# SUSTAINABLE ROOTS

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# **SPRING EDITION**

"Spring is the time of plans and projects." -Leo Tolstoy

We are certainly feeling that here at Sustainable Roots! We spent the winter preparing all that is about to blossom this spring. So many new partnerships and collaborations, exciting projects, and new ventures for the business. You'll find some of these updates in this newsletter!

We're also currently booking native plant garden installations and backyard restorations for June and July. Thank you to everyone who has us booked solid throughout May! And if you want a native plant pollinator garden, but want to do it yourself, read on to see what we can offer you...



#### **DIY Pollinator Kits are back!**

And we want our subscribers to know about it first! We are doing a **limited run** of our **DIY Pollinator Kits** this year. 20 native pollinator plants to suit your space PLUS this year we've included an 800g bag of **Jocelyn's Soil Booster!** Soil Booster is an incredible way to enrich your soil, giving your plants the best environment to thrive in (more info below). We offer free delivery within our specified zone, see website for details. If you would like to claim your limited edition DIY Pollinator Kit today, fill out the form below.

**FORM** 

#### Tap 'em if you've got 'em!

Here in Southern Ontario, as soon as the temperatures reach above 0°C you'll start to see buckets hanging from maple trees all over the place! While maple syrup is delicious, have you ever tried black walnut syrup?! This year we tapped one of the many black walnuts in town, and not only was the sap as refreshing and delicious as maple sap, but the syrup was incredible! It yielded a similar sweetness, but had a very distinct taste that is all it's own. Unfortunately we only got the teeniest amount, but next year we'll definitely be tapping more than one! So if you are in an area that doesn't have many maples, or maybe they aren't big enough, try tapping a black walnut!



## **Shiitake Mushroom Logs**

This spring we had the very interesting opportunity to do some work at **Mycosource** in Greenwood, Ontario, in exchange for some shiitake inoculated logs! We are so excited to start growing mushrooms, and just wanted to share this sweet local business! *Mycosource Inc. is a small Ontario company specializing in Spawn production for cultivation of Shiitake and Oyster mushrooms on hardwood logs during the outdoor log inoculation season in North America.* We'll post mushroom updates on our instagram.

Check them out at the link below!

**WEBSITE** 

# Collaborations

# Jocelyn's Soil Booster

This year we've teamed up with **Waste Not Farms** to bring *Jocelyn's Soil Booster* to your Pollinator Kits! As a nontoxic alternative to chemical fertilizers, worm manure is Mother Nature's best, all-natural healthy way to regenerate ecosystems. Full of the diverse microbial life that plants need to thrive, Soil Booster works great indoors for repotting planters or reviving dying houseplants, and it's awesome outdoors for growing the healthiest, most luscious fruit, veg and flowers.

As a subscriber to this newsletter you can get **10% off** all Soil Booster products until the end of 2021. Use discount code **SUSTAINABLEROOTS** at checkout

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# Who's been inspiring us?

#### **Local Litter Cleanup Initiative**

Re:Store Order is an environmental initiative based in Toronto.

They are using their instagram platform as a tool to inform people about how pollution and waste have changed during the pandemic, as well as ways YOU can help fight it! They offer monthly giveaways for those who participate in litter cleanups, and Sustainable Roots is so happy to contribute one of April's prizes! Check out what we're offering, and the incredible job that Re:Store Order is doing at their instagram @re.storeorder

**RE:STORE ORDER** 



# Coming up...



### **Pickering Artfest**

This year we have teamed up with the **Whitevale Arts and Culture Centre** to bring our natural dye experiments to *Pickering Artfest*. The UN has declared 2021, the International Year of Fruits and Vegetables, and so this years theme is "The Roots of Art"-- a perfect pairing for our dyes. Our installation "Colours of the Earth" will be located in the Whitevale Park from **May 15th-31st**.

ARTFEST

#### Farmer's Markets 2021

This summer we will be a pop-up vendor at the brand new **All Or Nothing Farmer's Market**. We will be selling plants, wild crafted salves, homemade jellies and mustard made from invasive species, and more! You can find us there **May 29th**, **June 5th**, **August 28th**, **and September 25th from 10am-3pm**.



