

INDIAN VALLEY ORGANIC FARM & GARDEN

1800 Ignacio Boulevard

Novato, California 94949

Indian Valley Campus

A Partnership of College of Marin, Conservation Corps North Bay, and UC Cooperative Extension–Marin

Established in 2008 on the Indian Valley Campus of the College of Marin, the 5.8 acre certified organic Indian Valley Organic Farm & Garden is a dynamic partnership offering education in sustainable agriculture and local food systems for students, youth, local workforce participants and lifelong learners.



COLLABORATIVE PROGRAMS

DEGREE PROGRAMS: Associate Degree or Career Certificate in Environmental Landscaping through the College of Marin. **Contact:** Julie Oyle, julie.oyle@marin.edu (415) 883-8811 x 8200

GREEN JOBS TRAINING: Year-round job training, summer job opportunities for disadvantaged youth and paid work-study opportunities in partnership with Conservation Corps North Bay. **Contact:** Jennie Pardi, jpardi@conservationcorps-northbay.org (415) 720-2771

FOOD SYSTEMS EDUCATION TRAINING: A hands-on program for K-12 students. **Contact:** Jennie Pardi, jpardi@conservationcorpsnorthbay.org (415) 720-2771

WORK EXPERIENCE AND APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAMS: Applied training in the local food system industry. First State-approved apprenticeship program for organic farming. **Contact:** Kathy Takemoto, Kathy.takemoto@marin.edu (415) 883-2211 x 8204

NATIVE FOODWAYS AND ETHNOBOTANY: Traditional Ecological Knowledge (TEK) practices, in collaboration with The Cultural Conservancy. **Contact:** Melissa Nelson, melissa@nativeland.org (415) 561-6594

ONGOING COMMUNITY EDUCATION: Continuing education programs in collaboration with the College of Marin, UC Cooperative Extension–Marin, Marin Master Gardeners, local farmers and guest teachers. **Contact:** Jennie Pardi, jpardi@conservationcorpsnorthbay.org (415) 720-2771



Certified Organic by Marin Organic
Certified Agriculture



DIRECT MARKETING & OUTREACH

Education, growing food and farmers, and care of the land are at the core of the Indian Valley Organic Farm & Garden partnership. Here are some of the ways to connect and get involved with the farm.



FARM STAND SALES

Certified organic fruits, vegetables, herbs, and flowers as well as annual and perennial plants for the home garden are for sale at the farm market stand, 10 am to 3 pm on Wednesdays and Saturdays (Mar.-Oct.) or Wednesdays only (Nov.-Feb.).

SEASONAL PLANT SALES ON THE FARM

Organic vegetable starts, annual and perennial flowers, berries, fruit trees, culinary and tea herbs, and native plants are offered at annual fall and spring plant sales.

CONTRACT GROWING AND NURSERY SALES

IVOF&G has state-of-the-art greenhouse growing facilities for annual and perennial plant propagation. For more information contact Henry Wallace, Farm Supervisor. hwallace@conservationcorpsnorthbay.org (415) 720-0810.



CSA—FEED YOUR FAMILY AND SUPPORT THE FARM

Join the Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) program at Indian Valley Organic Farm & Garden and receive a weekly box of organic vegetables, herbs and fruit (mid-May to late November). This program creates a healthier food system while supporting local sustainable agriculture.

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL PRODUCE SALES

Organic vegetables, herbs, fruit and flowers from the farm are marketed to local restaurants, grocery stores, and plant nurseries. If you are interested in purchasing seasonal produce, contact Amy Ridout, Farm Coordinator.



ORGANIC FLOWER SALES

Vibrant farm-fresh flowers are available for purchase at the farm stand, at local grocery stores, through the farm CSA, and for special events like weddings, graduations, parties, and other occasions.

VALUE-ADDED PRODUCTS—JAMS, TEAS, AND HERBAL CRAFTS

Delicious fruit-forward (low sugar) strawberry preserves, a medley of herbal teas, lavender wands, sachets, and floral products from the bounty of the farm are sold at the farm stand and by special order.

SPECIAL EVENTS, FARM TOURS, AND VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

If you are interested in holding a team-building event at Indian Valley Organic Farm & Garden, activities are offered for all ages to learn about sustainable agriculture and to engage in giving back to the community. One-hour tours of the farm and volunteer opportunities are provided on Wednesdays and Fridays from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm.

For more information on any of these programs contact Amy Ridout, Farm Coordinator, at aridout@conservationcorpsnorthbay.org or (415) 720-2051.

DIRECTIONS TO THE FARM

From Highway 101, take Ignacio Blvd. exit in southern Novato and continue on Ignacio Blvd. for approximately two miles to the Indian Valley Campus entrance. Park in Lot 5 or 6 for the farm.