

MIDDLESEX CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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2017 SPRING PLANT SALE

Friday 4/21 (3-6 pm) Saturday 4/22 (8am-noon)

4H Fairgrounds, 51 South Chelmsford Rd, Westford

Order deadline March 31 2017

The Middlesex Conservation District is a not for profit environmental agency, dedicated to protecting soils and waters in Middlesex County. We hold plant sales twice a year to raise money for our programs.

Early Order Bonus! If we receive your order by March 14 - placed online or by mail in our office - you will automatically be entered into a drawing to receive a selection of six unusual perennials (not found elsewhere in this catalog).

GARDEN SUPPLIES

Damminix TickTubes

Damminix Tick Tubes[®] are biodegradable, cardboard tubes filled with environmentally safe permethrin treated cotton balls. Mice collect the cotton to build their nests. Deer ticks that feed on mice in the spring and fall are exposed to permethrin and killed. Mice, other mammals and your land are unharmed. Box of 6 tubes treats 1/8 acre of "mouse habitat" (densely planted garden beds, brushy areas, stone walls, etc.). For more complete instructions visit www.ticktubes.com.

Box of 6 tubes \$25
Box of 24 tubes \$65

Cedar Bluebird House

Crafted of rot and insect resistant cedar, these nestboxes are designed for Eastern Bluebirds. These feature a predator guard, raised mesh floor, air vent and cleanout doors and measure 12" x 8.1" x 5.5", with option for pole or flush mount. More info will be included with purchase; please see www.sialis.org for lots of great bluebird advice!

\$25

Black Gold Improve your soil and fertilize your plants with Great Brook Farm's composted cow manure. Composted for over a year, and ready to use now. Bags of approximately 40 lb. sold by volume, not weight. (Our volunteers will help you load bags into your car). **\$7/bag**

Rain Barrel

Our 60 gallon rain barrels are made in MA from refurbished food grade barrels. The barrel comes complete with overflow fittings, drain plug, screw on cover, and a threaded spigot with a choice of two ports to use with either a watering can or a garden hose. **\$80**

Neptune's Harvest Hydrolyzed Fish Fertilizer (made in MA)
Organic fertilizer made in MA from fresh North Atlantic fish. Processed to retain vitamins, enzymes, hormones and micronutrients, low odor formula. Concentrate; makes 16 gallons.

16oz concentrate **\$14**

Fertilizer Tablets 12-12-12 10 gram slow release tablets supply major nutrients needed by establishing plants for up to two years. Use 1 tablet at planting for all seedlings and transplants, 2 for established plants 6" and larger, and 1 tablet per half inch diameter for trees. **15 tablets/\$5**

SHRUBS AND TREES

S = Sun PS = Part Sun Sh = Shade N = US Native

Featured Offering: Dutchman's Pipevine (*Aristolochia tomentosa*)

N/S/PS

Dutchman's Pipevine is a native vine reaching 25', with large heart shaped leaves that provide quick coverage for trellises, pergolas, etc. It is the host plant for the Pipevine Swallowtail – a beautiful blue native butterfly with a fearsome looking caterpillar - and produces unusual 2" pipe shaped flowers. It grows in sun or part shade; pipevines were fashionable in Victorian gardens and are experiencing a resurgence in popularity.

Quart pot \$14

American Chestnut (*Castanea dentata*) N/S
Stately native tree, with rapid growth, reaches 50'-75'; bears sweet edible nuts beginning around 7-8 years old. These seedlings are selected from populations showing some blight resistance.
12"-18" seedlings 2/\$8

Nannyberry (*Viburnum lentago*) N/S/PS
Large native shrub, can also be pruned as a small tree, 14'-18', large clusters of white flowers in spring. Fruits can be made into jams/jellies, also attract birds and wildlife.
1yr seedlings, 12"-18" 3/\$9

American Crabapple (*Malus coronaria*) N/S/PS
Small native tree 15'-25', very fragrant pink flowers in spring, fruits used to make preserves, cider, etc. Very good wildlife value for birds and pollinators.
12"-18" seedlings 3/\$8

New Jersey Tea (*Ceanothus americanus*) N/S/PS
Small native shrub to 3', fragrant white flowers spring to summer, good pollinator plant.
2.5" pot \$5

American Hazelnut (*Corylus americana*) N/S/PS
Native shrub 8'-15', sun or part shade, with very tasty nuts and lovely fall color. Attracts a wide variety of wildlife and birds.
12"-18" seedlings 3/\$9

