

FARM TOUR

Celebrating 30 Years

NOVEMBER 18, 2011

SCHEDULE OF STOPS

WEST

1. Fern Trust..... 9:00 - 9:45
2. Deep Creek Ranch 10:15 - 11:00
3. Vo-LaSalle Farms 11:30 - 12:15
4. Select Growers..... 12:45 - 1:30
5. Common Ground Farm 2:00 - 2:45

EAST

6. Deep Creek Preserve..... 9:00 -10:00
7. Mike's Cichlids..... 10:30 -11:15
8. Beeman's Nursery..... 11:30 -12:15
9. Tropical Blossom Honey..... 12:45 - 2:00

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WEST SIDE TOUR



- 1. FERN TRUST..... 9:00 – 9:45**

Fern Trust, Inc. was founded in 1986 as a cooperative of quality oriented growers sharing a rich history in agribusiness. Unique to the industry, acting as a cooperative allows the grower-members to do what they do best – grow the highest quality foliage available. Together these growers have decades of experience.
2184 US Highway 17 N. about a mile north of Seville.
<http://www.ferntrust.com/home.htm>
- 2. DEEP CREEK RANCH.....10:15-11:00**

Deep Creek provides superior beef and lamb to consumers and restaurants. It is tender, flavorful, chemical free, and nutritious. A family owned and operated ranch, in west Volusia since 1883. Packaged, frozen retail cuts of our beef and lamb will be for sale during the tour, bring a cooler to keep it well frozen. From Hwy 17, go east on SR 40 for about 5.5 miles then turn right onto Lake Winona road. Go to 6710
<http://www.deepcreekranch.us>
- 3. VO-LASALLE FARMS 11:30 - 12:15**

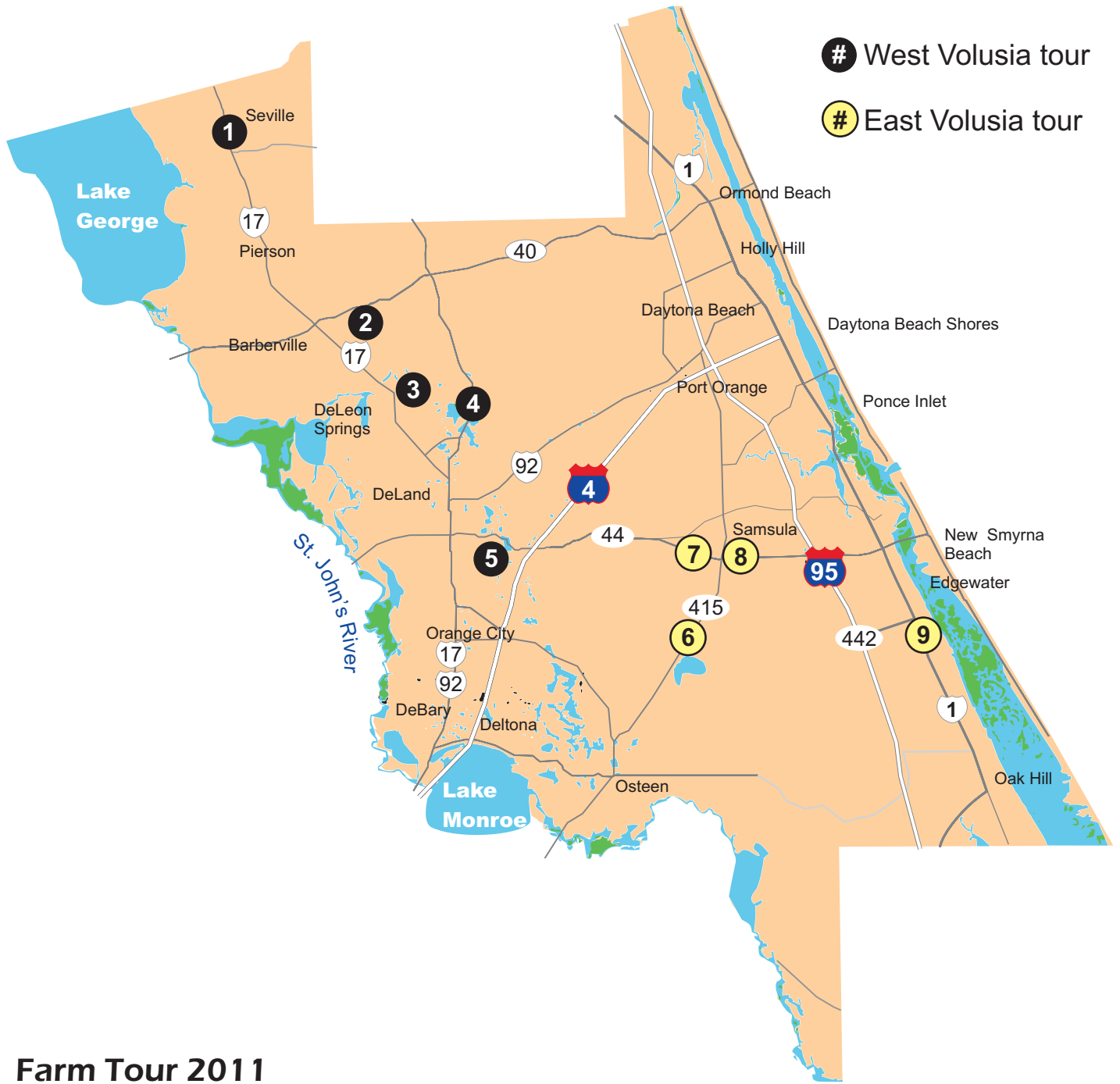
Vo-Lasalle Farms, an active citrus operation, will discuss the latest citrus varieties, hydroponic strawberries and cutting edge irrigation techniques. Fresh picked fruit and veggies will be available for sale. From Deep Creek, go south on Lake Winona 3.5 miles then left onto Johnson Lake Road. Off U.S. 17, go east on Lake Winona Road, turn right on Johnson Lake Road, and go to 601.
<http://www.giftfruitfromflorida.com/>
- 4. SELECT GROWERS..... 12:45 – 1:30**

