

# WINDHAM COUNTY NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION DISTRICT FEBRUARY 2020 NEWS

Greetings from WCNRC D District Manager Cory Ross

I started working for the Conservation District this past October. In the 4 months I've been on the job, I've been amazed by the level of dedication and interest our community here in Windham County feels for conservation. I am lucky to get to work with so many passionate and knowledgeable people and the many organizations they support. The Conservation District plays a critical role in helping to bring organizations and people together to accomplish great things here in Windham County. The plant sale is a big part of our conservation mission. We hope that by providing convenient and affordable access to high-quality nursery stock of plants with high ecological value to wildlife we can support efforts to keep Vermont green and vibrant while helping our iconic wildlife populations. This year marks our 30<sup>th</sup> annual plant sale. Some of our other current areas of emphasis include water quality, stream restoration and stabilization, agricultural support for implementing conservation practices, and landowner conservation education. Some of our upcoming projects are highlighted below. We hope you stay in touch with us and our offerings as we continue to support conservation work throughout Windham County. I'm looking forward to meeting many of you at the plant sale this coming May.



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## Upcoming Events

February 27: NMP GoCrop update session

March 15: Birding on the Farm Workshop #1

March 17: No-till Agriculture Workshop

May 9: Annual Plant Sale Pick-Up

May 13: Birding on the Farm #2

May 21: Trout Sale Pick-Up

**More Workshops & Events Coming Soon**

## Teaming up for Agricultural Support and Education in Windham County



### Nutrient Management Plan Drop-in Planning Session:

The Conservation District and the University of Vermont Extension Service are pairing up to offer a drop-in session for farmers who need to update their nutrient management plans. This session will be held on **Thursday, February 27 from 10 am -2 pm** at the UVM Extension Brattleboro Office at 130 Austine Dr. Register at: <http://go.uvm.edu/nmp-bratt>



### No-till Agriculture Workshop

The Windham and Cheshire Conservation Districts are teaming up to offer a workshop on no-till agriculture for farmers in Windham and Cheshire Counties. Staff from the Cheshire CD will be on hand to answer questions about their rental program for no-till equipment, as well as UVM-Extension Staff, NRCS and CRWFA representatives to teach attendees about the benefits and challenges of implementing no-till. Workshop will be held at the

Westminster Historical Society from **10 am -12 on March 17<sup>th</sup>**. Breakfast will be provided.



### Birding on the Farm Workshop Series

The Cheshire County Conservation District, Windham County Natural Resources Conservation District, Antioch Bird Club, and USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service invite the public to participate in a series of free workshops in 2020. This “Birding on the Farm” workshop series will host one workshop per season to highlight a variety of bird species and will be hosted on different farms located on either side of the Connecticut river in NH & VT.

This workshop series is intended for novice & beginning “birders.” Participants will learn about the role farms play in providing habitat for wildlife, which birds utilize different farming practices (grazing pasture, row crops, hay field, and orchards) and how and when these resources are used and explore the seasonality and natural history of wildlife in our region.

The first workshop in this series is scheduled for **Sunday, March 15<sup>th</sup> from 9am-11am**, at Miller Farm in Vernon, VT. Participants should plan to have already arrived at Miller Farm by 9am sharp! Binoculars and boots are recommended, and please come dressed appropriately for the weather. (*Unless we experience an extreme weather event, this event is rain/snow or shine*).

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## 2020 Nursery Stock Order Form

