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New Hampshire Strawberries are Here!

The weather has at last turned warm and summery, bringing with it the first berry harvest of the season—strawberries! Growers and consumers, alike, have been anxiously awaiting the start of strawberry time. Strawberries have been appearing at farmers' markets and farm stands this week and many farms are also planning to open for pick-your-own by the weekend. Berry picking is a great family activity and some farms offer added attractions like petting farms, hiking trails, picnic areas and other activities. Take the family berry picking and celebrate summer with one of the sweetest tastes of the season!

For information on where to go to pick strawberries near you, visit our NH Harvest Your Own Directory at <u>http://www.agriculture.nh.gov/publications-forms/documents/harvest-your-own.pdf</u>. It is always best to call the farm ahead of visiting to determine picking conditions.

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