A GUIDE TO

LOCAL FARM PRODUCTS

in Chester County

Highlighting over

120

local farms & markets

FEATURES INCLUDE:

- ► Chester County's Farmer of the Year
- Fun farms to visit
- Local wool producers
- Students learning about horticulture
- Backyard farming best practices

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Chester County Agricultural Development Council

The Chester County Board of Commissioners recognize agriculture as the number one industry in the county, and along with the Agricultural Development Council (Ag Council), are delighted to introduce you to local producers and help you find local farm products.

This year you will meet Farmer of the Year Don Cairns, a crop farmer from Parkesburg who is committed to conservation, preservation and mentoring the next generation.

In addition, you will read about how students from the Chester County Intermediate Unit's Learning Center are pursuing their interest in trees, shrubs, flowers and vegetable plants to prepare for employment in the horticultural industry.

And for those of you who love to knit or crochet, we are featuring fiber for the first time in the Specialty Products section, as well as featuring a few of the producers involved in wool production.

We hope you enjoy the guide!

For more information on the Ag Council please visit our website at www.chesco.org/agdev or find us on Facebook and Instagram.







Chester County Agricultural Development Council

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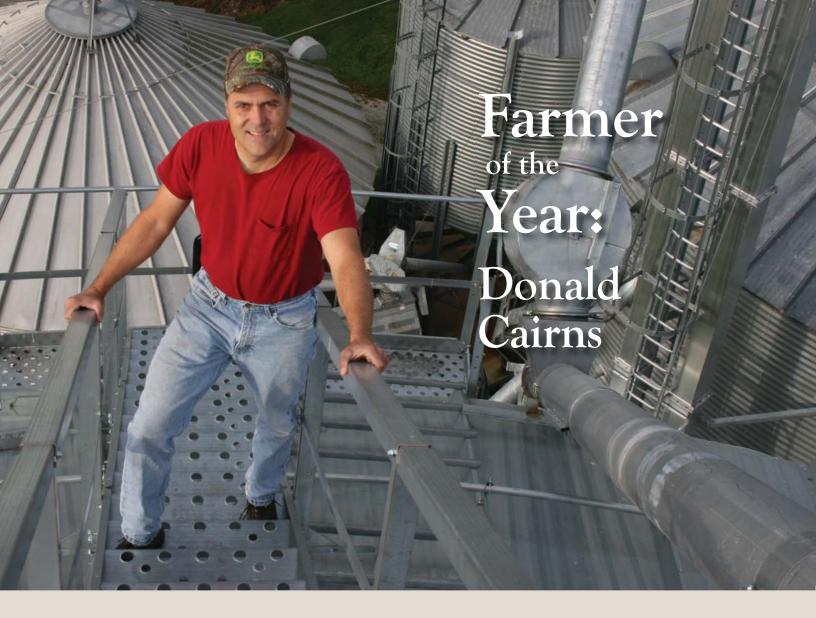
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ot all of us are lucky enough to discover our life's calling at a young age, but Farmer of the Year recipient Donald Cairns is one who did. Cairns didn't grow up in a farming family but the drive to become a farmer was there all the same. At 12-years-old, he bought his first cow, a decision that has led to a robust career growing crops on over 1,700 acres, including the 100-acre Cairns Family Farm in Parkesburg where he, his wife Kelly and their two children live.

"Large local farms such as ours are critical to the 'Local Food' movement even though you won't find our farm name on a label," says Cairns. "We supply the grains that local bakeries use. We supply the grains that local dairies and poultry farms feed to their livestock, and the resulting milk, chicken, and eggs are marketed right here in Southeastern PA. Virtually all of the corn that we grow is delivered within 15 miles of our farm."

In addition to his critical role in local agriculture, Cairns was nominated for the Farmer of the Year award by the Chester County Conservation District for his ongoing commitment to conservation practices including no-till farming and soil improvement. During the past two decades, he has seen improved crop yields and soil conservation as a result.

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"Don has been a great advocate for improving farms county-wide, including farms that he rents from other landowners, " says Dan Miloser, Agricultural Team Leader at the Chester County Conservation District.

"He has consistently worked to improve and maintain his operation from an environmental standpoint."

Cairns not only cares about the future of his farm, but the future of farming across the county, which is evident in all of the volunteer work he has done with organizations including the USDA Farm Service Agency and the county's Romano 4-H Center in Honey Brook. He was appointed to the county's land preservation board four years ago for his work assisting over 25 farms enter the county's land preservation program, a cause near to his heart.

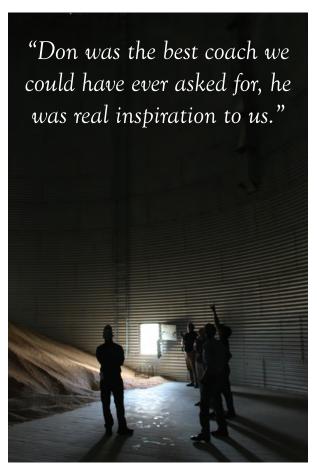
"Kelly and I decided to apply our home farm into the county farm preservation program about 15 years ago," says Cairns. "I didn't want our farm to be an island in the middle of housing developments, so I began to work with other farmers in the neighborhood to apply as well. Most neighbors were very receptive and now the majority of farmland within several miles of our farm is preserved."

In addition to Cairns' dedication to preserving farmland, he is equally passionate about encouraging and mentoring the next generation of farmers. He has spent countless hours coaching the Chester County 4-H Livestock Judging Team, which received top marks at the national level and even competed at the



Livestock Judging World Championships in Scotland last year. Team member Kaitlin Bell recalls, "Don was the best coach we could have ever asked for, he was real inspiration to us."

When asked what he believes to be necessary for the farming industry to continue to thrive in Chester County, Cairns says land stewardship, land preservation and encouraging the next generation of farmers are what are needed most. With farmers like Cairns around, we aren't worried.



Each year the Chester County Board of Commissioners and the Ag Council select a Farmer of the Year. The selection process is difficult because of the great pool of nominees. We would like to thank all of the wonderful farmers for their commitment to stewardship and sustainability. If you would like to know more about the ag awards program and past winners, visit chesco.org/agdev.

Warm Up with Local Fiber

Borderland Vineyard

When most people think of visiting a vineyard, wine is most likely what comes to mind. However at Borderland Vineyard, visitors also have the opportunity to visit the herd of Babydoll sheep that graze between the grapevines.

When Janet and George Kalb purchased the farm in 1946, a flock of sheep was soon to follow. Babydoll sheep are an ideal fit for the vineyard because their shorter than average stature makes them less likely to reach the grapes overhead while they help with natural grass and weed control. More importantly, the sheep also produce soft, warm wool that produces good yarn for knitting.

Kalb's nephew, Jay Penrose, who now runs the farm, works with a local spinning guild who processes and dyes fleece into a variety of colorful yarns. He hopes to soon offer yarn in the wine tasting room for sale. Borderland Vineyard recently hosted a fleece spinning event where visitors enjoyed a glass of wine while watching local spinners turn fleece into strands of yarn, a tradition he looks forward to making an annual event.





Grist Mill Farm Alpacas

Fiber production is not the domain of sheep alone though. Alpacas, a domesticated species of the camelid family from South America, are an increasing presence in Chester County's agricultural landscape. Alpacas produce a naturally hypoallergenic fleece that offers special appeal to those with sensitivity to lanolin, a substance commonly found in sheep's wool.

Terri Silvester of Grist Mill Farm Alpacas in Glenmoore was initially drawn to alpacas after encountering the gentle animals at a polo match. She and her husband had recently purchased a farm and were looking for ways to more productively use their 38-acre parcel. She was impressed by alpacas' calm demeanor and relatively easy care requirements compared to other livestock.

"Alpacas are shy but curious animals, and are so calming to watch," says Silvester. "I really enjoy sharing my animals with farm visitors. People are naturally drawn to them."

