Vegetables – Recommended Resources

WEBSITES

Horticulture
http://www.cals.ncsu.edu/hort_sci
Horticultural Information Leaflets – Commercial Vegetables
http://www.ces.ncsu.edu/depts/hort/hil/veg-index.html
Publications for Commercial Horticulture, Nursery, and Turf
http://www.ces.ncsu.edu/Publications/commercialhort.php
NC Specialty Crops Program
http://www.cals.ncsu.edu/specialty_crops
Vegetable Cultivar Descriptions for North America
http://cuke.hort.ncsu.edu/cucurbit/wehner/vegcult/vgclintro.html
Cucurbit Breeding at NC State
http://cuke.hort.ncsu.edu/
Virginia Tech Weed ID
www.ppws.vt.edu/weedindex.htm
Ag Chemical Labels and MSDS Sheets
www.cdms.net/labelsMsds/LMDefault.aspx?t
NC Agricultural Chemical Manual
www.ipm.ncsu.edu/agchem/agchem.html

Entomology
Vegetable Insect Information Notes
Pest News (covers both insects and disease)
http://ipm.ncsu.edu/current_ipm/pest_news.html

Plant Pathology
Vegetable and Herbs Disease Information Notes
http://www.ces.ncsu.edu/depts/pp/notes/Vegetable/vegetable_contents.html

PUBLICATIONS
1. Commercial Production of Pickling & Slicing Cucumbers in NC, AG-552
2. Commercial Production of Staked Tomatoes in North Carolina, AG-405
3. Drought Advisory for Vegetable Production, AG-519-1
4. Efficient Irrigation, AG-508-6
5. Insects and Related Pests of Vegetables - AG-295
7. Offsetting Drought for Small Scale Vegetable Production, AG-519-4
8. Plasticulture for Commercial Vegetables, AG-489
9. Production of Commercial Vegetable Transplants, AG-337
10. Snap Bean Production -
12. Commercial Pepper Production in North Carolina, AG-387

ASSOCIATION CONTACT INFORMATION
1. NC Vegetables Growers’ Association: www.ncvga.com
3. NC Sweetpotato Commission: http://www.ncsweetpotatoes.com
4. NC Beekeepers Association; http://www.ftpnet.org/ncsba/
5. NC Certified Sweet Potato Seed Growers Association: Email: jonesfarmnc@aol.com
6. NC Horticulture Council: Email: bonnieholloman@bellsouth.net
7. NC Irrigation Society: http://www.bae.ncsu.edu/topic/irrigation_society/board.htm
8. NC Pickle Producers Association: http://cuke.hort.ncsu.edu/cucurbit/cuke/ncppa.html

MEETINGS/EXPOS/TRADESHOWS
- Southeastern Vegetable Expo: held annually in Myrtle Beach, SC in December
- Western NC Winter Vegetable Conference: held annually in Asheville in February
- NC Sweetpotato Commission Annual Meeting: held in Wilson in January
- NC Watermelon Association annual meeting: March
- National Watermelon Association annual meeting: February
- Pickle Packers International Annual Meeting: October
- National Sweetpotato Collaborators annual meeting: meets with SAAS (Southern Association of Agricultural Scientists) in February
- National Watermelon Research Working group: meets annually with SAAS

FIELD DAYS
- Sweetpotato Field Day (early October)
- Cucumber Field Day (June)
- Specialty Crops Field Day (July)
- Tomato Field Day (early August)
- Informal field days to show field trial results

MAGAZINES/JOURNALS
- American Vegetable Grower: www.americanvegetablegrower.com
- Great Lakes Vegetable Growers News: www.vegetablegrowersnews.com
- Horticulture Technology: horttech.ashspublications.org
- Horticulture Science: hortsci.ashspublications.org
- The Grower: www.growermagazine.com
- The Vineline: www.nationalwatermelonassociation.com

TOP 10 BOOKS/REFERENCES
Additional Vegetable References


Potato Resources

Websites

NCSU potato variety database: http://potatoes.ncsu.edu/newsrch2.php
Commercial Potato Production Leaflet:
http://www.ces.ncsu.edu/depts/hort/hil/hil-22.html
Potato Information Exchange: http://oregonstate.edu/potatoes/

Publications/Books/Reference Guides


Association Contact Information

North Carolina Potato Association
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Meetings

Annual North Carolina Potato Association Meeting 2nd to the last Monday in May

Field Days

None, though most years in conjunction with the meeting the Breeding program will invite all attending out to one of our trials to give exposure to advanced lines. This is also generally part of the “Potato Tour” for the group.

Magazines/Trade Journals

Potato Grower. www.potatogrower.com
Spudman. www.spudman.com

List Serves

Potato Net: http://lists.oregonstate.edu/mailman/listinfo/potatonet
National Potato Council: spudinfo@nationalpotatocouncil.org
Global Potato News: https://www2.potatonews.com/subscribe/subscribe.asp
Organics, Herbs, Mushrooms, and Specialty Crop Resources

Websites

http://ncherb.org
Jeanine Davis’ website with information on her projects, articles on organics, herbs, mushrooms, and specialty crops, links to recommended sites, calendar of events, and recommended books.

http://ncorganic.org
A website devoted to organic production in North Carolina. This site was built to address the questions Jeanine Davis and her staff receive most often from agents and growers.

http://ncspecialtycrops.org
This is the official NC Specialty Crops Program website. It contains information on current projects, reports from previous projects, a calendar of events, and an enewsletter.

http://ncmedicinalherbs.org
This site is maintained by UNC-Chapel Hill and arose from a collaborative grant project. It has information on ten herbs with leaflets specifically written for growers, consumers, and health professionals.

http://www.ces.ncsu.edu/chatham/ag/SustAg/index.html
This Growing Small Farms website is maintained by agent Debbie Roos in Chatham County and is a wealth of information on organic production.