Oakleaf Hydrangea 'Alice' (*H. quercifolia*) N/S/PS
Native hydrangea 5'-8', grown for its 12" clusters of white flowers in summer, which age to pale pink. Sun or part shade.
2.5" pot \$8

American Mountain Ash (*Sorbus americana*) N/S
Native tree 15'-30' for full sun, attractive foliage, white flowers in spring. Bright red fruits attract birds and wildlife, can also be used in jams and jellies.
12"-18" seedlings 3/\$9

Red Buckeye (*Aesculus pavia*) N/S/PS
Native shrub/small tree 12'-15', with large panicles of bright red flowers attractive to hummingbirds. Dislikes dry soil, prefers moist organic conditions.
1yr seedlings, 12"-18" 2/\$8

Beauty Berry 'Early Amethyst' (*Callicarpa*) S/PS
Small shrub 3'-4' tall grown for its fall display of metallic purple berries which persist after leaves fall.
2.5" pot \$6

Rosebay Rhododendron (*R. maximum*) N/PS/Sh
Native evergreen shrub 6'-15', large rosy purple to pink flowers in June. Needs moist organic soils, no full sun, will bloom in almost total shade.
3" pot, 6" tall \$7

Buttonbush 'Magical Moonlight' (*Cephalanthus*) N/S/PS
Native shrub 5'-8' with fragrant spiky round white flowers in spring, large seed clusters in fall, both attract wildlife. Any soil except very dry, fine in boggy conditions.
2.5" pot \$7

Saskatoon Serviceberry (*Amelanchier alnifolia*) N/S/PS
Native shrub 6'-10', white flowers in spring followed by edible blue berries, great fall color. Fruits and flowers attract butterflies and songbirds.
1yr seedlings, 12"-18" 3/\$9

Common Witchhazel (*Hamamelis virginiana*) N/S/PS
Excellent native shrub/small tree 15'-25', spidery yellow flowers appear in fall. Seeds attract birds; host plant for the spring azure butterfly. Sun or shade.
12"-18" seedlings 3/\$9

Swamp Rose (*Rosa palustris*) N/S
Small native rose 3'-6', single pink flowers, prefers moist to wet soil, full sun. Nice fall color, numerous bright red hips.
1yr seedlings, 12"-18" 2/\$8

Fothergilla 'Mt. Airy' (*Fothergillax*) N/S/PS
Hybrid of two native species, 'Mt Airy' grows to 4'-5', with white bottlebrush flowers in spring, blue-green foliage, and spectacular fall color. A great choice to replace burning bush.
2.5" pot \$7

Weigela 'Minor Black' (*Weigela x*) S
Small shrub 3' x3' with very dark purplish red foliage, pink flowers in May/June, moist soils preferred.
2.5" pot \$7

Honeysuckle 'John Clayton' (*Lonicera sempervirens*) N/S/PS
Native vine to 12', full sun, with tubular fragrant yellow flowers, then red fruits (inedible). Attractive to hummingbirds, bees and butterflies.
Quart pot \$12

Wild Grape (*Vitis riparia*) N/S/PS
Native woody vine to 50', grapes are sweet/tart without the 'foxy' taste of other wild grapes, used in preserves, wines, or eaten fresh. An invaluable wildlife plant attracting mammals, birds and pollinators.
1yr seedlings, 12"-18" 3/\$9

Lilac 'Paliban' (*Syringa meyeri*) S
Compact variety reaching 4'-5', fragrant single pink flowers, full sun only. Blooms April/May.
2.5" pot \$6

Winterberry (*Ilex verticillata*) N/S/PS
Native deciduous holly 3'-12', not fussy about light but likes medium to wet soils, showy red berries in fall held through winter. Birds love the berries.
1yr seedlings, 12"-18" 5/\$11

FRUITS/EDIBLES

(For specifics on growing fruit plants, visit our supplier's website: www.noursefarms.com and click on 'Planting Guide' on the left)

Asparagus 'Jersey Knight'

Vigorous all male variety, resistant to rust, crown rot and fusarium. Space 12" apart in 6" deep furrows in a sunny location. Fill in as spears grow until furrows are filled. Water well first year.

25 crowns/\$18

Blackberry 'Triple Crown'

Thornless summer bearing variety with medium sized berries. Recommended for home gardeners. Space 3'-4' apart.

5 bare root plants/\$28

Blueberry 'Blueray/Northland'

One of each for best cross-pollination and fruit production. Both are mid season varieties adapted for winter hardiness, reaching 4-5' in height. Soil pH must be 4.5-4.8. Space 4'-5' apart.

