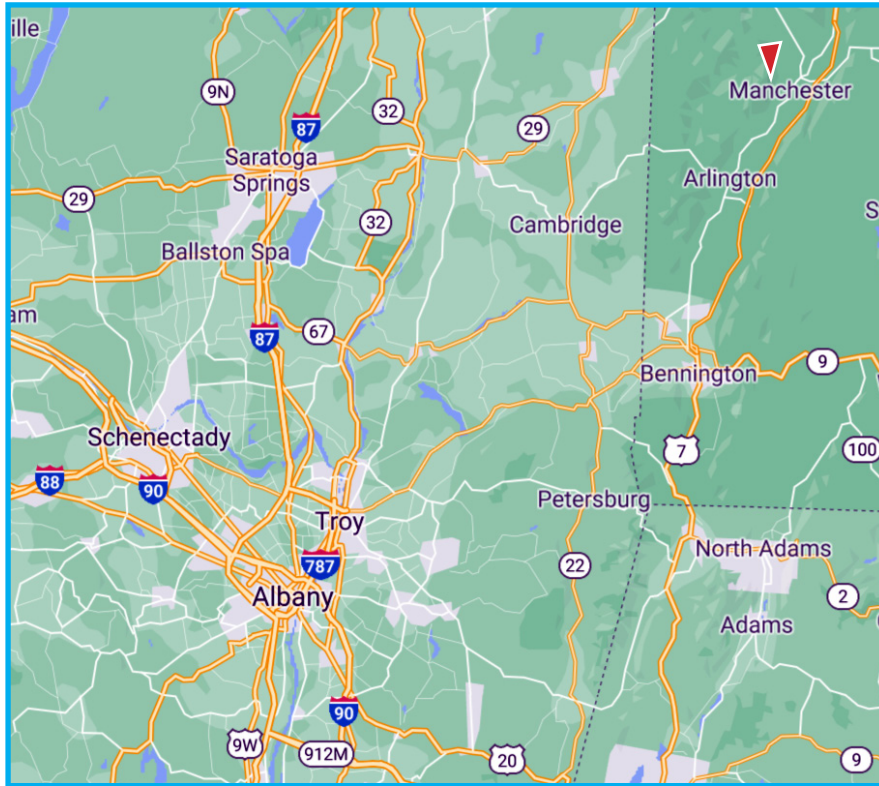


## Directions:

From Albany: Take Rt 7E approx 30 miles from I-787, and then follow signs for Rt 7N. Take 7N for approx 21 miles to Exit 4 (Rt 11 & 30). Turn left onto Rt 11/30 for 1.5 mi to traffic circle. Take the 3rd exit onto Rt 7A South (Main St). Continue straight past next traffic circle 0.1 mi to Orvis Outlet



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# Manchester, Vermont

10k/6k Walk

**Saturday, October 2, 2021**

Sponsored By

**Empire State Capital Volkssporters**



**Special Event Programs:**

- Little Free Libraries
- Walking with America's Veterans
- Walking the USA A-Z

Eligible for credit towards IVV Achievement Awards

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## AVA Rules & Conditions

**Start/Finish:** Orvis Outlet (Not the flagship store), 4382 Main St (Route 7A), Manchester VT

**Start/Finish Time:** 10:00-12:00, Finish by 3:00

**Trail Rated:** Trail Ratings: 6K - 1A & 10K - 2A

### Pets are welcome

**Stipulation:** There is no preregistration, and this walk will take place regardless of weather. At the time of registration, each participant accepts the guidelines for AVA Volkssport events. There are no refunds. Pets must be leashed and cleaned up after! Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult and watched carefully, especially near roads and waterways. Not suitable for strollers or wheelchairs.

**Procedure:** We will follow the same procedures as our Wednesday walks. Print your own Start Card, Event Stamps, directions and maps. Please fill out and sign the Start Card ahead of time and attach the exact change to it. Drop this into a designated container at start point. This walk is sanctioned and insured for Oct. 2 ONLY so no later day Start cards can be honored. MUST add your telephone number to the Start Card per COVID-19 Tracing Procedures should the need arise.

**Event Fees:** All Participants will now pay \$3 .

**IVV Books:** Event & Distance books will be available at the Start/Finish location for \$6.00 each. Event and Distance Credit may be earned each time the course is completed.

**Disclaimer:** The American Volkssport Association, ESCV, the town of Manchester or any properties associated with this walk cannot be held responsible for any lost or stolen items, damage, accident or injury of any kind at any time. Every effort has been made to make this a safe and enjoyable event.

**New Walker Kits containing both Event & Distance books are free for new walkers who pay and join ESCV today!**

**Restrooms/Water:** Plan ahead -- Unavailable at start point (a walking distance next door to Shaw's market or Stewart's convenient store or places along the route)

**POC:** LaVerne Stiles, [lavernestiles@msn.com](mailto:lavernestiles@msn.com) 518-223-3750

**Manchester** may very well be the prettiest location in Vermont to enjoy the Fall season. Located in the picturesque Battenkill Valley of the southern Green Mountains, the area will delight your senses with beautiful views of the mountains, lovely streetscaping, and gracious homes.



The route will begin in the area of Manchester Village, a National Register Historic District, passing the Orvis Flagship Store & world-class Fly Fishing School, the Burr & Burton Academy (began in 1828 as an institution preparing young men for the ministry, later becoming the first coeducational school in Vermont). Walkers will also pass by the stately Equinox Inn & Resort first opened in 1769 and has always "catered to the highest classes of society" including several presidents. The north wing of the building was the original Orvis Family's homestead. The Equinox golf course boasts beautiful fairways with spectacular views of the surrounding mountains.

The route includes Manchester Center which has an impressive mix of eateries, designer outlets and locally owned specialty shops, many housed in authentically restored Vermont structures. An example is the century-old Colburn House, one of the area's longest continuous operating inns, and is now the independently-owned and popular Northshire Bookstore. The area of Factory Point in Manchester Center is where various mills existed -- a gristmill, blacksmiths, tanneries; some buildings still remain. They all drew waterpower from the West Branch of the Battenkill. Today, the Battenkill is a 60-mile premier catch-and-release river known for brown trout as well as for rafting, canoeing and kayaking adventures.

Nearby favorite attractions include the Hildene, a handsome Georgian Revival mansion and summer home and gardens of Robert Todd Lincoln; Mount Equinox Skyline Drive that offers stunning views at the summit; and the Southern Vermont Arts Center, which is a fascinating contemporary art museum.