

Good Root Growers

2026 Statement of Grower Practices

Good Root Growers is dedicated to producing healthy plants following organic agricultural practices. However, we are not certified organic at this time. We are pollinator advocates with 10 acres dedicated to Monarch habitat. No petro-chemical fertilizers, pesticides, or herbicides are ever used in our growing practices.

Vegetable & Herbs

Seeds are sourced from a variety of high quality seed producers. Certified organic seeds are chosen whenever possible and heirloom varieties are preferred. A small number of herbs are sourced as plugs from Hillcrest Nursery (certified organic grower in Manchester, MD) or started as cuttings from our own plants stock. All seeds for edibles are from non-GMO verified sources. 2026 seeds for edibles were sourced from the following suppliers: Baker Creek, Cultivating the Commons, Fedco, High Mowing, Johnny's, Kids Seeds, Seed Savers Exchange, Seeds N Such, Territorial, Totally Tomato, TomatoFest, True Leaf Market, Urban Farmer.

Inputs

Sustainable local potting soil is sourced from Cowmos in Cochrane, WI. It contains peat, Cowsmo compost, sand, perlite, meat and bone meal, kelp, and rock phosphate. Additional Vermiculite & perlite is added to improve soil composition and water retention. We use Sustane (OMRI listed) as an all-purpose granulated slow release fertilizer and supplement with Drammatic ONE (OMRI listed) liquid fish emulsion.

Applications

Beneficial nematodes, beneficial insects (i.e. ladybugs), or neem oil may be used occasionally as natural insecticides/fungicides or organism soil builders within the greenhouse.

Our business is based on customer satisfaction – providing high quality vegetables, herb plants and ornamentals. As a small grower we try to offer a personal touch with all we do. If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact me at any time. Visitors are most welcome.

Happy Growing!
Sue Gerlach

