

FSCAP Certified Steward

Steven and Bonnie Darcey
Edgewood Farm



The Darcey family owns Edgewood Farm in Upper Marlboro, MD, 151 acres of prime farmland in Prince George's County, 12 miles east of Washington, DC and 20 miles west of Annapolis. The gently rolling land is notable for its highly productive Collington series soil, well suited for almost any agricultural venture. Until 2000, the land was a traditional tobacco farm. Since then, it has been cultivated with corn, soybeans, small grains, straw, and hay, in addition to housing a horse boarding operation. All manure from the stables is windrowed and managed to produce high quality compost, which is sold to homeowners and landscapers for planting gardens, seeding new lawns, and potting plants. One of Edgewood Farm's valued customers is the Chesapeake Bay Foundation's Clagett Farm, where they use this compost in their tree potting mixture. These trees are then sold statewide for riparian buffers and other tree planting projects designed to improve water quality in Maryland.

All streams, wetlands, and ponds are buffered with a combination of cool season grasses, warm season grasses, and riparian forested buffers, which were installed through the Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program. Many best management practices have been utilized on this farm, through MDA's Cost Share Program and the USDA Environmental Quality Incentives Program.

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