



Events

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Acres U.S.A. Eco-Ag Conference https://conference.eco-ag.com/	The December eco-agriculture conference, nearly fifty years running.	The regenerative old guard and new guard in one hall.
Alabama Fruit and Vegetable Growers Conference https://www.afvga.org/general-8	Alabama's annual grower conference and trade show, each February at Gulf Shores.	The state's specialty-crop growers and their suppliers, one beach hotel.
Alaska Agriculture Conference https://akagconference.com	The statewide gathering of Alaska agriculture, each November in Anchorage.	Everyone growing food in the hardest state to grow it, in one room.
Commodity Classic https://commodityclassic.com	The row-crop grower associations' joint convention and trade show, each late winter, rotating southern cities.	Where commodity policy, agronomy education, and the big equipment all meet.
Connecticut Vegetable and Small Fruit Growers Conference https://ipm.cahnر.uconn.edu/vsfgc	UConn Extension's one-day January grower conference at Storrs.	A season's worth of research updates in a single affordable day.
Cultivate https://www.cultivateevent.org	The horticulture industry's biggest annual show, each July in Columbus: production, retail, and the Medal of Excellence announcements.	The whole greenhouse trade in one building, once a year.
Delaware Agriculture Week https://sites.udel.edu/delawareagweek/	A January week of grower sessions at Harrington, fruit and vegetable tracks included.	The whole state's extension program, compressed into one week.
EcoFarm Conference https://eco-farm.org	The West Coast's ecological farming gathering, each January at Pacific Grove, California, running since 1981.	The West's organic winter meeting, ocean included.
Empire State Producers Expo https://nysvga.org/	New York's January grower expo at Syracuse, run with Cornell Cooperative Extension.	The Northeast's biggest single-state grower meeting.
Farm Progress Show https://www.farmprogressshow.com	The country's biggest outdoor farm show, late summer, alternating between Boone, Iowa and Decatur, Illinois, with live field demonstrations.	Equipment working in an actual field, not on carpet.
FIRA USA https://fira-usa.com	The agricultural robotics show, each fall: the machines that will weed for you, walking the rows. The 2026 edition runs at Yakima, Washington.	Ag autonomy in person before you read about it.
From Food to Flowers, Everything Local Conference https://www.specialtygrowers.org/elc2027	Illinois' specialty-crop and local-food conference, each January at Springfield.	Growers, farmers-market operators, and buyers under one roof.
Future Harvest Conference https://futureharvest.org/2027conference/	The Chesapeake region's sustainable-farming conference, each January in Maryland.	The mid-Atlantic's regenerative growers, close enough to drive.

Georgia Organics Farmer Summit (successor to SOWTH) https://www.georgiaorganics.org/farmer-summit	The South's sustainable agriculture conference, rebranded SOWTH under Georgia Organics. Last held February 2025; watch Georgia Organics for the next edition.	Southern growers teaching southern growers, when the next edition lands.
GOAT gathering https://goatech.org	The biennial unconference of open agricultural technology; next edition December 2026 at Seabrook Island, South Carolina.	Every open-ag builder in one room, every other year.
Grassfed Exchange https://grassfedexchange.com	The grassfed livestock conference and ranch tours, held around the country. Last held 2023; the organizers are seeking a host for the next edition.	Graziers comparing notes, pasture walks included, once it finds its next home.
Great Lakes EXPO https://glexpo.com	The Midwest's big December show for vegetable, fruit, and farm-market growers in Grand Rapids.	The Midwest specialty-crop winter meeting, education tracks and all.
Great Plains Growers Conference https://www.greatplainsgrowersconference.org/	The four-state January conference at St. Joseph, Missouri: the plains states' shared grower meeting, workshops the day before.	Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska, and Iowa growers all treat this as their state conference. So should you.
GreenTech Amsterdam https://www.greentech.nl	The global greenhouse-technology show, each June in Amsterdam, where controlled-environment equipment debuts first.	The Dutch greenhouse world, which is to say the future of yours.
Growing Wisconsin Conference https://www.freshfruitvegetable.org/	Wisconsin's January grower conference at the Dells, renamed from the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Conference.	The state's fruit and vegetable industry, three days each winter.
Harvest Wyoming Conference https://wyoextension.org/harvestwyo/	Wyoming's spring specialty-crop conference, rotating cities, run by UW Extension.	High-plains growing answers for the state with the shortest seasons.
Hawaii Tropical Fruit Growers Conference https://www.htfg.org/	The islands' tropical-fruit growers meet each fall, thirty-six years running.	Tropical fruit production knowledge you cannot get on the mainland.
Husker Harvest Days https://www.huskerharvestdays.com	The big irrigated-agriculture field show, each September at Grand Island, Nebraska.	Irrigation equipment demonstrated under real center pivots.
IFPA Global Produce and Floral Show https://www.freshproduce.com	The produce industry's giant October trade show, where retail buyers and growers of every size meet.	The buying side of your industry, all in one hall.
Indiana Horticulture and Small Farm Conference https://extension.purdue.edu/anr/_teams/dffs/ihsfc/	Purdue's January grower conference, successor to the Indiana Horticultural Congress.	The state's fruit, vegetable, and small-farm research in one place.
Indoor Ag-Con https://indoor.ag	The indoor and vertical farming trade show, spring in Las Vegas.	The CEA industry's annual gathering.
Iowa Specialty Producers Conference https://www.iowaspecialtyproducers.com/	Iowa's specialty-crop growers meet each winter, fruit and vegetable tracks both.	Horticulture in a row-crop state: the people doing what you are doing.
Kentucky Fruit and Vegetable Conference https://kyhortcouncil.org/2027-fruit-vegetable-conference/	Kentucky's January grower conference at Bowling Green, run by the Horticulture Council with UK Extension.	The commonwealth's fruit and vegetable community, once a winter.
Maine Agricultural Trades Show https://www.maine.gov/dacf/ard/events/agtradesshow/index.shtml	Maine's January trades show at Augusta, where the vegetable and small fruit growers hold their annual meeting.	The whole Maine ag community, free, three days.

