## MONTEREY BAY CERTIFIED FARMERS MARKETS





# HOLIDAY SHOPPING GUIDE 2024

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## MBCFM HOLIDAY SHOPPING GUIDE

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A bounty of locally made artisan products that make delightful holiday gifts for your most discerning friends and relatives.



# Holiday Shopping Guide 2024

## Do your holiday shopping at the farmers markets!

If you need ideas for special holiday gifts for friends and family, you'll find inspiration at the farmers markets! Do you like to make your own gifts? Ingredients like dried fruits and nuts are plentiful this time of year at our farmers' markets — just in time for making delectable edible gifts. Be sure to visit our companion website, www.edibleparadise.com for holiday recipes!



### Farmers Market Big Bucks, T-Shirts, and Sweatshirts

Who wouldn't love a gift of Big Bucks for shopping at the farmers markets? You can purchase bundles of our Big Bucks at the information booth each week. And why not show your favorite farmers' market some love and pick up a market t-shirt or sweatshirt?



Nuts and Dried Fruits

Shelled nuts and dried fruit are a holiday tradition and make thoughtful gifts that can be enjoyed anytime or for holiday baking. You'll find raw nuts, roasted flavored nuts, nut butter, and dried fruit such as dates, persimmons, raisins, and cherries at **Flying Disc Ranch, Schletewitz Family Farms, Pulido Farms, Manzanita Manor Organics,** and **Minazzoli Farms**. Don't miss the dried orange slices at **Donna Dirt Farm** add several slices to your holiday punch bowl, or add an orange slice to a hot mug of tea or cider.

## Award Winning Estate Grown Extra Virgin Olive





#### Belle Farms

Sacred Tree Nursery

**Belle Farms** offers exquisite, sustainably farmed, extra virgin olive oil. The olives are hand-picked and cold-pressed within 24 hours of picking to maintain their exquisite flavor and health benefits. This is also the time to purchase Olio Nuovo ('new' olive oil and the first pressing) for your favorite chef. In addition, olive trees are available from Belle Farms and **Sacred Tree Nursery**.

# California Farmstead Cheese



## Schoch Family Farmstead

**Schoch Family Farmstead** offers a wide selection of locally made cheeses that are delicious for holiday party platters or gift baskets. Cheese varieties include aged Monterey Jac, East of Edam (Gouda), Mt. Toro Tomme, and Junipero, a Swiss-style cheese. **Rocky Oaks Goat Creamery** offers both fresh and aged goat cheeses including Gouda, Feta, Brie, Chevre, and Manchego.

# Cold Pressed Organic Walnut Oil





#### Manzanita Manor Organics

In addition to their dry-farmed walnuts, **Manzanita Manor Organics** offers their exquisite coldpressed organic walnut oil. If there's a gourmand in your family, this is the perfect gift. Walnut oil can be used as a finishing oil or as part of a special salad dressing.

# Handcrafted Jewelry



### Trellis and Vine

Anne and Rick of **Trellis and Vine** have been creating unique handcrafted jewelry for many years. Their original designs are inspired by nature, using sterling silver and gold with genuine gemstones and pearls.



#### Rocky Oaks Goat Creamery



## GIFT BASKETS FROM THE MARKETS

Assemble a gift basket 'kit' for salads or soups.

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# Great Items for Gift Baskets

Personalized gift baskets are delightful to give and receive! To create a standout basket, choose items that tie together with a clear theme. For example, consider a happy hour wine and charcuterie basket, a festive brunch assortment of preserves, honey, and coffee beans, a soup or salad kit, or a cozy spa retreat basket.



Hakouya

Lavender Creek Company

Minazzoli Farms

## Dried Fruits and Nuts





### Flying Disc Ranch

Pulido Farms

Just in time for creating your own homemade gifts or holiday baking — restock the pantry with raisins, dates, dried cherries, dried apricots, persimmons, almonds, walnuts, pecans, and pistachios. Visit Schletewitz Family Farms, Minazzoli Farm, Pulido Farms, CE Farm, Flying Disc Ranch, and Manzanita Manor Organics for ingredients for this year's treats. Need ideas for gifts from your kitchen? Visit www.edibleparadise.com for delicious recipes!

