



MARKET UPDATES

Week of November 2, 2025



Seafood

SEASONAL SPOTLIGHT - STOCKED FOR THE WEEK!

- This week's seasonal spotlight items are:
- #EP120, Cod Captain Cut Loin 12 - 16 Oz., 10 Lb. Cs. Iceland. Available all week long.
- #EH030, Tuna Yellowfin Loin #1 Lb., South America Available all week long.
- Advance notice is appreciated to ensure we pull enough inventory to meet demand.

View the full Seasonal, Fresh, Specialty Seafood list, including our Oyster List, here: <https://blackriverproduce.com/resources/updates/#regional-seafood>

SWORD LOIN

- Market holding steady

U15 SCALLOPS

- Reminder: Price increase remains in effect.

LOCAL GROUND FISH

- Supplies remain limited on local groundfish: scrod, small haddock, pollock, and monkfish.
- Market continues to hold firm.

CRAB MEAT

- Reminder: Fresh 8oz Crab meat, #NW846, has been moved to late line due to decreased demand.

HALIBUT FILLET

- Price fluctuations remain in effect.
- Reduced West Coast harvest continues to create volatility and continues to place increased demand on East Coast supply.

WILD COHO SALMON

- Season has ended.

Meat

BLACK RIVER MEATS, STEW MEAT

- Stew Meat (#GR400), 12/1 lb retail-ready packs, is back in stock.

BLACK RIVER MEATS, HAMS

- Bone-In Half Hams (#WA580) and Boneless Quarter Hams (#WA584) are also back in stock.

Specialty Grocery

DOT FOODS

- Tahini Paste, #EJ448, continues to be shorted due to vendor supplier outages.
- No replenishment expected until mid-November.
- A temporary replacement is available: Roland Tahini, #G5690.

THE BREAD SHED

- New item alert: Orders for The Bread Shed now being accepted.
- All SKUs will begin as special order until consistent usage is established.
- Orders placed by end of day Monday will arrive at BRP on the following Tuesday.

IMPOSTER FOODS

- Production paused due to delayed coconut oil shipment.
- Currently out of:
- Bulk Shredded Mozzarella (#JP582)
- Retail Shredded Mozzarella (#PN342)
- Everything Flavor Cream Cheese (#RN526)
- Additional SKUs may gap before the next shipment arrives on Friday, November 7.

TINNED FISH

- New line of tinned fish has landed.

Portomar:

#TTJ26- Octopus in Olive Oil Canned, 12/3.9oz

#TTJ34- Smoked Mussels in Olive Oil Canned, 10/4oz

#TTJ36- Sardines Small in Olive Oil Canned, 10/4oz

Ortiz:

#TTL72- White Tuna In Olive Oil, 8/64.4oz

#TTL74- White Tuna in Olive Oil, 12/3.9oz



Dairy / Cheese

GRAFTON VILLAGE CHEESE

- Reminder: Storyteller, #GT994, and Bear Hill, #EJ340 are now back in stock.
- Clothbound Cheddar ½ wheel, #AM076 will be gapping until early spring.

WOODLAWN CREAMERY

- We're excited to announce our new partnership with Woodlawn Creamery, makers of three world-class, award-winning farmstead cheeses.
- In stock now:
 - Pawlet, #ARW94 (10 lb wheel)
 - Rupert, #ARW88 (10 lb wheel)
 - Southwind, #ARW82 (20 lb wheel)
- Due next week:
 - Pawlet Wedge, #ARW96 (6/8 oz)
 - Rupert Wedge, #ARW90 (6/8 oz)
 - Southwind Wedge, #ARW84 (6/8 oz)

GENUINE FULVI PECORINO ROMANO

- Newly stocked! #TTJ22, Genuine Fulvi Pecorino Romano, 4/17lb. Also stocking split: #TTJ23, 1/17lb.
- Produced in the Lazio region of Italy. 100% sheep's milk collected from small producers in the countryside of Rome. Contains higher butterfat than most Pecorino Romanos which produces a far superior cheese.

JASPER HILL FARM

- Bayley Hazen Blue (#R0340) will be in limited stock for the remainder of the year.
- Culinary Grade Bayley Hazen Blue (#WB832) is available.
- Winnimere (#GR472) first batch arrives November 6.
- Winnimere is a seasonal, bark-wrapped, washed-rind cheese with flavors of bacon, sweet cream, and spruce.

VERMONT CREAMERY

- New flavored chèvre log: Maple Chipotle (#ATF52), 12/4 oz.

continue due to recent heat, rain, and humidity.

BLUEBERRIES CV/OG

- Production continues in Central Mexico (CMEX) with steady supplies.
- Arrivals from Peru are increasing and helping stabilize overall availability.
- Mexican quality remains strong with good sizing and bloom.
- Market stability has improved as arrivals balance demand.

