

ARTISINAL APPLE CIDER
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THOMPSON'S CIDER MILL 44th SEASON OPENING TO BE HELD AT TWO LOCATIONS FOR SOCIAL DISTANCING

Nearby Fable Farm on Kitchawan Road to Share Space

Croton-on-Hudson, NY (September 15, 2020) – Due to the need for additional space to meet social distancing requirements, Thompson's Cider Mill will be conducting part of its operations at nearby Fable Farm on Kitchawan Road in Ossining.

The award-winning cider mill, which is celebrating its 44th year, will be open for business from **10 a.m. – 5 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays starting Sept. 19** at **Fable Farm at 1131 Kitchawan Road**. Sales of apples, regular cider, cider doughnuts and baked goods will be offered at Fable Farm while Thompson Cider Mill will continue sales of its acclaimed hard cider **at its 355 Blinn Road location in Croton from 12 noon – 5:30 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays**.

"We are grateful to Tom and the crew from Fable Farm for welcoming us to share their farm this fall," said Thompson Cider Mill Owner Geoff Thompson. "COVID-19 has presented challenges for many businesses, and by splitting up our operations, we are able to continue hosting the public for our 44th season. We welcome this opportunity to work together with the great folks at Fable Farm."

Fable Farm sells free-range eggs and locally grown, organic produce including Heirloom tomatoes, Mesclun mixes, squash, radishes, garlic, microgreens, and more.

Yorktown Supervisor Matt Slater said that Thompson's Cider Mill is an example of the town's great agricultural heritage.

"Yorktown is home to many different agricultural enterprises large and small including Wilkens Farm, and others. "We are very proud of this tradition and of the part we play in supporting our family farms and keeping them alive for future generations."

Thompson has been making cider for the past 44 years from a blend of not fewer than 10 varieties of locally grown apples using many lesser known and heirloom varieties. He expects to sell at least 35 varieties of apples this year.

"I have third generation customers who came for the cider when they were kids and now bring their own children. The appreciation for our traditional style cider motivates me to maintain the high quality we have always strived for," said Thompson.

Two years ago, Thompson's introduced its own dry sparkling hard cider that's made on-site from their award-winning fresh cider. It has received a number of awards for its regular and hard ciders including Lohud's Best Cider in the Hudson Valley in 2018.

Visitors are being asked to wear masks and social distance when visiting Thompson's Cider Mill and the cider stand at Fable Farm. Staff will be masked and regularly cleaning high-touch surfaces.

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About Thompson's Cider Mill

Founded in 1976, Thompson's Cider Mill is located at 335 Blinn Road in Croton-on-Hudson. The mill is open weekends only until Christmas (weather permitting in December). There is no apple picking on site but a wide range of apples are for sale as is cider, cider doughnuts and baked goods. Also for sale is Thompson's hard cider. Thompson's cider have received acclaim, winning several awards including Lohud's Best Apple Cider in the Hudson Valley in 2018, Westchester Magazine's *Best of Westchester* Best Apple Cider 2019 and two silver and two bronze awards for best hard cider in the Great American Hard Cider Competition 2020. For more information, visit www.thompsoncidermill.com