

# MIDDLESEX CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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## 2018 Spring Plant Sale

Friday 4/27 (3-6 pm)/Saturday 4/28 (8am-noon) Order deadline March 31

# New Location!!

Kimball Farm, 400 Littleton Road  
(Rt. 110) Westford, MA 01886

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.

### GARDEN SUPPLIES

#### Damminix Tick Tubes

Damminix Tick Tubes<sup>®</sup> 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](http://www.ticktubes.com).

Box of 6 tubes \$25

Box of 24 tubes \$65

#### Cedar Bluebird House

Crafted of rot and insect resistant cedar, these nest boxes 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](http://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

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**Featured Offering: Oakleaf Hydrangea ‘Queen of Hearts’ (*Hydrangea quercifolia*)** N/S/PS

Oakleaf Hydrangea ‘Queen of Hearts’ is a large native shrub maturing at 6’ tall and 7’-9’ wide. It produces large 9” clusters of white flowers in midsummer that age to an attractive deep pink in early fall. Fall color is mahogany red, and older stems have exfoliating bark that provides winter interest. One of our best natives, with four season interest. **Quart pot \$13**

**American Hazelnut (*Corylus americana*)** N/S/PS  
Native shrub 8’-15’ tall, produces tasty edible nuts; suitable as an informal hedge or in native woodland plantings. Excellent wildlife plant as well. **12”-18” seedlings 3/\$8**

**Pagoda Dogwood (*Cornus alternifolia*)** N/S/PS  
Large native shrub/small tree 15’-25’, white flowers in spring, distinctive horizontal tiered branching. **12”-18” seedlings 3/\$8**

**Bayberry (*Myrica pennsylvanica*)** N/S/PS  
Native shrub 5’-10’ tall, waxy blue gray fruits traditionally used to make soaps, candles, etc. and are attractive to birds. Versatile shrub for hedges, foundation plantings; tolerant of poor soils and salt. **12”-18” seedlings 3/\$7**

**Pin Cherry (*Prunus pennsylvanica*)** N/S  
Native cherry tree 35’-50’, showy white flowers, abundant small red fruits that are sour but edible in jams, jellies, etc. – and loved by birds. (Caution seeds are not edible!) **12”-18” seedlings 3/\$7**

**Beach Plum (*Prunus maritima*)** N/S  
Hardy 6’ shrub native to coastal plains of the northeast, produces white flowers and edible purple fruits used for jams and jellies, likes well drained sandy soils. **12”-18” seedlings 3/\$8**

**Pussy Willow (*Salix discolor*)** N/S/PS  
Shrubby native willow 6’-15’, ornamental catkins in late winter. Average to wet soils, not tolerant of very dry soil. **12”-18” seedlings 3/\$8**

**Black Chokeberry (*Aronia melanocarpa*)** N/S/PS  
Native shrub to 6’, white flowers in spring followed by tart black berries, nice autumn color. Used for jams, jellies; also very attractive to birds and wildlife. Tolerant of periodic flooding. **12”-18” seedlings 3/\$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**

**Black Elderberry (*Sambucus canadensis*)** N/S/PS  
Informal native shrub 6’-12’, flattened clusters of white flowers can reach a foot across. Fruits used to make wine, pie fillings, etc.; likes average to wet soils. **12”-18” seedlings 3/\$6**

**Snowberry (*Symphoricarpos alba*)** N/S/PS  
Native shrub 3’-6’, tiny pink flowers followed by ornamental white berries; fruits attractive through winter (not eaten by birds). **12”-18” seedlings 3/\$9**

**Coral Honeysuckle ‘Major Wheeler’ (*Lonicera sempervirens*)** N/S/PS  
Native vine to 15; tubular red flowers that attract both hummingbirds and butterflies. Full sun. **Quart \$13**

**Spicebush (*Lindera benzoin*)** N/S/PS  
Native shrub 6’-12’, aromatic foliage, greenish yellow flowers). Nice yellow fall color, attracts birds and butterflies; host for spicebush swallowtail. **12”-18” seedlings 3/\$7**

**Hop Tree (*Ptelea trifoliata*)** N/PS/Sh  
Small native tree 10’-20’, prefers part shade, small white flowers in spring, interesting dried round seed pods. Deer resistant. **12”-18” seedlings 3/\$9**

**Spiraea ‘Shirobana’ (*Spiraea x*)** S  
Unusual variety, 3’ shrub with fluffy flowers in white, pastel pink and deep pink at the same time, set against dark green foliage. **3” pot \$7**

**Japanese Tree Lilac (*Syringa reticulata*)** S  
Small tree 20’-30’, showy fragrant white flowers; mildew resistant, and one of the easiest lilacs to grow. **12”-18” seedlings 3/\$8**