# Pies, Cookies, Pastries, and Bread

No time to bake? You'll find a wide selection of traditional and gluten-free baked treats to take to parties, add to gift baskets, or serve at your holiday gathering. Baked goods are available at Beckmann's Bakery, Sweet Elena's Bakery Café, Companion Bakeshop and Bay Living Culinary.



### Beckmann's Bakery

## Handcrafted Chocolate





#### Ashby Confections

Qouign

European-style, luxurious artisan chocolates are available at Ashby Confections for the serious chocolate lover on your holiday list. All confections are beautifully packaged and ready for gifting! Qouign (pronounced 'queen') offers exquisite handmade chocolates and a sublime hot chocolate mix, perfect for gifting!



Sweet Elena's Bakery Café

## Artisan Fresh Pasta

Bigoli Fresh Pasta brings the taste of Italy to your table with an exceptional selection of freshly crafted artisan pasta, made from 100% imported Italian durum semolina. From tender ravioli and pillowy gnocchi to indulgent trays of cannelloni and lasagna, each dish is a celebration of authentic flavors. Complete your meal with their mouthwatering sauces, perfect for elevating any occasion, whether it's a festive gathering or a cozy weeknight dinner.



Bay Living Culinary



Companion Bakeshop



Bigoli Fresh Pasta

## HOLIDAY WREATHS FROM THE MARKETS

A wide selection of holiday wreaths are available the markets.

# Holiday Wreaths

Few can resist the rare beauty of **Astone's Protea** long-lasting wreaths made from the exotic South African and Australian protea that they grow. Protea wreaths also make dazzling table centerpieces on the table with the center filled with candles. **Mora Family Farms** offers fragrant fresh eucalyptus and bay leaf wreaths.





Astone's Protea



Mora Family Farms

# Holiday Party Favorites

Having a few people over for a holiday get-together? Zena Foods offers flavorful dips and hummus along with their freshly baked pita bread — perfect for quick appetizers!

For a charcuterie board this holiday season, Foustman's Salami sells over 13 varieties of dry-cured, nitrate-free handcrafted artisan salami.

Bay Living Culinary sells fresh clam chowder and holiday side dishes by special order. H&H Fresh Fish has tuna and salmon spreads as well as delicious Dungeness crab cakes ready-to-cook.



Zena Foods



H&H Fresh Fish



Foustman's Salami



## Bay Living Culinary

# Preserves and Condiments

Small batch, artisan jams, fruit butter, and marmalades are available at Mora Family Farms and Prevedelli Farms. Borba Family Farms also has jam. Wise Goat Organics offers a line of savory mustards and salsas. Minazzoli Farm has almond butter and jams.



Mora Family Farms



Borba Family Farms



Prevedelli Farms



Wise Goat Organics

# Mocktails Anyone?

Our farmers have not missed the trend for alcohol-free beverages! You'll find freshly brewed, small batch kombucha at Living Swell Kombucha. Rancho Padre Farms offers cold-pressed juices that make a delicious base for punch or holiday drinks. Unique mixers are now available at Prevedelli Farms and Wise Goat Organics — just add a splash to sparkling water or your favorite cocktail.



Rancho Padre Farms



Prevedelli Farms



Wise Goat Organics



Living Swell Kombucha

# Shellfish at the Market



## La Marea of the Sea

La Marea of the Sea offers holiday fresh oyster platters with delectable condiments as well as catering. In addition to locally caught fish, H&H Fresh Fish offers fresh Dungeness crab (available at the harbor shop), scallops, unshucked oysters, and mussels. You can order platters of shucked oysters that arrive nestled on a bed of chilled rock salt along with their festive house-made mignonette, horseradish, and lemons. Be sure to inquire about their catering services, too.

