Farming Practices Of Selected Baltimore Farmer's Market Farms 2012

<u>Certified Organic Farms</u>

Cats Paw Organic Farm - Union Bridge MD - Certified Organic produce, flowers, herbs, baked goods. **The Calvert Farm - Rising Sun MD** – Certified Organic produce, free range chicken and duck eggs, honey, cheese, and mushrooms. CSA

<u>Sustainable Practices Farms</u>

Truck Patch Farms - New Windsor MD - Sustainable practices. Animals are free roaming. Produce is pesticide free. Turkey, chicken, and pork, are used in Baltimore restaurants.

Caprikorn Farm - Gapland MD - Sustainable practices - Raw goat milk cheese

Stoecker Farms - Middle River MD - Sustainable practices, some organic, with integrated pest management. Vegetables and Herbs.

Agriberry - Studley, VA – Sustainable/some organic practices, along with integrated pest management. No spraying for weeds due to black plastic and drip irrigation. Berries and fruits.

Zahradka Farm - Middle River MD - Sustainable practices, some organic, with Integrated Pest management. Fruits and vegetables.

Gunpowder Bison and Trading Co - Monkton MD - Grass fed and pastured Bison meat. Never use feed additives, hormones or antibiotics.

South Mountain Creamery - Frederick MD - Dairy and meat products - No growth hormones in the milk (which is in glass bottles. A refundable deposit fee \$1.50.) Renewable Energy and Sustainable farm practices in many areas of the farm. Beef is pastured and grass fed, they do not spray their fields. Pork - no hormones or antibiotics, and fed a vegetable diet. Chicken - cage free. They also sell lamb. **Hawks Hill Creamery - Street MD** - No growth hormones or antibiotics. Hand crafted raw cheese, and ice

cream. No animal rennet is used, so their Raw cheese is suitable for vegetarians.

Many Rocks Farm - Keedysville MD - Sustainable practices. Pastured goats and hogs. Goat milk soaps. Hickory Chance Beef - Bel Air MD - Grass fed, pastured, with grain available. No hormones or antibiotics.. Albright Farms - Monkton MD - Integrated Pest Management, low spray, adding nutrients to soil in a variety of ways. Beef is grass fed, grain finished with their own crops. No hormones or antibiotics. Chickens, eat grass and insects, along with grains from the farm. No hormones or antibiotics. Turkeys are fed gains from farm. No hormones or antibiotics

Integrated Pest Management Farms

Knopps Farm - Severn MD - IPM. Trying to reduce the use of pesticides by various methods. Adds cover crops to put nutrients back into the soil. Produce.

Pahl's Farm - Granite, MD - IPM Produce, herbs, flowers, fruits.

Reid Orchard Winery - Orrtanna PA - IPM /Land stewardship. Fruits, vegetables, walnuts, herbs.

<u>Naturally Grown</u>

KCC Natural Farms - Forest Hill MD - Natural meaning no hormones or antibiotics, or animal by products. Cage free, free range, and pastured. Poultry, pheasant, quail, chukars, capons and various eggs. **Richfield Farms - Manchester MD** - Provides fresh produce to many of Baltimore's well known farm to table restaurants. Nothing found on their farming practices. Large variety of produce and heirloom varieties. **Big White Barn Produce - Buckeystown MD** - Naturally grown vegetables. Not sure their interpretation of that term. Renowned Frederick chef Bryan Voltaggio uses their produce in his restaurants. CSA

<u>Hydroponics</u>

Chesapeake Greenhouse - Sudlersville MD - Fresh Hydroponic Bib lettuce, herbs and micro greens. Minimal chemicals, if any.

<u>Cage Free</u>

Hens Nest - New Windsor MD - Eggs are cage free only. Must order in advance for eggs or chickens, that are free roaming and organic.