BROCCOLI CV/OG

- **Market conditions extreme.**
- Quality is fair, and supplies remain extremely limited.
- Yields continue to decline due to significant insect pressure.
- Browning, pin rot, and larvae reports remain widespread.
- Most growers are prorating, and no one is able to hold to averages.
- Weather disruptions have further affected harvest and quality.
- Limited volumes from Massachusetts have shown better quality but remain scarce.

BRUSSELS SPROUTS

- Supplies remain extremely limited.
- Some growers continue to struggle with yields; others who harvested early are now waiting for new crops to catch up.
- Insect pressure and internal browning continue, though overall quality appears acceptable.
- Market remains at an extreme trigger level with ongoing prorates.

CAULIFLOWER CV/OG

- Quality is fair, and supplies are extremely tight.
- Growers continue to battle insect pressure and are holding to averages where possible.
- Some growers have begun prorating; market remains at extreme levels.
- Weather-related issues continue to affect harvesting and quality.

CELERY CV/OG

- Quality is good, but supplies remain extremely tight.
- Market pricing is trending upward as we enter the fall pull.
- Organic celery remains even more limited, with higher pricing expected..

CUCUMBERS:

- Market remains unchanged.
- Domestic supply out of North Carolina and Tennessee is slowly improving.
- Quality is outstanding in the west and fair in the east.
- Some Vermont grown products are beginning to come into the market for both supers and selects.

Produce

BLACKBERRIES CV/OG

- **Market conditions escalated.**
- Production remains active across Central Mexico (CMEX), Baja, and Watsonville.
- CMEX and Baja continue to see increasing volumes heading into fall.
- Overall supplies have improved, but quality remains inconsistent by region.
- Color reversion and isolated soft or overripe fruit

GARLIC (PEELED)

- Market remains unchanged. California crop harvest underway, improving supply outlook.
- Quality remains good, though availability remains restricted to current commitments until growers have time to evaluate this crop.

GRAPES

- Fall production continues from California with steady demand.
- Quality is mixed due to recent rains.
- Covered crops show fewer issues; uncovered fruit has more challenges, including splits on reds and waterberry, ambering, and smaller sizing on greens.

LETTUCE

- **Market conditions extreme.**
- Quality is fair, but supplies are extremely tight.
- Growers are prorating, sometimes at extreme levels.
- Issues include INSV, lighter weights, and ribby texture.
- Additional rain is expected to create production gaps.
- Weather-related quality problems continue to reduce yields ahead of transition.
- Hydroponic lettuce from North Country Growers (NH) continues to supplement supply and support quality.

LEMONS CV/OG

- Small lemons remain very limited.
- Most crops are sizing larger, creating continued challenges for smaller counts.

LIMES

- Supplies remain extremely limited on larger fruit.
- Growers expect tight conditions to continue through November.
- Pricing and quality will vary over the next few weeks.

MICROGREENS - FRESH ORIGINS

- Reminder: Now stocking Fresh Origins micro basil 4oz, #CP510, and popcorn shoots 4oz, #CP554.

MELONS

- Cantaloupe: Quality has remained good following the rains, though additional cleanup has been required due to mud/dirt.
- Honeydew: Production is extremely limited.
- Fewer domestic plantings occur in fall due to weather volatility, leading to heavier reliance on Mexican imports.
- Crossings through Nogales have increased, easing market pressure slightly.
- Seasonal scarring and surface mud/dirt remain common.

ONIONS

- Market expected to remain stable throughout Q4.
- With harvest concluding, all product will now come from Pacific Northwest storage.
- Modest increases are possible, but no major movement is expected.
- Supply, quality, and pricing should remain steady barring unforeseen disruptions.

ORANGES CV/OG

- Market remains unchanged.
- Smaller sizes remain limited, and pricing continues to rise as demand exceeds supply.
- Mid-range sizes (88s and 72s) are more available but also command a premium as buyers shift focus.
- Larger fruit (56s and above) remains particularly short, adding further pressure to the market.
- Overall fruit quality is excellent, with strong color, firmness, and consistency across packs.

PEPPERS

- Market remains unchanged.
- Regionally grown green and red bushel peppers remain strong.
- Pricing relief noted on imported 11 lb conventional and organic peppers.
- Quality has been good and stable.

POTATOES (IDAHO)

- Supply for the remainder of the year will be fully supported by storage.
- Sizing and availability remain strong.
- Long-term outlook mirrors last season: a soft market until late spring, followed by expected tightening.

RASPBERRIES CV/OG

- Market remains unchanged.
- Good supplies continue from Mexico with improving fruit quality and fewer weather-related defects.
- California production is post-peak, now contributing less than half of total supply.
- Quality across regions remains strong, with medium-sized fruit and consistent availability.

