



Osceola-Lake & Mecosta Conservation Districts

"Managing Our Natural Resources"

Spring 2024 Seedling Catalog

Important Ordering and Pickup Information (Please Read Carefully)

- Complete the "2024 Spring Tree Order Form." Send order form along with deposit or payment in full to the District in which your property is located. **All orders under \$500 must be paid in full at time of ordering. Orders more than \$500 will require a 50% deposit. Orders will not be placed without receipt of a deposit.** Remaining balance is due before pick-up. Orders may be placed by mail, phone or email and can be paid by check or credit card. Check is preferred. Visa, MasterCard and Discover are accepted.
- If your property is located in **Osceola County or the East Half of Lake County**, mail your order form with payment to:
Osceola-Lake Conservation District
138 W. Upton, Suite #2
Reed City, MI 49677
Phone: (231) 465-8012
Email: mark.sweppenheiser@macd.org
Website: www.osceolalakecd.org
If your property is located in **Mecosta County**, mail order form with payment to:
Mecosta Conservation District
18260 Northland Drive
Big Rapids, MI 49307
Phone: (989) 309-9229
Email: brook.baumann@macd.org
Website: www.mecostacd.org
- Spring ordering deadline is Thursday, April 4, 2024, 2:00 p.m. Orders received after this date will be filled based on availability. During the last few years, we have sold out before the ordering deadline.**
- Quantities are limited and orders will be filled on a first-come first-served basis. We recommend ordering early to ensure the species you want.
- We do not guarantee survival. Our liability ceases when seedlings are delivered to buyer or tree planter.
- "It is unlawful for these trees, shrubs and other plants to be resold with the roots attached in accordance with the Insect Pest and Plant Disease Act, P.A. 189 of 1931, as amended."*
- Pick-up location will be at the Paris Park Fish Hatchery. **Orders are not shipped.** You will be notified by postcard regarding dates and times for pick-up. Dates will also be posted on our website. **Tentative pick-up dates: April 24-27.**
- If you are unable to pick-up your order on the scheduled dates you must make other arrangements. **We will not be responsible for lost or stolen trees that are not picked up on the scheduled pick-up dates.**
- Let us know if a tree planter is picking up your order. The order must be paid in full prior to pick-up.
- The District reserves the right to reduce or cancel orders and refund payments due to reasons beyond our control.
- No refunds on spring orders cancelled after March 10th.** Canceled orders paid by credit card will be charged for credit card processing fees.

District Information

Osceola-Lake Conservation District

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Rick Lucas, District Forester
Brandi Mitchell, MAEAP Technician

USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service

Greg White, District Conservationist
Justin Brown, Soil Conservationist

Board Meetings

Regular board meetings are held bi-monthly the second Thursday of the month at the Richmond Township Hall (21717 Howard St., Reed City). Call the office to confirm dates and times. Open to the public.

Mecosta Conservation District

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Melissa Heath, CTAI Program Assistant

USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service

Jennifer Taylor, District Conservationist
Katy Robinson, Soil Conservationist
To Be Determined, Soil Conservation Technician

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Household Hazardous Waste Collection : Thursday, Aug. 1st, 2024 2 - 6 p.m.

Residents of Osceola, Lake or Mecosta Counties can bring hazardous waste to either collection site.

Lake County: Wenger Pavilion, downtown Baldwin

Mecosta County: Chippewa Hills Intermediate School, 3226 Arthur Rd., Remus

Suggested minimum donation of \$15 per vehicle is appreciated to help offset the cost of disposal.