Silvester listens carefully to what her customers are looking for and introduces new stock accordingly in her farm store and online store where she sells everything from yarn to clothing and home decor. "Andrea Ryan of My Oma Knits (Rising Sun, MD) helps me make color and texture decisions at the fiber mill where we send our fleece to be processed," says Silvester. She is particularly excited about Grist Mill Farm's upcoming line of baby blankets, an ideal use for the soft, hypoallergenic fleece.

Silkie's Farm

Fellow alpaca farmer Marcia Silkroski of Silkie's Farm in Chester Springs, a former dietitian whose previous animal experience had been limited to dogs and cats, was similarly new to the industry. Like Silvester, she turned to alpaca farming as a way to turn her home acreage into a more profitable venture, all while building a loyal following of fiber enthusiasts in the process. "I now have customers who request yarn made from the fleece of specific animals in my herd," says Silkroski.



In addition to clothing and yarn, Silkroski's inventory has expanded to include products constructed from the lesser quality alpaca fleece not suitable for yarn production. These items include dryer balls to increase laundry efficiency, felted hand soaps and nesting balls that provide strands of fleece for nesting birds. She has even has found a use for alpaca droppings, which she processes into a plant fertilizer line called "Wholly Frijole."

Whether you are looking for traditional sheep's wool for knitting or more novel alpaca fleece offerings to keep you warm, it's safe to say Chester County fiber producers like Penrose, Silvester and Silkroski have got you covered.

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Check out our new fiber listings section for contact information for these and other fiber farmers on page 25.

Growing a

Bright Future at the Learning Center

he budding horticulturalists in Mike Walls' pre-vocational program at Chester County Intermediate Unit's Learning Center (CCLC) in Coatesville are learning more than just the fundamentals for employment in places like nurseries, greenhouses, flower shops, landscape firms and retail stores.

"My students are learning employability skills, workplace efficiency, work ethics, office dynamics, stamina and customer service," says Walls. "We work very hard to maintain an integrity and reputation that can be an advantage for our students when they are job hunting."

Students learn about horticulture (the science and art of growing fruits, vegetables, flowers and ornamental plants) and landscape gardening in a curriculum developed from sources like the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture and the Pennsylvania Nurserymen's Association. They range in age from 15 to 21 and come from over 20 school districts.





Mike Wall

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To get into the program, a student's school district will work in conjunction with the student's Individualized Education Plan team to determine whether a referral to CCLC's program is appropriate. An Individualized Education Plan (IEP) is a document that is developed for each public school child who needs special education. The administration at CCLC reviews the referral to decide which programs best meet the student's needs and employability goals.





Sebastian, a 17-year-old student from Gap, has been in the horticulture program for about three years. He hasn't decided yet whether or not he'll pursue a career in horticulture, but he says he gets a lot of satisfaction from helping to design and maintain the school's Zen garden. "I also really like taking care of the roses," he shares.

"Our gardens here all have a therapeutic element to their design," says Walls. "It dovetails well with the overall therapeutic goals of our school-wide program."

Dante, a 17-year-old student from Lower Merion, particularly enjoys participating in the class' landscape design projects. These have included projects at the Downingtown Library and local elementary schools. Dante is especially proud of his idea to incorporate bench seating in a recent design, a concept so well received that he and his fellow students have decided to use it again in upcoming plans.

Walls and his students are looking forward to tackling an ambitious service project at the Bondsville Mill Park in East Brandywine later in the year involving the creation of a shade garden and seating areas.

When the class isn't busy with landscaping projects, students get hands-on education in other aspects of horticulture including floral design. Students design holiday floral arrangements and grow poinsettias in the school's two greenhouses to raise money to insure their program is self-sustaining. The floral design lab is a symphony of colors and scents during these peak times.

While in Walls' class, many students also participate in The Discover Program, a Chester County Intermediate Unit initiative. The Discover Program offers job shadowing and coaching for students engaged in community work and volunteer settings,

which allows them to further develop the skills they learn in school. Many students transition into jobs where they have volunteered or find jobs elsewhere with assistance from teachers and staff.

Walls encourages his students to get their hands dirty and explore all the intangible aspects of a project, most importantly understanding what it means to work under tight deadlines. "If you are late on a floral job in the real world, a wedding may not get its centerpieces. I want my students to learn how to work under deadlines here in a safe, supportive environment so they can be successful when they leave us."

To learn more about the horticulture program and the Chester County Intermediate Unit Learning Center, visit www.cciu.org/learningcenter.



Be Our Guest

Olszanowski Farm

Olszanowski Farm wasn't always a popular family destination for pumpkin picking, hayrides, birthday parties and corn maze exploration. The third generation family farm in Spring City originally raised beef cattle and crops for animal feed, but in 2000, owner and operator Tom Olszanowski decided to shake things up.

After noticing how other farms were generating extra revenue from starting pick-your-own operations, Olszanowski decided to try a small pumpkin patch on the farm, too. That first fall, he put out a few pumpkins for sale on a wagon at the end of the driveway to see what might happen.

Passers-by quickly noticed. Soon, he upgraded to a larger wagon, which eventually evolved into an onfarm store with cashiers. He and farm crew devoted more and more acreage to pumpkins as word of mouth spread. Olszanowski then got another idea: "I looked around and saw customers waiting to pay



Bob Wambold & Tom Olszanowski

for their pumpkins with nothing else to do. That's when I started thinking about adding a corn maze and hayrides."

The farm now welcomes thousands of visitors during the relatively short fall season. During the week, the farm hosts school groups, including hundreds of students and their families, for a big annual fundraiser for the Owen J. Roberts Education Foundation, as well as a similarly sized gathering of Girl Scouts.

When the popular Pennhurst Asylum haunted attraction opened nearby, Olszanowski was initially concerned the farm would lose business. In fact, the opposite occurred.

"Pennhurst actually brought more people to our farm because people now spend the whole day in the area, not just an afternoon. People start the day with us to pick pumpkins and do the corn maze. Then, I tell them what restaurants they can visit for a meal before heading over [to Pennhurst]. It's really worked out well for everyone," says Olszanowski.





Galer Estate Vineyard and Winery

Unlike Olszanowski Farm, Galer Estate Vineyard and Winery in Kennett Square is an agricultural destination for adults only. When Lele and Brad Galer planted the vineyard in 2005, they knew from the start they wanted customers to enjoy a range of experiences while appreciating their award-winning wines, hence their mission statement: "Blending nature, science and art."

"Some wineries invite customers to do a tasting and buy a bottle to take home with them," says Winemaker and General Manager Virginia Mitchell. "Galer Estate is a different experience. We encourage visitors to spend time with us and our wines through enjoying a local foods charcuterie board, taking a calligraphy workshop, listening to live music or attending an art show."

The semi-annual farm-to-table dinners catered by Talula's Table have been particularly popular with the winery's fans. "We are wine first, always," says Mitchell. "But I make the wine to pair with food so it makes sense to occasionally host wine pairing dinners."

It's safe to say Mitchell has been busy developing and coordinating new ways for visitors to experience the wine and vineyard, including acting as an Airbnb host for the onsite cottage visitors can rent for overnight stays.

"I knew there was a way to attract more customers to our beautiful property, while also generating more income," says Mitchell. Many of their Airbnb guests are drawn to visit Longwood Gardens, so Galer Estate makes sure to mention the neighboring gardens when she creates advertising content. She also coordinates with a local restaurant to offer overnight guests a dining referral and discount if they so choose.

Whether visitors are looking to spend a family-friendly afternoon in a pumpkin patch or spend an evening tasting wines with a vineyard view, Chester County farmers and agricultural professionals are constantly innovating new and exciting ways for them to be a part of our county's diverse agricultural industry.



Virginia Mitchell

From the Backyard to the Farmyard: Keeping Our Farms Safe

Backyard Poultry

The growing interest in backyard farming pursuits like the keeping of small flocks of poultry and beekeeping has been positive for local food awareness and appreciation but it can have unintended consequences on commercial farming operations.

