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### Spring 2010 Tree Seedling Brochure

DEADLINE TO ORDER - MARCH 31, 2010  
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N – NATIVE

M.H. – MATURE HEIGHT

W – WILDLIFE VALUE

# BERKSHIRE CONSERVATION DISTRICT SPRING 2010 SEEDLING SALE

## TREES

1. **AMERICAN ARBORVITAE** – *Thuja occidentalis* - Makes an elegant, narrow hedge either sheared or left to its natural pyramidal shape. Best in loamy moist soil. **N, W**  
**M.H. 40'**                      **3 yr seedlings**                      **7 - 15"**                      **10/\$12**
2. **WHITE PINE** – *Pinus strobus* - Soft blue-green needles 3-5" long. Fast growth with excellent needle retention. **N**  
**M.H. 100'**                      **3 yr seedling**                      **8 - 15"**                      **10/\$8**
3. **NORWAY SPRUCE** - *Picea abies* – Fastest growing spruce! Prefers moist but well drained soil. Full to part sun. **W**  
**M.H. 50'**                      **4 yr seedling**                      **12 - 24"**                      **10/\$12**
4. **FRASER FIR** – *Abies Fraseri* – Shiny, soft green foliage has a silvery underside and superb needle retention. Prefers fertile, well-drained soil.  
**M.H. 80'**                      **4 yr seedlings**                      **8 – 15"**                      **10/\$12**
5. **BALSAM FIR** – *Abies balsamea* – Fragrant native Christmas tree retains its soft, flat needles well for the holidays. Grows best in cool, well-drained soils, full sun. **N, W**  
**M.H. 50-75'**                      **4 year seedling**                      **8 – 16"**                      **25/\$40**
6. **AMERICAN CHESTNUT** - *Castanea dentata* - Grown from seed collected in a reportedly blight-resistant (not guaranteed), hardy, isolated native stand. Large, sweet edible nuts. **N, W**  
**M.H.. 100'**                      **1 year seedling**                      **3-6"**                      **2/\$5**
7. **AMERICAN PLUM** – *Prunus americana* - Small, deciduous, single trunk trees or a multi-stemmed shrub. Profuse white flowers appear in early spring before the foliage. Very hardy & easily grown as it tolerates a variety of conditions. **N,W**  
**M.H. 12-25'**                      **1 year seedling**                      **2-3'**                      **2/\$7**
8. **PAPER BIRCH** - *Betula papyrifera* – The most ornamental of all the native birches with white peeling bark and golden fall color. Fast growing, does best in full sun. **N, W**  
**M.H. 80'**                      **2 year seedling**                      **18-24"**                      **2/\$7**
9. **SUGAR MAPLE** - *Acer saccharum* - Ideal sturdy shade tree. Gorgeous yellow to scarlet fall color. Full sun. **N, W**  
**M.H. 100'**                      **2 year seedling**                      **12-24"**                      **2/\$5**
10. **RED MAPLE** – *Acer rubrum* - Popular shade tree. Covered in clusters of small red spring flowers before leaves. Leaves turn flaming shades of red, yellow, orange in fall. Will grow on a range of sites and soils, wet to dry. Shade tolerant. **N, W**  
**M.H. 100'**                      **2 year seedling**                      **24-36"**                      **2/\$7**
11. **RED OAK** - *Quercus rubra* - Beautiful rapid growing oak with stout spreading branches forming a broad round topped head with large leaves turning dark red in fall. Fantastic shade tree! **N**  
**M.H. 80'**                      **2 year seedling**                      **18-24"**                      **2/\$7**
12. **WHITE OAK** – *Quercus alba* - Slow to medium growth rate, large majestic form. Valuable hardwood. Good fall color, excellent acorn production. **N, W**  
**M.H. 80'**                      **2 year seedling**                      **18-24"**                      **2/\$7**

## SHRUBS

13. **AMERICAN CRANBERRY BUSH** – *Viburnum trilobum* - White flowers in flat clusters in May, red foliage in autumn with scarlet edible berries thru winter. Well drained, moist soil, sun or part shade. **N,W**  
**M.H.12-15'**                      **2 year seedling**                      **18-24"**                      **2/\$7**

14. **SERVICEBERRY** - *Amelanchier canadensis* – Blooms in early spring; covered with billowy masses of small white flowers. Berry-like edible fruits in summer are maroon-red. Fall color is brilliant yellow to red. Full sun to part shade. **N, W**  
**M.H. 25'**                      **2 year seedling**                      **12-18"**                      **2/\$7**

