

Farmers Market Returns to The New York Botanical Garden

Every Wednesday Through October, Starting June 29

The New York Botanical Garden's popular Farmers Market returns for its fourth season offering the familiar array of seasonal produce, baked goods, and more natural products from Hudson Valley vendors. Purchase some of the best and freshest fruits and vegetables, home-baked goods, and wholesome delights direct from New York State farmers and merchants. The Farmers Market takes place at the Botanical Garden's Tulip Tree Allée every Wednesday starting June 29 through October 26, 2005 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Visitors can peruse the overflowing stands of returning favorites and buy a cornucopia of goods like raspberries, cherries, cider, pies, orchard fruits, vegetables, and honey from **Jenkins-Lueken Orchard**, New Paltz; naturally grown plants, cut flowers, herbs, breads, and eggs from **Northside Growers Exchange**, Poughkeepsie; orchard-grown peaches, pears, apples, and homemade old-fashioned donuts from **The Orchards of Concklin**, Ponomo; and tomatoes, squash, eggplants, and a wide selection of other seasonal vegetables from **W. Rogowski Farm**, Pine Island. New vendors at this year's Market include **Four Winds Farm**, Gardiner, offering berries, salad greens, heirloom tomatoes, edamame, and a variety of seasonal organic vegetables, and **Renners Creative Cuisine**, Germantown, providing fresh jams, salsa, chutneys, cakes, pickled vegetables, and more.

As it has since its debut in the summer of 2002, the Farmers Market at The New York Botanical Garden provides a wide range of top-quality local produce that changes every week with the season. As spring gives way to summer, the market will feature fragrant herbs, assorted greens, and ripe berries as well as heirloom tomatoes, corn, and tree-ripened peaches, apricots, and pears. Plums, melons, and beans come to the market in late summer, along with squashes and decorative gourds in October.

Demonstrations and More

On the second and last Wednesdays of every month, stop by to enjoy a series of educational and fun programs. These will include cooking demonstrations using seasonal produce, question-and-answer sessions on gardening techniques, and home gardening demonstrations by experts.

Floral Delights to See at The New York Botanical Garden

During your visit to the Farmers Market, take a few minutes to explore The New York Botanical Garden's many other offerings. See the ever-changing pageantry of flowers, leaves, and berries in the Jane Watson Irwin Perennial Garden, the intimate Nancy Bryan Luce Herb Garden, as well as the beautiful and serene Rock Garden. Lose yourself in the lushness and striking color patterns of the Victorian-era bedding plants in the Botanical Garden's Enid A. Haupt Conservatory exhibition *Victorian Ornamentals*, June 28–October 23.

Immerse yourself in the exotic beauty of *Waterlilies and Lotus: A Summer Aquatic Exhibition* in the Conservatory courtyard pools July 12–September 18. Reward your senses by visiting the spectacular evergreen collections of the Benenson Ornamental Conifers and the Ross Conifer Arboretum, and discover rare and choice plants in the Bourke-Sullivan Display House of the Nolen Greenhouses for Living Collections.

About Community Markets

The Farmers Market is sponsored by The New York Botanical Garden and is managed by Community Markets. Community Markets has made its trademark mission “The Farm Comes to You”™ a reality for seventeen communities in the New York metropolitan area by providing the public a source of fresh, nutritious fruits and vegetables and specialty farm products. The food comes from local farmers whose proximity enables them to deliver fresh and flavorful produce of unusual varieties.

The Farmers Market will be located every Wednesday through October on Tulip Tree Allée at The New York Botanical Garden’s Mosholu Gate on Kazimiroff Boulevard. Grounds admission to the Botanical Garden is always free on Wednesdays. The parking fee will be reimbursed to Farmers Market shoppers.

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Images available on request

The New York Botanical Garden is a museum of plants located at Bronx River Parkway (Exit 7W) and Fordham Road in the Bronx. The Garden is open year-round, Tuesday through Sunday and Monday holidays, from 10 a.m.–6 p.m. April through October, and 10 a.m.–5 p.m., November through March. Admission to the Garden grounds and the Farmers Market is free on Wednesdays. Parking fees at the Garden will be reimbursed for people who come to the Farmers Market and stay an hour or less. For information, call (718) 817-8700 or visit our Web site at www.nybg.org.

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