Species	Size	Price/Item	Quantity	Total
<b>Conifers</b>				
Fir, Balsam	6-12"	1 for \$4 or 5 for \$16		
Spruce, Norway	12-18"	1 for \$4 or 5 for \$16		
Cedar, White	2-3'	1 for \$10 or 5 for \$40		
<b>Wildlife/Songbird Shrubs and Trees</b>				
Buttonbush	2-3'	1 for \$8 or 5 for \$35		
Dogwood, Red Osier	3-4'	1 for \$10 or 5 for \$40		
Dogwood, Silky	3-4'	1 for \$10 or 5 for \$40		
Filbert (American Hazelnut)	2-3'	1 for \$10 or 5 for \$40		
ChokeCherry	1-2'	1 for \$5 or 5 for \$20		
Spicebush	1-2'	1 for \$5 or 5 for \$20		
Witch-hazel	2-3'	1 for \$8 or 5 for \$30		
Crabapple, Roselow (Sargent)	1-2'	1 for \$3 or 5 for \$12		
<b>Fruit Trees</b>				
Apple: Liberty	3-4' (3/8" diameter)	\$15		
Apple: Cortland	Feathered (1/2" diameter)	\$25		
Apple: Cortland	5-6' (5/8" diameter)	\$25		
Apple: Cortland	4-5' (7/16" diameter)	\$22		
Apple: Honeycrisp	Feathered (1/2" diameter)	\$25		
Apple: Honeycrisp	5-6' (5/8" diameter)	\$25		
Apple: Honeycrisp	3-4' (3/8" diameter)	\$20		
Peach: Reliance	5' up (7/8" diameter)	\$25		
Cherry: Montmorency	3-4' (3/8" diameter)	\$25		
Pear: Bartlett	5-6' (5/8" diameter)	\$25		
Pear: Red Clapps	4-5' (1/2" diameter)	\$25		
<b>Fruits and Vegetables</b>				
Asparagus: Millennium	Bare Root	10 pk for \$15		
Blueberry: Northland (mid-season)	Bare Root	\$12 each		
Blueberry: Patriot (Early Season)	Bare Root	\$12 each		
Currants: Pink Champagne	Bare Root	\$15 each		
Red Gooseberry: Hinnonmaki Red	Bare Root	\$15 each		
Elderberry: Samdal	Bare Root	\$13 each		
Elderberry: Samyl	Bare Root	\$13 each		
Raspberry: Boyne (early season)	Bare Root	1 for \$5 or 5 for \$20		
Raspberry: Heritage (Fall Bearing)	Bare Root	1 for \$5 or 5 for \$20		
Black Raspberry: Jewel	32 Cell TC Plug	1 for \$6 or 5 for \$22		
Strawberry: Galletta (Early-Season)	Bare Root	25 pk for \$10		
Stawberry: Jewel (Mid-Season)	Bare Root	25 pk for \$10		
Horseradish Roots	Bare Root	1 for \$4 or 5 for \$15		
<b>Spring Perennials</b>				
Asclepias Incarnata Cinderella #1	Bare Root	5 pk for \$15		
Aster Novae-Angliae Purple Dome	3" Plug	5 pk for \$18		
Astilbe Chinensis Maggie Daley	3/5 eye Bare Root	5 pk for \$18		
Dahlia Dinner Plate Lavender Perfection	#1 Bare Root	5 pk for \$20		
Dicentra Spectabilis Pink	3/5 eye Bare Root	5 pk for \$20		
Echinacea (Coneflower): Cheyenne Spirit	3" Plug	5 pk for \$21		
Eupatorium Rogosum: (Joe Pye Weed) Chocolate	3/5 Eye Bare Root	5 pk for \$18		
Geranium Johnson's Blue	#1 Bare Root	5 pk for \$16		
Hemerocallis (Daylily) Night Whispers	1-2 fan Bare Root	5 pk for \$16		
Hosta: Abiqua Drinking Gourd	#1 Bare Root	5 pk for \$15		
Hydrangea Macrophylla: All Summer Beauty	3.5" Plug	1 for \$10, 3 for \$20		
Iris Germanica: On Edge	3.5" Bare Root	1 for \$7, 3 for \$18		
Lavandula Angustifolia Munstead	3" Plug	5 pk for \$18		
Lupinus: Gallery Blue	3" Plug	5 pk for \$18		
Paeonia Lactiflora: Sarah Bernhardt	2/3 eye Bare Root	5 pk for \$27		
Trillium Grandiflorum: Snowy White	#1 Bare Root	5 pk for \$12		

Accessories				
Vispore Mat	with staples		\$3	
Plantskydd Repellant -				
- Soluble Powder* (add water)	1 lb.		\$25	
- Soluble Powder* (add water)	2.2 lbs.		\$45	
-Granular Shaker Bag **	3 lbs.		\$25	
-Ready-to-use Spray Bottle	1 Litre		\$20	
Viterra Agri-gel	1/4 lb.		\$5	

\* Powder treats ~ 400 plants 1' high

\*\* Approximately 1800 sq. ft. when applied as directed

**TOTAL ORDER**

*Please Fill Out the Information on the Back*

In order to reduce our paper footprint, the District is moving to an electronic newsletter. This newsletter will include notification of the annual plant sale. Please list an email below for communication about this year's plant sale and for future notification of upcoming events/sales.