For more information, please visit:

<https://mecostacd.org/hazardous-waste-collection>



Conifers					
Red Pine <i>Pinus resinosa</i> <i>Height: 40-80 feet, Full sun to light shade, Sandy soils.</i> Native tree. Also called Norway Pine. Needles dark green in color, two to a bundle and 4 to 6 inches long. Medium to fast growing. Uses: Windbreaks, timber production & wildlife cover.			White Pine <i>Pinus strobus</i> <i>Height: 70-100 feet, Full sun to shade, Range of soils.</i> Michigan's state tree. Soft flexible needles, five in a bundle with a 4 to 8 inch cone slightly curved. Fast growing, shade tolerant. Uses: Windbreaks, timber production, erosion control, and wildlife cover.		
Quantity: <u>25</u> <u>50</u> <u>100</u> <u>250</u> <u>500</u> Size (5-10") \$33 \$46 \$83 \$150 \$240			Quantity: <u>25</u> <u>50</u> <u>100</u> <u>250</u> <u>500</u> Size (5-14") \$33 \$46 \$83 \$150 \$240		
Jack Pine <i>Pinus banksiana</i> <i>Height: 20-50 feet, Full sun, Very sandy soils.</i> Very fast growing. Jack Pine often grows where no other trees will. Needles are stout, flat 1"-1 1/2" long, dark green in bundles of two. Uses: Windbreaks, timber production and wildlife cover.			White Spruce <i>Picea glauca</i> <i>Height: 40-60 feet, Full sun, Sandy to moist soils.</i> Native tree. Needles have a whitish cast, giving this tree its common name. Slower growing. Retains lower branches. Frequently used for Christmas trees and pulpwood. Uses: Windbreaks, ornamental and wildlife cover.		
Quantity: <u>25</u> <u>50</u> <u>100</u> <u>250</u> <u>500</u> Size (6-12") \$32 \$44 \$70 \$130 \$220			Quantity: <u>25</u> <u>50</u> <u>100</u> <u>250</u> <u>500</u> Size (6-12") \$32 \$44 \$70 \$130 \$220		
Norway Spruce <i>Picea abies</i> <i>Height: 50-70 feet, Moderate shade tolerance, Rich moist soils.</i> The fastest growing and tallest non-native spruce. Mature trees have drooping branches. Uses: Windbreaks, timber production, wildlife cover and ornamental.			Black Spruce <i>Picea mariana</i> <i>Height: 30-60 feet, Partial Shade, sandy to moist soils.</i> Narrow, slower growing spruce. Has dark, bluish-green needles. Lower limbs sweep the ground. Prefers low wetland areas. Uses: Wildlife cover, windbreaks and Christmas trees.		
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Eastern Redcedar <i>Juniperus virginiana</i> <i>Height: 40-50 feet, Prefers full sun, tolerates drought and poor soils.</i> Native evergreen. Excellent choice for wildlife food and cover. The waxy, blue berries ripen in autumn and are favored by many birds. This species is not generally browsed by deer.			Tamarack/ American Larch <i>Larix laricina</i> <i>Height: 40-70 feet, Full sun, Moist soils.</i> Deciduous conifer. Usually found in wetlands but actually is a very rapid grower on upland sites. Turns bright golden yellow in the fall before shedding its needles. Shade-intolerant. Used for its forest product values.		
Quantity: <u>25</u> Size (5-10") \$32			Quantity: <u>25</u> Size (6-12") \$32		
Northern White Cedar <i>Thuja occidentalis</i> <i>Height: 40-50 feet. Prefers moist, well-drained soil; Full sun to partial shade.</i> Narrow, pyramid shaped evergreen which grows in cold, poorly drained swamps with moving water. Easily identified by their flat, fan-shaped needles. Shade tolerant. Uses: Hedges, windscreens.			Balsam Fir <i>Abies balsamea</i> <i>Height: 45-60 feet, Prefers a cool moist soil; highly shade tolerant.</i> Relatively deer-browse resistant. Has dark, glossy green needles, pyramid-shaped crowns and spicy balsam scent. Needles are flat, about an inch in length and evergreen. This tree produces upward-growing cones.		
Quantity: <u>25</u> Size (7-12") \$32			Quantity: <u>25</u> Size (8-14") \$32		













