

# Heartwood Nursery News

Fall Is for Planting!



Healthier for the Natural World in Your Backyard

## Fall Sale on Pawpaw Trees

We are offering a sale price of 20% off our own grown Pawpaw trees. As an extra bonus though, our newsletter subscribers will receive an additional 15% off, for a total discount of 35% off! Our Pawpaw trees are grown from locally collected seed and we never use pesticides or herbicides on our plants. This offer is available through Saturday, October 19, 2024. Show us this newsletter to redeem your discount.



*For Our Newsletter Subscribers*

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Pawpaw Planting Tips

With all the rain lately, now is a great time to plant! Smaller plantings need to be protected from future wind, snow, and falling limbs. Pawpaw trees can be planted close together to create your very own Pawpaw grove. The more you plant, the better pollination will be and the more fruit will develop.

For proper planting, dig the hole twice as large as the container. Don't plant the tree(s) any deeper than the level it is in the pot (no deeper than where the first set of roots begin). Also, don't plant the trees in holes with compacted soil on the bottom and sides. It is advised to mulch for at least the first 2 or 3 years with 100% Pine Bark Mulch. Keep mulch away from the trunk and with a diameter of 2-3 ft wide around each tree. Staking your young Pawpaw trees is recommended for the first 3-5 years. If planted and watered adequately, trees should bear fruit in 5-6 years.

Our Pawpaw trees are unique, individual specimens grown from seeds. We don't sell Pawpaw cultivars. Our Pawpaws are grown here at the nursery and produce large, delicious fruit every year pending pollination. Regardless of what kind of trees you plant, it's best to include non-hybrids, such as ours, to increase pollination for better fruit production.

### *Did you know...*

The fruit from Pawpaw trees grown from seed collected from the natural environment has a rich, sweet taste of its own and doesn't fit a monotonous 'flavor profile' of many cultivated hybrid Pawpaw trees.

## Visit Our New Website!

Our new website is live! Check out our new content and user friendly design, created with both our retail and wholesale customers in mind. You'll find:

- Up to date plant lists
- How to schedule a native plant landscaping consultation
- A look at our propagation process
- Upcoming events
- Photos from around our nursery grounds, which many of you love
- And more

We hope you'll visit soon! The new web address is [www.heartwoodnursery.net](http://www.heartwoodnursery.net). Or if you visit the old [www.heartwoodnurseryinc.com](http://www.heartwoodnurseryinc.com), you'll be redirected to the new website.

Special thanks again to Deb and Rachel for their great work and dedication to improving our internet presence!

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## Remember to Pick up Some Holly Honey

Cooler weather means honey in your hot tea!

This honey was harvested from beehives in our Holly Orchard at Heartwood Nursery. Our property is 100% organic and never sprayed. Pure delicious.



## Feature Plant: *Corylus americana* The American Hazelnut

Looking for a great, medium sized shrub indigenous to the eastern

woodlands? *Corylus americana*, the American Hazelnut, is one. Plants are monoecious, meaning male and female flowers occur on the same plant, but at least two plants are needed for pollination. They prefer growing in rich soil with some shade. American Hazelnut blooms in very early spring, March or April. In the fall the have a deep red color and the nuts attract birds and squirrels. The nuts are highly desirable and tasty. Young plants produce fruit in about 3-4 years. The American Hazelnut is available now at the nursery!

*Did you know...*

The American Hazelnut is a member of the Birch family.



## Upcoming Events

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### AUTUMN WALK ON THE TREE TRAILS AT HEARTWOOD NURSERY

**Saturday, October 26 | 2:00 - 3:30pm**  
**Heartwood Nursery, Felton**  
 REGISTER at [farmtrust.org/events](http://farmtrust.org/events)

Join us for an enriching autumn walk on the Tree Trails at Heartwood Nursery, led by Heartwood's owner and FNLT landowner, Sue Hunter.

**Learn About:**

- **Fall Native Plant ID**
- **Best Native Trees for Erosion Control and Stormwater Management**
- **Why Leaves Change Colors:** Understand the science behind the beautiful fall foliage.
- **How Trees Predict Spring:** Find out how trees signal the coming of spring during the fall.

Participants will have the chance to bring unknown plant specimens from their properties for Sue to identify and provide recommendations. Please bring your samples in a sealed Ziploc bag. After the walk, visit Heartwood's retail store, which will be open with a variety of items available for purchase.

### *Ilex opaca* 'Indian Steps'

**Sunday, October 27, 2024**  
**2:00 PM - In the Pavillion**

Few trees can rival the stunning beauty of our native evergreen American Holly, *Ilex opaca*. For thousands of years, hollies have played a role in numerous cultures. Discover how Hollies have been the source of legends, lore, superstition, medicine and magic. Please join us in learning more about York County's most infamous Holly, *Ilex opaca* 'Indian Steps'

"Where do Hollies grow?"  
 "What makes Hollies different than other trees?"  
 "Why is the Indian Steps Holly special and noteworthy?"  
 "How long do Hollies live?"  
 "Why does the Indian Steps Holly look better some years than others?"  
 "Why do some Hollies get berries and others don't?"

Sue Hunter is currently President of the Holly Society of America. A career Horticulturist and propagator by trade for thirty six years, Sue is owner of Heartwood Nursery and Environmental Preserve located in Felton, PA. Sue specializes in the propagation and growing of hollies, natives and other woody species.

**Holly Society of America**  
[HollySociety.org](http://HollySociety.org)

**Indian Steps Museum**  
 Saturdays and Sunday 10am - 4pm  
[indiansteps.org](http://indiansteps.org)



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