



Drop by farmers' markets

There are some popular farmers' markets in the Salmon Arm area.

On Tuesdays and Fridays head over the parking lot at Piccadilly Mall from 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. They have everything from fresh fruit and vegetables to a huge variety of local crafts and home-made baking. The address to The Mall at Piccadilly is 10th Avenue S.E.

Fruit stands

Salmon Arm has an old and proud tradition of farming. The first apples planted here in 1891 delighted people's palates all over the British Empire. It was a huge industry but an extended cold spell in 1949-1950 killed off many of the trees. The apple industry declined but didn't disappear. Three local farming families, the Ruths, De Milles and Hannas have large fruit stands with their own produce.

But this doesn't begin to explain the kind of treat you're in for when you stop at these fruit stands.

First of all, there are apple varieties here you've never had anywhere else. You can get pie made from fresh fruit and berries, fresh pressed 100 per cent apple juice, corn that's so sweet it tastes like dessert, and cherries so luscious the juice runs down your chin.

De Mille's and Pedro Gonzales are located just west of Salmon Arm along the Trans Canada and Hanna & Hanna Farm Market is located on the east side of town right by McDonald's.

De Mille's also has a deli, a bakery, antiques, local crafts and a petting zoo. And a must do on your vacation list is the 10-acre corn maze which is available from mid-July through September.

Pedro's (owned by the Ruths) has bins and bins of freshly picked peaches, pears, cherries, apples and freshly baked pies.

There are also a number of U-pick berry farms in the area. Just watch for the signs around the area.

Another market is on Wednesday afternoons on the other side of town from 3 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the Deo Lutheran Church at 1801 30th Street N.E. This one is all organic. There are fruits and vegetables, baking and all kinds of the tastiest whole grain breads.

This market goes year round but in the off season is only every other week. For more info email hermann@wildflightfarm.ca

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May to October, 2009

8:00 am to 12:30 pm

Ample parking



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- Honey • Home Arts • Jams & Jellies
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