Black River PRODUCE

MARKET UPDATES

Week of November 9, 2026



Seafood

Seasonal Seafood Spotlight

- This week's seasonal spotlight items are:
- Haddock Large Skinless 12-16 Oz 10 Lb (#NW874)
- Source: Iceland
- Salmon Faroe Island Fillet 4-5 Lb 12 Lb (#GN602)
- Source: Faroe Islands
- Both are available for deliveries 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

Shucked Oysters

- Slight price increase.

Scallops

- Reminder: U15 scallops (#NW936) – Very limited through the end of November. The scallops being harvested have yielded a smaller size scale, limiting the amount of U15. Code has been moved to a late line until future notice. Can offer #FN530 10/20 stocked

Halibut

- Price holding firm.

Swordfish

- Price holding firm.

Wild Coho Salmon

- Reminder: Season has ended for year.

Meat

Fresh Turkeys

- Fresh turkey deliveries will be temporarily paused until week of 11/15 as the vendor and warehouse prepare for Thanksgiving shipments.
- Shipments will resume the week of 11/15 and will be based on turkey pre-orders.

Thanskgiving Turkeys

- Pre-orders for Vermont-grown turkeys from Misty Knoll, Stonewood Farm and Adams Turkey Farm are due **TODAY**, November, 9.



Specialty Grocery

Yalla

- Reminder: Yalla has landed and it's flying off the shelves!
- BRP stocks the entire line, which is a strong convenience versus other distributors.

Bakery Items

- New Item Alerts: BRP is now stocking the following bakery items.
- Please reach out with any large volume needs.
- All are available by case or single unit.
- Fleischmann's Yeast Compressed Fresh Wet Bakers Select, 24/1lb, (#18208)
- Baking Powder Double Acting 6/5lb, (#JE552).
- Heritage Ovens Baking Soda 24/1lb , (#JE554)
- Bob's Red Mill Baking Powder Aluminum Free 4/14oz (#FH114)
- Bob's Red Mill **Aluminum Free Baking Powder** is double acting, unlike some other aluminum free baking powders; it makes your baked goods taste better, without any metallic aftertaste which can occur with standard baking powders.

Bob's Red Mill





Cheese & Dairy

Ammerlander Swiss Cheese

- Ammerlander Swiss Cheese 2/6.5lb (#MM712) has a code change. New code is #BTE24

Woodlawn Creamery

- New Item alert: Excited to be bringing on Emerson Farmer's Cheese from Woodlawn Creamery
- American Cheese Society 2026 Award Winner.
- Creamy and bright, on the line between spreadable and crumbly.
- Serve on a bagel, over a salad, in place of ricotta.
- 6/8oz (#BTH74), in stock now
- 2/32oz. to follow in coming weeks.

Miller Farm

- Two new items coming from Miller Farm this week.
- Organic Maple Nog 16oz., (#BTG96).
- Eggless. Maple Syrup is used in place of eggs.
- Organic High Protein Chocolate Milk, 8oz (#BTE22) and 16oz (#BTE18).
- Packed with 38g of protein and about 720 calories per serving. A great source of protein and enough calories for a meal on the go.
- 100% organic and made from ingredients you can pronounce. .

Jasper Hill Farm

- Winnimere 5/13oz (#GR472) Winter release will be in stock this week, November 9.
- Fall release of Withersbrook Blue, 2/4lb (#AGV70) now in stock.

New / Reactivated Codes

#BTG96	Organic Maple Nog	16oz.	Miller Farm	New item week of 11/9.
#BTE22	Organic High Prot Choc Milk	8oz	Miller Farm	New item week of 11/9.
#BTE18	Organic High Prot Choc Milk	16 Oz	Miller Farm	New item week of 11/9.
#18208	Yeast Compressed Fresh Wet	24/1 Lb	Fleischmann's	Now Stocking. Available by each or case.
#JE552	Baking Powder Double Acting	6/5lb	Heritage Ovens	Now stocking. Available by each or case.
#JE554	Baking Soda	24/1lb	Heritage Ovens	Now stocking. Available by each or case.
#FH114	Baking Powder Aluminum Free	4/14oz	Bob's Red Mill	Now stocking.

Code Change

#BTE24	Swiss Cheese	2/6.5lb	Ammerlander	Old Code: #MM712., New code: #BTE24

Produce

Asparagus

- Supplies had been improving from Mexico and Peru; however, production is expected to decline moving forward.
- Peruvian volumes are projected to decrease by nearly 30% next week and continue trending downward through January, while Mexican production remains below expectations.
- Supplies are expected to remain extremely tight through the end of the year, with limited availability across most sizes.
- Pricing will likely remain significantly higher than normal as production declines and holiday demand increases.

Avocados

- The Mexican avocado industry remains under severe pressure from the strike happening in Michoacan.
- Strike is continuing to significantly disrupt normal harvest and export activity which has resulted in price increases, effective immediately.

