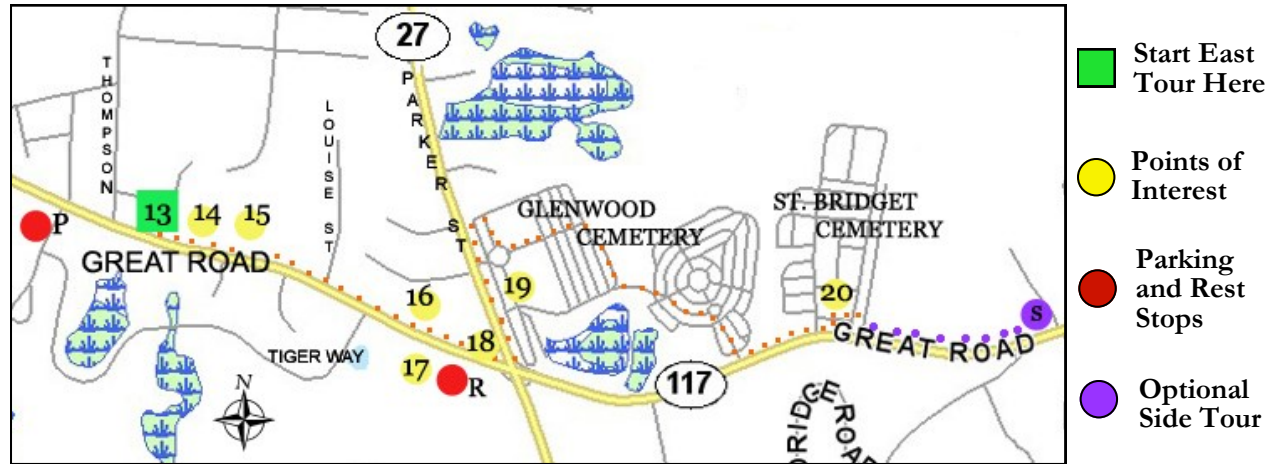


## TOUR MAP FOR GREAT ROAD—EAST



15. Levi Smith House 178 Great Road  
One of the first houses in Maynard, built early 1770s. 2-1/2 story Georgian-style with a large central chimney, one of two Georgian houses in Maynard. Became the Red Fox Inn and Tavern (also known as Levi Smith's Tavern) and operated from 1816 to 1848 along the main stage coach route from Boston to Fitchburg. Last substantial restoration work done in 1940.

16. William Smith House/Town Almshouse 206-208 Great Rd  
Built in the Federal style, late 18th century. Porches added about 1890. Both wings once had chimneys. Owned by William Smith in 1830, great-grandson of family patriarch John Smith who, in the 17th century, was granted a large tract of land in the area. Purchased by the town in 1892 as an almshouse. Used for housing and feeding indigents and transients, who labored on the 20-acre town farm to produce food for needy townspeople. It later became rental property in 1920 and was auctioned as a private residence in 1947 for \$8,000.

See WALK MAYNARD Tour #6 for a map and more history of Glenwood Cemetery.

17. Alumni Field and Field House  
corner of Great Road and Parker St.  
Town Meeting in 1928 transferred land (part of the Town Poor Farm) to the school department to build athletic fields. Tennis courts and a quarter-mile cinder track built mostly by high school students were added in 1931. A hockey rink, bleachers, and a field house completed the complex in 1934.

18. Balcom Memorial Watering Trough  
junction of Great Road and Parker St.  
Erected in 1892 by Mrs. Rebecca A. Balcom, wife of Asahel (1816-1891), one of the early petitioners for incorporation of the Town of Maynard in 1871. Balcom ancestors were early settlers in this area in the 17th century. Family burial lot in Glenwood.

19. Glenwood Cemetery  
corner of Great Road and Parker Street  
One of the first civic improvements made after the town was established in 1871. Previously a private burial ground. First known burial was John Marble (1750-1820).

20. Receiving Tomb  
Earthen structure with a granite front. Built by the North Acton Granite Co. in 1888 for \$700. Once used actively in winter months.