One of each variety, 18"-30"/\$27

Raspberry 'Latham'

Summer bearing midseason variety, consistently dependable. Excellent winter hardiness, suitable for fresh eating, jams, freezing. Space 18"-24" apart.

10 bare root plants/\$30

Rhubarb 'Macdonald'

Vigorous strain with large tender stalks, selected for home gardeners.

Bare root division \$12

Strawberry 'Honeyoye'

June bearing early mid season variety great for beginners and home gardeners; hardy and productive. Top seller for 30 years.

25 bare root plants/\$10

GROUNDCOVERS

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Geranium 'Karmina' (*G x cantabrigiense*)

Low growing, spreading variety reaching 6"-10", forms a carpet of bright pink flowers.

2.5" pot \$5

S/PS

Wild Strawberry (*Fragaria virginiana*)

Small native strawberry, forms a low spreading mat 6" tall, white flowers followed by tiny sweet/tart edible fruits.

2.5" pot \$6

N/S/PS

Juniper 'Blue Rug' (*Juniper horizontalis*)

Steely blue green foliage, to 12" tall, forms a dense carpet. Foliage takes on a purple sheen in cold weather. Grows slowly to 4'-5' wide.

3" pot \$7

S/PS

Whorled Stonecrop (*Sedum ternatum*)

Native sedum with starry white flowers, grows in sun or shade, very nice in rock gardens, edging.

2.5" pot \$5

N/S/PS

Pachysandra (*Pachysandra terminalis*)

Spurge. Dense, lustrous green evergreen 8" tall, excellent in masses under trees or in difficult locations to replace lawn. Plant 6" apart to fill in 2 years.

25 rooted cuttings/\$28

PS/Sh

PERENNIALS

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Native Shade Garden - \$25

Our native shade garden pack features five varieties that will perform well in shady woodland gardens.

Many of these will form well behaved colonies in desirable conditions:

Jack in the Pulpit (*Arisaema triphyllum*) – Spring bloomer, 1'-2', green/purple hooded flowers

Crested Iris (*Iris cristata*) – Lavender flowers in April, 3"-6", spreads to form colonies

Jacob's Ladder (*Polemonium reptans*) – Pale blue flowers in June, 12"-18"

Phlox 'Louisiana Blue' (*Phlox divaricata*) – Blue to white flowers early summer, low mounding plant

Foamflower (*Tiarella wherryi*) – Starry white flowers late spring, 10", spreads

PERENNIALS, cont

Daylilies

Long lived, low maintenance, easy perennials for sun, flowering in summer. Indestructible. All sold as bare root plants.

'Fragrant Returns' 18", fragrant yellow 4" flowers **\$5**
'Pandora's Box' 18"-24", cream w/ purple center **\$6**
'Salieri' 36", deep red flowers **\$6**

and for a little more zing.....

'Simmons Overture' 24"-28", rose flowers with dark purple eye and ruffled edge, heavy bloomer **\$8**

Baptisia 'Twilite Prairie Blues' (*Baptisia x*) N/S/PS

Robust hybrid of two native baptisia species, smoky purple flowers in 18" long spikes in early summer. Foliage is blue green, stays attractive all season, seed pods ornamental in arrangements. Reaches 4'x4'. **Bare root division \$7**

Bee Balm 'Prairie Gypsy' (*Monarda bradburnia*) N/S/PS

Late spring bloomer, raspberry pink flowers on 24" plants, minty fragrance. Excellent for attracting butterflies and bees. **2.5" pot \$5**

Blue Flax (*Linum perenne*) S/PS

Sky blue flowers on 12"-24" plants, will self seed when in desirable conditions. Blooms over a long season, up to 8 weeks, in spring. **2.5" pot \$4**

Caroline Lupine (*Thermopsis villosum*) N/S

Robust native perennial 3'-5', spikes of bright yellow pea like flowers in early summer. Do not transplant once established. **2.5" pot \$5**

Celandine Poppy (*Stylophorum diphyllum*) N/PS/Sh

Native wildflower 12"-18" for part to full shade; bright yellow flowers in spring, needs moist to wet soil. **2.5" pot \$7**

Coneflower 'Cherry Fluff' (*Echinacea x*) N/S

Hybrid native coneflower, double blooms in soft pink with a lime green center, 16"-20", flowers late summer to early fall. **3" pot \$9**

