

MassGrown and Fresher News – This Holiday Season, Make Your Thanksgiving Celebration a Locally Sourced Affair!

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Although most of us will be traveling less and have fewer people around our Thanksgiving Day tables this year, that doesn't mean you can't make it a memorable and delicious meal with all the fixings! Now is the time to start making plans for your upcoming holiday dinner. In Massachusetts, there are many locally grown or produced options for you to choose from, thanks to our dedicated

farmers. Whether you are visiting one of the over 600 <u>farmstands</u>, over 30 <u>winter</u> <u>farmers' markets</u> in the state, Massachusetts Agriculture has what you're looking for to make your meals "Massachusetts Grown!"

The "MassGrown and fresher" website is your go-to source that offers a variety of search options on the interactive "MassGrown map." Under the "Crops or Activities" drop down menu, simply enter in what you're looking for. Search options that you might be looking for are cranberries, turkey, vegetables, and more!

Looking to make/cook something new this year - We have some great local sourced websites for recipes:

- Edible Boston/Worcester's <u>Galantine of Turkey</u>, or <u>Deep-Fried Judy Bird with</u> Thyme Gravy
- Cape Cod Cranberry Association recipes
- New England Apples recipe page includes over 15 ways to make the traditional apple pie! to over 25 ways to incorporate apples into drinks, appetizers, salads and more!

To make sure you have drinks to complement your meals, don't forget to check out our expanded <u>Craft Beverage webpage</u> and <u>map</u>. It includes listings for Massachusetts wineries, craft breweries, and distilleries.

Combine two local ingredients, local heavy cream and maple syrup, and make your own whipped cream to put on your favorite Thanksgiving desserts! Both local dairy and maple syrup are available year-round and make for a yummy treat during the holidays. <u>Check</u> out the recipe here!

Visit our <u>Calendar of Culinary and Agricultural events</u> for virtual events. Updates made weekly.



Boston Public Market

The Market continues to offer an assortment of local businesses and products that are unique to Massachusetts. They are now open with new days and hours: Wed. – Sat. from 8:00 am – 6:00

pm. Learn more here.

*Already thinking about Christmas plans? There are many good reasons to get a local Christmas Tree. <u>Learn more here.</u>

Starting December 1st we will be offering our 25 days of Holiday ideas on our social media platforms. Some posts will include ways to win holiday prizes including the <u>2021</u> Massachusetts Agriculture Calendar. Follow us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram.