Dr. Sherrill Davison, laboratory director at the Laboratory of Avian Medicine and Pathology at the University of Pennsylvania's New Bolton Center, gets several calls a day from concerned backyard poultry owners. Unfortunately, she has found some poultry owners turn first to the internet instead of consulting a veterinarian familiar with poultry management best practices.

"I want to make sure poultry owners have the correct information," says Davison. "There is a lot on the internet that could potentially be harmful or fatal to birds."

The most frequent questions she gets are regarding common respiratory ailments. Thankfully none of these calls have involved the more lethal strains of avian flu that devastated poultry farms in the Midwest in years prior, but Davison and her network of veterinarians are always vigilant for it.

Davison cautions small flock owners to be mindful of both their home environment as well as neighboring poultry operations. Several serious poultry diseases are transmitted through contact with other birds which can be drawn to a property by bird feeders. She encourages people to take additional precautions including segregating new birds from the larger flock, limiting visitor access to birds, wearing clean clothes dedicated to your premises, and not borrowing equipment, tools, or supplies from others who have contact with poultry.

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If a poultry owner notices a sick bird, they should contact a veterinarian who understands poultry care right away to limit the potential spread of a disease within their own flock and surrounding farms, a service Davison and her team at New Bolton are well equipped to give or provide a referral for.







Beekeeping

Like chickens, beehives are another increasingly familiar sight in backyards across the county. Walt Broughton of Swarmbustin' Honey (West Grove, PA) has seen the ranks of his fellow beekeepers swell dramatically in the past ten years.

"I always try to let people know that beekeeping is not a hobby you should neglect," says Broughton. "Even with good intentions, people can end up doing more harm than good to the larger bee community. I find that the biggest mistake newcomers make is underestimating the time commitment beekeeping requires."

Broughton recommends checking hives every 10 days to two weeks to make sure the bees are well fed, have enough space and, importantly, to monitor for diseases like fallbrood and Varroa mites that could transfer to other hives miles away. Since bees are known to travel widely, inattentive beekeeping poses a threat to commercial honey operations like Broughton's. He knows of other local beekeepers who have lost thousands of dollars as a result of diseases transmitted from neighboring hives.

To help prevent the spread of pests and diseases, the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture requires beekeepers register their hives so they can be included in their annual inspection program. Broughton also recommends people join the Chester County Beekeepers Association to learn best practices from other experienced beekeepers. He hopes backyard beekeepers and commercial honey producers can learn from each other and continue to grow the beekeeping community in the county and beyond.

Spotted Lanternfly

Residents also have an important role to play in preventing the spread of another devastating pest, the spotted lanternfly. This invasive species can have disastrous effects on orchards, vineyards, plant nurseries and timber operations. Although not specific to backyard farming practices per se, the fly can spread to other regions as people transport woody yard debris and firewood. It can even travel by laying eggs on cars or hitching a ride on any yard equipment stored near trees.

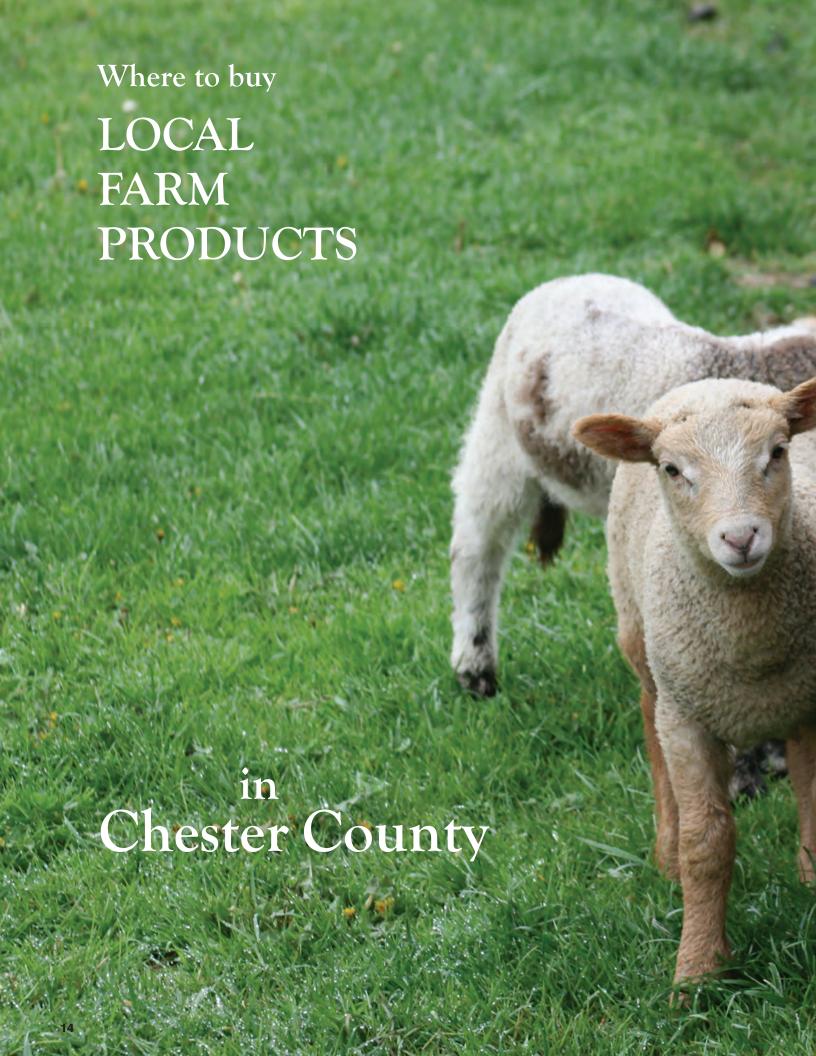


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The spotted lanternfly has already appeared in multiple municipalities in Chester County, so the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture and Penn State Extension are teaming up to educate residents on how to report the pest and how to prevent it from spreading farther.

Jessie Sargent, one of several spotted lanternfly contacts in Penn State Extension's Chester County office, recommends residents familiarize themselves with what the lanternfly looks like in its different life stages and what areas of the county are already under quarantine, all information found on Extension's website. Residents are encouraged to mail or drop off a dead specimen for identification, email a photo of the insect or even call to report a sighting to help track its movement across the region and prevent its spread.

When it comes to protecting Chester County's farms, we all have a role to play in keeping local farms safe and profitable.