*The Official Deadline for orders is April 25th - Orders filled based on submission date*

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**Mailing Address**

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**Telephone # Home**

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**Mobile**

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**E-Mail**

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**\*Payment must accompany order\***

**Mail order form and check to:**

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# 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Windham County Conservation District Plant Sale!

Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2020

9:00am – 12:00pm

Pickup at Green Mountain Orchards in Putney, VT

Join the WCNRCD for our annual plant sale this year at Green Mountain Orchards! We offer plants for their landscape value, conservation value, revegetation value, and food value, for ourselves, bird species and other wildlife. The best way to maximize your planting success is to match the right plant with the correct soil and light conditions. If you have any questions concerning type of soil, water needs or care for the listed species contact the Conservation District at 802-689-3024.

## Notes:

- All nursery stock is bare root. Trees and shrub stock are delivered in a dormant state; this prevents transport shock. Plants may appear brown and leafless but once planted will quickly produce green leaves and shoots. Bare root stock plants should be planted immediately.
- If there is a plant species that is not listed and you would like to obtain it, call the office early so every effort can be made to secure that variety for you.
- Herbaceous Perennials die down to ground level each autumn/winter and start to re-grow the following spring. They normally increase in size each year, because they will be re-starting life with a larger root system left over from the previous year. Most perennials are low maintenance. They require little more than basic care which includes fertilizing, mulching and a general overall grooming from time to time.
- Plant supplies are limited, and we will fill orders as they come in.

*Orders will be taken until April 25<sup>th</sup>. Pick-up of stock will be from 9:00-12:00 on Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup> at Green Mountain Orchards in Putney, VT. The District will not be responsible for stock once it is removed from the pick-up site and reserves the right to refund money for stock that becomes unavailable. No refunds will be made on any orders not picked up by the designated date.*

- **Please note on your calendar the date and time of pickup. Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**
- Please send payment with your order and make a copy of your order form for your records.

## Conifers

**Balsam Fir:** (*Abies balsamea*) A longtime favorite Christmas tree due to its distinctive aroma, sturdy branches, symmetrical shape, and excellent needle retention. Nine to ten years in the field are required to produce a 6-7 foot tree. The Balsam has soft flattened blue-green needles up to 1 inch long. It can be used for pulpwood. Moose and whitetail deer browse the foliage, chickadees, nutcrackers, squirrels and porcupines eat the seeds. Grouse use fir forests for cover and obtains food from the needles. *Soil:* moist, well-drained loams; avoid planting in low areas.  
*Light:* full sun but tolerates shade. *Mature Height:* 40 to 60 feet. *Zones:* 4-6

**Norway Spruce:** (*Picea Abies*) Norway Spruce is often planted as a Christmas tree, in addition to being used in forestry for timber or paper production, and as an ornamental tree in parks and gardens. Does best in well-drained, sandy soils, and transplants easily. Good winter shelter for wildlife. *Zones* 2-7.

**Northern White Cedar:** (*Thuja occidentalis*) Also called American Arborvitae, this tree's medium size and flat, scale-like foliage makes it a very popular tree for landscape, hedge and windbreak use. Rot resistant wood is soft, light-colored, durable and aromatic. Its pyramidal growth pattern is easily shaped. Red squirrel and many songbirds consume its seeds. This tree is not typically a Christmas tree. *Soil:* moist and loamy.  
*Light:* full or 1/2-day sun. *Height:* mature height is 70 feet. *Zones:* 3-8

## Wildlife/Songbird/Revegetation Shrubs and Trees

**Buttonbush:** (*Platanus occidentalis*) Common *buttonbush* is used for erosion control along waterways. It forms dense stands and its swollen plant base stabilizes the plant. Leaves grow opposite or whorled in threes or fours around stem. Autumn color is dull yellow or green. Requires periodic rejuvenation pruning, relatively pest free. This bush will only grow in the warmer portions of Windham County. The seeds are eaten by the mallard, wood duck, and many others. The nectar is eaten by the hummingbird. Soil: Likes swampy areas but will grow on dryer ground. *Height:* 3-12 feet. *Zones:* 5-9.