Coneflower 'Cheyenne Spirit' (*Echinacea x*) N/S

Vigorous hybrid strain in bright mixed colors on shorter plants 2' tall – these will bloom late summer to early fall and can be red, orange, yellow, white or purple. **2.5" \$5**

Gas Plant (*Dictamnus albus 'Purpureus'*) S

Old fashioned cottage garden perennial 2'-3', pinkish purple flowers in summer, slow growing but very long lived. **2.5" \$5**

Golden Columbine (*Aquilegia chrysantha*) N/S/PS

Native clumping wildflower 1'-3' tall, bright yellow spurred flowers in early spring, attractive foliage, needs moist soil. **2.5" \$5**

Heuchera 'Georgia Peach' (*Heuchera x*) PS

Vigorous clumping perennial 12" tall, foliage emerges peachy orange in the spring and slowly darkens to rosy purple through fall, with contrasting veins. Needs moist soil, does not compete well with mature tree roots. **3" pot \$9**

Hosta Landscape Pack

PS/Sh

Hostas are durable, low maintenance plants for part to full shade. We're offering a collection of six vigorous varieties including blues, greens, and variegated shades to brighten a shady corner of your garden. All are bare root divisions. **6/\$24**

'August Moon' 24", pale yellow green
'Elegans' 36", deep blue green
'Fragrant Bouquet' 36", green w/cream edge, fragrant
'Frances Williams' 24", blue green w/light green edge
'Wide Brim' 18", green w/light green edge
'Guacamole' 18", light green w/darker edge, fragrant

Indian Grass (*Sorghastrum nutans*) N/S

Great native grass, grows 3'-5' in a tidy clump, orange yellow foliage in fall, tan flowers with yellow stamens, stays attractive over the winter. **2.5" pot \$4**

Iris 'Carnaby' (*Iris germanica x*) S

Bearded iris blooming in May, large flowers on 3' stems, lavender upper petals with plum colored falls, peach edging. Plant shallowly, barely cover with soil. **3" pot \$9**

Iris 'Pink Parfait' (*Iris sibirica*) S/PS

Double flowered Siberian iris, blooming in June, 3" pinkish purple flowers on 2' plants. **Bare root division \$6**

Joe Pye Weed 'Prairie Jewel' (*Eupatorium*) N/S

Shorter selection of native Joe Pye, with white flowers, green/white foliage. Blooms late summer to early fall, attracts bees and butterflies, moist to wet soil. **2.5" pot \$5**

Mexican Hat (*Ratibida columnifera*) N/S

Native wildflower 1'-3', sombrero shaped yellow flowers in summer, easy and trouble free. Drought tolerant once established. **2.5" pot \$4**

Carolina Phlox 'Miss Lingard' (*Phlox carolina*) N/S/PS

Native phlox, 3' tall, with snow white fragrant flowers in early to mid summer. Mildew resistant, vigorous variety. Attracts butterflies. **2.5" pot \$5**

Rose Verbena (*Verbena canadensis*) N/S/PS

Native clump forming perennial 6"-18", rosy purple flowers bloom over a long period May to August. **2.5" pot \$4**

Russian Sage 'Little Spires' (*Peroviskia*) S

Shrubby compact variety of Russian Sage, 2' tall, minty aromatic silvery foliage with lavender blue flower spikes. **2.5" pot \$5**

Salvia 'Rose Queen' (*Salvia x*) S

Rosy pink flowers on 18"-24" plants, blooms in late spring to early summer, aromatic foliage, attracts hummingbirds. Easy. **2.5" pot \$4**

Swamp Milkweed 'Cinderella' (*Asclepias incarnata*) N/S/PS

Easy native milkweed, blooms for three months midsummer to fall, scented pink flowers on 3' plants, attracts butterflies, deer resistant. **2.5" pot \$5**

******* HOW TO ORDER: *******

Mail the form below with a check to Middlesex Conservation District, 319 Littleton Rd Suite 205, Westford, MA 01886 **-OR-** visit www.middlesexconservation.org and pay through our secure online ordering system.

Orders may be picked up on Friday 4/21 (3-6pm) or Saturday 4/22 (8am – noon) at the 4H Fairgrounds, 51 South Chelmsford Rd, Westford – we will send you a reminder postcard. (Pickup only, no shipping!)