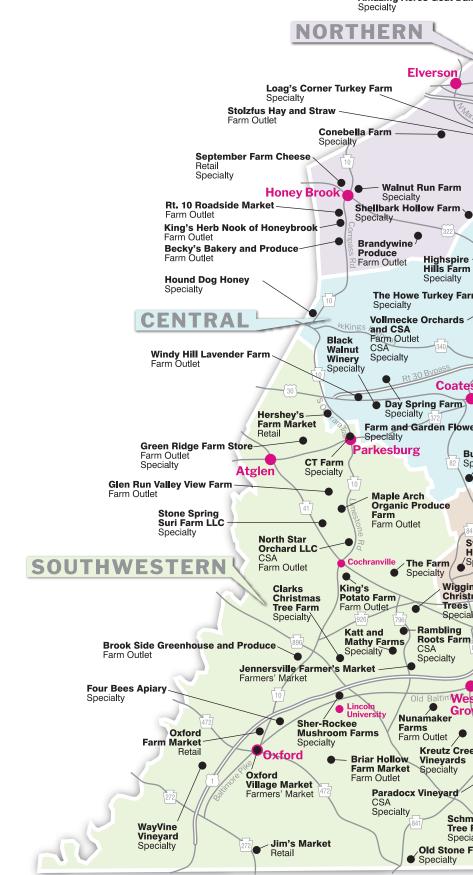
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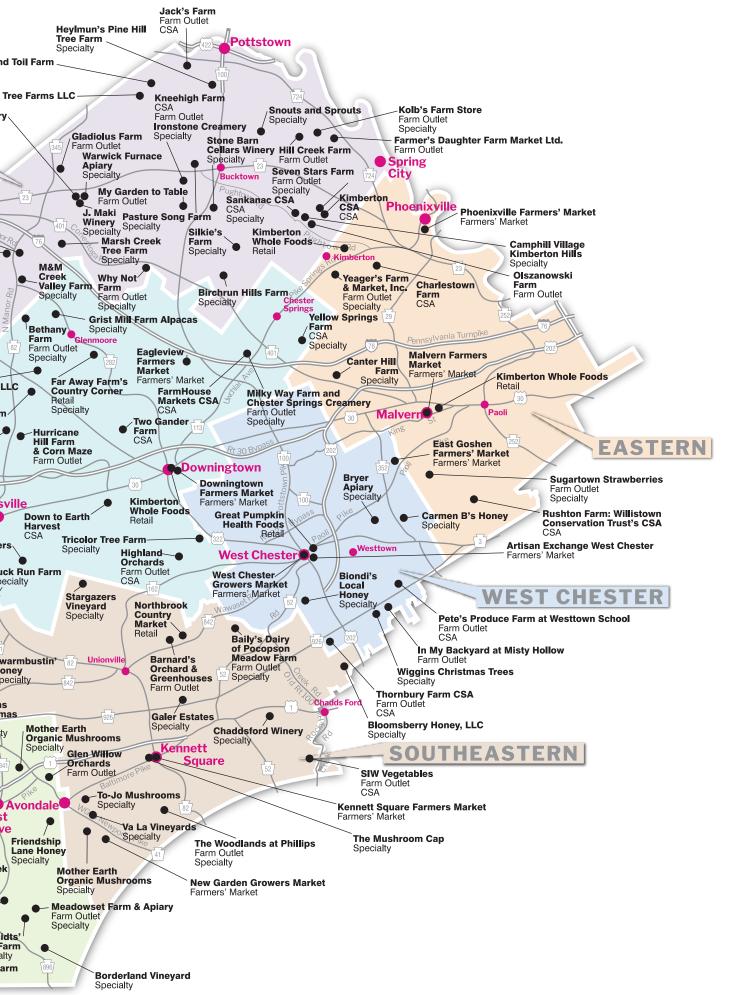
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Check out our searchable local farm products map at www.chesco.org/farmfinder





Farmers' markets

Farmers' markets are often open-air venues at which farmers and producers offer their products. For the purpose of this guide, farmers' markets are generally "producer only markets," meaning they sell what they produce, not items they purchase from other suppliers.

Markets denoted with a snowflake host winter markets at least once a month during the off-season.

If Listings with the Facebook logo have a Facebook page at the time of publication.

If you are a Chester County farmer or you sell farm products grown in the county, contact the Ag Council at 610-344-6285 or alane@chesco.org to be added to the guide.

Artisan Exchange West Chester *

WEST CHESTER

208 Carter Drive Suite 13-B
West Chester, PA 19382
Saturdays year round: 10am–2pm
610-719-0232
https://artisanexchange.net

Downingtown Farmers Market

CENTRAL

Kerr Park, Pennsylvania Avenue, next to Veterans' Memorial Downingtown, PA 19335 Saturdays: 9am–1pm 610-836-1391 www.growingrootspartners.com

Eagleview Farmers Market at Town Center

CENTRAL

Wellington Square, Eagleview Exton, PA 19341 Thursdays: 3pm–7pm www.growingrootspartners.com

East Goshen Farmers' Market

WEST CHESTER

East Goshen Park, 1661 Paoli Pike West Chester, PA 19380 Thursdays: 3pm-7pm 610-692-7171 www.eastgoshen.org/park-and-rec/farmers-

Jennersville Farmer's Market

SOUTHWESTERN

market 🛐

Under the pavilion next to Sweet Peas 352 N. Jennersville Road West Grove, PA 19390 Wednesdays: 3pm-7pm 610-345-1763

Kennett Square Farmers Market *

SOUTHEASTERN

Downtown Kennett Square
101 East State Street
Kennett Square, PA 19348
Fridays: 3pm-7pm
610-444-8188
www.HistoricKennettSquare.com



Malvern Farmers Market **

EASTERN

Burke Park
Roberts Road and Warren Avenue
Malvern, PA 19355
Saturdays: 9am–1pm
610-836-1391
www.growingrootspartners.com

New Garden Growers Market

SOUTHEASTERN

New Garden Township Maintenance Bldg 8934 Gap Newport Pike Landenberg, PA 19350 Saturdays: 9am–1pm 302-463-0713 www.newgardengrowers.com

Oxford Village Market

SOUTHWESTERN

Downtown Oxford at 3rd and Locust Streets Oxford, PA 19363 Tuesdays: 12pm–5pm Saturdays: 9am–1pm 610-998-9494 www.downtownoxfordpa.org

Phoenixville Farmers' Market 🕸

EASTERN

Under the Veterans Memorial
Gay Street Bridge
Phoenixville, PA 19460
Accessed by Taylor Alley off of Bridge St.
Saturdays: 9am-1pm
www.phoenixvillefarmersmarket.org

West Chester Growers Market **

WEST CHESTER

Downtown West Chester at the Church & Chestnut Streets municipal parking lot West Chester, PA 19380 Saturdays: 9am–1pm www.westchestergrowersmarket.com





Farm outlets

Farm outlets are on-farm structures used for the sale of agricultural products. These outlets offer multiple products from a single farm or multiple farms and may be open seasonally or year-round. Contact the outlet for hours of operation before visiting.

Baily's Dairy of Pocopson Meadow Farm

SOUTHEASTERN

1821 Lenape Unionville Road West Chester, PA 19382 610-793-1151 www.bailysdairy.com

Barnard's Orchard & Greenhouses

SOUTHEASTERN

1079 Wawaset Road Kennett Square, PA 19348 610-347-2151

Becky's Bakery and Produce

NORTHERN

2163 Compass Road Honey Brook, PA 19344 610-273-7745

Bethany Farm

CENTRAL

71 Fairview Road Glenmoore, PA 19343 610-942-4004

Brandywine Produce

NORTHERN

180 Beaver Dam Road Honey Brook, PA 19344 610-273-7817

Briar Hollow Farm Market

SOUTHWESTERN

476 Little Elk Creek Road Lincoln University, PA 19352 610-932-0914

Brook Side Greenhouse and Produce

SOUTHWESTERN

170 Catamount Road Oxford, PA 19363 610-932-5510

Farmer's Daughter Farm Market Ltd.

