



COUNTY OF LAKE

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LAKE COUNTY FARM STANDS AND FARMERS' MARKETS OPEN FOR THE 2008 SEASON

Lake County, CA – Beginning this month, prepare to savor the flavors of Lake County's Farmers' Finest produce and farm products as the county's farm stands and farmers' markets begin to open for the 2008 season.

From eggs and honey, which are available locally year-round, to plant starts, lettuce, strawberries, broccoli, beets, cauliflower, perennial plants, onions and more, are now available. As spring ends and summer begins, more summer produce, such as corn, peppers, beans, tomatoes, peaches and world-famous Lake County Mountain Bartlett pears, will soon be available.

There are many locations around Lake County where you can purchase produce and farm products directly from the farmer, which is good for the entire community. According to the Community Alliance with Family Farmers (CAFF), farmers today get less than 10 cents of the retail food dollar. Local farmers who sell directly to consumers cut out the many middlemen and get full retail price for their food - which means farm families can afford to stay on the farm, here in Lake County, doing the work they love and residents can help to ensure a local food supply and keep local tax dollars within the county.

The following sources offer Lake County-grown produce for purchase directly from the farmer:

Kelseyville Certified Farmers' Market

At Steele Wines, 4350 Thomas Drive, Kelseyville
Saturdays, 8 a.m. – 12 noon, Memorial Day – October

Upper Lake Saturday Morning Market

9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., June 14 - September 27
Main Street off Highway 20 in Upper Lake
275-0105 or 275-2000

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Friday Nite Market

4 – 8 p.m., June 6 – October 17
Adjacent to Austin's Beach in Clearlake
994-3600

Adamson Ranch

Open May – October, call for days and times
11651 S. Hwy 29, Lower Lake, CA 95457
355-3333

Barber's Country Farm

Wednesday – Saturday, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. Also at the Kelseyville Certified Farmers' Market
4680 Clark Drive, Kelseyville, CA 95451
349-2518

Barrett Farms

Available at the Kelseyville Certified Farmers' Market
PO Box 151, Finley, CA 95433
263-4211
www.barrettfarms.com

Buffalo Hills 95451

5120 & 5133 Cole Creek Road, Kelseyville, CA 95451
Visitors are welcome anytime to see the buffalo from the road; call ahead to purchase meat.
279-2063

Glo's Glee Garden

Available at the Kelseyville Certified Farmers' Market
PO Box 743, Lower Lake, California 95457
987-2888

Hanson Ranch

Open 9am – 6pm, August – November
3360 Merritt Road, Kelseyville, CA 95451
279-4761

Hrutky's Egg Ranch

Open 8 am–3 pm, Tuesday–Saturday year round
2750 Old Hwy 53, Clearlake, CA 95422
994-2317

Jaguar Garden Nursery

Available at the Kelseyville Certified Farmers' Market; call for direct sales
Lower Lake, CA 95457
995-5218
www.lakecountyfarmersfinest.org/jaguar.htm

Leonardis Organics

Call for direct sales
Lakeport, CA 95451
www.leonardisorganics.com

Morgan Valley Produce/Socora's Salsa

Available at the Kelseyville Certified Farmers' Market; call for direct sales
PO Box 373, Lower Lake, CA 95457
994-5043
www.socorassalsa.com

Renker Farms

Open June 15 – November 30, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m. daily
2297 Argonaut Road
PO Box 102, Kelseyville, CA 95451
279-4409

Seely's Farm Stand

Open Memorial Day Weekend – Thanksgiving, 9 a.m. – 6p.m. daily
80 E Hwy 20, Upper Lake, CA 95485
275-0525

Sky Hoyt Specialty Grower

Available at the Kelseyville Certified Farmers' Market; call for direct sales
Lakeport, CA 95453
279-0859

Sutton Family Farm

Open May – December, hours and days vary by season
2405 Scotts Valley Road, Lakeport, CA 95453
263-6277

Yerba Santa Dairy

Available at the Kelseyville Certified Farmers' Market; call for direct sales
PO Box 1048, Lakeport, CA 95453
263-8131
www.cuesa.org/markets/farmers/farm_10.php

Yoxagoi Orchards/The Purple Pear

Available at the Kelseyville Certified Farmers' Market; call for farm stand hours of operation
3545 Soda Bay Road, Lakeport, CA 95453
PO Box 838, Kelseyville, CA 95451
279-4949

For a complete list of local farms and markets offering fresh Lake County products, contact the Lake County Visitor Information Center at (800) 525-3743 to request your copy of the Lake County Farm Trails brochure.

Located in beautiful Northern California, Lake County is just two hours by car from the San Francisco Bay Area, the Sacramento Valley, and the Pacific Coast. Lake County is home to Clear Lake, the largest natural freshwater lake in California and possibly the oldest lake on the continent. Visitors to Lake County experience the state's cleanest air basin, spectacular scenic beauty, fine wines, headliner concerts, and unsurpassed recreational opportunities — from hiking, biking, golf, and off-road adventures to boating, fishing, kayaking, birding, and even rockhounding. The local area code is 707. For visitor information, contact the Lake County Visitor Information Center at (800) 525-3743 or www.lakecounty.com