**Summersweet ‘Ruby Spice’ (*Clethra alnifolia*)** N/S/PS  
Native shrub to 6’, fragrant rose pink flowers in late summer. Attracts bees and butterflies, flowers in near total shade. **2.5” pot \$7**

**Meadowsweet (*Spiraea alba*)** N/S/PS  
Small native shrub 3’-4’, fluffy white flower clusters at the ends of stems; attracts butterflies. Likes moist to wet soils, not tolerant of drying out. **12”-18” seedlings 3/\$9**

**Virginia Sweetpire ‘Merlot’ (*Itea virginica*)** N/S/PS  
Native shrub 3’-4’ tall, sprays of white flowers and deep wine red fall color. Loved by butterflies and other pollinators. **2.5” pot \$7**

**Northern Bush Honeysuckle (*Diervilla lonicera*)** N/S/PS  
Small native shrub 2’-3’, tubular yellow flowers, attracts butterflies. Beautiful woodland plant, very tough. **12”-18” seedlings 3/\$10**

**Virgin’s Bower (*Clematis virginiana*)** N/S/PS  
Native vine 12’-20’, showy white flowers, attractive seed heads, vigorous growth habit. **4” pot \$13**

## FRUITS/EDIBLES

(For specifics on growing fruit plants, visit our supplier's website: [www.noursefarms.com](http://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 'Chester'

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

**5 bare root plants/\$28**

### Blueberry 'Bluecrop/Blueray'

One of each for best cross-pollination and fruit production. Both are midseason 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 'Heritage'

Fall bearing heirloom 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 'Jewel'

June bearing midseason variety great for beginners and home gardeners; hardy and productive.

**25 bare root plants/\$10**

## GROUNDCOVERS

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### Juniper 'Blue Rug' (*Juniper horizontalis*)

S/PS

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**

### Soapwort (*Saponaria ocymoides*)

S

Compact 6"-12" mound covered with tiny pink flowers. Needs full sun and good drainage.

**2.5" pot \$5**

### Phlox 'Louisiana Blue' (*Phlox divaricata*)

N/S/PS

Native groundcover 12"-15" tall, deep blue violet flowers with a maroon eye. Prune back after spring bloom.

**2.5" pot \$5**

### Sweet Woodruff (*Galium odoratum*)

PS/Sh

Vigorous groundcover with small white flowers; aromatic foliage used in potpourri, winemaking.

**2.5" pot \$5**

### Pachysandra (*Pachysandra terminalis*)

PS/Sh

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

**25 rooted cuttings/\$30**

## PERENNIALS

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### Native Butterfly Garden - \$25

Our native butterfly garden is designed for a sunny, well drained area to attract a wide variety of pollinators:

**Butterfly Weed** (*Asclepias tuberosa*) – Bright orange flowers, 24" mounds, host for monarch butterflies

**New Jersey Tea** (*Ceanothus americana*) – Shrub 2'-3', white flowers

**Blazing Star** (*Liatris spicata*) – 12"-24", fuzzy purple flower spikes

**Penstemon 'Huskers Red'** (*Penstemon digitalis*) – 3', white flower spikes, burgundy tinted foliage

**Coneflower 'Magnus'** (*Echinacea purpurea*) – 3', purple daisy type flowers

**Azure Sage 'Nekan'** (*Salvia azurea*) – 2'-4', bright blue flowers late season

**DAYLILIES S**

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

<b>‘Gentle Shepherd’</b>	30”, cream white 5.5” blooms	<b>\$5</b>
<b>‘Purple d’Oro’</b>	24”, reddish purple repeat blooms	<b>\$6</b>
<b>‘South Seas’</b>	24”, pink coral blend	<b>\$6</b>

**‘Carrick Wildon’** 24”-30”, flame colored flowers with yellow throat, 8.5” flowers with spidery twisted petals **\$9**

**HOSTAS PS/Sh**

Hostas are low maintenance plants for part to full shade. Bare root divisions, choose landscape pack or Lakeside Paisley Print:

**Landscape Pack:** Included are: **‘August Moon’** (24”, pale yellow green), **‘Francee’** (16”, green w/cream edge), **‘Halcyon’** (18”, blue gray), **‘Wide Brim’** (18”, green w/light green edge), **‘Paul’s Glory’** (18”, gold with blue edge), and **‘Minuteman’** (20”, dark green, bright white edge) **6/\$24**

**Hosta Lakeside Paisley Print** - Premium variety, unique feather patterned green and cream leaves with substantial ‘piecrust’ wavy edge. Standout in the landscape. **\$9**