**Dogwood: Red Osier:** (*Cornus sericea* (stolonifera)) This shrub is used as a screen, shrub border and for soil stabilization along waterways. The bark turns dark red in autumn. Leaves are oblong with pointed tips and turn dark red in the fall. Flowers are white and bloom in late May to early June. Fruit persists through fall and is a popular food for turkey, ruffed grouse, bobwhite, pheasant, and many other birds. *Soil:* tolerant of dry sites but prefers wet areas along streams and ponds. *Light:* full sun to light shade *Height:* 6' to 10' tall with an equal or greater spread *Zones:* 2-7

**Dogwood: Silky:** (*Cornus amomum*) Silky Dogwood is a hardy and fast grower. It is popular for erosion control. It has red bark, though not quite as red as 'red osier dogwood'. Leaves are narrow and 3 to 5 inches long and turn purple to red in autumn. Flowers are yellowish/creamy white which bloom in late May to early June. Fruit is generally abundant, and blue or bluish-white, 1/4 to 3/8 inch in diameter. The fruit is eaten by wood ducks, turkey, ruffed grouse, bobwhite, pheasant, woodcock, woodpeckers, and many others *Soil:* prefers moist and moderately acidic soils *Light:* prefers full sun to partial shade. *Height:* 6-8 ft high/ 6-9 ft. spread *Zones* 4-8.

**American Filbert/Hazelnut:** (*Corylus americana*) A deciduous multi-stemmed shrub with dark green leaves that forms a rounded thicket. Red Orange in fall season. Quail, grouse, blue jays, squirrel and deer feed on various parts of the plant. Edible nuts. Best grown informally where it can spread such as natural areas, windbreak plantings and wildlife shelterbelts. May also be used as a screen or at the back of a shrub border. *Soil:* well drained. *Light:* full sun to part shade. *Height:* 10 to 16 feet with a spread of 8-13 feet. *Zones:* 4-7

**Chokecherry** (*Prunus virginiana*) A hardy and fast-growing tree useful for their attractive flowers and fruits. Bark is gray-brown and smooth on mature trees and reddish-brown and glossy on young trunks. Leaves are ovate with fine sharp teeth. Autumn colors are deep bronze to yellow. Flowers are white and fragrant. Fruit is small, round, purplish-black to red, tart, and often used in pies and jellies. Tolerates many types of soils including sand. Grows best in rich, well drained soils with sunny exposure, but will tolerate shade. Fruit is eaten by the mallard, turkey, ruffed grouse, bobwhite, pheasant, many woodpeckers and a wide variety of others. *Height:* Up to 20 feet. *Zones:* 2-7

**Spicebush:** (*Lindera benzoin*) Nicely shaped shrubs with deep green leaves for a border or naturalizing. Over 20 species of birds, as well as deer, rabbits, raccoons, and opossums browse the leaves or eat the fruits. The fruits are a special favorite of wood thrushes; a harbinger of spring. Dry fruits have been used in fragrant sachets. Somewhat slow to reestablish. *Soil:* moist, well-drained. *Light:* good choice in shady locations but can grow in full sun. *Height:* 6 to 12 feet.

**Witch Hazel:** (*Hamamelis virginiana*) Native. Characteristic crooked branches producing a distinctive, large shrub with open form. Aromatic yellow flowers in the fall. Growth rate is medium. Leaf color is medium green in summer yielding to good yellow in the fall. *Soil:* prefers moist soil. *Light:* sun or partial shade. *Height:* 20 to 30' in height by 20 to 25' in spread but 15 to 20' is more appropriate under landscape conditions.

**Roselow Sargent Crabapple:** (*Malus sargentii* Roselow) Exceptional ornamental. The only true apple shrub. Profuse while flowers, 1/4" dark red fruit. It is a densely branched, seed propagated cultivar. Roselow is recommended for use in field and farmstead windbreaks, landscaping and for wildlife food and cover. The fruit is a favorite food of the ruffed grouse, pheasant, and woodpecker. Countless other birds rely upon the fruit, seed, buds, nectar, and flowers for food. It is relatively resistant to most of the typical crabapple disease and insect problems. Resistant to drought, soil compaction and flooding. *Soil:* Sand, loam, moist to dry. *Light:* full sun to partial shade. *Height:* 8 feet. *Zones:* 4-7.

