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FARM TOUR Celebrating 31 Years

NOVEMBER 16, 2012

SCHEDULE OF STOPS

WEST

 FERN TRUST J & J WHITETAILS VO-LaSALLE FLORIDA OLIVE SYSTEMS SELECT GROWERS 	
6. EFG ORCHIDS	

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WEST SIDE TOUR



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. J & J WHITETAILS......10:15-11:00

The vision and mission of J&J Whitetails is to advance the whitetail deer industry in Florida through leadership to the deer farming industry, domestication and development of animals with superior genetics, premium venison and outstanding growth performance. The goal of J&J Whitetails is to operate a profitable business that produces and sells superior Whitetail breeding stock, deer products and services.

Whitetail deer farming offers small landowners a way to raise livestock without acreage and labor generally required for traditional cattle ranching. Deer farming has a promising future as alternative agricultural enterprise.

From US 17, turn east on Lake Winona Road to 5931.

3. VO-LASALLE FARMS11:15 - NOON

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. 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. FLORIDA OLIVE SYSTEMS......12:15 - 1:00

The Ford/Veech family of Volusia County has planted a 20 acre high density olive grove (11,160 trees) in DeLeon Springs. This experimental planting is to see if success of mechanized olive farming is possible in Central FL. The trees, hopefully, will produce olives that can be used primarily for oil, but can also be used as table olives. There are other uses for olive trees, many are beneficial to people's health and well-being. Olive leaf tea, olive leaf extract, cut foliage uses, landscape uses, and many different and ornate uses from the wood are just a few of the current uses. The grove is extremely experimental, but optimism is high.

Take Johnson Lake Rd to Spring Garden Ranch Rd. Follow it around to 1599. (Entrance is 300 feet west of Reynolds Rd.)

5. SELECT GROWERS......1:15 – 2:00

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.

Follow Reynolds s Road east to SR 11; turn right. Located on the left at 4391 http://www.selectgrowers.com

6. EFG ORICHIDS2:15 – 3:00

Established in Addison, Illinois in 1939, when this fourth generation nursery relocated to DeLand. They specialize in ground orchids. Take advantage of this unique opportunity to buy orchids directly from the wholesaler.

Turn left onto FL-11 S, take the first left onto Daugharty Rd then the second right onto Marsh Rd. OR from US 92, go north on Marsh Road, 4.5 miles to 4265 Marsh Road.

http://www.efgorchids.com/index.htm

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EAST SIDE TOUR



7. DEEP CREEK PRESERVE......9:00 - 10:00

One of Volusia County's last land acquisitions, purchased by Volusia Forever, is a strategic part of the Volusia Conservation Corridor. See a working cow/calf operation on pastures deep in the heart of the property, surrounded by pine plantation, wildlife and learn about Florida's rich heritage with the cattle industry. Come see what Florida looks like without power lines and pavement.

Located 4 miles south of SR 44 at 964 County Road 415 New Smyrna Beach 32668

8. CHANTILLIS ALPACA FARM......10:30 - 11:15

Chantilly Ridge Alpacas is a 12 acre family owned and operated farm dedicated to the care and well-being of over 100 animals located in beautiful Port Orange, Florida. we are committed to giving our animals the highest quality of personal care. We invite you to stop in for a visit. Just one look and you will fall in love!

Directions: From SR 44, drive 3.3 miles north on 415. Turn right to 1975 H L Anisley Dr. http://www.chantillyridgealpacas.embargspace.com

9. TROPICAL BLOSSOM HONEY COMPANY12:45 - 2:00

Tropical Blossom Honey Co., Inc., was founded in 1940 by David K. and Helen McGinnis and 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

10. CSI NATURAL......2:30-3:15

CSI Natural, embodies the "Green" and applies the concept to the Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) Industry. Cloer & Sons, Inc (since 1977) collects organic feedstock from the City of Edgewater, located in Volusia County, and actively processes the Municipal Green Waste. CSI Natural is the "brand" of sustainable landscaping/gardening products. The CSI Natural product line consists of Compost, Mulch and Topsoil. All products are produced locally in Edgewater, FL and made available at reduced prices. Interested in learning more about Compost, Mulch or Topsoil? If so, stop by during the Farm Tour to walk the grounds and learn how everything is made.

Located at 3096 Eels Grove Road, Edgewater, FL 32132.

[<u>Directions</u>] | <u>http://www.csinatural.com</u>

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