Name: _____ Phone (home): _____
 Address: _____ Phone (work): _____
 City/State/Zip: _____ Email: _____

VOLUNTEERING – If you are interested in volunteering on any of our sale/prep days (April 19-22) please send an email to middlesexconservation@yahoo.com

<u>Variety</u>	<u>Price</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Variety</u>	<u>Price</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Total</u>
TickTubes, 6 pack	\$25	X _____	= _____	Geranium Karmina	\$5	X _____	= _____
TickTubes, 24 pack	\$65	X _____	= _____	Juniper Blue Rug	\$7	X _____	= _____
Cedar Bluebird House	\$25	X _____	= _____	Pachysandra (25)	\$28	X _____	= _____
Black Gold	\$7	X _____	= _____	Wild Strawberry	\$6	X _____	= _____
Neptunes Harvest	\$14	X _____	= _____	Whorled Stonecrop	\$5	X _____	= _____
Rain Barrel	\$80	X _____	= _____	Native Shade Garden	\$25	X _____	= _____
Fertilizer Tablets (15)	\$5	X _____	= _____	Daylily Fragrant Returns	\$5	X _____	= _____
Dutchman’s Pipevine	\$14	X _____	= _____	Daylily Pandoras Box	\$6	X _____	= _____
American Chestnut (2)	\$8	X _____	= _____	Daylily Salieri	\$6	X _____	= _____
American Crabapple (3)	\$8	X _____	= _____	Daylily Simmons Overture	\$8	X _____	= _____
American Hazelnut (3)	\$9	X _____	= _____	Hosta Landscape Pack (6)	\$24	X _____	= _____
Am. Mountain Ash (3)	\$9	X _____	= _____	Baptisia Twilite Prairie B	\$7	X _____	= _____
Beautyberry	\$6	X _____	= _____	Bee Balm Prairie Gypsy	\$5	X _____	= _____
Buttonbush Magical M	\$7	X _____	= _____	Blue Flax	\$4	X _____	= _____
Common Witchhazel (3)	\$9	X _____	= _____	Carolina Lupine	\$5	X _____	= _____
Fothergilla Mt Airy	\$7	X _____	= _____	Celandine Poppy	\$7	X _____	= _____
Honeysuckle John C.	\$12	X _____	= _____	Coneflower Cherry Fluff	\$9	X _____	= _____
Lilac Paliban	\$6	X _____	= _____	Coneflower Cheyenne Spirit	\$5	X _____	= _____
Nannyberry (3)	\$9	X _____	= _____	Gas Plant	\$5	X _____	= _____
New Jersey Tea	\$5	X _____	= _____	Golden Columbine	\$5	X _____	= _____
Oakleaf Hydr. Alice	\$8	X _____	= _____	Heuchera Georgia Peach	\$9	X _____	= _____
Red Buckeye (2)	\$8	X _____	= _____	Indian Grass	\$4	X _____	= _____
Rosebay Rhododendron	\$7	X _____	= _____	Iris Carnaby	\$9	X _____	= _____
Saskat. Serviceberry (3)	\$9	X _____	= _____	Iris Pink Parfait	\$6	X _____	= _____
Swamp Rose (2)	\$8	X _____	= _____	Joe Pye Weed Prairie Jewel	\$5	X _____	= _____
Weigela Minor Black	\$7	X _____	= _____	Mexican Hat	\$4	X _____	= _____
Wild Grape (3)	\$9	X _____	= _____	Carolina Phlox	\$5	X _____	= _____
Winterberry (5)	\$11	X _____	= _____	Rose Verbena	\$4	X _____	= _____
Asparagus (25)	\$18	X _____	= _____	Russian Sage Little Spires	\$5	X _____	= _____
Blackberry (5)	\$28	X _____	= _____	Salvia Rose Queen	\$4	X _____	= _____
Blueberry (pair)	\$27	X _____	= _____	Swamp Milkweed Cinder.	\$5	X _____	= _____
Raspberry (10)	\$30	X _____	= _____				
Rhubarb	\$12	X _____	= _____				
Strawberry (25)	\$10	X _____	= _____				
						Subtotal	_____
						Donation	_____
						Total	_____

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Support Local Conservation! When you purchase plants from us, your money works twice. Your support allows the Middlesex Conservation District to:

- Partner with other agencies and organizations to solve natural resource concerns
- Co-sponsor and help organize the Massachusetts Envirothon, an environmental competition challenging high school students with real-life natural resource problem-solving situations
- Sponsor workshops
- Provide soil maps of Middlesex County cities and towns
- Assist residents with natural resource questions.
- Promote local agriculture.

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The Board of Supervisors meets monthly at our office. Meetings are open to the public and all are welcome. For more information about our sale or the District please contact:
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