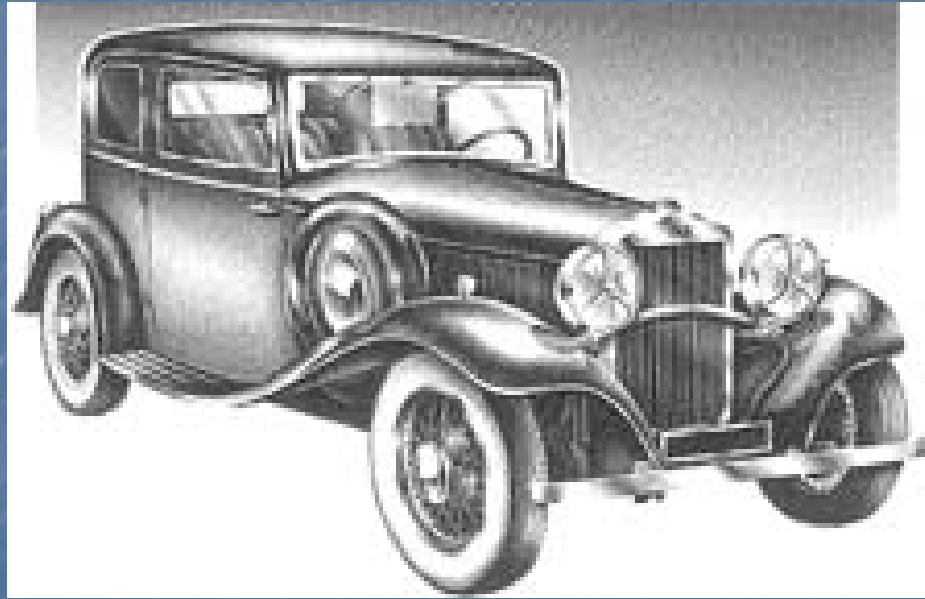


Layout Touring

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Photos and commentary on 2013 & 2014 New England layout
tours



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- Timing - how long you can stay and gab
 - Figure into travel time
 - Don't forget lunch break (rest rooms)

Plan The Route

The screenshot displays the Microsoft Streets & Trips application window. The title bar reads "Main.est - Microsoft Streets & Trips". The interface includes a menu bar (File, Edit, View, Data, Route, Tools, Help), a toolbar with navigation icons, and a search bar with the text "Type place or address".

The "Route Planner" pane on the left shows a list of stops:

- 1 Home
- 2 Mashamou Valley & Western (ar 10:00...)
- 3 Southern New England RR
- 4 Atlantic Great Eastern RR
- 5 Boston, Old Colony & Maine RR
- 6 CN Plymouth Sub (ar 3:15 PM)

The main pane displays a summary and a table of route instructions:

Summary: 207.9 miles (4 hours, 26 minutes)
Highway construction information is out of date. Click this line to update.

Time	Mile	Instruction	For	Toward
8:22 AM	0.0	1 Depart Home [27 Old Green Rd, Sandy	0.6 mi	
8:23 AM	0.6	Bear RIGHT (South) onto Walnut Tree Hill Rd	0.6 mi	
8:25 AM	1.1	Turn RIGHT (West) onto SR-816 [Church Hill Rd	87 yds	
8:25 AM	1.2	Road name changes to US-6 [Church Hill Rd]	0.1 mi	
8:26 AM	1.3	Take Ramp (LEFT) onto I-84 [US-6]	68.8 mi	I-84 / US-6

The map shows a green route starting in Sandy, VT, heading south through Worcester, MA, then east through Framingham, MA, and ending in Plymouth, MA. The map includes labels for various cities and towns in Massachusetts and Connecticut.

The Windows taskbar at the bottom shows the Start button, several application icons, and the system tray with the date and time: 11:53 PM, Friday, 5/9/2014.

When you arrive

- Etiquette

- Do not arrive at first layout before starting time
- Touching things - Don't
- Compliment - even if it's not you're "cup of tea"
- Criticism - Not while you're there
- Ask before you photograph
- Plan ahead. Do not ask to use rest room unless absolutely necessary

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New England Layout Tour 2013

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New England Layout Tour 2014

- Managed to see 5 layouts

The End

