

# Huber's Orchard & Winery Agricultural Practices

For the past 180 years, seven generations of Huber's have been committed to growing healthy, flavorful fruits and vegetables while using the best farming practices. To accomplish this we practice a method of farming called **SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE**. Over the last three decades a growing movement in the United States has focused on promoting environmentally sound farming practices while providing quality farm products with a conscious effort on helping single family farms to survive among large corporate farms. Individual farmers strive to reach these three main goals: environmental health, economic profitability, and social and economic equity. Sustainable agriculture rests on the principle of meeting the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations.

Huber's Orchard & Winery's sustainable agricultural goal is to maintain a stable, prosperous farm for our family while promoting an environmentally sound stewardship of land resulting in an improved quality of life for our surrounding community and customers.

To reach this goal we employ the following concepts of sustainable agriculture:

<u>Soil Conservation:</u> Protecting and improving soil quality by crop rotation, reduced tillage, and no till to help prevent the loss of soil due to wind and water erosion

<u>Cover Crops:</u> Used to promote weed suppression, prevent soil erosion, and improve soil nutrients and quality by growing plants such as rye after harvesting a vegetable crop

<u>Crop/Landscape Diversity:</u> Growing a variety of crops along with trees and shrubs can reduce risks from extremes in weather, market conditions, or pests. Diversity will contribute to soil conservation, wildlife habitat, and an increased population of beneficial insects.

<u>Nutrient Management:</u> Using compost, foliar spraying, and mineral replenishment to soil <u>Direct Farm Marketing:</u> Providing fresh produce picked daily for sale in our farm market removes the need for preservatives

<u>Value Added Agriculture:</u> Manufacturing other products with our home grown fruits, such as wines, apple butter, cider, ice cream, etc. reduces waste and adds value to our farm

<u>Integrated Pest Management:</u> Using the least toxic chemicals, generally at an early stage in the plants growth before it has developed edible parts and when it is most vulnerable to destruction by harmful pests. Many of our crops never require spraying, therefore we use chemicals sparingly and only when necessary to save crops from harmful disease or pests.



### Huber's Orchard & Winery Fruit & Vegetable Schedule

APPLES			
	<u>U-Pick</u>	<u>Picked</u>	
<u>Lodi</u>		July	
Ginger Gold		Aug	
<u>Jonathon</u>	Aug - Sept	Aug - Oct	
<u>Gala</u>	Aug - Sept	Aug - Dec	
Honey Crisp		Aug - Oct	
<u>Jonagold</u>	Sept	Sept - Oct	
Red Delicious	Sept-Oct	Sept - Dec	
Golden Delicious	Sept-Oct	Sept - Dec	
<u>Mutzu</u>	Sept	Sept - Oct	
Staymen Winesap	Oct	Oct - Dec	
Granny Smith	Oct	Oct - Dec	
<u>Fuji</u>	Oct	Oct - Dec	
Gold Rush		Oct - Dec	
<u>Evercrisp</u>		Oct - Nov	
<u>Pink Lady</u>		Nov - Dec	
APPLE CIDER:			

Made fresh September thru December

### **SUNFLOWERS**

U-Pick & Picked July - Oct

### **PUMPKINS**

All sizes, shapes, and colors available for U-Pick & Picked Sept - Oct

### **U-CUT CHRISTMAS TREES**

Thanksgiving - Dec 23

## All Dates are Approximate Please Call for Updates 812-923-9463 ext 2

VEGETABLES AVAILABLE IN THE				
FARM MARKET				
	<u>U-Pick</u>	<u>Picked</u>		
Canning Pickles		June 20 - Aug 1		
<u>Green Beans</u>		June 25 - Oct 25		
Summer Squash		June - Sept		
<u>Zucchini</u>		June - Sept		
<u>Okra</u>	July - Oct	July - Oct		
<u>Eggplant</u>	July - Oct	July - Oct		
Sweet Corn		July 4 - Sept 30		
<u>Tomatoes</u>	July 20 - Oct 25	July 10– Oct 25		
<u>Potatoes</u>		July 10 - Dec 23		
<u>Peppers</u>	July 15 - Sept	July 15 - Sept		
<u>Cabbage</u>	Sept 15 - Oct	Sept 15 - Oct		
<u>Broccoli</u>	Sept 15 - Oct	Sept 15 - Oct		
<u>Cauliflower</u>	Oct	Oct		
Fall Squash		Sept - Oct		

FRUITS		
U-pick or Already Picked		
<u>Strawberries</u>	May 18 - June 15	
Black Raspberries	June 15 - July 1	
<u>Blueberries</u>	June 20 - Aug 15	
<u>Blackberries</u>	July - Aug	
<u>Cantaloupe</u>	July 15 - Aug 25 (In Store Only)	
Seedless Table Grapes	Aug 1 - Sept 15	
Concord Grapes	Aug 15 - Sept 15 (U-pick Only)	