## Fruit Trees

**Liberty Apple:** A medium-sized, yellow-fleshed dessert apple with 90 percent red over yellow background color. Tree is vigorous, spreading and an annual bearer. Liberty is resistant to apple scab, cedar apple rust, fire blight and mildew. A good choice for the home gardener.

**Cortland Apple:** Ripens late September-early October. Widely grown, all-purpose, late McIntosh-type apple. Crisp pure white flesh resists browning when cut. Tart tangy flavor. Excellent for eating, cooking or cider. Vigorous tree is annually productive and starts bearing early. Semi-Dwarf. *Zones 3-8.*

**Honeycrisp Apple:** This crisp, juicy, sweet-tart apple has a rich flavor that has made it "#1" in taste panels. The fruit averages 3 inches and up, matures ten days before Red Delicious and stores well. Outstanding winter hardiness gives this variety excellent potential for northern growing regions. Honeycrisp is moderately resistant to apple scab. Tree is late blooming. The fruit is mostly orange red with a yellow background. *Zones: 3-9*

**Peach: Reliance:** Well known for its cold hardiness among peaches, this variety is ideal for northern climates where peaches are not typically grown. In Windham County, it will do better in our warmer regions and will not fruit reliably every year, but there can be bountiful years. The fruit is medium sized, freestone, with a dull blush over greenish-yellow background. Good for canning and freezing. *Zone 5-8*

**Cherry (Tart): Montmorency:** Meet America's most popular tart cherry for pies and preserves. The Montmorency cherry tree is a cold-hardy hybrid species that ripens early in the season. The medium-large bright red fruit has a firm yellow flesh; clear juice; and a rich, tart flavor that bakers and jam makers love. *Zone 4-7*

*Pears – it's best to plant 2 varieties for good cross-pollination*

**Pear: Bartlett:** A large, heavy-bearing variety with excellent quality. Long considered one of the choicest canning varieties, Bartlett accounts for about 75 percent of the pear production in the United States and Canada. Bartlett requires cross pollination and ripens in late August. *Zone 5-8*

**Red Clapps Pear:** Will be 10-14 feet tall at maturity. An early maturing fresh market variety ripening 10 days before the Bartlett. The fruit finishes with an attractive red color, is medium to large with fine white flesh and good quality. The tree is vigorous and productive but should not be planted where fire blight is a serious problem. Pollinated by Bartlett, Red Bartlett, Seckel, Potomac, Beurre D'Anjou and Bosc. Maturity date is August 10<sup>th</sup>. *Zones 4-9.*

## Fruits and Vegetables

**Asparagus: Millennium:** This asparagus plant is high yielding and high-quality. In trials, Millennium has been productive, with high quality spears, tender, and has good flavor. Thought to be best adapted to heavier soils, but results from our grower survey indicate success with a wide range of soil types. *Zones 3-8*

*Blueberries– it's best to plant 2 varieties for good cross-pollination*

**Northland Blueberries:** (Mid-Season) Developed by Michigan State University. Northland has excellent winter hardiness. It produces a consistent crop following winter temperatures as low as -30 degrees. The medium-sized berries are very flavorful-similar to wild blueberries. The plant grows to about 4 feet, with attractive foliage throughout the fall. Grows best in zones 3-7.

**Patriot Blueberry:** (Early) Released by the University of Maine. Patriot is an early variety originating in Maine, where growing seasons are short and winter hardiness is a must. The variety is vigorous and grows to a height of 4 to 6 feet. The fruit is very large and has very good flavor. Patriot is adapted to many different soil types and has performed better in heavier soil than some other varieties. *Zones 3-7.*

**Currants: Pink Champagne:** This is the tastiest currant on the market for fresh eating! Pink Champagne current is a vigorous upright bush, free of leaf diseases, with a beautiful translucent pink fruit. Pink Champagne is easy to grow, produces fruit of high quality and good flavor. *Zones 3-7*

**Hinnomaki Red Gooseberries :** Hinnomaki Red is a variety with superb flavor, high yields and a beautiful red color. The outer skin is tangy while the flesh is sweet. The plants grow upright and are mildew resistant. The sweet berries can be eaten fresh or baked in a pie. These very productive plants are adaptable to various growing systems, hedge or ornamental.