## Glenwood Cemetery Facts

- The geometric road system was designed in a large circular garden pattern.
- Interments in 1872 cost \$4 per adult and \$3 per child.
- The New Milford granite entry arch, a gift in 1928 from resident and coal merchant William Litchfield, weighs about 30 tons.
- Land for expansion of the cemetery was purchased in 1903 and again in 1928.
- Fifty-four Civil War veterans are buried here.
- Construction of the lower cemetery roadways and the pond was completed by the Works Progress Administration (WPA) in the 1930s. The iron fence was erected in 1935.
- Cemetery was awarded National Register of Historic Places status in 2004.

20. St. Bridget's Cemetery—along Great Rd.  
Laid out in 1869 for Catholic burials. First official burial was Civil War veteran James Heffernan in 1870. Oldest section is along Great Rd. Adjacent to Glenwood Cemetery. Stone fence and entrance built in 1900.

St. Bridget's Burial Vault  
Unknown date of construction. Located in the northeast corner of the cemetery. Used in earlier years during the winter months.

## \*\*\* SIDE TOUR \*\*\*

**Louis Brigham House** 318 Great Rd.  
( 1/3 mile roundtrip from cemetery)  
Federal-style house built around 1835. Vertical board storm door with iron strap hinges. The Brighams were early settlers in the area, back to 1759. Homestead occupied from 1936 to 1950 by the Saunders family who ran an asparagus farm. A barn that stood east of the house was dismantled in 1999 to make way for a new street and subdivision.

# GREAT ROAD

## HISTORIC WALKING TOUR #4

### GREAT ROAD—WEST

DISTANCE: 2 miles

TIME: 1-1/2 hours

### GREAT ROAD—EAST

DISTANCE: 2.25 miles

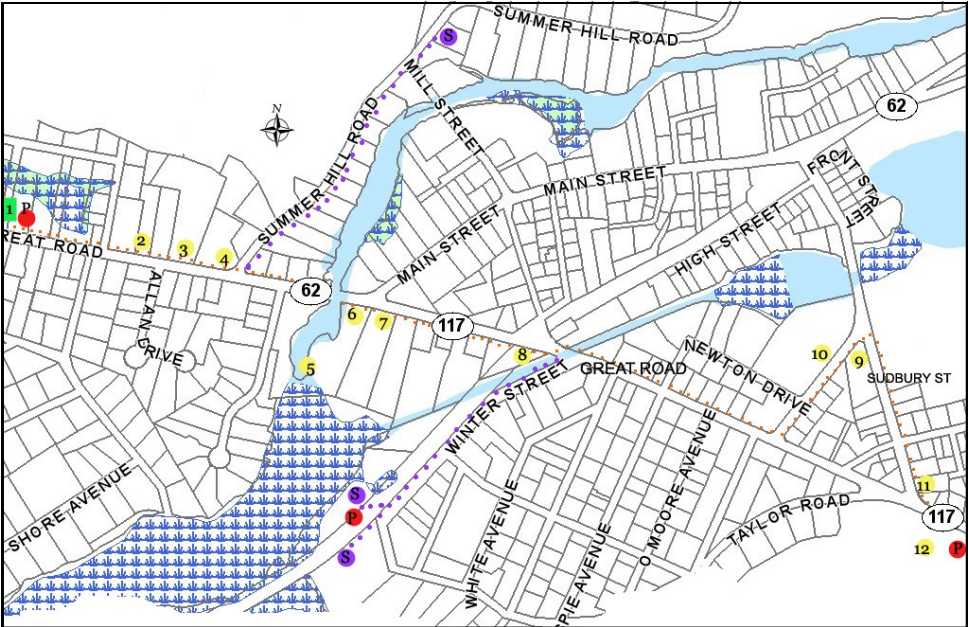
TIME: 2-1/4 hours



# WALK MAYNARD

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TOUR MAP FOR GREAT ROAD—WEST



Please respect private property while viewing historic points of interest.

Suggested Starting Point

Points of Interest

Parking and Rest Stops

Optional Side Tour

GREAT ROAD—West Tour

1. Erikson’s Dairy and Ice Cream Stand  
10-12 Great Road  
Hans Eriksen began a dairy in Stow in 1902 with home delivery by horse and wagon. Moved to its present site in 1937. Dairy cows were pastured on both sides of the road. The spelling changed to “Erikson” by 1949. Fifth generation of the family still serving ice cream.
2. Joshua Graham House—32 Great Road  
Land originally part of the Haman Smith property. Craftsman style bungalow built in 1916. Joshua Fay Graham was a woolen mill manager and his wife Jeannette Binns Graham had family roots in town.
3. Haman Smith House—36 Great Road  
Built between 1835-1857. Federal style farmhouse with barn. Removal of original entrance and an addition to the ell created an east-facing façade. Veranda added c. 1860.