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Deciduous					
Red Oak <i>Quercus rubra</i>  <i>Height: 50-70 feet, Open to partial shade, Sandy to moist soils.</i> Fastest growing of our native hardwoods. The wood is reddish brown. Sharply toothed 7-11 lobed leaves, turning a stunning red color in autumn. Uses: Excellent for timber production and wildlife.		White Oak <i>Quercus alba</i>  <i>Height: 50-70 feet, Open to partial shade, Sandy to moist soils.</i> Large majestic native tree with wide spreading branches, and leaves of blue-green turning to many colors in fall. Slow to medium growth rate. Provides sweet acorns that are loved by wildlife. Uses: Timber production and wildlife.		Black Walnut <i>Juglans nigra</i> <i>Height: 50-75 feet, Full sun, Moist soils.</i> Queen of American cabinet woods. An important food source for wildlife. Fruit matures in Autumn with nutmeat sweet and edible. Growth is moderate to slow. Uses: Very valuable timber and wildlife tree.	
Quantity: <u>25</u> Size (12-18") \$34		Quantity: <u>25</u> Size (12-18") \$39		Quantity: <u>25</u> Size (12-18") \$39	
Sugar Maple <i>Acer saccharum</i>  <i>Height: 50-70 feet, Shade tolerant, Most soil types.</i> This beautiful large shade tree has dark green foliage turning yellow to orange to fiery red in fall. The sap is used to make maple syrup. Slow to medium growing. Uses: Shade tree, lumber, and wildlife.		Red Maple <i>Acer rubrum</i>  <i>Height: 40-60 feet, Full sun, Most soil types.</i> This native tree is medium to fast growing. It has small red flowers in early spring and brilliant red fall color. Very drought tolerant. Uses: Shade tree, wildlife, and ornamental.		Quaking Aspen <i>Populus tremuloides</i> <i>Height: 50-60 feet, Full sun, Shade intolerant, Will tolerate a range of soils.</i> Also known as trembling aspen, smalltooth aspen, or "popple." Medium to large, fast growing tree. Uses: timber production, excellent wildlife food and cover.	
Quantity: <u>25</u> Size (12-18") \$41		Quantity: <u>25</u> Size (12-18") \$34		Quantity: <u>25</u> Size (12-18") \$50	
Eastern Redbud <i>Cercis canadensis</i>  <i>Height: Up to 30 feet, Many soil types but prefers moist, well-drained loams.</i> Small native tree found in the forest understory. Good choice for brightening up your spring landscape.		Persimmon <i>Diospyros virginiana L.</i>  <i>Height: Up to 60 feet, Full sun.</i> <i>Range of soils.</i> Known for its fruit (female plants only), similar to dates, the tree has a short, stubby growth form. Uses: Great for wildlife food/cover, timber production and medicinal purposes.		White Birch <i>Betula papyrifera</i>  <i>Height: 40-65 feet, Full sun, Well to poorly drained soils.</i> Also known as paper or canoe birch. Fast-growing with creamy-white bark. Uses: timber production, excellent wildlife food and cover	
Quantity: <u>25</u> Size (12-18") \$41		Quantity: <u>25</u> Size (12-18") \$50		Quantity: <u>25</u> Size (8-15") \$40	









NOTE: The bee icon indicates a pollinator friendly species.