**Astilbe ‘Sprite’ (*Astilbe simplicifolia*)** **PS**  
 Shade loving perennial to 18” tall, spikes of fluffy pink flowers midsummer. Can take sun if kept constantly moist.  
**Bare root division \$5**

**Baptisia ‘Purple Smoke’ (*Baptisia x*)** **N/S/PS**  
 Shrubby perennial, hybrid of two native varieties, with smoky purple flowers and charcoal stems, ornamental seedpods, 3’-4’.  
**4” plug \$8**

**Coneflower ‘Raspberry Truffle’ (*Echinacea x*)** **N/S**  
 Clump forming perennial 24”-30” tall, double raspberry pink flowers in late summer.  
**4” plug \$9**

**Coreopsis ‘Zagreb’ (*Coreopsis verticillata*)** **N/S**  
 Compact selection of native threadleaf coreopsis, forms a bushy clump 12”-18” tall, covered with small bright yellow flowers over a very long bloom period.  
**2.5” pot \$5**

**Dianthus ‘Bath’s Pink’ (*D. gratianopolitanus*)** **S**  
 Mat forming plant with blue green foliage, numerous soft pink flowers, low growing, 10”-12”.  
**2.5” pot \$5**

**English Primrose, mixed (*Primula vulgaris x*)** **S/PS**  
 Low growing plants 6” tall, one of the first to bloom beginning in early April. Large flowers in assorted colors.  
**2.5” pot \$4**

**Geranium ‘Biokovo’ (*Geranium x*)** **S/PS**  
 Clumping perennial 12” tall, pink centered white flowers, blooms late spring to early summer.  
**2.5” pot \$5**

**Goatsbeard (*Aruncus dioicus*)** **N/S/PS**  
 Tough as nails native, forms a bushy clump with plumes of cream white flowers 4’-6’, best in partial shade and moist soil.  
**2.5” pot \$4**

**Hepatica (*Hepatica americana*)** **N/PS**  
 Lovely small perennial for a shady native woodland, 6”-9” tall. Flowers may be blue, violet or white, blooms March/April, then summer dormant.  
**2.5” pot \$6**

**Heuchera ‘Citronelle’ (*Heuchera x*)** **PS**  
 ‘Citronelle’ is a vigorous clump forming foliage plant with fluorescent lime green ruffled leaves, needs moist soil, 6”-12” tall. Tiny pink flowers.  
**4” plug \$9**

**Japanese Spikenard ‘Sun King’ (*Aralia cordata*)** **PS**  
 Big shrubby perennial 3’-6’ tall for part shade, golden yellow foliage with spikes of small white flowers; berries loved by birds (not edible for us).  
**3” plug \$9**

**Lilium, mixed (*L. henryi x longiflorum*)** **S**  
 Hybrid lilies in mixed colors, fragrant flowers, 3’-4’.  
**2.5” pot \$5**

**Lungwort ‘Sissinghurst White’ (*Pulmonaria*)** **PS/Sh**  
 Shade perennial, dark green leaves spotted with white, short spikes of white flowers in spring, needs moist soil.  
**Bare root division \$4**

**Missouri Rudbeckia (*Rudbeckia missouriensis*)** **N/S**  
 Easy native wildflower with yellow daisy flowers on 2’-3’ plants, long bloom late summer to fall, full sun. **2.5” pot \$5**

**Monarda ‘Gardenview Scarlet’ (*Monarda x*)** **N/S/PS**  
 Bright red flowers on 3’ plants, aromatic foliage, very attractive to hummingbirds, bees and butterflies. **2.5” pot \$4**

**Mountain Bluet (*Centaurea montana*)** **N/S/PS**  
 Perennial for sun, fringed rich blue flowers, 1’-2’, blooms in late spring. **2.5” pot \$4**

**Oriental Poppy ‘Princess Victoria Louise’** **S**  
 (*Papaver orientale*) Large crepe paper like salmon pink flowers in early spring, 30” tall, full sun. Do not transplant.  
**Bare root division \$4**

**Siberian Iris ‘Concord Crush’ (*Iris sibirica*)** **S/PS**  
 Double blue violet flowers in June, 32” tall, blue green narrow foliage.  
**Bare root division \$4**

**Turtlehead ‘Hot Lips’ (*Chelone lyonii*)** **N/S/PS**  
 Native perennial, rose pink flowers on 2’-4’ plants July to September, medium to wet soil.  
**4” plug \$6**

**Yarrow ‘Moonshine’ (*Achillea x*)** **S**  
 Bright yellow flowers rising over ferny silvery grey foliage, prefers dry lean soils once established, blooms June – September, nice dried flower as well. **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](http://www.middlesexconservation.org) and pay through our secure online ordering system.

