

# 2010 tree and shrub sale

The Kennebec and Somerset County Soil & Water Conservation Districts combined sale allows you to pick your order up at different locations. **Please make it clear what location you want to use for picking up your order, so your plants are at the right one.** Select the location that works best for you. Questions? Contact either of the districts. You may send or drop off your order form and payment to either district.

**Buffer Bundles** -- We didn't put packaged buffer bundles together this year.

Take the time to select your own buffer plants based on your own particular needs. We have identified plants that would work best for riparian or waterway buffers [Bfr]. We have also tried to identify plants that will provide better food sources for wildlife or benefit pollinators like bees or butterflies. We hope it helps you select the types of plants you are looking for. Remember, we only have a brief space for plant descriptions. Go online, check a good plant book, contact a local nursery or the UMaine Extension office.

A vegetative buffer that is 25-30' long and 4-8' wide should include 12-20 plants. If you want it thicker right away, you may need more. If you are patient about letting it "fill in" then the 12-20 plants are an adequate start. Remember to consider soils, water and sun needs of the plants.

Remember... the plants we sell are bare rootstock. Your order will come bundled together with all the roots wrapped in moist packing. While the plant is smaller, the root system is very well developed. The good root system is most important to minimize transplant shock. Once you pick them up, they should be planted within a short time. Anything over 2-3 days requires some extra attention on your part (suggestions are available). It is possible, but not recommended to delay planting for a couple weeks.

Before selecting and purchasing plants it is important to know whether or not they are likely to survive. The Kennebec "Plant Hardiness" zones are 4 and 5 with the average minimum temperatures ranging from -15° to -20°. Somerset is mostly zone 4 with minimum temperatures from -20 to -25. While all the plants we offer are expected to survive in areas down to these temperatures; your area may be special. Talk to a neighbor who gardens, Cooperative Extension, a local nursery, or a greenhouse that deals in perennial plants. For a detailed map and more information on the Plant Hardiness Zones of Maine you may want to visit a gardening center, contact your Cooperative Extension office and ask for bulletin #2242, or go to their website at [www.umext.maine.edu/onlinepubs/PDFpubs/2242.pdf](http://www.umext.maine.edu/onlinepubs/PDFpubs/2242.pdf). Or call us and we can send you one.

All plants are from Fedco in Clinton, ME. Many are grown by Maine growers (marked by an **ME** in their plant description) and have been selected to provide the best chances of survival. Remember: consider the growing conditions in the site where you plant. Consider the soils, wind exposure, direct sun, the surrounding plants and the conditions needed to be healthy and hardy. Your attention to these factors has the greatest impact on your plant's survival. We can only do so much to protect and care for the plants. **You** are most in control of the results.

Note the earlier pick-up date!!!!

When you pick up your plants on **Saturday, April 24<sup>th</sup>**, you can purchase other items too. We try to have bags of compost and advice from staff and volunteers. Planting instructions and other materials will be available.

**Mar. 19<sup>th</sup> deadline for orders.**

For additional sources of information:

- Extension service at (Kennebec 622-7546) (Somerset 474-9622) [www.umext.maine.edu](http://www.umext.maine.edu)
- Maine Community Forestry at the Pine Tree State Arboretum (623-2371 or 1-800-367-0223; [www.projectcanopy.org](http://www.projectcanopy.org) )
- A couple of online horticulture resources which are recommended; [hortweb.cas.psu.edu/aps/aony/aony1.html](http://hortweb.cas.psu.edu/aps/aony/aony1.html) and [chla.library-cornell.edu](http://chla.library-cornell.edu)

If you have any questions, please give us a call at either the Kennebec Conservation District at 622-7847 ext. 3 or the Somerset Conservation District at 474-8324 ext. 102

## 2010 Tree & Shrub Sale Order Form

Item #	# of plants or pkgs/bndls	Plant description	Price/plant	Total price
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			<b>Subtotal</b>	
			5% sales tax	
			<b>Grand Total</b>	

If you will want to purchase compost, or tree stakes on the 24<sup>th</sup> note that on your order.

**Remember the sales tax.  
We all have to pay it.**

All orders must be received by Friday, March 21<sup>st</sup>

I will pick my order up at:

- Saturday, **4/24** @ Skowhegan SWCD, behind the Skowhegan Cumberland Farms next to the Indian; 12 High St. 8-noon
- Saturday, **4/24** @ Augusta State parking garage 9-noon
- Saturday, **4/24** @ Winslow 514 Garland Rd (yet to be confirmed) 9-noon  
Wintergreen Herbs & Vegetables

Note the different pick-up locations. **Select only one!**

*Payment must be received with your order.*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

What watershed do you live in? \_\_\_\_\_

**Make Checks Payable to: KSWCD**  
 Mail to:  
 21 Enterprise Dr; Suite #1  
 Augusta, ME 04330  
 -----or  
 12 High St.  
 Skowhegan, ME 04976