Blackberries CV/OG

- Conventional supplies remain steady.
- Organic supplies are tightening.
- Quality is generally good, though some soft and leaking fruit has been reported.
- Additional Mexican production is helping offset declining California supplies, although OG will remain constrained.

Blueberries CV/OG

- Peru remains the primary source.
- Supplies are stable but slightly below expectations. Quality remains excellent in both CV and OG programs.

Broccoli CV/OG

- Quality is good and supplies have improved.
- Browning, pin rot, and insect pressure continue to be reported.

Broccolini

- Quality is good.
- Growers are holding to average order volumes, and we will continue to monitor this item due to ongoing heavy insect pressure.

Brussels Sprouts
- Quality is good.
- Supplies have improved but remain limited.

Cauliflower CV/OG
- Quality is good.
- Supplies have improved.
- Insect pressure continues to affect yields.

Celery CV/OG
- Quality and supplies are good.
- Organic Celery remains at the extreme level.

Corn
- Local corn season is nearly complete.
- Transition back to 48-count crate corn is underway.

Cranberries
- Due to adverse weather conditions, Vermont Cranberry has experienced heavy crop failure and unfortunately will have NO product available for us this year.

English Cucumbers
- Steady supply and softer markets are putting downward pressure on the spot market out of Mexico and Canada.
- Quality is good.

Fennel
- Quality and supplies have improved.

Fresh Origins
- Limited availability continues on selected flowers and microgreens.
- Shortages are expected until production recovers.

Grapes
- California production is winding down (70% complete).
- Quality remains excellent: good size, little shatter, hgh Brix.
- Season remains ahead of schedule, creating potential supply concerns later in the season.

Green Beans
- Supplies remain light on both coasts.
- Markets continue to firm.
- French beans remain extremely tight as demand increases due to the challengesoccuring in asparagus adn brocolli.
- Elevated pricing and limited availability are expected
- through the holiday season.

Lettuce
- Iceberg Lettuce, **EXTREME**.
- Supplies remain extremely limited with rising markets. Smaller sizes, lighter weights, disease pressure, and insect activity continue to impact quality and availability.
- Romaine & Romaine Hearts, **EXTREME**.
- Supplies and quality remain fair with ongoing issues related to light weights, burn, insect pressure, and soil defects.

Lettuce, Little Leaf Farms
- Supply conditions have improved and normal best-of-class service levels have resumed.

Limes
- Supplies remain heavily weighted toward 200-count and smaller fruit. Larger sizes remain limited.

Melons
- California cantaloupe and honeydew production continues through at least next week, although Virus pressure may shorten the season.

Mushrooms OG
- Supplies remain limited and shortages are expected.
- Heat driven compost production challenges continue to impact yields. Too much heat kills growing nutrients.

Onions
- Transition to Northwest production is complete.
- Demand continues to exceed supply elevating pricing.
- Colossal and super colossal sizes remain limited due to wild fire smoke.

Peppers, Chili Peppers
- Supplies of Poblano, Thai Chili, and Serrano peppers remain light.
- Red Fresno peppers are particularly limited and priced well above normal levels.

Potatoes
- New crop harvest is underway.
- Large-size potatoes (40-70 count) expected to remain limited throughout the season due to less acreage, water issues and high nightime temps.
- Smaller sizes (80-120 count) have better availability.
- Markets remain strong, particularly for larger potatoes.

Raspberries
- Supplies from Mexico remain steady and Texas coming on board, but hurricane impacts have reduced volumes.
- Quality is fair to good.
- Shelf life may be reduced on some lots.
- Tighter supplies and upward pricing pressure are expected.

Scallions
- Quality is fair with insect damage and smaller sizing reported.
- Supplies remain limited but continue to improve.

Snow Peas / Sugar Snap Peas
- Guatamala supplies remain extremely limited.
- Markets remain active due to ongoing supply constraints.
- Domestic availability constrained by weather challenges and field trasitions.

Spinach
- Quality is good. Supplies remain limited.
- Increased insect pressure will impact yields.

Strawberries
- **ESCALATED,** Supplies continue to tighten even further following recent rainfall.

Produce continued

- Quality concerns include shorter shelf life, bruising, softness, premature breakdown, and lighter color.
- Availability is expected to remain very tight through December.

Sweet Potatoes

- New crop harvest is underway and has begun the 3-4 week curing process before shipment.
- Limited old-crop supplies remain available driving prices on all sizes.
- Demand remains strong and markets continue to firm.
- Quality on remaining old-crop inventory ranges from fair to poor.

Tomatoes

- Currently seeing swift price increases! Some items jumping $20 week over week. Grape and cherry tomatoes extreme.
- Round tomato supplies are expected to remain tight for the next three weeks with some shortages . Snacking tomatoes remain very tight.

Seasonal Specialty Produce

- Seasonal inventory available for November/December.

Pomegranates, 30 ct, (#GH324)
Asian Pears, 10 lb, (#EJ978)
Fuyu Persimmons, 44 ct, (#GR340)
Escarole, 16 ct, (#GK247)
And more to come.