NORTHERN

3190 Schuylkill Road Spring City, PA 19475 610-495-4555

Gladiolus Farm

NORTHERN

191 Pine Swamp Road Elverson, PA 19520 610-286-0397

Glen Run Valley View Farm

SOUTHWESTERN

280 Lenover Road Atglen, PA 19310 610-593-5656 www.glenrunvalleyview.farm

Glen Willow Orchards

SOUTHWESTERN

1657 Glen Willow Road Avondale, PA 19311 610-268-8743

Green Ridge Farm Store

SOUTHWESTERN

206 Octorara Road Parkesburg, PA 19365

Highland Orchards

CENTRAL

1000 Marshallton-Thorndale Road West Chester, PA 19380 610-269-3494 www.highlandorchards.net

Hill Creek Farm

NORTHERN

75 Creamery Road Pottstown, PA 19465 610-506-3372 www.hillcreekfarmpa.com

Hurricane Hill Farm & Corn Maze

CENTRAL

704 East Receville Road Coatesville, PA 19320 610-213-5944 www.hhfmaze.com

In My Backyard at Misty Hollow

WEST CHESTER

1020 East Street Road West Chester, PA 19380 610-717-6949 www.imbymistyhollow.com

Jack's Farm

NORTHERN

1370 West Schuylkill Road Pottstown, PA 19465 610-413-9088 www.jacksfarm.net

King's Herb Nook of Honey Brook

NORTHERN

1060 Compass Road Honey Brook, PA 19344 610-273-4583 http://agmap.psu.edu/businesses/4084

King's Potato Farm

SOUTHWESTERN

302 Daleville Road Cochranville, PA 19330 610-593-5345 www.kingpotato.com

Kneehigh Farm

NORTHERN

3500 Coventryville Road Pottstown, PA 19465 831-331-7086 www.kneehighfarm.com

Kolb's Farm Store

NORTHERN

151 Kolb Road Spring City, PA 19475 610-495-7841 www.kolbsfarmstore.com

Maple Arch Organic Produce Farm

SOUTHWESTERN

3418 Limestone Road Parkesburg, PA 19365 610-593-7105

Meadowset Farm & Apiary

SOUTHWESTERN

210 North Creek Road Landenberg, PA 19350 484-620-9132 www.meadowsetfarm.com

Milky Way Farm and Chester Springs Creamery

CENTRAL

521 East Uwchlan Avenue Chester Springs, PA 19425 Farm: 610-827-1484 Creamery: 610-363-8500 www.milkywayfarm.com

My Garden to Table at Four Sisters Farm

NORTHER

3669 Coventryville Road Pottstown, PA 19465 484-985-9393

North Star Orchard LLC

SOUTHWESTERN

3232 Limestone Road Cochranville, PA 19330 484-502-7360 www.northstarorchard.com

Nunamaker Farms

SOUTHWESTERN

396 Valley Road West Grove, PA 19390 610-960-8968 www.nunamakerfarms.com



Olszanowski Farm

NORTHERN

315 Pughtown Road Phoenixville, PA 19460 610-476-0737

Pete's Produce Farm at Westtown School

WEST CHESTER

1225 East Street Road West Chester, PA 19382 610-399-3711 www.petesproducefarm.com

Rt. 10 Roadside Market

NORTHERN

941 Compass Road Honey Brook, PA 19344 610-273-7793

Seven Stars Farm

NORTHERN

419 West Seven Stars Road Phoenixville, PA 19460 610-935-1949 www.sevenstarsfarm.com

SIW Vegetables

SOUTHEASTERN

4317 South Creek Road Chadds Ford, PA 19317 610-388-7491 www.siw-vegetables.blogspot.com

Stoltzfus Hay and Straw

NORTHERN

579 North Manor Road Elverson, PA 19520 610-286-6047

Sugartown Strawberries

EASTERN

650 Sugartown Road
Malvern, PA 19355
610-647-0711
www.sugartownstrawberries.com

Thornbury Farm CSA

WEST CHESTER

1256 Thornbury Road West Chester, PA 19382 610-793-2933 www.thornburyfarmcsa.com

Vollmecke Orchards and CSA

CENTRAL

155 Cedar Knoll Road Coatesville, PA 19320 610-383-4616 www.csachestercounty.com

The Woodlands at Phillips

SOUTHEASTERN

1020 Kaolin Road Kennett Square, PA 19348 610-444-2192 www.thewoodlandsatphillips.com

Why Not Farm

NORTHERN

3108 Conestoga Road Glenmoore, PA 19343 610-458-5408 www.whynotfarm.com

Windy Hill Lavender Farm

CENTRAL

3211 East Lincoln Highway Parkesburg, PA 19365 848-218-2949

Yeager's Farm & Market, Inc.

EASTERN

1015 Pike Springs Road Phoenixville, PA 19460 610-935-8244

Retail outlets

Retail outlets are places where consumers may find local items but a variety of non-local items are offered as well. Many of these outlets are open year-round.

Far Away Farm's Country Corner

CENTRAL

690 Marshall Road Glenmoore, PA 19343 610-942-2848 www.farawayfarmcc.com

Great Pumpkin Health Foods

WEST CHESTER

607 E. Market Street West Chester, PA 19382 610-696-0741

Hershey's Farm Market

CENTRAL

959 South Octorara Trail
Parkesburg, PA 19365
610-857-5053
www.hersheysfarmmarket.com

Jim's Market

SOUTHWESTERN

314 Chrome Road Oxford, PA 19363 443-993-7702

Kimberton Whole Foods

EASTERN

2140 Kimberton Road Kimberton, PA 19460 610-935-1444

EASTERN

429 East King Road Malvern, PA 19355 484-324-2800

CENTRAL

150 East Pennsylvania Avenue Downingtown, PA 19335 610-873-8225 www.kimbertonwholefoods.com

Northbrook Country Market

SOUTHEASTERN

1805 Unionville-Wawaset Road West Chester, PA 19382 610-793-1210 www.northbrookmarketplace.com

Oxford Farm Market

SOUTHWESTERN

193 Limestone Road Oxford, PA 19363 610-932-8048

September Farm Cheese

NORTHERN

5287 Horseshoe Pike Honey Brook, PA 19344 610-273-3552

www.septemberfarmcheese.com 📑





Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) is a partnership between the farmer and the members of that CSA. Members pay upfront for the products they will receive during the growing season. This upfront investment helps the farmer have capital for seeds and supplies and helps the farmer plan how much produce to grow. The farmer and the members share in the bounty and/or risk of the harvest.

Charlestown Farm

EASTERN

2565 Charlestown Road Phoenixville, PA 19460 610-917-0252 www.charlestownfarm.com

Down to Earth Harvest

CENTRAL

1585 Winfield Drive
Downingtown, PA 19335
www.downtoearthharvest.com

FarmHouse Markets CSA

CENTRAL

521 East Uwchlan Avenue Chester Springs, PA 19425 www.farmhousemarkets.com

Highland Orchards

CENTRAL

1000 Marshallton-Thorndale Road West Chester, PA 19380 610-269-3949 www.highlandorchards.net

Jack's Farm

NORTHERN

1370 West Schuylkill Road Pottstown, PA 19465 610-413-9088 www.jacksfarm.net

Kimberton CSA

NORTHERN

415 West Seven Stars Road Phoenixville, PA 19460 484-302-8535 www.kimbertoncsa.org

Kneehigh Farm

NORTHERN

3500 Coventryville Road Pottstown, PA 19465 831-331-7086 www.kneehighfarm.com

North Star Orchard LLC

SOUTHWESTERN

3232 Limestone Road Cochranville, PA 19330 484-502-7360 www.northstarorchard.com

Paradocx Vineyard (wine CSA)

SOUTHWESTERN

1833 Flint Hill Road Landenberg, PA 19350 610-255-5684 www.paradocx.com

Pete's Produce Farm at Westtown School

WEST CHESTER

1225 East Street Road West Chester, PA 19382 610-399-3711 www.petesproducefarm.com

Rambling Roots Farm

7 Faggs Manor Road

SOUTHWESTERN

Cochranville, PA 19330 484-748-0649 www.ramblingrootsfarm.wordpress.com

Rushton Farm: Willistown Conservation Trust's CSA

EASTERN

Goshen & Delchester Roads Newtown Square, PA 19073 610-353-2563 ext. 22 www.wctrust.org

Sankanac CSA

NORTHERN

Camphill Village Kimberton Hills 1852 French Creek Road Phoenixville, PA 19460 610-495-7295 www.sankanaccsa.com

SIW Vegetables

SOUTHEASTERN

4317 South Creek Road Chadds Ford, PA 19317 610-388-0656, 610-388-7491 www.siw-vegetables.blogspot.com

Thornbury Farm CSA

WEST CHESTER

1256 Thornbury Road West Chester, PA 19382 610-793-2933 www.thornburyfarmcsa.com

Tine and Toil Farm

NORTHERN

1334 Coldsprings Road Pottstown, PA 19465 215-964-8960 www.tineandtoilfarm.com

Two Gander Farm

CENTRAL

110 Buck Road Downingtown, PA 19335 610-812-2582 www.twoganderfarm.com

Vollmecke Orchards and CSA

CENTRAL

155 Cedar Knoll Road Coatesville, PA 19320 610-383-4616 www.csachestercounty.com

Yellow Springs Farm (cheese CSA)

CENTRAL

1165 Yellow Springs Road Chester Springs, PA 19425 610-827-2014 www.yellowspringsfarm.com



Specialty products

These products highlight the diversity in Chester County agriculture and the value-added opportunities that exist for farmers. Some of these products are available for sale at farmers' markets through various CSA programs, in addition to on-farm sales. Not all producers are open to the public, so it is best to contact the producers directly for specific information on availability.