*Elderberries – cross-pollination is needed. The recommended ratio is 1 Samyl : 5 Samdal*

**Elderberry: Samdal:** This is one of several newer elderberry varieties from Denmark. Plants are vigorous, producing long shoots from soil level one growing season and bearing fruit the next. These are removed after bearing and replaced by the current year's growth. This makes the plant easy to prune and manage as a bush. Large fruit clusters with good flavor ripen in August each year. Berries have very high anthocyanin content....very good for you! This is the more productive variety, but both varieties are required for cross pollination in a ratio of 1 Samyl : 5 Samdal. Zones 3-7

**Elderberry: Samyl:** This variety will provide good cross-pollination when paired with the Samdal variety. Samyl has particularly high-quality flowers. Zones 3-7

**Boyne Red Raspberry:** (Early) Recommended for beginners. Released in 1960, Boyne is an early-season variety that is extremely winter hardy. It consistently produces deep-red, medium-sized berries. The medium-sweet, aromatic flavor makes it great for freezing and jam. It will grow where other varieties experience winter injury to the canes. *Zones 3-7.*

**Raspberry: Heritage** (Fall Bearing): This heirloom variety was long considered the standard variety for production and high-quality fruit by which fall-bearing varieties were judged. Heritage is a highly popular variety for home gardeners. The fall crop is highly productive and ripens from the end of August through October, depending on your location. The berries have good size, color and flavor. The fruit is good for jam and freezing and is delicious for fresh use, as well. Zones 4-8

**Jewel Black Raspberry:** (Summer bearing Mid-Season) The most popular black raspberry variety. Jewel produces excellent yields of superb-quality berries. The fruit is glossy black in color, a large size and has a rich raspberry flavor. It is an excellent choice for use in jams and jellies. Jewel is winter hardy and a very reliable choice. *Zones 5-8.*

**Galletta Strawberry:** (Early season) Galletta produces large sized berries. Attractive, glossy fruit has excellent favor. It is highly productive and holds fruit size well through the season. The plant is vigorous and shows tolerance to foliage diseases. Being an Earliglow hybrid, it has tolerance to red stele disease. *Zones 4-7.*

**Stawberry: Jewel** (Mid-Season): Jewel performs well over a wide range of growing conditions. Jewel is recommended for commercial growers and home gardeners. Jewel has large berries with superb quality and flavor. Jewel is successful for home gardening due to its overall quality and consistent performance. Plants have moderate winter hardiness. Care must be taken at renovation to maintain a good plant stand. Zones 4-8

## Perennials

**Asclepias Incarnata Cinderlla #1** (Swamp Milkweed): 48", Great for attracting butterflies and avoided by deer, this plant native to North America is important to the declining Monarch butterfly, which will lay their eggs on its foliage. Has light green, slender leaves and rose-pink star-shaped flowers that smell like vanilla. A great solution for saturated soils, such as rain gardens and on the edge of ponds but can get by on average watering. Tolerates heat and cold. Zones 3-9.

**Aster Purple Dome** (New England Aster): 18-20", Mildew and rust resistant, excellent choice for medium height aster. Drought tolerant.

**Astilbe chinensis (Chinese Astilbe): 'Maggie Daley':** A dark pink flower that blooms mid to late summer. This late bloomer is perfect for extending the season of blooms. Grows 23-25". Zones 3-9

**Dahlia Dinner Plate: Lavender Perfection:** Height: 36-48", Gorgeous, purple-pink blooms reach 8-10" across. Likes well-drained soil and full sun or partial shade. Great for cut flowers. Zones 3-10.

**Dicentra spectabilis (Common Bleeding Heart):** A traditional bleeding-heart flower with pink and white blooms that flower late spring to early summer. The plant forms large bushy clumps of deeply cut green foliage on fleshy stems. Grow 27-35" Zones 2-9

**Echinacea (Coneflower): 'Cheyenne Spirit':** A 2013 All-American Selection Award Winner with a first-year flowering in a delightful mix of colors. Blooms mid-summer to fall. Grows 25-31". Zones 4-9

**Eupatorium Rogosum: Chocolate** (Joe-Pye-Weed): 35-47", A little-known species related to the tall Joe-Pye Weed. This outstanding selection has dark bronzy-brown leaves in spring and summer, gradually turning green when the autumn display of fuzzy white flower clusters begins. Useful in shady situations and will even tolerate dry shade under deciduous trees once plants are established. Both the foliage and flowers are useful for cutting. Attractive to butterflies. Clumps may be easily divided in early spring. Zones 5-9.