15. **OLD FASHIONED LILAC** – *Syringa Vulgaris* – Masses of very fragrant, light lavender flowers in late spring. Old flowers should be cut off as soon as flowers fade. An old fashioned favorite! Makes a wonderful flowering screen, space 6 feet apart. Full sun.  
**M.H. 6-10'**                      **3 year seedling**                      **12-24"**                      **2/\$5**

16. **WINTERBERRY HOLLY** – *Ilex verticillata* - Dense clusters of bright red berries attract birds from early fall through mid-winter. Excellent fall and winter color. Will tolerate wet conditions. Plant 10 or more to ensure pollination. **N, W**  
**M.H.6-12'**                      **2 year seedling**                      **12-18"**                      **5/\$11**

17. **'J P CONNELL' ROSE (TM)** - *Rosa x 'J P Connell'* - Lemon-yellow fragrant double flowers occur singly or in clusters. Recurrent bloomer is powdery mildew resistant. Full sun.  
**M.H. 4'**                      **Rooted Cutting**                      **6-12"**                      **1/\$10**

18. **'MORDEN RUBY' ROSE** - *Rosa x 'Morden Ruby'* – aka Parkland shrub rose has large, double, ruby red blooms in clusters of 5 to 10 on a small shrub . Recurrent bloomer is disease resistant. Full sun.  
**M.H. 3'**                      **Rooted Cutting**                      **6-12"**                      **1/\$10**

19. **RHODODENDRON** - **'Nova Zembla'** - A dense-growing, small evergreen shrub that displays large trusses of red flowers in spring. Leaves are dark, lustrous green all year. Proven hardy from northern gardens. Plant in good, well drained soil. Full sun. **W**  
**M.H. 6-10'**                      **1 year**                      **3-6" plug**                      **2/\$8**

20. **NANNYBERRY** – *Viburnum lentago* - Flat clusters of white flowers, late May. Purplish-black berries, fall and winter are winter food for birds. Shiny dark green leaves turn purplish-red in fall. Good as background screen, space 10 feet apart. A good wetland variety. **N,W**  
**M.H. 10-30'**                      **3 year seedling**                      **24-36"**                      **2/\$7**

21. **WEeping FORSYTHIA** – *Forsythia suspense* - Upright arching habit provides "golden fountain" effect during early spring bloom. Yellow fall color. Adaptable to most soil types. Will tolerate some shade/drought, best bloom in full sun.  
**M.H. 10'**                      **2 year seedling**                      **18-24"**                      **2/\$7**

## GROUNDCOVERS

22. **PERIWINKLE** – *Vinca minor* – Also known as Myrtle. Very hardy with small, shiny ever-green leaves with violet-blue flowers in the spring. Spreads in all directions. Sun or shade.  
**M.H. 6"**                      **10 – 20 leads per plant**                      **100 plants /\$48**

23. **YEW, DENSIFORMIS LOW SPREADING** - *Taxus x media 'Densiformis'* - A low growing, very dense, compact spreading yew with bright green color. Very good for low foundation plantings.  
**M.H. 3'**                      **3 year**                      **4-8"**                      **2/\$6**

## EDIBLES

24. **EVERBEARING BLACKBERRIES** – *Prime Jan* – Fruits on first year canes!—a breakthrough for Northern growers who have trouble overwintering. Mow the canes to the ground early spring. The new growth produces berries in September. Sweet berries ripen June-July.  
**M.H. 4-6'**                      **Cane Stock**                      **5/\$24**

25. **HIGH BUSH BLUEBERRIES** – Includes one of each variety: Patriot, Bluecrop, and Jersey. Needs moist, acid soil with good drainage & full sun. Winter hardy, vigorous, and consistent!  
**Bare root**                      **3yr 18-24"**                      **3/\$27**

**26. ASPARAGUS** – *Jersey Knight* - Extremely vigorous, large, succulent spears. Has excellent flavor, and is disease resistant. Will perform equally well in heavy, clay-like soils. Suggested # Plants for Family of Four: 25-50

**Bare root** **25/\$14**

**27. RASPBERRIES** – *Caroline* – A fall bearing variety with a rich, full, and intense raspberry flavor. A very vigorous variety of raspberry with more tolerance for root rot.