Wildlife Shrubs

Red-Osier Dogwood <i>Cornus stolonifera</i> <i>Height: 5-8 feet, Full sun to shade, Moist to well drained soils.</i> This multi-stemmed, spreading shrub has dark green foliage turning purple in the fall. Small white flowers in June produce white berries in fall. <div><div>Quantity:</div><div>25</div></div> <div><div>Size (12-24")</div><div>\$42</div><div>\$57</div><div>\$95</div></div>	Gray Dogwood <i>Cornus racemosa</i> <i>Height: 6-8 feet, Sun to shade, Wet to well drained soils.</i> Multi-stemmed shrub with grayish-green foliage becoming reddish in autumn. Flowers in May-June producing red berries July through September. Uses: Ornamental; sometimes used for hedges <div><div>Quantity:</div><div>25</div></div> <div><div>Size (12-18")</div><div>\$45</div><div>\$63</div><div>\$98</div></div>
Black Elderberry <i>Sambucus canadensis</i> <i>Height: 8-12 feet, Full to partial sun, Moist soils.</i> A stout, strong-growing shrub with white flowers (July), followed by purple-black fruit. Readily used by wildlife. Fruits may be used in jellies, wines and pies. <div><div>Quantity:</div><div>25</div></div> <div><div>Size (12-18")</div><div>\$45</div></div>	Silky Dogwood <i>Cornus amomum</i> <i>Height: 6-10 feet, Sun to shade, Moist to well drained soils.</i> Dense, multi-stemmed shrub. Blue colored berries in September. Grows on sandy loam and clay uplands and wetlands. Good for landscape plantings on wet sites. <div><div>Quantity:</div><div>25</div></div> <div><div>Size (12-18")</div><div>\$42</div><div>\$57</div><div>\$95</div></div>
Downy Serviceberry <i>Amelanchier arborea</i> <i>Height: 20-25 feet, Full sun to moderate shade, Well drained soils.</i> Masses of white flowers in very early spring. Excellent yellow-orange to red-purple fall color. Edible blue-black fruit that ripens in mid summer and is eaten by birds. <div><div>Quantity:</div><div>25</div></div> <div><div>Size (12-18")</div><div>\$49</div></div>	Nannyberry <i>Viburnum lentago</i> <i>Height: 15-20 feet, Sun or shade, Most soil types.</i> This shrub has white flower clusters in June followed by bluish-black berries ripening in the fall. Recommended for wildlife plantings. <div><div>Quantity:</div><div>25</div></div> <div><div>Seedlings (12-18")</div><div>\$51</div></div>
American Hazelnut <i>Corylus americana</i> <i>Height: 6-8 feet, Prefers full sunlight and grows best in moist to dry soils.</i> Produces a nut in August-September which is a very good source of food for wildlife. <div><div>Quantity:</div><div>25</div></div> <div><div>Size (12-18")</div><div>\$49</div></div>	Witch hazel <i>Hamamelis virginiana</i> <i>Height: 15-20 feet, Full sun to part shade, Range of soils</i> Produces yellow fragrant flowers which bloom from October to December, great shrub to plant as an understory or shrub border. Also a great wildlife shrub with medicinal purposes. <div><div>Quantity:</div><div>25</div></div> <div><div>Size (12-18")</div><div>\$49</div></div>
Snowberry <i>Symphoricarpos albus</i> <i>Height: 3-8 feet, Full to partial sun, full range of soils.</i> Small pink flower clusters in late spring to fall are followed by showier white berries that persist through the winter. Uses: Ornamental, wildlife food and cover, erosion control <div><div>Quantity:</div><div>25</div></div> <div><div>Size (12-18")</div><div>\$52</div></div>	American Plum <i>Prunus americana</i> <i>Height: 10-15 feet, Prefers full sun, Well-drained soils.</i> Heavy floral display appears in May to early June. Plums ripen in August and September. This native plum provides good cover and food for wildlife on dry sites. <div><div>Quantity:</div><div>25</div></div> <div><div>Size (12-18")</div><div>\$45</div></div>
Highbush Cranberry <i>Viburnum trilobum</i> <i>Height: 10 feet, Moderately shade tolerant, Moist soils.</i> Seen along streams, in open or lightly shaded swamps and wet grounds. Produces clusters of white flowers and scarlet fruits, which birds eat in late winter. <div><div>Quantity:</div><div>25</div></div> <div><div>Size (12-18")</div><div>\$47</div></div>	Winterberry / Michigan Holly <i>Ilex verticillata</i> <i>Height: 6-12 feet, Moderately shade tolerant, tolerant of high water tables.</i> Produces showy red fruit in September-October persisting into mid-winter. <div><div>Quantity:</div><div>25</div></div> <div><div>Seedlings (12-18")</div><div>\$50</div></div>
Ninebark <i>Physocarpus opulifolius</i> <i>Height: 8 feet, Full sun to partial shade, Moist soils</i> Native wetland edge species. Pinkish to off-white flowers give way to small nutlet containing seed heads by early autumn. Recommended for border and screens. <div><div>Quantity:</div><div>25</div></div> <div><div>Size (12-18")</div><div>\$36</div></div>	<div><div>Buyers of Red Pine Pole Timber Leaders in Red Pine Management 6151 Gerwoude Dr. McBain, MI 49657 Phone: 231-825-2233 Fax: 231-825-2107 <i>Tony Furlich & Tony Hitch, Foresters</i></div></div>

