

HUDSON VALLEY FARMERS



Ginsberg's has partnered with Hudson Valley Farm Alliance; a nonprofit cooperative of farms located in New York's Hudson Valley region. The cooperative will provide us with fresh local produce to deliver to you throughout the growing season. Local farmers are a vital asset to the region's economy and by purchasing from them we are reducing our environmental impact. Please check with your sales consultant or customer service representative about what varieties are currently available. Below is a list of participating farms and their specialties.

Thank you for consciously choosing to reduce your impact on the environment by choosing locally grown produce.

CLERMONT CIDER HOUSE CLERMONT, NY

Cider makers for many years, this large apple farm recently began the production of apple cider with no additives and no preservatives. It is hot bottled in ½ gal bottles. This cider needs no refrigeration until the bottle is opened. The shelf life is more than one year, but the flavor is just like the best fresh cider. It has taken over three years to perfect this unique cider. Since they use no concentrate this cider is not available until October.

OLD SAW MILL FARM GERMANTOWN, NY

A recent newcomer to the valley, the farm has the mission of finding a sustainable paradigm for farming in the area. It has partnered with the Rider farm in fruit production and has added infrastructure such as cold storage to facilitate local marketing. They handle distribution for the neighbor's farmer-operated coop to institutions such as colleges, hospitals, and local grocery stores.

THE POTTS FARM CLERMONT, NY

Their family was part of the immigration of the Palatinate Germans to the valley in the early 18th century. They have been farming on their current farm for more than 150 years. They grow peaches, plums and apples. The family remains active in village administration, the volunteer fire company and other community activities.

RIDER ORCHARD GERMANTOWN, NY

Robert and Anne Rider have been farming on this site for over 52 years. The farming history of the Rider family goes back generations. They were part of the early settlement of Columbia County. Rider Mills in the northern section of the county are connected to the family. The family has been a member of the Cornell University Cooperative Extension for over 90 years. They grow many varieties of apples, pears, cherries and peaches. The farm has hosted visits from student groups from grade school to college.

V. R. SAULPAUGH AND SONS CLERMONT, NY

The family farms over 900 hundred acres in Columbia and Dutchess counties. They were a part of the early Dutch settlement of the Hudson Valley. Larry Saulpaugh and his business partner John Myers have long been active in the farming communities of northern Dutchess and Columbia counties. John is a leader in the Keep Farming movement. They grow a great variety of vegetables, fruits and grains: Heirloom tomatoes, cherry tomatoes, squash, pumpkins, eggplant, zucchini, peppers, watermelon, soybeans, wheat, corn, and other small grains.

STORYS FARM CATSKILL, NY

This family has been farming in the area since the early part of the 18th century. Today, three generations live on the farm and make their living from the farm. It is located in the town of Catskill at the crossroads of Route 32 and 23A on the banks of Catskill Creek. The youngest generation, two young men in their mid twenties, expects to continue the family's long time commitment to farming. The farm produces a range of products such as sweet corn, tomatoes, a wide assortment of vegetables and greenhouse plants. They also grow great potatoes that are well known in the Hudson Valley. Their stand located on the farm is among the most famous in the state.

RAY TOUSEY LIVINGSTON, NY

The Tousey family has been farming here for over 70 years, having moved to Columbia County from western New York State during the depression of the 1930s. An active participant in such farmers markets as Rhinebeck and Kingston, he grows grapes, berries, and tomatoes. He also has a large number of beehives, which produce some of the best natural honey in this area. (Natural honey is honey that has never been boiled and consequently retains all its natural flavor and goodness.)

WIGSTEN FARM PLEASANT VALLEY, NY

FM Wigsten started this family farm in 1930. Since then his son Warren, grandson Paul and his wife run operations. Paul works full time off the farm at the CIA as produce buyer and farming night and weekends while his wife Robin runs the farm with help from their son William after school and during vacations. They grow over 15 varieties of heirloom tomatoes, 14 varieties of heirloom and hybrid melons, 8 varieties of potatoes and green & yellow zucchini. The farm grows to organic standards but are not certified due to voluminous USDA paperwork.



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