**Cane Stock** **5/\$14**

**28. STRAWBERRIES** – *Cabot* – Known for its huge sized berries, excellent flavor, winter hardiness and disease resistance. Suggested # Plants for Family of Four: 50-200

**Bare root** **25/\$9**

### APPLE TREES

Before you begin growing apples, make sure you have room for at least 2 trees and can provide full sun; at least six hours of sunlight each day. Space 10' to 15' apart.

**29. CORTLAND** - Tart tangy flavor. Excellent for eating, cooking and cider. Vigorous, long lived tree is annually productive and starts bearing early. Winter hardy.

**M.H. 10-12'** **4-5'** **\$18**

**30. HONEYCRISP** - Exceptionally crisp, juicy apple with mild sweet flavor. Distinctive mottled red colored apple over yellow background. Winter hardy, but must be staked.

**M.H. 10-12'** **4-5'** **\$18**

### MISCELLANEOUS

**31. FERTILIZER TABS** -10 gram 20-10-5 **25/\$5**

**32. 6' TREE SEEDLING STAKE** **2/\$3**

**33. MOUSEGUARDS**- protect your young trees! **2/\$3**

**34. TOTE BAG** has MACD logo - Recycled canvas **1/\$7**  
shopping tote bag made of recycled cotton,  
16"wide x 15.5" tallx5" flat bottom.  
Supports Massachusetts Association of Conservation Districts.

### NATURALIST POCKET GUIDES 1/\$5

**35. Massachusetts Trees & Wildflowers**

**36. Massachusetts Butterflies & Moths**

**37. Massachusetts Birds**



**38. The Night Sky**

**39. Edible Wild Plants**

**40. Animal Tracks**

### DEER & SMALL CRITTER REPELLANT

**41. 1 LB SOLUBLE POWDER DEER REPELLANT!** **\$22**  
Covers 300-400 seedlings

**42. 1 LB SMALL CRITTER REPELLANT (granular)** **\$10**  
Easy to use shaker container covers 600 sq ft

**43. 3 lb. GRANULAR PLANTSKYDD SHAKERPAK** **\$24**  
*More economical and works on voles and chipmunks!*

### RAFFLES!

DRAWING HELD ON 4/1  
Prize will be included in your order.

**44. Assorted Plants (\$75 Value)** **6chances/\$5**

**45. Two Bluebird Boxes** **6chances/\$5**

## SOIL TESTING

**Master Gardeners** will conduct soil testing and be available to answer questions on pruning, composting, and bare root planting methods at the **LANESBORO pick-up site ONLY** on May 1<sup>ST</sup> from 9 to Noon. A **\$1.00 donation** to the Master Gardeners for this service would be appreciated

### HOW TO TAKE A SOIL SAMPLE

- ✓ Dig a hole 6-8 inches deep (3-4 inches for lawns) and set soil aside.
- ✓ Using a clean trowel, take a thin vertical slice from the side of hole. Place in clean container.
- ✓ Take at least 5 samples from the test area; mix well in a container.
- ✓ Place ½ cup of this mixed soil in small plastic bag, close tightly, and label outside of bag.

## DISTRICT MEMBERSHIP

Renew your annual membership now! By becoming a member of the Berkshire Conservation District, not only do you help support our programs, but you are also eligible to **save 10 %** on any order placed this year. The *annual* membership fee is \$20.

## PLEASE NOTE:

**DEADLINE TO ORDER - MARCH 31<sup>ST</sup>**

- \* SEEDLINGS MUST BE PLANTED PROMPTLY OR
- \* 'HEEL IN' IF PLANTING IS DELAYED
- \* **SURVIVAL OF SEEDLINGS NOT GUARANTEED**
- \* **ORDER EARLY! SUPPLIES ARE LIMITED!**

**PICK UP PLANTS BY MAY 1<sup>ST</sup>**



**MONUMENT MT H.S. STUDENTS  
WILL HAVE PERENNIALS & PANSIES  
FOR SALE DURING PICKUP HOURS  
AT MMHS GREENHOUSE!  
Saturday May 1<sup>st</sup> 9am to Noon!**