# Seafood at the Market



#### MIF Seafood

H&H Fresh Fish

M.I.F. Seafood offers frozen sustainably sourced, wild caught Sockeye salmon and halibut harvested from the pristine waters of Bristol Bay. And don't miss their award-winning cold smoked salmon! H & H Fresh Fish offers locally sourced fish including ling cod, jack mackerel, rockfish, and much more. Gift packs of canned albacore and salmon are available at Dave's Gourmet Seafood.



## H & H Fresh Fish

## Dave's Gourmet Seafood

## FLOWERS & PLANTS FROM THE MARKETS

The farmers' markets offer a wide assortment of holiday potted plants and fresh-cut flowers.

# Flowers and Potted Plants

Deck the halls with fresh-cut flowers and colorful living plants! The farmers' markets offer a wide assortment of holiday potted plants and fresh-cut flowers. Cut flowers are available at Astone's Protea, Gatanaga Nursery, and Santa Rosa Flowers. You'll find potted plants and herbs at Bay Area Orchids, Cabrillo College Horticulture, Cavanaugh Color, Coastal Paradise, Pacific Rare Nursery, McCahon Floral with poinsettias, and Sacred Tree Nursery offering olive trees in stylish containers.





Astone's Protea

Gatanaga Nursery





Cabrillo College Horticulture

Cavanaugh Color





Pacific Rare Nursery

McMahon Floral



Santa Rosa Flowers

Coastal Paradise

Bay Area Orchids

## Holiday Time Savers





#### Fogline Farms

Finding time to make a special holiday meal for your family and friends can be challenging — but **Fogline Farms** can make all the difference with their organic marinated chickens and pastured pork chops. And if you're doing any baking, be sure to pick up some of their free-range eggs.

# Local Honey and Bee Products



#### Amen Bee Products

Amen Bee Products has one of the largest selections of honey on the coast including sage, avocado, orange blossom, olallieberry, and other wildflower honey; she also offers honeycomb, bee pollen, and beeswax candles.

## Locally Roasted Coffee Beans



CAN Coffee



Hidden Fortress Coffee

For the coffee connoisseur, you'll find a wide selection of fair-trade coffee beans at **CAN** (Agroecology) with Nicaraguan coffee beans and locally roasted beans at **Hidden Fortress Coffee**.

## Artisan Skin Care and Wellness Products



### Blossom's Farm

For natural product enthusiasts, **Blossom's Farm** offers an assortment of balms, salves, and other natural skin care products including herbal tinctures, hydrosols, and oils. **Lavender Creek Company** offers lavender based body oils, soaps, lotions, and bath salts.





## Lavender Creek Company

## A Gift of Nourishment



## Wild Goat Organics

The Better Berry Company Kitchen Table Cultures

A delicious selection of probiotic-rich and immune-boosting fermented products are available at Wise Goat Organics. The Better Berry Company offers inflammation-fighting Haskap berry extracts, powders, and juice. Kitchen Table Cultures offers locally produced rich bone broths, beef tallow, and kvass.

# Celebrate Winter with California-Grown Produce

Discover the vibrant flavors of winter at our farmers markets, where certified California-grown produce shines. From crisp greens to juicy seasonal fruits, you'll find the freshest and most delicious selections around. Our dedicated farmers use sustainable methods, grow heirloom varieties, and harvest their produce at peak ripeness—often just hours before market day. It's the perfect way to nourish your family while supporting local agriculture this holiday season.





Phil Foster Ranch

# Quick Pick-Me-Ups

Holiday shopping is hard work, but we'll get you through it! Stop by Lily's Roasted Corn and Potatoes for a hot roasted potato (and their great selection of toppings!) for a quick bite or pick up a bag of warm, freshly roasted peanuts. La Marea serves their fabulous seafood tacos and tostadas on freshly-made-on-the-spot hot corn tortillas. Or, pick up a hot cup of miso soup or a rice bowl at Zen Natural Foods. The various fillings include wild salmon, crab, and chicken.



Lily's Roasted Corn



Zen Natural Foods



La Marea





Ichigo Farms

Rodoni Farms





Northridge Farms

Murakami Farm

Spade & Plow Organics Sea to Sky Farms



New Natives



Rold Farms



Cortez Farms

## HOLIDAY GIFT GUIDE **VENDOR LIST**

Print out this Holiday Gift Guide as a reminder of farmers, vendors, and items you are considering as gifts and holiday merriment.

