

CONSERVATION NEWS



Marion County Soil and Water Conservation District Newsletter

Spring 2025

Tree Seedling Sale

Bare Root Seedlings Available

Marion SWCD

Marion Soil and Water Conservation District's Annual Tree Sale is now open for orders! Tree quantities are limited, so orders are filled on a first-come, first-served basis. Order early to ensure you get your desired species. Since we do not offer online sales, our office will contact you if your selection is not available at the time we receive your order.

Tree Pick-Up

Orders can be picked up at our office April 15-18, 2025 from 8:00am-4:30 pm. Arrangements can be made for after hours pick-up if needed. Our tree selection is ordered from a Native Tree Nursery in Pennsylvania and shipped. Bare root seedlings are relatively small and orders are filled in paper bags; a large vehicle is not necessary for pick-up unless your order is above average size.

What are Bare Root Trees?

Bare root trees and shrubs mean that the plant has not been potted. Instead, they are dormant trees with no soil around its roots. Each species bare root are dipped in a preservative gel and placed in a plastic bag. Seedlings should be planted immediately into your yard or into a permanent container while still dormant for best chance of survival.

Tree Sale orders can be mailed in with payment or accepted in person during office hours. Cash or check only, credit card payment is not accepted at this time. Order form is located on next page.



Pick Up

April 15-18th
2025

Location

1100 E Center
Street
Marion, OH
43302

Your paragraph text

For More Information

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The Clean Ohio Local Agricultural Easement Purchase Program (LAEPP) provides funding to farmland owners for placing an agricultural easement on their property.

Monies are issued for up to 75 percent of the appraised value of a farm's development rights. A payment cap has been set at \$2,000 per acre, with a maximum of \$500,000 per farm. All easement transactions are recorded on the property deed and transfer with the land to successive owners.

Funds from the purchase of these easements are invested in the local economy by the landowners who use them by expanding their farming operations, purchasing new equipment, reducing debt, adding conservation practices, planning for retirement, sending their children to college or for other purposes. When the state purchases a farmland easement, the proceeds are plowed into Ohio's economy. Landowners must apply for Clean Ohio funds through the Marion Soil and Water Conservation District. These entities are referred to as "local sponsors," and once they are certified, they have the ability to submit applications on a landowner's behalf to the Ohio Department of Agriculture (ODA) for consideration. The Marion Soil and Water Conservation District is now accepting applications for funding round 2025. If you are interested in the program please email Michelle Mattix, michelle.mattix@oh.nacdnet.net.



2025 Tree and Shrub

Bareroot Seedlings

Sale Order Form



Plant Pick-Up April 15 - 18, 2025
8:00 AM - 4:30 PM

Evergreens

American Arborvitae

Grows to 30 feet high and 10 feet wide. Commonly used for windbreaks and privacy. Flattened, scale-like leaves form soft fan-like sprays.

Canaan Fir

Mature height is 40 to 55 feet with a spread of 25 feet. Boasts dense, dark green, fragrant foliage in a pyramidal crown with slender, spire-like tip.

Colorado Blue Spruce

Magnificent sight of blue, blue-silver, or blue-green color, with a mature height of 50 feet and spread of 25 feet. Strong, fresh, piney smell. Grows in full sun.

Eastern White Pine

Soft bundles of five needles. Prefers moist, rich, well-drained, acidic soils. Grows to 80 feet in height and 40 feet in width. A hardy, valuable tree.

Norway Spruce

Distinctive, pendulous branches with dark green needles. Mature tree can be 80 feet tall and 40 feet wide. Good for urban sites and windbreaks.

Broad-Leaf Trees and Shrubs



American Hazelnut - A large shrub with tasty nuts good for humans and wildlife. Grows to about 15 feet in height and width. Prefers reasonably well-drained sites.

American Sycamore - Prefers deep, moist, rich soils of variable pH that are either well-drained or moderately drained, full sun to partial sun. Easily reaching 80 feet tall, with a large canopy of 60 feet at maturity.

Black Locust - Sweet, fragrant, white flowers, tree reaches 50 feet in height and 25 feet in width. Grows quickly in full to part sun.

Swamp White Oak - One of the best hardwoods for wet soils but adapts to dry and average soils. Acorns only take a single season to develop. Mature tree is 60 feet tall and 60 feet wide.

Pawpaw - Produces delicious, custardy, banana-like fruit. Young trees like shady conditions and mature trees like part to full sun. Grows to 25 feet in height and 15 feet in width.

Persimmon - Delicious fruit for humans and wildlife. The mature tree is about 30 feet high and 50 feet wide. This tree is adaptable to a wide variety of soil conditions.



Shagbark Hickory - This shaggy tree, has a trunk with long, peeling strips of bark, and produces delicious, edible nuts. Preferring moist, yet well-drained soils, this is a large tree with a mature height of 60-80 feet and a spread of 40 feet that prefers full or partial sun.



Sugar Maple - A favorite shade tree with beautiful fall color. This tree prefers rich soil with good drainage and full to part sun. Mature size is 80 feet tall and 40 feet wide.

Spicebush - A shrub whose twigs/branchlets emit a spicy fragrance when scraped. Strongly prefers permanently moist to wet soils, but can tolerate drier substrates. Grows to 10 feet in both height and spread, in full to part shade.



Eastern Redbud - Small, ornamental, multi-trunked tree with lovely lavender pink flowers that open before the leaves emerge. Mature size is 30 feet in height and 10 feet in width.

Black Gum - Beautiful fall color that stretches up to 40 feet in height and a 25-foot spread at maturity. Prefers moist, well-drained, acidic soils, tolerates wet conditions and is resistant to drought. Has few disease or insect problems.



White Flowering Dogwood - Showy early spring flowers, red fruits, and crimson foliage in autumn. May reach 15 feet tall and 20 feet wide and strongly prefers evenly moist, well-drained, fertile, deep soils of acidic pH, in partial sun.

Call before you dig! 8-1-1



Safety tip: Raw elderberries are toxic to humans, and all elderberry are toxic to dogs and cats.

For more info & photos visit: <https://ohiodnr.gov/discover-and-learn/plants-trees/common-trees-ohio/common-trees-ohio>

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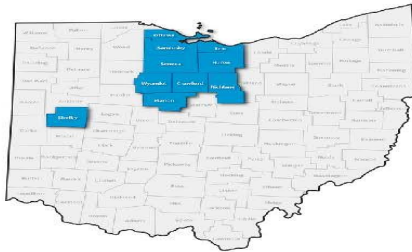


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ENROLLMENT:

March 24-August 15th

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**Enrollment opening
soon in 10 counties:**

Crawford Richland
Erie Sandusky
Huron Seneca
Marion Shelby
Ottawa Wyandot



Contact your local SWCD
for more information or
visit bit.ly/h2ohio-ag5.

**Soil tests are required for enrollment and must be
dated 2022 or after to be eligible.*

CALL 740-387-1314 to GET NEW APPLICATION STARTED

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**Update Your
Soil Tests**



Order your tree seedlings
TODAY

Contact Us

Give us a call for more information about our services and programs.

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