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Specialty Packets

10 seedlings in each packet

Deer Food Packet \$31 2 - 12-18" American Hazelnut 2 - 12-18" Chinkapin Oak 2 - 12-18" Persimmon 2 - 12-18" Domestic Apple 2 - 12-18" Coralberry (<i>Buckbrush</i>)	Wildlife Packet \$29 2 - 6-12" Swamp White Oak 2 - 6-12" American Hazelnut 2 - 6-12" Ninebark 2 - 6-12" American Plum 2 - 6-12" Red Osier Dogwood	Beauty Packet \$33 2 - 12-18" Redbud 2 - 12-18" Serviceberry 2 - 12-18" Common Lilac 2 - 12-18" Flowering Dogwood 2 - 12-18" Black Chokeberry
Wild Berry Packet \$32 3 - 6-12" Elderberry 2 - 6-12" Shadblow Serviceberry 3 - 6-12" Flowering Raspberry 2 - 6-12" Red Mulberry	Edible Landscape Packet \$37 2 - 10-16" Blueberry 3 - 6-12" Red Currant 3 - 12-18" Serviceberry 2 - 12-18" Paw Paw	

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UPCOMING EVENTS

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This is our most popular wildlife habitat enhancement packet! Apple tree packets will consist of five 2-year old trees, 3-4 feet in height and 3/4 inches in diameter. These trees will grow to a height of 10-15 feet and are semi dwarf.




This year the packets will contain a combination of any of the following species: Aztec Fuji, Honeycrisp, Linda Mac and Gala. Additional information on each variety will be available at pick up.


PLEASE NOTE: Due to limited quantities, we ask that you limit your order to 4 bundles per customer. After the ordering deadline, if we still have a sizeable reserve, we will gladly accommodate larger orders.

**Price: \$125 per bundle of 5**


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 3 p.m. - 5 p.m.
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Presenters
Tim & Mary Jacobs
Tom Garner
Allissa Conley





Cherry Tree Packets

This is our first year providing cherry trees. This packet will contain a bundle of two Jubileum cherry trees that are 3/4 inches in diameter. These trees are self fertile and winter hardy. These trees will grow to a height of 12-15 feet tall.

A sweeter tart cherry, Jubileum is used for both processing and fresh market. The fruit is dark mahogany, juicy, and can be left to hang on the tree to develop additional sugar.

PLEASE NOTE: Due to limited quantities, we ask that you limit your order to 4 bundles per customer. After the ordering deadline, if we still have a sizeable reserve, we will gladly accommodate larger orders.

**Price: \$52 per bundle of 2**

Mecosta & Osceola-Lake Conservation District

BACKYARD SYRUP MAKING

Saturday, February 10, 2024
10 a.m. - noon

Four Green Fields
15693 Wilson Rd.
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Please dress to be outdoors