**Geranium Johnson's Blue:** Height:15-18", beautiful, durable, perennial geranium with large, true blue flowers blooming from late spring into mid-summer. Drought resistant/drought tolerant plant. Zones 4-8.

**Hemerocallis (Daylily): Night Whispers** Height: 20-24", Mounds of arching leaves with taller flower stalks; an American garden staple. Is extremely easy to grow and has an extended bloom time, re-blooming throughout the season. The abundance of blooms and color makes this variety great for larger plantings and borders. Unappealing to deer. Blooms early to mid-summer, full sun or partial shade. Zones 2-9.

**Hosta:** (Abiqua Drinking Gourd): 16-18", 2014 Hosta of the Year, Giant cup-shaped bluish green leaves are slug resistant. *Zone 3-8.*

**Hydrangea** (All Summer Beauty): 36-48", Hardier species with medium blue mop head type blooms turn apple green as they age.

**Iris germanica (Bearded Iris): 'On Edge':** An early midseason variety that stands tall in the garden. A light purple and white flower that blooms late spring to early summer. Grows 30-34" Zones 3-9

**Lavandula** (Munstead): 12-16", Earlier blooming variety with compact blue green foliage and lavender blue blooms; extremely fragrant.

**Lupinus:** (Gallery Blue): Biennial; allow plants to set seed for future plant growth; trim back hard at end of flowering period. *Zone 4-8.*

**Paeonia Lactiflora: Sarah Bernhardt:** Height: 34-36", easy to grow in moist, well-drained soil in full sun. Once established, peonies are as hardy and dependable as oaks, creating a fantastic season of bloom in your yard year after year. Blooms late-spring to early summer. Zones 3-8.

**Trillium Grandiflorum: Snowy White:** Height: 12-14", native woodland wildflower with green leaves and a slightly ruffled snowy white flower that tinges pink with age. Plant in moist, well-drained soil in partial to full shade. Naturalizes well in a woodland setting. Zones 4-8.

## Supplies

**Vispore Tree Mats:** Stops weeds for 3 years, mats are 3'x3' and block 92% of the sunlight to kill existing weeds and grasses. Over 400 micro funnels cover each square inch of the mat that allows water to trickle through to the soil.

**Treeshelters:** Treeshelters are a vital component when attempting to establish hardwood trees from seedlings. The twin-walled, solid, translucent tubes provide maximum protection from animal browse, wind, chemical sprays and equipment. In addition, the greenhouse environment created inside the shelter promotes growth.

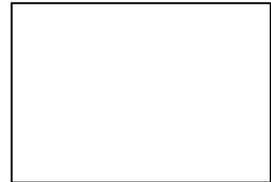
**Plantskydd Soluble Repellent:** Animal repellent developed in Sweden and now made in USA from 100% natural ingredients. It is non-toxic and is not harmful to animals or the environment when used as directed. It has been proven effective in extensive field trials against deer, elk, moose, rabbits and opossum.

**Plantskydd Granular-Repellent:** Best for: rabbits, voles, chipmunks and squirrels. It is rain resistant- no need to apply after every rainfall.

**Viterra Agri-gel:** Super absorbent formulation which, added to water, forms slurry. Used as a root dip prior to planting, slurry will cling to the roots and act as a reservoir of water for plants. Rate: 1 ounce/gallon of water.



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**New** WCNRCD Electronic Newsletter  
& Notification for the Annual Plant Sale

In order to save paper and be in better communication with Windham County residents, the WCNRCD is moving to a E-Newsletter format. Even if you are not placing a plant sale order this year, please sign up so you can be notified of next year's annual plant sale and other events happening through the District.

**To Sign Up for the E-Newsletter: visit**

**[windhamcountynrcd.org](http://windhamcountynrcd.org)**

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**Interested in the 2020 Trout Sale for stocking ponds?**

Contact the District or visit our webpage for this year's order form.