



Do some fabulous shopping for a cause...Support the planning and development of the Hartford Botanical Garden!

Hours are Tuesday through Saturday, 10 AM until 2 PM. When you shop at the Connecticut Creative Store you are selecting from wonderful products made in Connecticut or imported by small Connecticut businesses. This supports Connecticut farmers, artisans, and entrepreneurs AND you are helping to build a Botanical Garden! Net proceeds go to the Hartford Botanical Garden Project.

We have earth-friendly potting soil, copper and agate garden-spinners, botanical cards and prints, cookies, jams, tomato sauces and salsas, spiced nuts, weavings, blankets, books, and more. Custom and stock gift baskets are available too! Going to dinner party and need a quick gift for the host? We have baskets ready to go for \$24.95.

The Connecticut Creative Store is located in Hartford at 25 Stonington Street (off Wethersfield Ave. near Colt Park). Phone is 860/297-0112—give us a call, we are always willing to try to accommodate early or late customers. This is a partnership of the Connecticut Department of Agriculture and the Hartford Botanical Garden Project, a 501(c)3 non-profit that is working to build an 18-acre botanical garden on the western edge of Colt Park.

DIRECTIONS TO
THE HARTFORD BOTANICAL GARDEN OFFICE
AND
THE CONNECTICUT CREATIVE STORE
A General Store Selling CT-made products
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I-84 EASTBOUND – Take exit 48B, Capitol Avenue. At the end of the ramp turn left at the light on to Capitol Avenue. Stay on Capitol for ½ mile until it ends at Main Street. Turn right onto Main Street. Go 2 blocks until you come to a fork in the street. Take the left fork, Wethersfield Avenue—keep the park on your right. Go 1 block to a traffic light. Stay straight through the light and go ½-block to Stonington Street, which is the **first left**. Turn left onto Stonington Street and go to the Stop Sign. Turn right into the parking lot. The store is in the brick house on your right.

I-84 WESTBOUND – Take the exit for Downtown Hartford—this is a LEFT exit. Go to the end of the ramp and turn left onto Columbus Blvd. Stay on Columbus Blvd. for 4 blocks—you will pass the CT Convention Center. At the 4th intersection (Columbus and Charter Oak Avenue), there is a traffic light. Go straight through the light, at which point the street name changes to Wyllys Street. Go to the next traffic light, which will be at Groton Street and is the 3rd street on the left (a small park is on the southwest corner). Turn left onto Groton Street. Go one block to Stonington Street. Go straight across into the parking lot. The store is in the brick house on your right.

I-91 NORTHBOUND OR SOUTHBOUND – Take exit 29A, Capitol Area exit. If you are on I-91 Northbound, it is a LEFT exit. Exit 29A puts you on the Whitehead Hwy. Take the first exit off the Whitehead, which is for Columbus Blvd. and the CT Convention Center. At the end of the ramp, go left onto Columbus Blvd. Go 1 block to the traffic light. Go straight through the light, at which point the street name changes to Wyllys Street. Go to the next traffic light, which will be at Groton Street and is the 3rd street on the left (a small park is on the southwest corner). Turn left onto Groton Street. Go one block to Stonington Street. Go straight across into the parking lot. The store is in the brick house on your right.

WALKING DIRECTIONS FROM THE CONVENTION CENTER – Cross Columbus Blvd to Arch Street (home of the Arch Street Tavern—great pub atmosphere and food). Walk up Arch Street for 1 block to South Prospect (straight ahead is the back of the beautiful city hall and the Wadsworth Atheneum is just to the right). Turn left on South Prospect and walk 2 blocks to the end of the street, which is at Charter Oak Avenue. (If you were to turn left here, the 2nd building on the left is the Polish National Home—open to the public with homey food). Go straight across Charter Oak Avenue to a little one-way, one-block street called Charter Oak Place (great old Victorian houses). At the end of Charter Oak Place, go straight across Wyllys Street onto Groton Street (a small park is on the southwest corner). Walk one block to Stonington Street. Go straight across into the store, which is in the brick house. All told, this is about ½ mile or a 15-minute walk.

