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

Please send in orders by **Friday, April 7*** to:

Marshfield Conservation Commission Tree Sale
122 School St.
Marshfield, VT 05648

or drop your order off at the Marshfield town office,
open Tuesday through Friday, 8–12 & 12:30–4

Tree/shrub pickup date:

Saturday, April 29th
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 29th,
please call 426-3100 to arrange an alternative.*

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 2017

19th Annual Shrub & Tree Sale

organized by the
Plainfield & Marshfield
Conservation Commissions
to benefit their conservation programs

**Check out the new varieties
of apples we have this year!**

Place order by Friday, April 7th -
Pick up on Saturday, April 29th, 9-11
in the Plainfield village park
across from the church

Again this year the sale is being held by the conservation commissions that serve the communities of Plainfield and Marshfield. Proceeds from the sale will be divided between the two commissions to further conservation-related projects in both towns.

In past years, Plainfield's Conservation Commission has used the funds to purchase trees and shrubs for parks and streetside locations in the village. Money raised through the sale also helps us qualify for *additional* funds from the **Trees for Local Communities** program at the VT Department of Forests, Parks & Recreation. With contributions from the community that receives a grant, this program offers a 50% match to help purchase and maintain trees in public places.

We chose these varieties for their suitability in a Northern climate as well as for their benefits to local wildlife. While we attempt to provide only native species, those that are not native to our region are not considered to be invasive. Please also be aware that the soil characteristics and the sun and wind exposure of your site will play an important role in how well a tree grows. We'll hand out planting instructions and answer questions when you pick up your order.

*For those of you who are interested in **edible landscaping**, we're again offering new varieties of our staple species: check out the apples, pears, elderberries, currants, and blueberries for a new variety to try. Diversify your garden and extend the harvest season with different colors, flavors, and ripening times.*

Add greenery and edibles to your property for a very reasonable price, and support conservation projects in Plainfield & Marshfield at the same time!

Plant shrubs & trees to:

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

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; foliage attracts deer and rabbits. **Note:** trees come with hefty root ball.

DECIDUOUS TREES

Sugar Maple

Acer saccharum

Excellent hardwood shade tree, with foliage turning bright red, orange and yellow in fall. Seeds attract siskins, grosbeak and finches. Can grow to 60-100 feet. Likes moist soil, but not road salt. **Note:** trees come with a hefty root ball.

Paper Birch

Betula papyrifera

Fast-growing, up to 80' with 20'-30' spread; shiny brown bark when young, maturing to bright white in thin, papery strips. Often planted in groups.

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 fortunate to be able to offer **apple and pear** 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

- **Honeycrisp***—Outstanding for eating fresh, aromatic and sweet with juicy, crisp texture. Compact tree, cold-hardy. Ripens in early September.
- **Pear apple***—An East Montpelier heirloom, almost full russet over light green, very firm, sweet, and flavorful. Great for fresh eating and pies. Hardy, vigorous grower. Ripens late fall.

Note: Honeycrisp and Pear apple are pollen compatible.

Pear

Pyrus spp ; non-native

- **Patten**—One of the hardiest pears for our region. Large fruit, tender & juicy. Ripens in late September. Red foliage in Fall.

**New offering this year!*

- **Summercrisp**—Yellow medium-size fruits with sweet, crisp flesh. Ripens in August; harvest early for best storage (2 mos) Fireblight resistant.

Note: Plant at least two varieties for good pollination.

Ninebark*

Physocarpus opulifolius; non-native

Dart's Gold—Showy shrub with greenish gold leaves. Young leaves mimic forsythia flowers in early spring. White flowers. Year-round interest with peeling bark. 4'-5' mature height and width. Full sun to partial shade.

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'.

Currant: Pink champagne

Ribes sativum; non-native

This is claimed as the tastiest currant for fresh eating! A vigorous upright bush, free of leaf diseases, with beautiful translucent pink fruit. Self fertile. Easy to grow.

Blueberries

Vaccinium corymbosum

Both varieties are hardy in our region. Loves sun and acid soil. Everyone's favorite fruit to pick, excellent for freezing.

- **Patriot**—**Early-season** variety, vigorous and winter-hardy producer of enormous berries with good flavor.
- **Spartan***—**Mid-season** variety. Open clusters of large, firm, powdery light blue fruit with excellent flavor. Disease resistant, prefers light, well-drained soil. Self pollinating, 3-year-old plants.

Note: Plant two varieties of blueberry for good pollination.

Raspberry

Rubus idaeus

- **Caroline**—A vigorous, winter-hardy variety, with tolerance for root rot. It is widely adapted, with medium/large red berries and excellent flavor. Does not tolerate high heat and drought.
- **Latham**—Summer-bearing, mid-season. An heirloom variety from Minnesota with excellent winter hardiness. Med- to-large, bright-red sweet round berries: freeze, jam, or eat them fresh!

Strawberry

Fragaria virginiana

- **Earliglow**—Fruit has firm, glossy skin, firm flesh, and medium size. Its sweet flavor makes it excellent for fresh eating and freezing. The plants are vigorous and runner well. Good resistance to red stele and intermediate resistance to Verticillium wilt.

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

Order by Friday, April 7th!

Your last name

ORDER FORM

Tree or Shrub	Size	Qty.	Price ea.	Amount
White Cedar (with root ball)	3-4'		11.00	
Sugar Maple (with root ball-tall!)	6-8'		20.00	
Paper Birch (bare root)	3-4'		12.00	
Shadbush	12-18"		6.00	
Apple: Honeycrisp	5-6'		29.00	
Apple: Pear apple	5-6'		25.00	
Pear: Patten	5-6'		29.00	
Pear: Summercrisp	5-6'		29.00	
Ninebark	12-18"		12.00	
Elderberry (Black)	2-3'		8.00	
Currant: Pink champagne	8-12"		12.00	
Blueberry: Patriot	12-18"		9.00	
Blueberry: Spartan	12-18"		9.00	
Raspberry: Caroline	10"		4.00	
Raspberry: Latham	10"		4.00	
Strawberry: Earliglow	bundle of 10		7.00	

Please enclose payment with order!

Total ordered \$ _____

Questions? Call 426-3100

What would you like to see offered next year?