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NOTE: Interviews with Series Producer Robert Ferrier are available. In addition, Nov. 14 episode photos and the series logo are available to download from MPT's Dropbox [HERE](#).

New season of MPT's *Maryland Farm & Harvest* debuts November 14

Season 11 premiere visits farm locations in Dorchester, Frederick, and Washington counties

OWINGS MILLS, MD – [Maryland Public Television's](#) (MPT) popular original series [Maryland Farm & Harvest](#) returns for its 11th season on Tuesday, November 14 with the first of 13 new half-hour episodes. A preview of the new season is available for viewing at youtube.com/watch?v=sIDQRLUIMMo.

Maryland Farm & Harvest airs on Tuesdays at 7 p.m. on MPT-HD and online at mpt.org/livestream. Following their broadcast premiere, episodes are also available to view on demand using MPT's [online video player](#) and the [PBS App](#). Encore broadcasts air on MPT-HD Thursdays at 11 p.m. and Sundays at 6 a.m. Episodes also air on MPT2/Create® on Fridays at 7:30 p.m.



The weekly series takes viewers on a journey across the Free State, telling engaging and enlightening stories about the farms, people, and technology required to sustain and grow agriculture in Maryland, the state's number one commercial industry.

Joanne Clendining, who has earned two Emmy® awards from the National Capital Chesapeake Bay Chapter of the National Academy of Television Arts & Sciences for her work on *Maryland Farm & Harvest*, returns as host. She is again joined by Al Spoler, host of "The Local Buy" segments.

Over the course of its 11th season, *Maryland Farm & Harvest* will introduce a new segment called "Farm to Skillet," during which a variety of local chefs leads viewers through the process of finding, preparing, and presenting the locally produced ingredients that make up some of their favorite dishes. The first "Farm to Skillet" segment, featuring [Ekiben chef Steve Chu](#) at the Fells Point Farmers Market, will debut during the series' second episode premiering on November 21.

The November 14 season premiere features farms and locations in Dorchester, Frederick, and Washington counties. Segments airing during the episode are:

- **Pop's Old Place (Dorchester County).** Host Joanne Clendining returns to the field, visiting a heritage breed livestock farm in **Hurlock** called [Pop's Old Place](#). There, third-generation farmer Darlene Goehringer puts Joanne to work feeding the farm's unique mule-foot hogs, wrangling the Randall Lineback cattle from paddock to paddock, and bottle-feeding baby lambs. Along the way, Joanne learns how Darlene transformed her family farm from cash crops to pastureland and discovers how important land stewardship is to Darlene – and to the future of farming.
- **Moon Valley Farm (Frederick County).** At [Moon Valley Farm](#) in **Frederick**, viewers meet first-generation farmer Emma Jagoz, who has built a year-round community-supported agriculture (CSA) venture growing produce. But before the hoop houses and farm fields, Emma's agricultural journey began as an expectant mother hoping fresh veggies like arugula would help her baby's development. After blowing her grocery budget one too many times, Emma started a balcony garden on a lark. Twelve years later, Emma has grown well beyond the garden and her CSA is now responsible for feeding more than 600 families, a testament to her tenacity and love of farming.
- **The Local Buy: Frog Eye Farm (Washington County).** Marylanders leap to [Frog Eye Farm](#) in **Knoxville** every summer for juicy blueberries and beautiful scenery. Al Spoler joins visitors meandering through the farm's 2,200 blueberry plants while enjoying both the sunshine and the panoramic mountain views that surround them. Owner Dan Mills gives Al a tour of the orchard while explaining his pesticide-free farming practices and extolling the fruit as nature's antioxidant.

Nearly 16 million viewers have watched *Maryland Farm & Harvest* on MPT since the series' debut in 2013. The series has traveled to nearly 450 farms, fisheries, and other agriculture-related locations during its first 10 seasons, covering every Maryland county, as well as Baltimore City and Washington, D.C.

Past episodes can be viewed at video.mpt.tv/show/maryland-farm-harvest/, while episode segments are available on the series' YouTube channel at youtube.com/c/MarylandFarmHarvest/featured. Engage with the show on social media [@MarylandFarmHarvest on Facebook](#) and [@mdfarmtv on Instagram](#).

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SYNOPSIS OF NOV. 14 EPISODE:

During the season 11 premiere of *Maryland Farm & Harvest*, host Joanne Clendining gets a taste of farm life while visiting a heritage breed livestock farm in Dorchester County. Viewers also meet young farmer Emma Jagoz and learn how she took an apartment balcony pregnancy project and turned it into a climate-resilient, 400-member CSA farm. In "The Local Buy" segment, Al Spoler celebrates the start of summer by visiting Frog Eye Farm in Washington County to sample some of the season's tastiest treats.

About Maryland Public Television

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