Frederick Douglass speech at Town Hall in July 1843.
- 9 **Shelburne** The incomparable Shelburne Museum. Two Civil War-era homes, the Dutton House and the Settlers House, show daily life of the time. Some Civil War connections with the Webb family and Shelburne Farms as well.
- 10 **Burlington** Battery Park with its statue of Gen. William Wells was also a drilling site for Capt. John Lonergan's troops, many later becoming Fenian members. Lakeview Cemetery contains monuments for Generals Oliver Otis Howard and William Wells, as well as the large family plot for Gen. George Stannard, hero of Gettysburg. His is the only statue in the Cemetery in human form. The Hill area of the city has homes of Generals Wells and Howard and the G.G. Benedict House, from the Civil War historian and later publisher and owner of *The Burlington Free Press* for 40 years.
- 11 **Winooski** Site of many woolen mills that provided fabric for Union uniforms and blankets.
- 12 **Milton** The General George Stannard House (and farm site) and the Milton Historical Museum, with its monument to all of Milton's Civil War served and fallen.
- 13 **Georgia** Monument at the birthplace of General George Jerrison Stannard.
- 14 **Saint Albans** Saint Albans Museum and Taylor Park, main site of the famous St. Albans Raid of 1864, the Northernmost land battle of the Civil War. Many buildings original to Civil War remain, including the current One Federal/The Foundry Restaurant. This former foundry was first operated, then owned by Gen. George Stannard. A substantial portion of Stannard's home at the time still stands.
- 15 **Sheldon Road** (current VT Route 105) was the escape route for Confederate Raiders of 1864, including the wooden bridge they attempted to burn. Escapees fled into Canada through Highgate, Vermont.

"Put the Vermonters ahead and keep the column well closed up."

Maj. Gen. Sedgwick, Commander of VI Corps that included the 1st VT Brigade, rushing to Gettysburg on July 1, 1863

