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Name \_\_\_\_\_

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Checks for amount of order, payable to **Plainfield Conservation Commission**, must accompany order.

Please send in orders by **Friday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>** to:  
Plainfield Conservation Commission Tree Sale  
P.O. Box 217  
Plainfield, VT 05667

or drop your order off at the Plainfield town office,  
open Monday/Wednesday/Friday, 7:30–12 & 12:30–4

Tree/shrub pickup date:  
**Saturday, April 25th**  
**9–11am\***

Parking lot in Plainfield lower village across  
from church (same location as previous years)

*\*If you can't pick up your order on April 25th,  
please call 476-0526 to arrange an alternative time.*

*Important:* Except where noted, trees and shrubs will come **bare root**. Roots will be dipped in a protective hydrating gel, but you should be prepared to plant them within a few days of pickup. Until then, store them in a cool, shaded spot and keep roots moist. After planting, be sure to **water regularly throughout the summer**.



# Spring 2020

## 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Shrub & Tree Sale

supported by the  
Marshfield & Plainfield  
Conservation Commissions

*An event you won't want to miss!*  
**Everything You Always Wanted  
to Know About Fruit Trees...  
But Were Afraid to Ask**

with Nicko Rubin, East Hill Tree Farm

**Tuesday, March 17, at 7 pm**  
Jaquith Library, Marshfield

Add greenery and edibles to your property for a very reasonable price, and support local conservation projects at the same time! Diversify your garden and extend the harvest season with different colors, flavors, and ripening times.

Plant shrubs & trees to:

- 👉 attract songbirds
- 👉 create a windbreak
- 👉 provide yearly blooms & edible fruit
- 👉 make a friendly fence or privacy hedge

Our plant varieties were chosen for their suitability in a Northern climate as well as for their benefits to local wildlife. While we try to provide only native species, those that are not native to our region are not considered to be invasive. Please note that soil characteristics and the sun and wind exposure of your site will play an important role in how well the plants grow. We'll have planting instructions available and can answer questions when you pick up your order.

Tree sale proceeds benefit programs of the Marshfield & Plainfield Conservation Commissions. Please contact us if you'd like to be involved with this annual community effort.

**Check out the new offerings  
we have this year!**

Place order by **Friday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>** –  
Pick up on **Saturday, April 25<sup>th</sup>, 9 – 11**  
in the **Plainfield village park**  
across from the church



## CONIFERS

### White Cedar

*Thuja occidentalis*



A Vermont native, these make nice hedges or screens when planted in row. Likes sun, thrives in poorly drained soils. Songbirds and red squirrels enjoy the seeds. **Note:** All cedars are **bare root** this year, and price has been lowered.



## DECIDUOUS TREES

### Sugar Maple

*Acer saccharum*

Excellent hardwood shade tree, foliage turning bright red, orange and yellow in fall. Seeds attract siskins, grosbeak and finches. Grows to 60-100'. Likes moist soil, no road salt. **Note:** Maples are **bare root** & smaller this year; price has been lowered accordingly.

### Shadbush

*Amelanchier laevis*

Also known as Juneberry and Serviceberry, Small tree up to 27' tall. First tree to flower in spring. Edible red berries. Important to pollinators and wildlife. Often found in clusters in the wild. Full sun to partial shade. 12"-18" plants.

## FRUITS & SHRUBS

We're pleased to be able to offer several varieties from East Hill Tree Farm in Plainfield. Visit the nursery, or take a catalog when you pick up your order to see their full selection.

### Apple

*Malus domestica; non-native*

\* *Westfield Seek-No-Further*—An excellent all-purpose heirloom apple. Rich honey flavor with firm texture. Mildly tart. Ripens in September.

\* *Bethel*—Heirloom from Betel VT. Red-striped fruit are crunchy with rich sweet flavor, very little acidity when fully ripe. Ripens October.

### Pear

*Pyrus spp; non-native*

These pear varieties are pollen compatible with each other and other Communis types.

\* *Tyson*—Great fresh eating with delicious creamy fruit. Hardy, vigorous and annually productive. Fireblight resistant. Ripens in September.

\* *Beierschmidt*—Hardy Bartlett seedling. A real treat: firm, juicy and sweet, but its skin is too tender for commercial growers. Resistant to fire blight. Ripens in September.

### Elderberry: Black

*Sambucus canadensis*

White clusters of flowers produce purple-black berries; good for jam, juice and wine (also said to have medicinal properties). Songbirds and other wildlife love them. Full sun. Grows to 6-12'.

### \*Pussy Willow

*Salix discolor*

Their furry catkins are the first sign of spring. Easy to grow, they thrive in average to wet soils and are a good choice to plant near ponds and streams, or in rain gardens, to control soil erosion.

### Red Osier Dogwood

*Cornus sericea*

Tolerates wet soils and is good in controlling erosion. Clusters of white berries in July/August are preferred by many song and game birds. The bright red twigs add winter color to the garden and make great baskets!

### Blueberries

*Vaccinium corymbosum*

This long-lived shrub is a great native to add to your landscape, with its edible fruit and crimson fall foliage. Loves sun and acidic soil; both varieties are hardy in our region. Eat fresh from the bush, excellent for freezing. We're offering 3-year plants this year!

- *Earliblue*—**early-season variety**. Big clusters of large light blue berries with excellent flavor, eaten fresh, used in pies or jams, or frozen for later. The first blueberries to ripen in June.
- *Late Blue*—**Last-of-the-season** medium-size berry ripens in early August. Sweet berries can be eaten fresh, canned or frozen.

*Note: Plant two varieties of blueberry for good pollination.*

### Raspberry, Boyne

*Rubus idaeus*

Early season and very winter hardy with red medium-sweet berries with an aromatic flavor. Great for freezing and jam.

### Blackberry, hardy local strain

*Rubus fruticosus*

Planted in fertile soil with full sun, these will produce a huge bounty of juicy berries. Will spread, so give them plenty of room. Can expect frost damage if colder than -25°.

### Asparagus, Jersey Knight

*Asparagus officinalis*

Large, tender spears with an excellent flavor. Resistant to rust, crown rot, and fusarium. Plants typically need to establish themselves for two years before spears are harvested.

Order by Friday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>!

Your last name

## ORDER FORM

Tree or Shrub	Size	Qty.	Price ea.	Amount
White Cedar	3-4'		9.50	
Sugar Maple	3-4'		10.00	
Shadbush	1-2'		6.00	
Apple: Westfield	3-4'		29.00	
Apple: Bethel	3-4'		29.00	
Pear: Tyson	4-6'		29.00	
Pear: Beierschmidt	4-6'		29.00	
Elderberry (Black)	2-3'		8.00	
Pussy Willow	2-3'		6.00	
Red Osier Dogwood	2-3'		6.00	
Blueberry: Earliblue	18-24"		10.00	
Blueberry: Late Blue	18-24"		10.00	
Raspberry: Boyne	10"		3.50	
Blackberry	10"		4.00	
Asparagus: Jersey Knight (10 plants)			12.00	

Please enclose payment with order!

Total ordered \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Questions? Call 476-0526

What would you like to see offered next year?

Unless noted, shrubs and trees are native to Vermont; however, varieties marked non-native may be native to other parts of U.S.

\*New offering this year!