For more information:  
[townofmaynard-ma.gov/resources/walkmaynard](http://townofmaynard-ma.gov/resources/walkmaynard)

4. George Smith House 38 Great Road  
Circa 1785. Federal style farmhouse with two-story projecting bay added about 1850 and the entrance portico in 1910.
5. Ben Smith Bridge and Dam  
Built in 1816, the bridge opened up the Great Road to stagecoach travel. Artemus Whitney, a close associate of Amory Maynard, had the contract about 1846 to build the dam, canal, and mill pond, diverting a portion of water flow to provide power to the Assabet Mill.

\*\*\* SIDE TOUR \*\*\*

Asa Smith House 84 Summerhill  
(1/4 mile roundtrip)  
Built about 1780. Asa Smith ran a sawmill, grist mill, and cider mill nearby on Mill Street (not extant). The mill later became Jewel’s Mill, which made spindles for the textile industry.

6. CM&H Street Railway Car Barn  
63 Great Rd  
Served the Concord, Maynard, and Hudson electric trolley line from 1901-1923. Built in 1901 with 4 tracks, machine shop, office, stockroom. Used by the Lovell Bus Company (1924-54). Raytheon offices once here.
7. CM&H Street Railway Power Station 65 Great Road  
Built in 1901 and powered by coal fired steam boilers. Converted to use as a church in 1926 after trolley service ended. First St. Casimir’s Catholic Church (Polish) and then St. Mary Indian Orthodox Church in 2003.
8. Assabet River Rail Trail Crossing  
At the junction of Great Road and Track Road, once a rail bed for the B&M Railroad.

\*\*\* SIDE TOUR \*\*\*

Ice House Landing Winter Street  
(1/2 mile roundtrip) Location of the Bent Ice House from 1914-18. A popular recreation area from 1906-16 when passenger boats operated to and from Lake Boon. Lat-er the site of an oil storage facility. Purchased as a town park in 2002.

Maynard DPW Pump House  
end of Winter Street  
Winter St. once a right-of-way called Pumping Station Rd. Brick pump house still exists. Maynard’s town water system was built by 1889 at a cost of \$75,121.

9. Ascension/St Bridget Parish Percival Street  
Gothic-style wood construction begun in 1881 and completed in 1883. Home to a grand Hook and Hastings organ. New steeple built and original stairs replaced after hurricane damage in 1938.

10. St. Bridget Rectory and Imago Parochial School 1 Percival Street  
Private parochial school building built in 1962. Victorian-style rectory purchased in 1900. Formerly the home of W.A. Haynes.
11. Garfield School 48-50 Sudbury Street  
Built by Sidney Shattuck in 1881 for \$4,454. Named in 1885 for President James Garfield. Abandoned in 1892 and sold by the town at auction (along with the Acton St. school). Now a two-family residence.
12. Crowe Park Great Road at Taylor Rd. 6 acres of land was purchased in 1900 from William Eveleth for \$1,000. Park named in honor of Reverend John A. Crowe, the first park superintendent. Picnics, rallies, and baseball games were held here. A grandstand was erected in 1921 and a fieldstone bandstand built in 1938 (not extant).

END GREAT ROAD—WEST TOUR

GREAT ROAD—East Tour  
(map on reverse side)

13. Mrs. Susan Smith’s Ladies Boarding School 166 Great Road  
Built about 1848 as part of the property at 178 Great Road. Operated as a private school until 1857. Moved to its present location after 1889 and enlarged. Italianate/ Queen Anne style with a Victorian era entry detail. Owned by the Boothroyd family from 1923 to 1985.
14. Jonathan Smith House 174 Great Road  
Federal-style farmhouse built about 1810. Similar in plan to the George Brown House on Acton St. Features massive exposed transverse beams with exposed joists. All four principal rooms have fireplaces. Wide pine floorboards and a kitchen beehive oven. The house was described in a will dated 1888 as being a two-family tenement.