\$5 entrance fee

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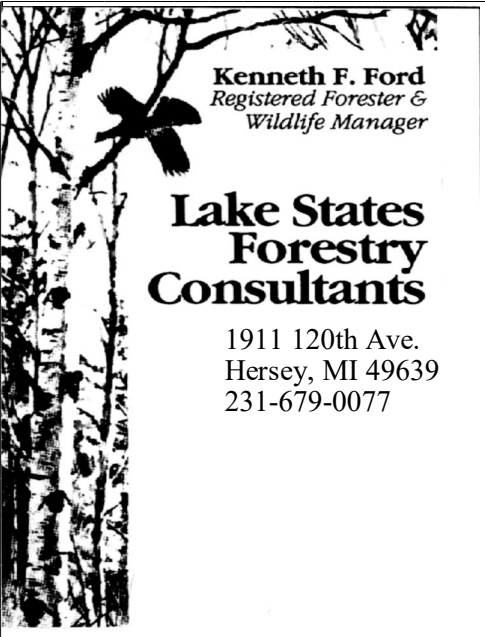
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Location: Big Rapids Community Library • 426 S. Michigan Ave., Big Rapids
Deadline for ordering: Tuesday, May 7th, 2024

Wildflowers	Qty.	Price ea. (Quart)	Cost	Wildflowers Cont.	Qty.	Price ea. (Quart)	Cost
Black-Eyed Susan ***		\$7.00		Swamp / Rose Milkweed		\$7.00	
Blue Flag Iris		\$7.00		Tall Coreopsis		\$7.00	
Blue Vervain		\$7.00		Whorled Milkweed		\$7.00	
Butterfly Weed ***		\$7.00		Wild Bergamot		\$7.00	
Cardinal Flower		\$7.00		Wild Columbine		\$7.00	
Compass Plant		\$7.00		Wild Petunia		\$7.00	
Cup Plant		\$7.00		Yellow Coneflower ***		\$7.00	
Foxglove Beard Tongue		\$7.00		Grasses			
Golden Alexander		\$7.00		Big Bluestem		\$7.00	
Great Blue Lobelia		\$7.00		Indian Grass		\$7.00	
Horsemint		\$7.00		Little Bluestem ***		\$7.00	
Joe Pye Weed ***		\$7.00		Prairie Dropseed		\$7.00	
Lanceleaf Coreopsis		\$7.00		Switch Grass ***		\$7.00	
Lead Plant		\$7.00		38-Plug Flats			
Missouri Ironweed		\$7.00		Butterfly/Pollinator Garden		\$75.00	
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New England Aster		\$7.00		Shade Garden		\$75.00	
Nodding Wild Onion		\$7.00		Single Species Flat (38)		\$65.00	
Orange Coneflower		\$7.00		Single Species Flat (38)		\$65.00	
Prairie Dock		\$7.00		Species name:			
Prairie Smoke		\$7.00		Species name:			
Purple Coneflower ***		\$7.00		Species name:			
Rattlesnake Master		\$7.00		Species name:			
Rosinweed		\$7.00		***Available in 38 plug flat			
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You may also place your order over the phone by calling:

Mecosta CD (989) 309-9229 or (231) 796-0909x3 Osceola-Lake CD (231) 465-8012

With the order form on the left you can order the specific plants you want.

Extra plants of various sizes will be available for purchase on June 7th from noon-4pm.

Plants and presentation provided by Big Bluestem Farm.

Experts will be on site to answer questions.

For specific plant information call :

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Or

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"Your Native Plant is a Seed Factory" Presentation Friday, June 7, 2024 11 a.m.— noon
Big Rapids Community Library, 426 S. Michigan Ave., Big Rapids

Join us for an enlightening discussion where we will dive into the fascinating world of native plant propagation. Discover how these factories contribute to biodiversity, supporting local ecosystems and wildlife. Be prepared to learn about the intricate processes involved in seed collection, storage, and germination. Gain insights into how you can start your own seed factory and contribute to environmental conservation. Don't miss this opportunity to deepen your understanding of native plants and their pivotal role in our ecosystems. Speaker, Ken Hoganson, is the owner of a 170-acre oak-pine barren nature preserve, complete with a native plant nursery and seed farm. He will offer firsthand experiences and valuable insights from someone who is pioneering in Michigan native plant conservation and propagation.



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