# THINKING ABOUT FRESH CUT HOLIDAY CHRISTMAS TREES? HOW ABOUT AN ECO-TREE?

We've been farming sustainably on the Licking Creek Bend Farm since 1972. Although we rotate vegetable fields yearly, we have about 8 acres of marginal land. Christmas trees have proven to be a viable and earth-conscious choice for marginal acres. Going against industry standards, we grow trees without the use of herbicides (which stop the growth of weeds, but pollute the soil and water), pesticides or artificial colors. The results have been attractive, natural-looking, fresh- cut trees free of pesticides, sprays or colors. Although more intensive manual labor is used to grow them, we keep them affordable at \$20 - 125 a tree. (Customers are encouraged to come in the spring and help plant new trees).

Check out this video done by GWU students about our Christmas Trees:

#### HERE'S WHAT WE HAVE AVAILABLE THIS YEAR:

## **CHARLIE BROWN TREES**

These trees are all imperfect, but have their own character and look nice. \$25-40 range under 6ft. Over, add \$5/foot.

# COLORADO BLUE SPRUCE

Limited number this year. (The tallest and prettiest of our trees – 6½-12 ft +). Takes 22-30 years to grow. Natural shape. Great for candles or heavy ornaments. Citrus-like aroma (sharpish needles). \$55-125.

# **DOUGLAS FIRS**

More available than other varieties. A popular tree. Soft needles, nice aroma. 6-14 ft. \$50-140.

#### **CON-COLOR FIRS**

Soft needles, 6-9 ft. \$50-85. Nice citrusy aroma!

## WHITE PINE

These are the heirloom trees. Soft needles, looks pretty. Cannot support heavy ornaments though. 6-12 ft. \$45-95. On the bushy side.

# TABLE TOP TREES

We will have plenty "table top" trees (3-4 ft). Ask to "top off" trees from very large trees so the tree can continue to grow. \$30-35.

#### WREATHS/ROPING

Plain wreaths are \$12.00 with tree order; \$15 without. Roping \$1/ft. Both limited. So order soon! Decorate your wreaths with....

HOLLY and BOUGHS
Priced by the amount.
A decent size box with both, \$25.

If you are planning to give a tree as a gift to a teacher, a limited-income family, or community worker, you can have them contact us to come and pick one out in your price-range. We discount gift trees. If you know of a family who can't afford a tree, we'll have a limited number of trees we can donate anonymously.

#### **HOW TO ORDER**

Please email esiegel2@igc.org and place your order ASAP.

# **ORDER MUST INCLUDE:**

1. your name, 2. email, 3. phone, 4. type of tree, 5. height, 6. pick up location, 7. when you want to pick up, 8. wreath order, 9. Rope (#ft) order, 10. Holly (how much), 11. Boughs (how much).

We'll bring trees down to pick up location. Pick-ups in Takoma Park are Friday – Monday weekly, starting the week after Thanksgiving, and Saturday mornings at the **Adams Morgan Farm Market** (8:00am – 1:00pm) until December 22th. Call to arrange for pick up 301-587-1739 or let us know if you have a special circumstance. Please pay by check or cash.

Mark your pick up date on your calendar. Bring bungee cord and rope. Most trees fit inside cars! If you'd like to pick a tree from the farm, Michael likes the company and it's an adventure.

The trees are fresh cut for you, so if you don't pick it up, it will have been cut for naught. It's sad to see a lone tree abandoned. We feel their pain! And we don't need more pain!

Happy Holidays 2018