



MassGrown and Fresher News – Keep your Love Local this Valentine’s Day

Even though it’s cold outside, our growers and food producers are keeping busy selling at over 40 [Winter Farmers’ Markets](#) and planning for the spring. [The Boston Public Market](#), with approximately 38 vendors and demonstration kitchen, has something for everyone; seasonal produce, flowers, cheese, fish, meat, honey, wine, baked goods, chocolate and more!

It’s also a time to think about signing up for a CSA share. Did you know Massachusetts is 6th in the nation for CSA farms. [Learn more and find a farm near you.](#)



Our [Savor Massachusetts](#) program has so much to offer the curious culinary traveler. Check out our updated additions to *Savor Massachusetts* - [Craft Distillers](#) and [Hard Apple Cider Producers](#). Many use local products, have tasting rooms and offer tours. **Be sure to always sip responsibly!**

This month we feature Steve Verrill as our featured “[Face of Massachusetts Agriculture](#).” Here we pay tribute to the rich diversity of the Massachusetts agricultural community by recognizing the individual’s contribution to the long-term sustainability of agriculture in the Commonwealth. You also won’t want to miss our special recipe of the month; [“Verrill Farm’s Flourless Chocolate Cake with Ganache Glaze.”](#)

Ski conditions may not be ideal, so instead, use our [Calendar of Culinary & Agricultural Events](#) to plan a family fun adventure.

Here are a few fun events coming up and stay tuned for details on the [3rd Annual Maple Weekend, March 19-20.](#)

- **Greenfield** - Feb. 6: [Greenfield Winter Fare](#)

- **Plymouth** - Feb. 12 -13: [Bread Baking Workshop](#), Plimoth Plantation
- **Martha's Vineyard** - Feb. 13-14: [Alpaca Discovery Class](#), Island Alpaca Company
- **Hadley** - Feb. 13 - 14: [Sugarin' Pancake Breakfast](#), North Hadley Sugar Shack
- **Great Barrington** - Feb. 13: [Berkshire Grown Winter Farmers' Market](#)
- **Concord** - Feb: 16: [A Cookie Carnival](#), Verrill Farm
- **Wellesley** - Feb. 19: [2nd Annual School Gardens Conference](#), Massachusetts Horticultural Society
- **Wayland** - Feb. 20: [New England Cheese Day](#)
- **Stockbridge** - Feb. 27: [Maple Sugaring at Home](#), Berkshire Botanical Garden
- **Dover** – Feb. 28: [Movie Night](#), Powisett Farm

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