Marbleseed Organic Farming Conference https://conference.marbleseed.org/	The largest organic farming conference in the country, late February, now at Delavan, Wisconsin.	The organic movement's family reunion, workshops included.
Mid-Atlantic Fruit and Vegetable Convention https://www.mafvc.org	The Hershey, Pennsylvania winter convention, early February, anchoring the mid-Atlantic grower calendar.	Three days of production sessions with the region's extension specialists in one hotel.
Minnesota Fruit and Vegetable Growers Conference https://mfvga.org/conference/	Minnesota's annual grower conference and trade show, each January.	Cold-climate fruit and vegetable production from the people who live it.
Mississippi Specialty Crops Short Course https://extension.msstate.edu/events/2026/specialty-crops-short-course	MSU Extension's spring short course at Raymond, the state's recurring specialty-crop education day.	Mississippi-specific production answers from the state's own researchers.
Montana Organic Association Conference https://www.montanaorganicassociation.org/2026-conference-1	Montana's December organic conference at Great Falls, covering the state's whole organic scene from grain to garden.	The closest thing Montana has to a statewide grower meeting.
National Farm Machinery Show https://farmmachineryshow.org	The February Louisville machinery show, indoors, with the tractor pull.	The equipment winter pilgrimage east of the Mississippi.
National FFA Convention and Expo https://www.ffa.org	The largest annual gathering of agricultural students in the country, each fall in Indianapolis.	Where the next generation of your industry shows up sixty thousand strong.
New England Vegetable and Fruit Conference https://newenglandvfc.org	The biennial December conference at Manchester, New Hampshire, built by the region's extension services.	New England's every-other-year deep dive, extension-taught.
No-till on the Plains Winter Conference https://notill.org	The plains soil-health conference, each January in Kansas, teaching continuous no-till systems since the nineties.	The deepest bench of working no-till farmers in one room.
NOFA state winter conferences https://nofa.org	Each Northeast state chapter runs its own winter conference. The old interstate summer conference has been on hiatus since 2023; the state winters carry the calendar now.	The Northeast's organic winter meeting, one state over at most.
North Dakota Local Foods Conference https://www.ndfarmersmarkets.org/	North Dakota's fall local-foods conference, run with the state agriculture department, twenty years running.	The state's market growers and food entrepreneurs, once each October.
Northeast Agricultural Expo https://vganj.com/convention	New Jersey's grower convention, renamed the Northeast Agricultural Expo, each January in Atlantic City.	The Garden State's vegetable industry and its research, seaside in winter.
Ohio Produce Network https://www.opgma.org/ohio-produce-network/	Ohio's January produce conference, growers and marketers together.	The state's produce industry and its buyers in one hall.
Oregon Small Farms Conference https://blogs.oregonstate.edu/smallfarmsconference/	OSU's one-day February conference at Corvallis, the Northwest's small-farm gathering.	A full year of Oregon small-farm research and grower talks in one Saturday.
Organic Grower Summit https://www.organicgrowersummit.com	The organic production and supply-chain summit, late fall in Monterey, California.	Where commercial organic growers meet their buyers and suppliers.
PASA Sustainable Agriculture Conference https://pasafarming.org	Pennsylvania's big February sustainable-farming conference, one of the strongest education programs in the East.	A winter's worth of learning in a long weekend.
REGENERATE Conference https://quiviracoalition.org	The Southwest's regenerative ranching and agriculture conference, each fall, hosted by the Quivira Coalition and partners.	The working-lands regenerative community, ranchers included.

