



MOSES ORGANIC FACT SHEET

Resources for Organic Orchardists

This Fact Sheet is a supplement to the MOSES Upper Midwest Organic Resource Directory to provide additional information on resources specific to the organic production and marketing of tree fruits. For a current directory, see www.mosesorganic.org. The list is not exhaustive, nor is it an endorsement of any of the businesses listed. It is based on growers in the Midwest Organic Tree Fruit Network having actually used these businesses. Michael Phillips' book, *The Apple Grower*, also has a source list.

The Organic Tree Fruit Association (OTFA) offers a webpage of resources that aims to be a one-stop location for existing information pertinent to organic tree fruit production east of the Rockies. Join the electronic discussion forum, where growers exchange information and ideas via email. See www.mosesorganic.org/treefruit/intro.htm.

The Organic Farming Research Foundation has final reports of research they funded, including organic tree fruit research. They have a competitive grants program to which growers are encouraged to apply, including funds specifically designated for fruit research. www.ofrf.org • 831-426-6606

Integrated Pest Management programs at many land-grant universities have websites with photos and information on insects, weeds, and diseases.

Suppliers of Products for Organic Orchards

Adams County Nursery, PA

Quality trees including disease-resistant varieties
www.acnursery.com • 717-677-8105

Ag Resource, Inc., MN

Some pesticides, plant nutrients, irrigation, equipment
dgbari@tekstar.com • 800-288-6650

AGRO-K Corporation, MN

Fertility and pest control products
www.agro-k.com • 800-328-2418

Ahimsa Alternative, Inc., MN

Pure neem oil
www.neemresource.com • 877-USE-NEEM

Albert Lea Seed House, MN

Good supplier of organic cover crop seeds, good customer service
www.alseed.com • 800-352-5247

A.M. Leonard, OH

Horticultural tool and supply company
www.amleo.com • 800-543-8955

Bio Organics, CA

Mycorrhizae inoculants, good service
www.bio-organics.com • 888-332-7676

Bioworks, Inc., NY

Biological control products
www.bioworksbiocontrol.com • 800-877-9443

Cummins Nursery, NY

Specialty apple varieties and custom grafting
www.cumminsnursery.com • 607-227-6147

Dramm Corp., WI

Organic fertilizer: www.dramm.com • 800-258-0848

organictreefruit.org

The Organic Tree Fruit Association (OTFA) is a non-profit membership organization dedicated to serving the interests of organic tree fruit growers and advancing the organic tree fruit industry through education, research and advocacy.

Gemplers, WI

Includes hort, pest management, and safety supplies plus a large selection of outdoor commercial items
www.gemplers.com • 800-382-8473

Great Lakes IPM, MI

Insect monitoring systems
www.greatlakesipm.com • 800-235-0285

JR Johnson Supply, MN

Small volume of wholesale level. Some pesticides, many organic fertilizer options. Tools.
www.jrjohnson.com • 800-328-9221

Josephine Porter Institute for Applied Biodynamics, VA

Preparations and information
www.jpibiodynamics.org • 276-930-2463

Midwestern Bio-Ag, WI

Customized soil amendments, OMRI-certified
www.midwesternbioag.com • 800-327-6012

Neptune's Harvest, MA

Cold-pressed, hydrolyzed fish, seaweed, fertilizers
www.neptuneharvest.com • 800-259-4769

OESCO Inc., MA

Everything for orchards you can imagine
www.oescinc.com • 800-634-5557

Onset Technology

IPM weather instruments + HOBO mini sensors
www.onsetcomp.com • 800-564-4377

Peaceful Valley Farm and Garden Supply, CA

Wide variety of supplies & beneficial insects
www.groworganic.com • 888-784-1722

Peach Ridge Orchard Supply, MI

Equipment, moderate pricing
www.peachridge.com • 800-452-6748

Schafer's Fisheries, IL

Cold pressed fish/kelp, family operation.
www.schaferfish.com • 800-291-3474

Scythe Supply, ME

Hand-made scythes, parts
www.scythesupply.com • 207-853-4750

Spectrum Technologies, IL

IPM weather instruments
www.specmeters.com • 800-248-8873

UAP, WI

OMRI-listed pest-control supplies
www.uap.com • 608-539-2090

Consultants to Growers**B&J Consulting, Lansing, IA**

Bob Johnson and Jamie Bjornsen of Countryside Orchard can help with set-up, maintenance and conversion to organic orchards.
Bob: 608-624-3777; Jamie: 563-538-4546

Forest Ag Enterprises, Viola, WI

Mark Shepard can help with agroforestry and permaculture design; woody crops nursery; uncommon fruits; and, tree planting.
forestag@mwt.net • 608-627-8733

Jeanette Yaklin

She's a certified scout working in apples, peaches, pears, plums, and cherries in southeastern Michigan since 1993.
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