

Non-timber forest products Fall 2014 Webinar Series



Non-timber forest products (NTFPs) refers to products other than timber that are harvested from woodlands. NTFPs include plants, parts of plants, fungi, moss, lichen, herbs, vines, shrubs, parts of trees, and other biological material that are either personally used or sold for their commercial value. We eat NTFPs and use them for medicine. We also use them to make decorations and create specialty products. Not only are many NTFPs marketable, they also are critical for healthy woodland ecosystems. Sustainable harvesting and cultivation of NTFPs through forest farming practices can complement overall stewardship of working forests. This webinar series highlights the remarkable and diverse world of non-timber forest products, ranging from an overview of the abundance and diversity of NTFPs to forest farming practices focused on particular marketable products.



For more information on course registration, visit <https://www.treefarmssystem.org/american-tree-farm-webinar-series>



From Ginseng to Mushrooms Goodies from Your Woods

August 21 | 2:00-3:00 p.m. EDT

[Register Here](#)

[Jeanine Davis](#), associate professor and Extension Specialist at NC State University, will go over the wide world of NTFPs and explain how many can be profitable.

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The Incredible Edible Ostrich Fern Fiddlehead

September 3 | 2:00-3:00 p.m. EDT

[Register Here](#)

[Dave Fuller](#), an Agriculture and Non-Timber Forest Products Professional with the University of Maine Cooperative Extension will teach about the ostrich fern and its spring edible, the fiddlehead.

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Ramping Up to Forest Farm Culinary Delights

September 16 | 2:00-3:00 p.m. EDT

[Register Here](#)

[Jim Chamberlain](#), Research Forest Products Technologist with the USDA Forest Service, will focus on forest farming wild onions, also known as ramps, in this webinar.

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Forest Brews

September 25 | 2:00-3:00 p.m. EDT

[Register Here](#)

[Mike Burns](#) and Al Robertson will teach how to tap into some non-traditional forest products to create hot, cold, and even adult refreshments.



Manage Your Forest for Pine Straw and Rake in the Profits

October 9 | 2:00-3:00 p.m. EDT

[Register Here](#)

[Becky Barlow](#), Alabama Cooperative Extension Forestry Specialist, will present a webinar on harvesting pine straw and cover other decorative NTFPs.

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Art from the Forest

October 29 | 2:00-3:00 p.m. EST

[Register Here](#)

[Allaire Diamond](#), Conservation Ecologist with the Vermont Land Trust, will discuss a variety of species used by master artisans and the unique opportunities for landowners to build relationships with artisan-gatherers.

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Forest Cultivated Mushrooms A Rotten Business

November 10 | 2:00-3:00 p.m. EST

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[Ken Mudge](#), associate professor at Cornell University, will explore the four stages that a prospective mushroom grower must consider for forest cultivation of shiitake mushrooms. Well-managed logs can be productive for 3 or more years.

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Forest Botanicals Deep and Tangled Roots

December 12 | 2:00-3:00 p.m. EST

[Register Here](#)

[Eric Burkhart](#), faculty instructor at Pennsylvania State University, will share insights from his involvement with native plant species on eastern US forestlands that are wild harvested for plant trade.

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