Grow Pittsburgh Seedling Sale 2023 FAQs & Talking Points

Seedling sale website - locations, catalog, contact information

Q. Where can I buy Grow Pittsburgh seedlings?

A. Garden Dreams

April 15-June 24 Fridays 12pm - 6pm Saturdays 10am - 4pm

East End Food Co-op

March 28- mid July Daily, 8am - 8pm

The Frick Pittsburgh

April 15 - June 10

Tuesday - Sunday , 10am - 4:45pm

Shop for plants in the greenhouse, pay for plants in the museum gift shop *no peppers available at The Frick*

Braddock Farms

April 29 - end of May Saturdays 9am - 1pm

(produce farmstand Wednesdays, Fridays & Saturdays begins in June)

Q. Are your seedlings organically grown?

A. Yes! We grow our seedlings according to USDA guidelines, but are not certified. While GMOs are nonexistent in the kinds of seeds we purchase, in an effort to avoid supporting Monsanto, we do not purchase seeds from them and any of their subsidiaries. We participate in the <u>Safe Seed</u> pledge.

Q. Where do I park at Garden Dreams?

A. Street parking is very limited in the vicinity of Garden Dreams. We suggest parking at the Park & Ride one block down Center Ave.

Q. Should I bring my own bag/box?

A. Yes, we encourage folks to bring their own bags or boxes to bring your plants home! But don't worry, we have cardboard trays to bring plants home if you don't bring anything.

Q. Can you reserve seedlings for me?

A. No. Seedlings are sold first come, first served.

Q. Are you going to have _____ variety on ____ date?

- A. We plan successions of all of our varieties to have available throughout the duration of the sale. Things do sometimes sell out (sometimes temporarily, sometimes for the season). We only offer our healthiest seedlings for sale. We will do our best to update our website if we sell out of particular varieties for the season.
- B. We open our seedling sale with the hardiest crops we grow. We will have our summer seedlings available in May (definitely by Mother's Day weekend). Summer seedlings include tomatoes, peppers, eggplants, summer veggies, and tender herbs & flowers.

Q. Do you have _____ variety available today?

A. Give us a call to find out if we have particular varieties available at Garden Dreams at 412-362-4769 x234.

Q. Can I request a particular variety for next year?

A. We love hearing what people want to grow! Send us an email at seedlingsale@growpittsburgh.org and we will keep track of requests there.

Q. Are you selling seedlings online again this year?

A. All sales will be in person - no online sale this year.

Q. Do you deliver seedlings?

A. We don't have the capacity to deliver seedlings.

Q. Can I use EBT to purchase seedlings?

A. Yes! Seedlings are an eligible purchase using EBT/SNAP. You may shop using EBT at East End Food Co-op, Garden Dreams, Shiloh Farm and Braddock Farms. The Frick doesn't have the capabilities to accept EBT.

Q. Where can I redeem gift certificates and coupons?

A. Garden Dreams (Braddock & Shiloh Farms possibly, reach out if you have any questions). We will honor any Garden Dreams gift cards, even if they were issued by previous owners (these must be redeemed at Garden Dreams).

Q. Have my seedlings been hardened off?

A. We do our best to harden off all seedlings for sale, but sometimes that isn't possible with weather conditions and space limitations. We always suggest hardening off plants you take home for at least a few days.

Q. Can I bring back my empty pots?

A. We don't accept back any 3 or 4" pots. If you have 1 or 2 gallon pots (what we sell our berries in), we would sanitize and reuse those.

Q. Will you have compost, topsoil or mulch available in bulk at Garden Dreams?

A. Hopefully in the future! In the meantime, you can get bulk materials from our <u>Garden Resource Center</u>. They open March 18 and are accepting new members.

Q. Can I purchase seedlings wholesale for my garden project?

A. If you are shopping on behalf of a community garden or school garden, we can offer wholesale pricing. Minimum purchase of 15 plants. Please reach out to Hanna at hanna@growpittsburgh.org to get more information.

Q. Can my organization table/sell goods at your seedling sale?

A. Yes! Reach out to seedlingsale@growpittsburgh.org.

Q. What is happening with the corner lot?

A. This year we will be planting lots of flowers & snacking plants while we continue to build out the plan for the whole site.

Q. What is happening with the yellow house?

A. The yellow house on Center will be part of our larger vision for the farm & nursery space. We are in the process of designing a space for offices, a classroom, storage, demonstration kitchen, etc. We can't wait to share plans with the community when they are finalized.

Location & Contact

Garden Dreams

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Need to speak with a manager?

Email Nick or Hanna

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