Roots-2-Results Small Farms Conference https://extension.unr.edu/small-farms/	Nevada's small-farms conference, run north and south each February by UNR Extension.	Desert and high-desert growing answers for the driest state.
South Dakota Local Foods Conference https://sdlocalfoods.org/	South Dakota's November local-foods conference, rotating cities, run by a coalition of the state's grower and food groups.	The state's growers, markets, and food buyers in one small, useful room.
Southeast Regional Fruit and Vegetable Conference https://seregionalconference.org	The Southeast's big specialty-crop meeting, each January in Savannah.	The winter meeting for southeastern fruit and vegetable growers.
Southeast Vegetable and Fruit Expo https://ncvga.com/	North Carolina's grower expo, held each early December at Myrtle Beach just over the state line.	Carolina vegetable production, plus a South Carolina crowd that treats it as theirs too.
Southwest Ag Summit https://yumafreshveg.com/	The desert-vegetable industry's February summit at Yuma, twenty years running.	Winter-vegetable production knowledge from the country's salad bowl.
Sunbelt Ag Expo https://sunbeltexpo.com	The Southeast's October field show at Moultrie, Georgia, with harvest demonstrations on a working research farm.	The South's farm show, machinery running in the dirt.
Tennessee Farm and Agriculture Expo (formerly Pick TN Conference) https://www.tnfarmagexpo.com/	Tennessee's joint winter conference, nine producer associations under one roof at Lebanon.	Every Tennessee specialty-crop association's annual meeting, one trip.
Texas Fruit Conference https://aggie-horticulture.tamu.edu/fruit-nut/	AgriLife Extension's annual fruit conference; Texas has no unified statewide vegetable conference, so this is the recurring grower-education anchor.	Texas-specific fruit and nut production from the state's own specialists.
Tilth Conference https://tilthalliance.org/our-work/wa-farming-agriculture/tilth-conference/	Washington's November conference for diversified growers, at Bellingham this edition.	The state's organic and diversified farming community, before the holidays.
Utah Urban and Small Farms Conference https://extension.usu.edu/diverseag/urban-and-small-farms-conference	USU Extension's February conference, fruit and vegetable tracks for market farms, fifteen years running.	High-desert market farming answers from Utah's own extension.
Vermont Vegetable and Berry Growers Annual Meeting https://vvbga.org/member-dashboard/vvbga-annual-meetings	Vermont's one-day January grower meeting at Lake Morey, an association famous for growers sharing real numbers.	One of the most open grower communities in the country, in person.
Virginia Biological Farming Conference https://vabf.org/conference/	Virginia's January sustainable-farming conference at Roanoke.	The commonwealth's ecological growers, three days each winter.
West Virginia Small Farm Conference https://extension.wvu.edu/conferences/small-farm-conference	WVU Extension's February conference at Charleston for the state's small farms.	Mountain-state growing answers, priced for mountain-state farms.
World Ag Expo https://www.worldagexpo.com	The largest annual agricultural exposition anywhere, each February in Tulare, California.	Every piece of big iron on earth, three days, one dusty lot.
World Agri-Tech Innovation Summit https://worldagritechusa.com	The agtech investment and partnering summit, each March in San Francisco, with a fall edition in London.	Where the money and the technology companies decide what gets built next.
World Dairy Expo https://worlddairyexpo.com	The global dairy industry's annual meeting, early October in Madison, Wisconsin: cattle shows, equipment, and seminars.	Everything dairy, once a year, one fairgrounds.

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