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Red Brick Mill & Dam



Mill Housing and Company Stores in Rogerson's Village



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Historic route of the Blackstone Canal  
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## Blackstone Valley DeTours

# Landscape of Industry Tour

Samuel Slater started it, his brother John continued in the tradition and brought along the rest of America. The development of the mill village was a pivotal part of American industrialization. Here in the Blackstone Valley, the mill village is a significant part of the landscape marked by the concentration of mill villages up and down the Blackstone River with the richness of their architectural authenticity.

- **Slaterville, North Smithfield, RI**  
The First Planned Industrial Community

- **Whitinsville, Northbridge, MA**

Home of the Whitin Machine Works with aspects of the 18th, 19th & 20th centuries landscapes still integral parts of today's community.

- **Rogerson's Village, Uxbridge, MA**

An excellent architectural example of an early idyllic mill village situated on the Narragansett River with the impressive Crown & Eagle Mill being reused for Senior Housing.

- **Hopedale, MA**

One of the more successful communes of the Second Great Awakening led by Adin Ballou a prolific writer on the importance of nonresistance. Hopedale became one of the largest manufacturers of soaps in the world.

- **Ashton, Cumberland, RI**

The Ashton Mill Village pulls all the aspects of a historic mill village together with the modern recreational components that visitors need. The Blackstone River Bikeway makes its way past the village and the Transportation Museum at the Kelly House with facilities. Keep an eye out for the fisherman casting for trout in the Blackstone.

- **Manville, Lincoln, RI**

One of the more massive mills and one of the early canal era villages, the village retains, while portions of the mills foundations attest to its size.

- **Slater Mill Historic Site, Pawtucket, RI**

Where America's Journey to Industrialization all began... Also visit the **Blackstone Valley Visitor Center** at 175 Main St. (entrance on Roosevelt Ave.) across from Slater Mill.

The newly released book, *Landscape of Industry*, is now available at [www.blackstonerivervalley.org](http://www.blackstonerivervalley.org)

An Industrial History of the Blackstone Valley

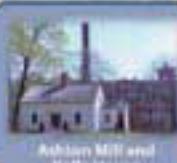
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Museum of Work & Culture



Manville Dam



Ashton Mill and Kelly House



Slater Mill Historic Site



2nd Visitor Center



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