### District Board of Supervisors

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## ORDER FORM

To place an order for the Spring 2010 Seedling Sale, Order online thru PayPal (credit card) or mail this order form with a check by March 31, 2010 to: Berkshire Conservation District, 78 Center Street, Suite 206, Pittsfield, MA 01201-6171  
 Cash or Check payable to The Berkshire Conservation District must accompany orders mailed or dropped off.  
 Confirmation of your order, an order number, a map and directions will be sent to you once your order is processed.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
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 (Please add our email address ([deborah.burke@ma.usda.gov](mailto:deborah.burke@ma.usda.gov)) to your address book so your computer will not reject us as spam.)  
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Species	Price	Units	Total
<b>TREES</b>			
American Arborvitae	10/\$12		
White Pine	10/\$8		
Norway Spruce	10/\$12		
Fraser Fir	10/\$12		
Balsam Fir	25/\$40		
American Chestnut	2/\$5		
American Plum	2/\$7		
Paper Birch	2/\$7		
Sugar Maple	2/\$5		
Red Maple	2/\$7		
Red Oak	2/\$7		
White Oak	2/\$7		
<b>SHRUBS</b>			
American Cranberry Bush	2/\$7		
Serviceberry	2/\$7		
Old Fashioned Lilac	2/\$5		
Winterberry Holly	5/\$11		
JP Connell Rose	1/\$10		
Morden Ruby Rose	1/\$10		
Rhododendron Nova Zembla	2/\$8		
Nannyberry	2/\$7		
Weeping Forsythia	2/\$7		
<b>GROUNDCOVERS</b>			
Periwinkle	100/\$48		
Yew	2/\$6		

Species	Price	Units	Total
<b>EDIBLES &amp; MISC.</b>			
Everbearing Blackberries	5/\$24		
High Bush Blueberries	3/\$27		
Asparagus	25/\$14		
Raspberries	5/\$14		
Strawberries	25/\$9		
Cortland Apple	1/\$18		
Honeycrisp Apple	1/\$18		
Fertilizer Tabs	25/\$5		
Mouseguards	2/\$3		
6' Tree Stakes	2/\$3		
Tote Bag	1/\$7		
<b>NATURALIST POCKET GUIDES</b>			
Mass. Trees & Wildflowers	\$5		
Mass. Birds	\$5		
The Night Sky	\$5		
Edible Wild Plants	\$5		
Animal Tracks	\$5		
<b>DEER &amp; CRITTER REPELLANT</b>			
1lb Soluble Deer Repellant	\$22		
1lb Granular Sm Critter Repellant	\$10		
3lb Granular Shakerpak	\$24		
<b>RAFFLES</b>			
Asst. Plants \$75 Value	6 chance/\$5		
Two Bluebird Boxes	6 chances/\$5		

**INDICATE YOUR PICKUP SITE CHOICE:**

- Burke's 2 Andes Rd. Peru, MA \_\_\_\_\_  
Friday, 4/30 3PM -5PM or Saturday, 5/1<sup>ST</sup> 9 – NOON
- Lakeview Orchard Old Cheshire Rd. Lanesboro \_\_\_\_\_  
Friday, 4/30 3PM -5PM OR MAY 1<sup>ST</sup> 9AM – NOON
- Monument Mt HS Greenhouse \_\_\_\_\_  
Great Barrington ONE DAY ONLY MAY 1<sup>ST</sup> 9AM – NOON

A map and directions will be sent to you once your order is processed along with confirmation of your order and an order number.

<b>ORDER SUB TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>
<b>HANDLING FEE</b>	<b>\$4.00</b>
<b>DONATION (TAX-DEDUCTIBLE)</b> <b>INDICATE CHOICE</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Berkshire County Conservation _____	
BCC Scholarship _____	
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Mass. Envirothon _____	
<b>TOTAL PAYMENT ENCLOSED</b>	<b>\$</b>

**DEADLINE TO PLACE ORDER 3/31/10**

**PLEASE NOTE: ORDERS NOT PICKED UP on PICKUP DAY WILL BE CONSIDERED A DONATION.**

## BERKSHIRE CONSERVATION DISTRICT SPRING 2010 SEEDLING SALE

Founded in 1946, the Berkshire Conservation District is one of more than 3,000 conservation districts across the country. Authorized by state law and guided by an elected volunteer Board of Supervisors, Berkshire Conservation District is a not for profit agency dedicated to the conservation of natural resources in Berkshire County. The District works in cooperation with state, federal, and local agencies on matters of natural resource protection.

Some of the programs funded by our sales include conservation planning assistance, soil survey reports, training workshops, & technical assistance. We also provide assistance to conservation education programs like the [Envirothon](#) and scholarships for BCC & UMass students.

Thank you for your continued support !



ORDER BY MARCH 31<sup>ST</sup>