Orders may be picked up on Friday 4/27 (3-6pm) or Saturday 4/28 (8am – noon) at Kimball Farm, 400 Littleton Rd, Westford – we will send you a reminder postcard. (Pickup only, no shipping!)

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

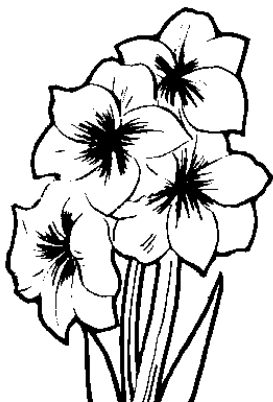
**VOLUNTEERING – If you are interested in volunteering on any of our sale/prep days (April 25-28) please send an email to [middlesexconservation@yahoo.com](mailto:middlesexconservation@yahoo.com)**

<u>Variety</u>	<u>Price</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Variety</u>	<u>Price</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Total</u>
Tick Tubes, 6 pack	\$25	X _____	= _____	Juniper Blue Rug	\$7	X _____	= _____
Tick Tubes, 24 pack	\$65	X _____	= _____	Phlox Louisiana Blue	\$5	X _____	= _____
Cedar Bluebird House	\$25	X _____	= _____	Pachysandra (25)	\$30	X _____	= _____
Black Gold	\$7	X _____	= _____	Soapwort	\$5	X _____	= _____
Neptunes Harvest	\$14	X _____	= _____	Sweet Woodruff	\$5	X _____	= _____
Rain Barrel	\$80	X _____	= _____	Native Butterfly Garden	\$25	X _____	= _____
Fertilizer Tablets (15)	\$5	X _____	= _____	Daylily Gentle Shepherd	\$5	X _____	= _____
Hyd. Queen of Hearts	\$13	X _____	= _____	Daylily Purple d'Oro	\$6	X _____	= _____
American Hazelnut (3)	\$8	X _____	= _____	Daylily South Seas	\$6	X _____	= _____
Bayberry (3)	\$7	X _____	= _____	Daylily Carrick Wildon	\$9	X _____	= _____
Beach Plum (3)	\$8	X _____	= _____	Hosta Landscape Pack (6)	\$24	X _____	= _____
Black Chokeberry (3)	\$6	X _____	= _____	Hosta Lakeside Paisley Print	\$9	X _____	= _____
Black Elderberry (3)	\$6	X _____	= _____	Astilbe Sprite	\$5	X _____	= _____
Honeysuckle M Wheeler	\$13	X _____	= _____	Baptisia Purple Smoke	\$8	X _____	= _____
Hop Tree (3)	\$9	X _____	= _____	Coneflower Rasp. Truffle	\$9	X _____	= _____
Japanese Tree Lilac (3)	\$8	X _____	= _____	Coreopsis Zagreb	\$5	X _____	= _____
Meadowsweet (3)	\$9	X _____	= _____	Dianthus Bath's Pink	\$5	X _____	= _____
N. Bush Honeysuckle (3)	\$10	X _____	= _____	English Primrose Mix	\$4	X _____	= _____
Pagoda Dogwood (3)	\$8	X _____	= _____	Geranium Biokovo	\$5	X _____	= _____
Pin Cherry (3)	\$7	X _____	= _____	Goatsbeard	\$4	X _____	= _____
Pussy Willow (3)	\$8	X _____	= _____	Hepatica	\$6	X _____	= _____
Rosebay Rhododendron	\$7	X _____	= _____	Heuchera Citronelle	\$9	X _____	= _____
Snowberry (3)	\$9	X _____	= _____	Japanese Spikenard Sun King	\$9	X _____	= _____
Spicebush (3)	\$7	X _____	= _____	Lilium mixed	\$5	X _____	= _____
Spirea 'Shirobana'	\$7	X _____	= _____	Lungwort Sissinghurst White	\$4	X _____	= _____
Summersweet Ruby Spice	\$7	X _____	= _____	Missouri Rudbeckia	\$5	X _____	= _____
Virg. Sweetspire Merlot	\$7	X _____	= _____	Monarda Gardenview Scarl.	\$4	X _____	= _____
Virgin's Bower	\$13	X _____	= _____	Mountain Bluet	\$4	X _____	= _____
Asparagus (25)	\$18	X _____	= _____	Oriental Poppy Princess V.L.	\$4	X _____	= _____
Blackberry (5)	\$28	X _____	= _____	Siberian Iris Concord Crush	\$4	X _____	= _____
Blueberry (pair)	\$27	X _____	= _____	Turtlehead Hot Lips	\$6	X _____	= _____
Raspberry (10)	\$30	X _____	= _____	Yarrow Moonshine	\$5	X _____	= _____
Rhubarb	\$12	X _____	= _____				
Strawberry (25)	\$10	X _____	= _____				
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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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