

Fabulous Firs 2011



Open Friday after Thanksgiving (Nov. 25)

10:00 am - 4:30 pm

Closing Dec. 18 at 4:30 pm

664 - 702 VanWagner Road
(1/8 mile north of Bower Road • 1 1/2 miles south of Salt Point Turnpike)
Poughkeepsie, NY 12603
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2010 & 2011 Dutchess County Fair Grand Champion Best Cut-Your-Own Fraser Fir in New York State

Saturday & Sunday 9:00 am - 4:30 pm (Hayrides - Fire Engine Rides)

Thursday & Friday 12:00 pm - 4:30 pm

The Year in Review

An excellent growing season with ample rains. Abundant August pre Irene moisture, plus 13" of rain from Irene caused losses in this year's planting (root rot) but the larger trees were not affected.

This year we have two large blocks that were "sampled" last year plus another large block virtually untouched. Next year a field of 3500 new trees will be 6'-9"! They are gorgeous.

Tree Types Available

Fraser Fir – No frost damage this year - excellent 6'-9' trees - some larger to 14'.

Concolor Fir – After two successive years of frost damage the 6'-9'trees are excellent. Best Concolors ever.

White Spruce – Outstanding 6'-8' trees. One customer kept one up until March last year (special care).

Serbian Spruce – Beautiful 5'-8' trees. Very soft needles for a Spruce - Blue green combination.

Colorado Spruce – Excellent selection 6'-7' - very dense - very blue.

Norway Spruce – Beautiful 6'-8' trees - but don't cut them early.

Tie a Yellow (and Black Striped) ribbon round the Old Fir Tree – Each year we walk the fields first to see which trees are good enough to sell without trimming. We mark these with yellow/black ribbon so they will be more natural. We correct the tops of these trees (eliminate multiple leaders, etc), but we do not shear the rest of the tree.

Not Suitable for Christmas Trees - Norway Spruce – Which one is it? Both - Norway Spruce have been used for years - Beautiful trees - but don't cut them early. We put up "Not Suitable" signs for the first two weekends and change to Norway Spruce the last 2 weeks.

Dutchess County Fair

We had a good year at the fair. We keep exhibiting at the fair so that people who do not know us will have a gauge for our quality compared to other growers. This year we won five first place ribbons and one third place ribbon in the six categories of trees. We also won the Best of Show (Grand Champion) for the second year in a row. In the last three years, Fabulous Firs has won fourteen blue ribbons, three red ribbons and a yellow ribbon, plus two best of show.

P.S. Please sign our book so we can keep our mailing list accurate and up to date.

Porta Potties On Site

Directions to Fabulous Firs

From Westchester & N.Y.C.: Take Taconic State Parkway North to Route 44 West. Go 5.3 miles, pass Three Broom Sticks Deli on left. Turn right onto Bower Road. At the end of Bower Road turn right onto VanWagner Road. Farm is 1/8 mile north.
From Rockland & Orange Cty: Take Thruway to I-84 East to Taconic State Parkway North. Follow Westchester directions.
From Ulster County: Take 9W to Mid-Hudson Bridge, follow 44 past Arnoff's Storage. Turn left on Bower Road, then right on VanWagner Road.

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NOVEMBER 25 10:00 AM

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SONNY-SKY TREE FARM 2011

Rombout Road
LaGrangeville, New York • 845-635-3206
Cell (Weekends only) • 845-656-2520

As many of you know, Sonny Sky Tree Farm is our no frills cut your own tree farm located under "scenic" power lines on Rombout Road. Ample parking and a porta potty are on site but transportation to the field (75 yards) is by foot. A do-it-yourself tree baler is available. Saws and string will be there for your convenience. Again this year we will offer one price for all sizes of trees from 5'-15'. This year we have good 6'-8' Frasers with a smaller selection of larger trees. Come early for your best selection. In the case of extreme weather call Bilmar to make sure Sonny-Sky is open.

Sonny Sky will be open November 25, 26, 27, December 3-4, 10-11. Closed weekdays and December 17 & 18.

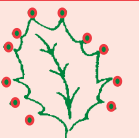
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Directions to Sonny-Sky:

From Westchester: Take Taconic Parkway to Route 55 (west) exit. Go 0.8 miles. Turn right before Mobile station onto Dutchess County Route 47 (Freedom Rd.) Go 2.9 miles turn left on Rombout Rd. Tree farm is 0.9 miles on left under the second group of high tension wires on Rombout Road. Park on right.
From Poughkeepsie: Take Route 55 to Mobile station in LaGrange on left, corner of Freedom Rd. and Route 55. Turn left and follow Westchester directions.



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2011 NEW YORK STATE GRAND CHAMPION

Well, the boys in the fields did it again! For the second straight year they sheared their way to another New York State Fair Grand Champion. Nice job boys!

We will have an excellent selection of Fraser Fir 6'-8' to start the season. By the end of the weekend of December 3 & 4, supply will be light. Keep in mind that Fabulous Firs has a great supply of 6'-9' Fraser Firs. The trees at both farms look great, Fabulous Firs has a larger selection.

MAKE A DAY OF IT

CUT YOUR OWN CHRISTMAS TREE AND THEN VISIT OUR TOWNS.

IN CASE YOU DIDN'T KNOW, DUTCHESS COUNTY HAS SOME BEAUTIFUL HISTORIC SITES TO VISIT.

