

Canby

A GARDEN SPOT IN THE COUNTRY; MEMORIES THAT STAY FRESH FOR LIFE

The charming and unconventional “river route” to Canby is a treat that mustn’t be missed. Where Mountain Road in West Linn dead ends into the Willamette River lies a reminder of the days before bridges, the wonderful **Canby Ferry**. The short ride is worth far more in peaceful reveries than the \$1.50 freight fee. On the east side of the river is **Molalla River State Park**, an incredibly tranquil place to fish, walk, or picnic, and home to one of the Willamette Valley’s largest blue heron rookeries. A bit further down the road is **The Flower Farmer**. Here, kids love to ride through the colorful flower fields on the 15-inch narrow gauge **Phoenix and Holly Railroad**, while adults shop for fresher-than-fresh produce and beautiful dried flower arrangements.

Pressing on into Canby’s quaint downtown, the visitor will discover many enticing shops and restaurants, as well as Oregon’s oldest railroad station, where the **Canby Depot Museum** is open Thursdays through Sundays, 1:00-4:00 pm. Admission is free. At the heart of downtown is **Wait Park**, where crowds flock on Sunday afternoons to the delightful “**Slice of Summer**” concert series.



COURTESY OF PHOENIX AND HOLLY RAILROAD
Take a ride on the 1/5 scale Phoenix and Holly Railroad located at The Flower Farmer. Tour the farm via the rail and enjoy the view.



LARRY GEDDIS
Over 80 acres of tulip and daffodil fields are open to the public every spring displaying a rainbow of tulips in every color at The Wooden Shoe Bulb Company.

Summer holidays are celebrated with **The Canby Jazz Festival** the Saturday before Memorial Day, and **General Canby Days** on the 4th of July, which includes a parade, arts and crafts booths and a booming fireworks display.

The Canby area’s agricultural region offers a rich and varied array of experience. Wine tasting at **St. Josef’s Wine Cellar** evokes a warm European atmosphere. Starting in August and continuing on display until the first frost are 40 acres of brilliant dahlias at **Swan Island Dahlias**. **Hoffman’s Dairy Garden** offers picnic grounds, seasonal events, the popular “**Giant Pumpkin Weigh Off**”, and friendly farm animals to feed. At **Fir Point Farms**, visitors can picnic in the trees, play in the hay pile, enjoy the

green house and herb garden, or shop in the treasure-filled farm market. Topping off Canby’s bill of fare is the six-day **Clackamas County Fair and Rodeo**. One of the oldest and finest outdoor attractions of its kind in Oregon, the fair is host to hundreds of livestock and home economics exhibits. A PRCA Rodeo takes place each of the six days, along with other entertainment events.