Meat & Eggs

Buck Run Farm

(beef)

CENTRAL

3575 Doe Run Church Road East Fallowfield, PA 19320 610-384-6576 www.buckrunfarm.com

Canter Hill Farm

(beef, lamb, pork, eggs, poultry)

EASTERN

2138 Valley Hill Road Malvern, PA 19355 610-827-1594 www.canterhillfarm.org

Day Spring Farm

(poultry)

CENTRAL

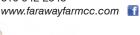
330 Country Club Road Coatesville, PA 19320 610-563-9609

Far Away Farm's Country Corner

(beef, pork, poultry, eggs)

CENTRAL

690 Marshall Road Glenmoore, PA 19343 610-942-2848





The Farm

(beef, lamb, pork, poultry, eggs)

SOUTHWESTERN

276 Jackson Road Cochranville, PA 19330 302-983-3550

Highspire Hills Farm

(eggs)

CENTRAL

709 Highspire Road Glenmoore, PA 19343 610-942-9634 www.localharvest.org/highspire-hills-farm-llc-M6683 🚮

Hill Creek Farm

(eggs)

NORTHERN

75 Creamery Road Pottstown, PA 19465 610-506-3372 www.hillcreekfarmpa.com

The Howe Turkey Farm

(poultry)

CENTRAL

152 Culbertson Road Downingtown, PA 19335 610-384-5508 www.howeturkeyfarm.com

Ironstone Creamery & Farm

(pork, eggs, poultry)

NORTHERN

3500 Coventryville Road Pottstown, PA 19465 610-952-2748 www.ironstonecreamery.com

Katt and Mathy Farms

(beef)

SOUTHWESTERN

267 Baker Road Cochranville, PA 19330 610-255-1316

Kolb's Farm Store

(beef)

NORTHERN

151 Kolb Road Spring City, PA 19475 610-495-7841 www.kolbsfarmstore.com

Loag's Corner Turkey Farm

(poultry)

NORTHERN

590 N. Manor Road Elverson, PA 19520 610-286-6084

M&M Creek Valley Farm

(beef, pork)

NORTHERN

2663 Creek Road Elverson, PA 19520 610-529-9764

www.creekvalleyfarm.com

Meadowset Farm & Apiary

SOUTHWESTERN

210 North Creek Road Landenberg, PA 19350 484-620-9132 www.meadowsetfarm.com

Pasture Song Farm

(pork, poultry)

NORTHERN

1333 Ridge Road Pottstown, PA 19465 484-985-8648 www.pasturesongfarm.com

Rambling Roots Farm

(lamb, pork, eggs)

SOUTHWESTERN

7 Faggs Manor Road Cochranville, PA 19330 484-748-0649 www.ramblingrootsfarm.wordpress.com

Sankanac CSA

(pork)

NORTHERN

Camphill Village Kimberton Hills 1852 French Creek Road Phoenixville, PA 19460 610-495-7295 www.sankanaccsa.com

Seven Stars Farm

(beef, pork, poultry, eggs)

NORTHERN

419 West Seven Stars Road Phoenixville, PA 19460 610-935-1949 www.sevenstarsfarm.com

Snouts and Sprouts

(pork, poultry)

NORTHERN

400 Halteman Road Pottstown, PA 19465 484-744-1264 www.snoutsandsprouts.com

Vollmecke Orchards and CSA

(eggs)

CENTRAL

155 Cedar Knoll Road Coatesville, PA 19320 610-383-4616 www.csachestercounty.com



Walnut Run Farm

NORTHERN

(beef, lamb, pork, poultry, eggs) 284 Walnut Road Honey Brook, PA 19344 610-273-1059

Warwick Furnace Apiary

(eggs)

NORTHERN

249 Warwick Furnace Road Elverson, PA 19520 484-614-9435

Why Not Farm

(beef)

NORTHERN

3108 Conestoga Road Glenmoore, PA 19343 610-458-5408 www.whynotfarm.com

Dairy

Amazing Acres Goat Dairy

(cheese)

NORTHERN

184 Grove Road Elverson, PA 19520 610-913-7002 www.amazingacresgoatdairy.com

Baily's Dairy of Pocopson Meadow Farm

(milk, ice cream)

SOUTHEASTERN

1821 Lenape Unionville Road West Chester, PA 19382 610-793-1151 www.bailysdairy.com

Bethany Farm

(milk)

CENTRAL

71 Fairview Road Glenmoore, PA 19343 610-942-4004



Birchrun Hills Farm

(cheese)

NORTHERN

2573 Horseshoe Trail Chester Springs, PA 19425 610-827-1603 www.birchrunhillsfarm.com

Camphill Village Kimberton Hills

(milk)

NORTHERN

1601 Pughtown Road Kimberton, PA 19442 610-935-0300 www.camphillkimberton.org/dairy

Conebella Farm

(cheese)

NORTHERN

337 Chestnut Tree Road Elverson, PA 19520 610-286-2967 www.conebellafarm.com

Day Spring Farm

(cheese)

CENTRAL

330 Country Club Road Coatesville, PA 19320 610-563-9609

The Farm at Doe Run

(cheese)

SOUTHEASTERN

Unionville, PA 19375

www.chestercountycheese.org/the-farm-at-doe-run

Green Ridge Farm Store

(milk)

SOUTHWESTERN

206 Octorara Road Parkesburg, PA 19365

Ironstone Creamery & Farm

(milk, cheese, yogurt, butter)

NORTHERN

3500 Coventryville Road Pottstown, PA 19465 610-952-2748 www.ironstonecreamery.com

Kolb's Farm Store

(milk)

NORTHERN

151 Kolb Road Spring City, PA 19475 610-495-7841 www.kolbsfarmstore.com

Meadowset Farm & Apiary

(cheese)

SOUTHWESTERN

210 North Creek Road Landenberg, PA 19350 484-620-9132 www.meadowsetfarm.com

Milky Way Farm and Chester Springs Creamery

(ice cream)

CENTRAL

521 East Uwchlan Avenue Chester Springs, PA 19425 Farm: 610-827-1484 Creamery: 610-363-8500 www.milkywayfarm.com

September Farm Cheese

(cheese)

NORTHERN

5287 Horseshoe Pike Honey Brook, PA 19344 610-273-3552 www.septemberfarmcheese.com

Seven Stars Farm

(yogurt, cheese, whipping cream)

NORTHERN

419 West Seven Stars Road Phoenixville, PA 19460 610-935-1949 www.sevenstarsfarm.com

Shellbark Hollow Farm

(cheese)

NORTHERN

240 Lippitt Road Honey Brook, PA 19344 610-431-0786 www.shellbarkhollow.com

Yellow Springs Farm

(yogurt, cheese)