A MUST VISIT IS THE WALKWAY OVER THE HUDSON. SEE OUR WEBSITE.

WE ARE VERY EXCITED ABOUT OUR NEW WEBSITE

We think that you will find the new site educational and fun. You will be able to identify trees with a smart phone while walking the fields, learn about Dutchess County and the history of our Farms and a whole lot more! The new site should be live by Thanksgiving. We hope you enjoy it!

WE NEED YOUR HELP

Over the next couple of years we would like to convert our mailing list to email. We will send 2 -3 emails a year. We will send Fair results in late August and our flyer in mid November. Please send us a short note with your name and address to: info@bilmarnurseriesinc.com.

We are also starting to collect old family photos from past visits to our farm. If you are interested, you can mail, email or bring them with you when you come for your tree this year.

Look for us on Facebook.

CUT YOUR OWN Fraser Fir 6'-9', Concolor Fir 7'-10', Canaan Fir 6'-8', Colorado Blue Spruce 5'-9' and Big White Pine 10'-15'. Yellow and black stripe ribbons on untrimmed trees. In general we have a very limited supply of trees over 9'.

WEEKEND HAYRIDES AND FIRE TRUCK RIDES TO THE FIELDS.

NO RIDES WEEKEND OF DECEMBER 17 & 18.

THE CHRISTMAS SHOP - lights, ornaments, tree stands, custom made bows from hundreds of patterns. Goods from local vendors including pickles, maple syrup, jewelry, goat soap, spices, candy and more. Stop in and warm up by the wood stove.

PRE CUT TREES The trees are cut the week of Thanksgiving and shipped to us by the weekend. They are the freshest and most beautiful trees in Southeast New York. Fraser Fir 6'-14', Concolor Fir 6'-14', Balsam Fir 6'-10' and Noble Fir 6'-8'.

NOBLE FIR

We will again have Noble Fir. With last years shipment getting here so late, we thought we would try again. Noble Fir (*Abies procera*) is a truly beautiful tree and has been the symbol of excellence for west coast trees (Oregon & Washington) for many years. We have been unsuccessful in attempts to grow it. It has stiff branches, can be trimmed to good shape, holds its needles well and has probably the most beautiful branches of any Christmas tree species. It is the best tree for branch swags. The trees will be harvested and immediately put in a trailer and sent by rail (3 days) to New Jersey where the trees will be picked up.

FREE AS ALWAYS, THE USE OF OUR SAWS, BAILING AND TIE TWINE

RESTROOMS ON SITE

REFRESHMENTS By St Paul's Church on the weekends of November 26, December 3 and December 10.

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Barbara Rawls

Scott & Meg Ellen Case

WHERE'S THE BEST PLACE TO GO, BILMAR, FABULOUS FIRS, OR SONNY-SKY?

Bilmar & Fabulous Firs have the best trees, but supplies of these great trees at Bilmar are limited this year. Fabulous Firs has excellent trees and by the third weekend will have better trees than Bilmar. Sonny-Sky continues to be the bargain priced section with one low price for trees 5'-14'!

SANTA WILL BE HERE 10 AM - 3 PM SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3.

CUT YOUR OWN DIRECTORY.. WHAT'S WHERE

	Bilmar	Fab Firs	Sonny Sky
6'-9' Fraser Fir	XX	XXX	XX
9'-10'	X	X	X
10'-12'	X	X	X
5'-8' White Spruce	XX	XXX	
6'-9' Douglas Fir	X		
6'-8' Concolor Fir	X	XX	
8'-10'	X	X	
5'-7' Colorado Blue Spruce	XXX	XX	
7'-9' Colorado Blue Spruce	X		
9'-15' White Pine	XXX	XX	
6'-8' Canaan Fir	X	X	

Limited Supply = X Good Supply=XX Great Supply=XXX

Directions to Bilmar Nurseries

From Westchester & NYC:

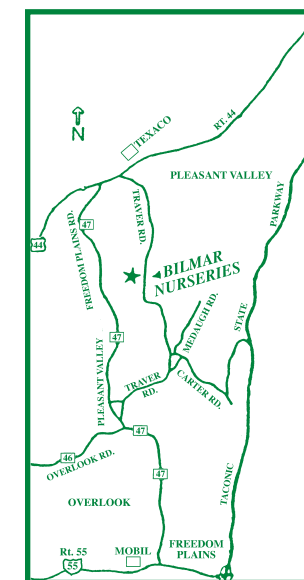
Take Taconic State Parkway North to Route 44 West, 3.4 miles to gas station. Turn left on Traver Road immediately after the station. 1 8/10 miles to Nursery.

From Orange & Rockland Counties:

Take I-84 East to Taconic State Parkway North. Follow Westchester directions.

From Ulster County:

Take Mid-Hudson Bridge. Follow Rt. 44 into Pleasant Valley. Go through all three lights. Turn right on Traver Road 1/4 mile after 3rd light. 1 8/10 miles to Nursery.



2011 Hours

Bilmar Nurseries Only.

Weekends

Nov. 26 - Dec. 18 9 AM - 5 PM

Weekdays

Nov. 25 - Dec. 16 10 AM - 6 PM

Dec. 19 - Dec. 23 10 AM - 5 PM

Last Wagon For Cut Your Own Departs at 4:00 PM.

No Cut-your-Own After 4:30