# Vendor List Holiday Gift Guide

Printable guide for your visit to the markets.

MBCFM Info Booth: Farmers Market Big Bucks, T-shirts, sweatshirts T-shirts, sweatshirts

Amen Bee Products: Honey, candles, bee pollen Ashby Confections: Handmade premium chocolates and confections

Astone's Protea: Protea wreathes, holiday bouquets Bay Area Orchids: Potted orchids

Bay Living Culinary: Clam chowder, pot pies, holiday side dishes

Beckmann's Bakery: Holiday pies, bread, pastries Belle Farms: Award winning extra virgin olive oil and Olio Nuevo

Bigoli Fresh Pasta: Artisan pasta, ravioili, gnocchi, and sauces

Blossom's Farm: Skin care, wellness products

Cabrillo College Horticulture: Potted plants CAN Coffee: Coffee beans

Cavanaugh Color: Potted plants, holiday décor

C E Farm: Pistachios and pecans

Coastal Paradise: Potted plants, holiday decor

Companion Bakeshop: Bread, pastries

Dave's Gourmet Seafood: Canned seafood gift packs **Donna Dirt:** Fresh herbs, dried oranges

Flying Disc Ranch: Dried dates

Fogline Farms: Marinated organic chicken, eggs Foustman's Salami: Artisan salami

Gatanaga Nursery: Fresh cut flowers, bouquets

H & H Fresh Fish Company: Fresh fish, poke, and crab cakes

Hakouya: Salad dressings, miso, dried wakame seaweed Hidden Fortress Coffee: Fresh roasted coffee beans

Ichigo Farms: Strawberries

Kitchen Table Cultures: Bone Broth (chicken and beef), beef tallow, beet kavass

La Marea of the Sea: Oysters and oyster platters (by order)

Lavender Creek Company: Lavender scented soap, lotions, oils, bath salts, and gifts

Lily's Roasted Corn and Potatoes: Delicious market snacks of hot roasted potatoes with 'the works'

Living Swell Kombucha: Flavored kombucha

Manzanita Manor Organics: Flavored walnuts, walnut butter, walnut oil

McMahon Floral: Poinsettias and potted plants

M.I.F. Seafood: Alaskan frozen sockeye salmon, halibut, and cold smoked salmon Minazzoli Farms: Flavored nuts, dried persimmons, cherries, jams Mora Family Farm: Herb wreaths, jams Pacific Rare Nursery: Potted plants and herbs Prevedelli Farms: Jams, drink mixes Quoign: Handcrafted chocolates and hot chocolate mix. Pulido Farms: Premium dried Blenheim apricots Rancho Padre Farms: Fresh pressed juice Rocky Oaks Goat Creamery: Fresh and aged goat cheese, yogurt Sacred Tree Nursery: Potted olive trees in decorative containers Santa Rosa Flowers: Fresh cut flowers Schletewitz Family Farms: Dried raisins, persimmons Schoch Family Farmstead: Local aged cheeses, butter, yogurt and meat Sweet Elena's Bakery: Holiday pies, breads, pastries The Better Berry Company: Haskap juice and powder Trellis and Vine: Artisan jewelry Wise Goat Organics: Salsas, probiotics, mustards Zena Foods: Exotic spreads, hummus dips and pita bread Zen Foods: Japanese rice bowls and miso soup snacks at the market FARMERS LIST (WITH PRODUCE) Borba Farms: Vegetables Cortez Farms: Berries Market Farms: Living leafy greens, salad mixes Murakami Farm: Kiwi New Natives: Wheat grass, micro greens, and mushrooms Northridge Farms: Brussels sprouts, artichokes, broccoli Phil Foster Ranch (Pinaccle): Vegetables Rodoni Farms: Brussels sprouts, artichokes Rold Farms: MOJO micro greens Sea to Sky Farms: Vegetables

Spade & Plow Organics: Dried peppers and vegetables



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