



MOSES ORGANIC FACT SHEET

Resources for Organic Orchardists

This Fact Sheet is a supplement to the MOSES Upper Midwest Organic Resource Directory (www.mosesorganic.org) to provide additional information on resources specific to the organic production and marketing of tree fruits. Michael Phillips' book, *The Apple Grower*, also has a source list. 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. It will be updated at least annually. Please provide any input to the Network coordinator at deirdreb@mindspring.com.

Resource Information

The Midwest Organic Tree Fruit Network

To be renamed the *Organic Tree Fruit Association* in 2009. Offering a webpage of informational '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. 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

David Birky is a great resource-he can find items he doesn't stock. Some pesticides, plant nutrients, irrigation, equipment. 800-288-6650. dgbari@tekstar.com

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



Resources Midwestern growers have tried and recommend.

Dramm Corp., WI

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

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. Reasonable, quick, and hassle-free. 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, and other 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 (HOB0 line of mini weather sensors). www.onsetcomp.com 800-564-4377

Peaceful Valley Farm and Garden Supply, CA

Wide variety of supplies, beneficial insects, good customer service. www.groworganic.com 888-784-1722

Peach Ridge Orchard Supply, MI

Orchard equipment, good service and 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 scythe and parts, for those inclined to meditate in the orchard. www.scythesupply.com 207-853-4750

Spectrum Technologies, IL

IPM weather instruments, good customer service. www.specmeters.com 800-248-8873

UAP, WI

OMRI-listed pest control supplies. Ask for Brian Nelson. brian.nelson@uap.com www.uap.com 608-539-2090

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

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

Forest Ag Enterprises, Viola, WI.

Mark Shepard. Agroforestry and permaculture design; woody crops nursery; uncommon fruits; tree planting. forestag@mwt.net 608-627-8733.

Jeanette Yaklin

Certified scout working in apples, peaches, pears, plums, and cherries in southeastern Michigan since 1993. Applejan42@aol.com 810-653-0737.

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Visit www.mosesorganic.org for more resources and tools, including our Organic Resource Directory and the Organic Broadcaster Newspaper. Plan to attend our annual Organic Farming Conference in February. To find upcoming events including MOSES trainings and field days visit our web calendar at: www.mosesorganic.org/events.html

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