Since 1987 Select Growers has provided the floral industry with the finest quality specialty greens available. Our products are shipped throughout the United States and Canada. Select Growers is also a grower of quality landscape plant material available to the local area. View the landscape nursery and the production facility for our specialty floral greens and holiday items. Located at 4391 State Road Highway 11
<http://www.selectgrowers.com>
- 5. COMMON GROUND FARM.....2:00 – 2:45**

At Common Ground Farm you will find a blend of traditional organic practices with the newest in farming approaches. their is to provide the best quality vegetables for our customers. Our focus is to do so in a family friendly setting where everyone from eight to eighty can learn more ranging from how our food should be raised and grown to be more nutritious to how to choose your food wisely and eat healthier. Our deep desire is that everyone has fun and enjoy the experience of Common Ground. Common Ground Farm is located in south Deland at 1330 East Taylor Road between Blue Lake Avenue and MLK Blvd. You can call the farm at 386-740-9141 or visit us at:
<http://cgofarm.com>

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- 6. DEEP CREEK PRESERVE.....9:00 - 10:00**
Be one of the first to explore Volusia Counties newest land acquisitions for conservation purposes. Come see a modern cow/calf cattle operation in conjunction with a pine plantation and other natural resources. This 4,800 acre piece of land is a strategic part of the Volusia Conservation Corridor purchased by Volusia Forever. Located 4 miles south of SR 44 at 964 S.R. 415 New Smyrna Beach 32668
- 7. MIKE'S CICHLIDS.....10:30 - 11:15**
Mike's Cichlids, est. in 1988, produces over 150 varieties of cichlids & freshwater tropical fish. This tropical fish farm has provided wholesale tropical fish to pet shops throughout the United States & Canada for over 20 years. Come see the journey of tropical fish from birth to your home aquarium. Tropical fish and supplies will be available for retail sale. They are located 1mile west of 415 off of State Rd 44. Turn left on Taganana Dr. & left on El Pino Dr. Farm is located at 185 El Pino Dr.
www.floridatropicalfishdirect.com
- 8. BEEMAN'S NURSERY.....11:30-12:15**
Beeman's Nursery has been in operation since 2000. Steve Beeman and his son Forest, started Beeman's Nursery in an effort to supply native grasses and aquatic plants to a growing number of installation companies working for the state, golf courses and road side projects. The nursery is a wholesale only operation, but works with the local retailers to provide them with a good source of Natives.
.After working on a patent for their "Floating Island System" they branched out and created a company around it. Beemats are floating islands of living plants, used to remove excess nutrients from water. They are located at 3637 SR 44 New Smyrna Beach, FL on SR44 .3.5 miles west of I95 and 1.5 miles East of SR415.
<http://beemansnursery.com>
- 9. TROPICAL BLOSSOM HONEY COMPANY12:45 - 2:00**
For 72 years, Tropical Blossom Honey Co. has been shipping fine Florida honey varieties around the USA and to over twenty countries around the globe. Visit the Tropic Bee honey store with its display of rare beekeeping equipment and antique honey pots, and taste pure honeycomb right from the hive. Learn about the honeybee's importance to agriculture and our food supply, and receive updates on the disappearance of honeybees and Africanized bees. Located in Edgewater at the NW corner of US 1 and Park Ave., 106 N Ridgewood Ave.
<http://www.tropicbeehoney.com>



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