CENTRAL

1165 Yellow Springs Road Chester Springs, PA 19425 610-827-2014 www.yellowspringsfarm.com



Honey

Biondi's Local Honey

WEST CHESTER

812 Sharon Circle
West Chester, PA 19382
484-432-2741
www.teslabeesupply.com

Bloomsberry Honey, LLC

SOUTHEASTERN

485 Webb Road Chadds Ford, PA 19317 484-315-8083

Bryer Apiary

WEST CHESTER

447 Reservoir Road West Chester, PA 19380 610-696-8448 www.bryerapiary.com

Carmen B's Honey

WEST CHESTER

1607 Williams Way West Chester, PA 19380 610-436-6760 www.carmenbshoney.com

The Farm

SOUTHWESTERN

276 Jackson Road Cochranville, PA 19330 302-983-3550

Four Bees Apiary

SOUTHWESTERN

425 Conner Road Oxford, PA 19363 610-932-7363

Friendship Lane Honey

SOUTHWESTERN

1 Friendship Lane Avondale, PA 19311 610-368-7172

Hound Dog Honey

NORTHERN

3125 Compass Road Honey Brook, PA 19344 610-413-3904 robinmillershoney.com

Meadowset Farm & Apiary

SOUTHWESTERN

210 North Creek Road Landenberg, PA 19350 610-274-8320 www.meadowsetfarm.com

Sugartown Strawberries

EASTERN

650 Sugartown Road Malvern, PA 19355 610-647-0711 www.sugartownstrawberries.com

Swarmbustin' Honey

SOUTHEASTERN

190 Thouron Road West Grove, PA 19390 610-384-2384 www.911honey.com

Warwick Furnace Apiary

NORTHERN

249 Warwick Furnace Road Elverson, PA 19520 484-614-9435

Christmas Trees

Clarks Christmas Tree Farm

SOUTHWESTERN

235 Pusey Mill Road Cochranville, PA 19330 610-358-4933 www.clarkschristmastrees.com

CT Farm

SOUTHWESTERN

175 South Church Street Parkesburg, PA 19365 717-442-3132 www.ctfarmtrees.com

Old Stone Farm

SOUTHWESTERN

688 Strickersville Road Landenberg, PA 19350 484-798-8413 www.oldstonefarm.com

Heylmun's Pine Hill Tree Farm

NORTHERN

1174 Sheep Hill Road Pottstown, PA 19465 610-323-8045 www.pinehilltreefarm.com

Marsh Creek Tree Farm

NORTHERN

301 Marsh Creek Road Elverson, PA 19520 610-996-TREE www.marshcreektree.com

Schmidts' Tree Farm

SOUTHWESTERN

1741 Flint Hill Road Landenburg, PA 19350 610-274-8560 www.schmidtstreefarm.com

Tricolor Tree Farm

CENTRAL

1480 Hall Road West Chester, PA 19380 610-269-1034 www.tricolortree.com

Westlake Tree Farms LLC

NORTHERN

2421 North Hill Camp Road Pottstown, PA 19465 800-564-TREE www.westlaketreefarms.com

Wiggins Christmas Trees

WEST CHESTER

1257 Westtown Thornton Road West Chester, PA 19380 610-344-7822

SOUTHWESTERN

2176 Gap Newport Pike Cochranville, PA 19330 www.wigginschristmastrees.com

Yeager's Farm & Market, Inc.

EASTERN

1015 Pike Springs Road Phoenixville, PA 19460 610-935-8244





Cut Flowers

Country Blooms at Oxford Village Market

SOUTHWESTERN

Downtown Oxford at 3rd and Locust Streets Oxford, PA 19363 www.downtownoxfordpa.org

Farm and Garden Flowers

CENTRAL

1215 S. Caln Road Coatesville, PA 19320 610-733-9519 www.farmandgardenflowers.com

The Farm at Oxford

SOUTHWESTERN

484-756-1694 www.thefarmatoxford.com

Hill Creek Farm

NORTHERN

75 Creamery Road Pottstown, PA 19465 610-506-3372 www.hillcreekfarmpa.com

Pasture Song Farm

NORTHERN

1333 Ridge Road
Pottstown, PA 19465
484-985-8648
www.pasturesongfarm.com

Schmidts' Tree Farm

SOUTHWESTERN

1741 Flint Hill Road Landenberg, PA 19350 610-274-8560 www.schmidtstreefarm.com

Seven Stars Farm

NORTHERN

419 West Seven Stars Road Phoenixville, PA 19460 610-935-1949 www.sevenstarsfarm.com

Sugartown Strawberries

EASTERN

650 Sugartown Road Malvern, PA 19355 610-647-0711 www.sugartownstrawberries.com

Vollmecke Orchards and CSA

CENTRAL

155 Cedar Knoll Road Coatesville, PA 19320 610-383-4616 www.csachestercounty.com

Windy Hill Lavendar Farm

CENTRAL

3211 East Lincoln Highway Parkesburg, PA 19365 848-218-2949

Fiber

Borderland Vineyard

(sheep)

SOUTHWESTERN

332 Indiantown Road
Landenberg, PA 19350
215-436-9154
www.borderlandvineyard.com

Day Spring Farm

(sheep)

CENTRAL

330 Country Club Road Coatesville, PA 19320 610-563-9609

Grist Mill Farm Alpacas

(alpaca)

CENTRAL

2230 Creek Road Glenmoore, PA 19343 610-942-4066 www.gristmillfarmalpacas.com

Silkie's Farm

(alpaca)

CENTRAL

1418 Hilltop Road Chester Springs, PA 19425 610-608-5337 www.silkiesfarm.com

Stone Spring Suri Farm LLC

(alpaca)

SOUTHWESTERN

18 McHenry Road Cochranville, PA 19330 610-593-6694 www.stonespringsuri.com

Mobile Markets and Food Delivery

Mobile market services bring local farm products to various locales throughout the county. Check their websites for delivery options and/or scheduled stops.

Farm 2 Go

www.farm2go.net 1

Fresh2You Mobile Market

610-873-6000

www.chestercountyfoodbank.org/fresh2you

Nourish Mobile Market

www.nourishmobile.org

Mushrooms

Mother Earth Organic Mushrooms

SOUTHWESTERN

600 North Baker Station Road West Grove, PA 19390 610-869-3595

SOUTHEASTERN

740 Penn Green Road Landenberg, PA 19350 610-268-5904 www.organicmushrooms.com

The Mushroom Cap

SOUTHEASTERN

114 West State Street
Kennett Square, PA 19348
610-444-8484
www.themushroomcap.com

Sher-Rockee Mushroom Farms

SOUTHWESTERN

170 SherRockee Lane Lincoln University, PA 19352 610-869-8048

To-Jo Mushrooms

SOUTHEASTERN

974 Penn Green Road Avondale, PA 19311 610-268-8082 www.To-Jo.com

The Woodlands at Phillips

SOUTHEASTERN

1020 Kaolin Road Kennett Square, PA 19348 610-444-2192 www.thewoodlandsatphillips.com

Wineries

Black Walnut Winery

CENTRAL

3000 Lincoln Highway Sadsburyville, PA 19369 610-857-5566 www.blackwalnutwinery.com

Borderland Vineyard

SOUTHWESTERN

332 Indiantown Road Landenberg, PA 19350 215-436-9154 www.borderlandvineyard.com

Chaddsford Winery

SOUTHEASTERN

632 Baltimore Pike Chadds Ford, PA 19317 610-388-6221 www.chaddsford.com

Galer Estates

SOUTHEASTERN

700 Folly Hill Road Kennett Square, PA 19348 610-793-5134 www.galerestate.com

J. Maki Winery

NORTHERN

200 Grove Road Elverson, PA 19520 610-286-7754 www.jmakiwinery.com

Kreutz Creek Vineyards

SOUTHWESTERN

553 South Guernsey Road West Grove, PA 19390 610-869-4412

www.kreutzcreekvineyards.com

Paradocx Vineyard SOUTHWESTERN

1833 Flint Hill Road Landenberg, PA 19350 610-255-5684 www.paradocx.com

Stargazers Vineyard

SOUTHEASTERN

1024 Wheatland Drive Coatesville, PA 19320 610-486-0422 www.stargazersvineyard.com

Stone Barn Cellars Winery

NORTHERN

3050 Pottstown Pike Spring City, PA 19475 484-985-8077 www.stonebarncellars.com

Va La Vineyards

SOUTHEASTERN

8820-8824 Gap-Newport Pike (Rt 41) Avondale, PA 19311 610-268-2702 www.valavineyards.com

WayVine Winery & Vineyard

SOUTHWESTERN

4374 Forge Road Nottingham, PA 19362 610-220-0128 www.wayvine.wine



When you engage with local agriculture...