STRAWBERRIES CV/OG

- **Market conditions have escalated.**
- Demand continues to exceed supply.
- Oxnard is recovering well post-rain, producing high-quality, full-color fruit.
- All other California regions are winding down or at minimal production levels.
- Central Mexico (CMEX) volumes are increasing with good quality and will continue ramping up.
- Combined volumes remain insufficient to offset seasonal declines from northern California.
- November is historically the tightest supply period; relief is not expected for 3–5 weeks.

TOMATOES

- Market remains unchanged.
- Steady supply of rounds and romas from Alabama, North Carolina, Virginia, and Tennessee.
- Upper Midwest, Pennsylvania, and Michigan slowing for the season.
- Quality mixed but improving with drier weather supporting more consistent harvests.

New / Reactivated /Changed Codes

New Tinned Fish Items:

TTJ26	Octopus in Olive Oil Canned,	12/3.9oz	Portomar	Due to land 10.23.25
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Paris Gourmet- New Stocked Item:

ARW22	Hot Chocolate Mix	6/2.2lb	Cocoa Noel	Stocked
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Paris Gourmet- New Special Order Items!

#RL222	Raspberry Macaron Frozen,	3/12ct	Jean Noel	
#RL226	Vanilla Macaron Frozen,	3/12ct	Jean Noel	
#RL230	Chocolate Macaron Frozen	3/12ct	Jean Noel	
#RL240	Pistachio Macaron Frozen	3/12ct	Jean Noel	
#APA36	Pistachio Éclair Frozen	6/5ct	Jean Noel	
#RG708	Dark Chocolate Eclair Frozen	6/5ct	Jean Noel	
#RG710	Raspberry Eclair Frozen	6/5ct	Jean Noel	
#VL892	Butter Sheets Unsalted 82%	10/2.2lb	Buerre de Tourage	
#VL878	Tart shell Sweet Rond 2" Cooked	1/144ct	Moda	

Reminders:

#CP510	Micro basil	4oz	Fresh Origins	Now stocking.
#CP554	Popcorn shoots	4oz	Fresh Origins	Now stocking.
#CP376	Semi Sweet Choc Chips, real, 900 ct/lb	1/25 Lb Cs	Heritage Ovens	Newly Stocked.
#15628	Organic Udon Noodle	30/12.8oz	Roland Foods	Newly Stocked.
#RN114	Crushed Calabrian Chili Peppers	4/38.8oz	Roland Foods	Newly Stocked
#RN658	Spicy Chili Onion Crisp	4/35.2oz	Roland Foods	Newly Stocked
#ARR82	Squid Calamari Tubes 5-8' Frozen	10/2.5 Lb	Town Dock	Replaces #EP014
#ARR80	Calamari 3-5" Tubes Blue Frozen	10/2.5 Lb	Town Dock	Replaces #EL078
#ART58	Calamari Rings 5-8" Clean	10/2.5 Lb	Town Dock	Replaces #WC916



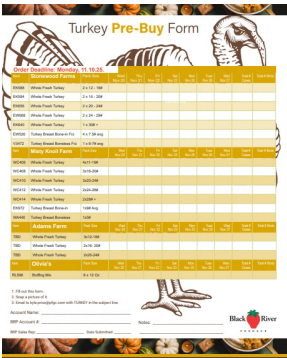
ARW22 Hot Chocolate Mix 6/2.2lb



Seasonal Reminders

THANKSGIVING TURKEYS

- Seasonal Reminder: Pre-order forms for Thanksgiving turkeys are due November 11, 2025.
- Fresh Turkeys will be available from three Vermont Farms this year: Misty Knoll Farms, Stonewood Farm and Adam's Turkey Farm.
- A limited supply of Stonewood Farm case posters will be available upon request. Please request from your BRP representative.
- View pre-order form by clicking the 2025 Turkey Pre-order button at <https://blackriverproduce.com/products/meat-poultry/>

A detailed pre-order form for Thanksgiving turkeys. It includes sections for Misty Knoll Farms, Stonewood Farm, and Adam's Turkey Farm. Each section lists various turkey options with their respective prices and quantities. The form also includes a section for Stonewood Farm case posters. At the bottom, there is a section for the customer's name, address, and contact information, along with a signature line and a date field.

Vermont-Grown Poinsettias



EL182	4" Poinsettia	1 ea
EL860	6" Poinsettia	1 ea
EL184	8" Poinsettia	1 ea
EL186	10" Poinsettia	1 ea

- Requires 72-hour advance order.
- First available delivery 11.25.25.
- While supplies last. Standard delivery days and minimums apply.