Publications

Vegetable Crop Handbook for the Southeastern U.S.

Expanding the Natural Products Economy in Western North Carolina—a 2006 report by the Research Triangle Institute for the NC Natural Products Association.
http://www.ncnaturalproducts.org/research.html

Step by step instructions on how to grow medicinal herbs in North Carolina.
http://www.cals.ncsu.edu/specialty_crops//medherbs

2003 Report on the economic viability of producing selected medicinal herbs in NC.

Associations

North Carolina Natural Products Association
http://ncnaturalproducts.org

North Carolina Herb Association
http://ncherbassociation.com

North Carolina Mushroom Growers Association
http://ncmushrooms.org

Organic Growers School
http://organicgrowersschool.org

Carolina Farm Stewardship Association
http://carolinafarmstewards.org

Conferences

Organic Growers School Spring Event
Always a Saturday in early March at Blue Ridge Community College in Flat Rock.. March 8, 2008
http://organicgrowersschool.org

True Nature Country Fair, by the Organic Growers School
A weekend in early October at Deerfields in Mills River
Sustainable Agriculture Conference by Carolina Farm Stewardship Association
Always in November; this conference moves between South Carolina and North Carolina.
http://carolinafarmstewards.org

Winter Vegetable Conference by the NC Tomato Growers Association
Always held in late February in Asheville.
http://nctomato.com

Northern Piedmont Specialty Crops School held by Carl Cantaluppi, agent in Granville and Person counties.

Field Days and Tours
Heirloom Tomato Field Tour
For the past four years, a field tour has been held at the Mountain Research Station in Waynesville highlighting the organic and heirloom tomato research being done there.

Magazines/Journals
Herbal Gram
This is a publication of the American Botanical Council. This is a paid subscription.
http://abc.herbalgram.org

Top Ten Books

Agritourism:
http://www.eckertagrimarketing.com/growingagritourism.htm

Herbs in General:
http://www.chelseagreen.com/

http://www.amazon.com

Marketing:
http://www.nwpub.net/

http://www.nwpub.net/

Medicinal Herbs:
http://www.horizonherbs.com/pilot.asp

http://www.brightmountainbooks.com

Mushrooms:

Organics:

Food Safety
Websites
http://www.gaps.cornell.edu
http://www.ncagr.com/markets/gradnreg/foodsafety/index.htm (NCDA GAPs audit program)
Websites

http://www.ces.ncsu.edu/depts/pp/cucurbit/
Cucurbit Downy Mildew Forecasting

http://www.ncsu.edu/project/cucurbitkeys/opening_page.htm
Lucid® Key to Postharvest Diseases of Cantaloupe

http://www.plantmanagementnetwork.org/
Another APS affiliated website. Under “Resources” you can access Fungicide and Nematicide Tests (now called Plant Disease Management Reports)

http://www.cals.ncsu.edu/plantpath/
NCSU Dept. Plant Pathology

http://www.ces.ncsu.edu/depts/ent/clinic/
NCSU Plant Disease and Insect Clinic

http://www.ces.ncsu.edu/depts/ent/clinic/indexa.html
NCSU Plant Disease Information Notes

http://ipm.ncsu.edu/current_ipm/pest_news.html
North Carolina Pest News

http://www.cals.ncsu.edu/plantpath/people/faculty/ivors

Publications

Holmes


Associations

The American Phytopathological Society
3340 Pilot Knob Road
St. Paul, MN 55121
Phone: +1.651.454.7250
Fax: +1.651.454.0766
E-mail: aps@scisoc.org
www.apsnet.org

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- APS Annual Meeting: (late Jul/early Aug)
- APS Southern Division annual meeting: in association with SAAS (Southern Association of Agricultural Scientists) in Feb.
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**Magazines/Journals**
- Phytopathology
- Plant Disease
- Plant Pathology
- Fungicide and Nematicide Tests
- Cultural and Biological Tests
  - Both of these are now published as "Plant Disease Management Reports"

**Distance Ed Courses**

PP 500: taught Spring semester of even-numbered years; sometimes remotely through Fletcher and Plymouth, but usually from main campus in Raleigh

**Top Books/References**

APS Disease Compendium series available through APS Press at www.apsnet.org

University of California IPM series available online at http://www.ipm.ucdavis.edu/IPMPROJECT/pubs.html


Entomology

Websites

Insect Notes
Department of Entomology, NCSU
http://www.ces.ncsu.edu/depts/ent/notes/
Fact sheets on insects in fruits, vegetables, field crops, ornamentals, and urban settings.

North Carolina Pest Management Information Program
http://ipm.ncsu.edu/ncpmip/objectives.htm
Crop profiles, pest management strategic plans for selected crops, and pest alerts.

Southern Region IPM Center
http://www.sripmc.org/
A source for general pest management information throughout the southeast.

North Carolina Pest News
http://ipm.ncsu.edu/current_ipm/pest_news.html
Published weekly, April through September. Contains information on pests in crops throughout North Carolina, county trapping data, and announcements of upcoming events. Available online or via email (contact Steve Toth, steve_toth@ncsu.edu, to subscribe).

Books/References

North Carolina Agricultural Chemical Manual
http://ipm.ncsu.edu/agchem/agchem.html

Soils and Fertility

Research publications


Extension publications & websites