- 1 Your food may taste fresher. This is because it can "ripen on the vine" longer, allowing for more flavor development since it takes less time getting to market and into your hands.
- 2 You get to meet local farmers. When you buy at places where farmers are selling directly, you get to create valuable connections with your on-farm neighbors and have the chance to learn how food is produced.
- 3 You may be at the grocery store. Many items in the grocery stores are the direct result of local production such as mushrooms and milk, and many other products are made with ingredients from local farms including: yogurt, butter and snack foods, including cereal bars, pretzels and sweet treats.
- 4 You may be making family memories. When you are winding your way through a haunted corn maze, picking peaches, tasting wine or finding the perfect Christmas tree, you are getting to experience local agriculture.
- **5** You may find recreational opportunities. Agriculture is not just food production. Our robust equine industry provides many opportunities to lean to horseback ride or attend sporting events.

- **6** You are investing in our local economy. You support not just the farmers but the entire industry, including agricultural service providers (veterinarians, farm supply companies, trucking companies, etc.) who make it all possible.
- **7** You are supporting small businesses. Farmers are entrepreneurs and small business owners who are more often than not, farming because they love what they do.
- **3** You help retain our sense of place. When farm businesses are economically healthy, there is less incentive for land to be turned into housing developments or other uses.
- You may be helping to keep local taxes down. According to several studies, farms contribute more in taxes than they require in services, whereas most other kinds of development contribute less in taxes than the cost of the services they require.















Helpful Local Resources for Residents

Want to know how to grow your own food, be a good farm neighbor or better manage the natural resources on your property? The following local organizations provide valuable agricultural information and programs for residents, as well as to the broader farming community.

Referenced in this Guide...

Chester County Beekeepers Association (pg. 13): Provides education and mentorship opportunities for beekeepers as well as resources for swarm management. www.chescobees.org

Chester County Conservation District (pg. 4): Assists producers to develop and implement best management practices through planning (manure management and conservation plans), surveying and engineered design. Also works with producers and homeowners to design and implement creative solutions to protect water quality and preserve soil quality. In addition, reviews plans and performs checks on development where earth disturbance is greater than an acre.

Phone: 610-925-4920

www.chesco.org/conservation

Chester County Open Space Department (pg. 5): Provides information about conservation easements and easement programs, and helps owners of preserved land be good land managers and stewards.

Phone: 610-344-5656

www.chesco.org/Open-Space-Preservation

Penn State Extension, Chester County Office (pg. 13): Delivers science-based information to people, businesses and communities on a wide variety of subject areas including the Spotted Lanternfly, horticulture, agronomy, animal systems, food safety and entrepreneurship.

Phone: 610-696-3500

https://extension.psu.edu/chester-county

The University of Pennsylvania's New Bolton Center (pg. 12): Renowned as one of the nation's foremost large animal hospitals. The Center offers many services including emergency care, diagnostic laboratories and rehabilitation facilities for animals of all kinds, including backyard poultry.

Phone: 610-444-5800 www.vet.upenn.edu

Get Involved...

Chester-Delaware County Farm Bureau: Welcomes those interested in agriculture and where their food comes from, whose family or livelihood benefits from agriculture or is involved in agriculture on a part-time basis.

Phone: 484-880-6431

www.pfb.com/county-fbs/county-fb-webpages/556-chester-delaware

4-H Clubs: An educational program for youth ages 8-18, designed to teach life skills, developed by Penn State Extension. There are over 30 of these clubs in Chester County including dairy, horse and small animal.

Phone: 610-696-3500

www.extension.psu.edu/programs/4-h

Future Farmers of America (FFA): To join FFA, high school students must be enrolled in an agriculture course at their school. Contact your school counselor or agriculture teacher to enroll in an agricultural education program or start your own chapter.

Phone: 317-802-6060

www.ffa.org

Pony Club: Develops character, leadership, confidence and a sense of community in youth through a program that teaches the care of horses and ponies, riding and mounted sports.

Phone: 859-254-7669 www.ponyclub.org

For Assistance with Local Food Access...

Fresh2You Mobile Market: Brings farm fresh produce to stops all over the county. They accept all forms of payment, including SNAP/EBT and WIC and Senior Farmer's Market Nutrition Program (FMNP) coupons. For customers shopping with SNAP/EBT or FMNP, they can offer matching dollars known as Veggie Bucks. Their website includes a list of mobile market stops and participating community food cupboards.

Phone: 610-873-6000

www.chestercountyfoodbank.org

Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program (SFMNP): Provides seniors who meet income requirements with access to fresh, nutritious, locally grown fruits, vegetables and herbs from approved farmers' markets in Pennsylvania. For more information, contact the Chester County Department of Aging Services.

Phone: 610-344-6350 www.chesco.org/aging

WIC Farmers' Market Nutrition Program (FMNP): Associated with the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children, popularly known as WIC. This program provides clients with access to fresh, nutritious, locally grown fruits, vegetables and herbs from approved farmers' in Pennsylvania and is run through the Chester County Health Department.

Phone: 610-344-6240 www.chesco.org/WIC

Didn't find what you were looking for? There are many great organizations working to further agriculture in Chester County and beyond. Please contact us at 610-344-6285 or adc@chesco.org if you need help finding an agricultural resource not listed above.









Farm Product Calendar

Farm Product Calendar Season of Availability

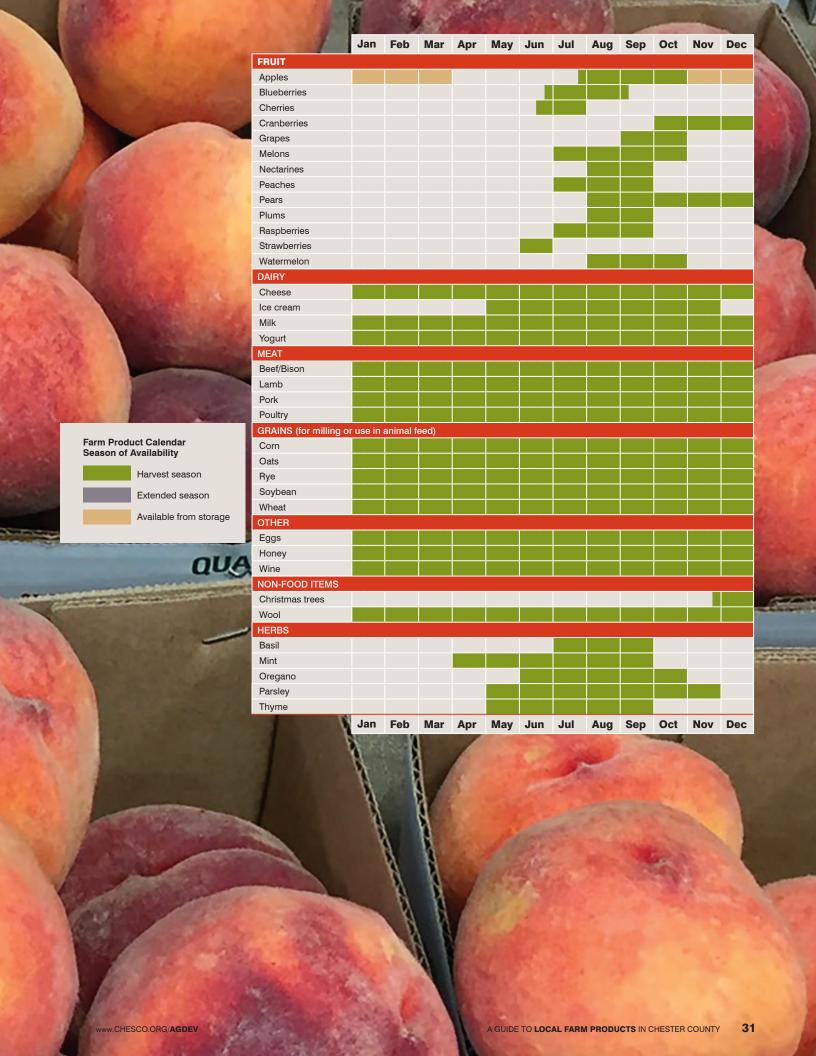
Harvest season

Extended season

Available from storage

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610-344-6285

www.chesco.org/**agdev**



