

# FSCAP Certified Steward

David and Jennifer Paulk  
Sassafras Creek Farm

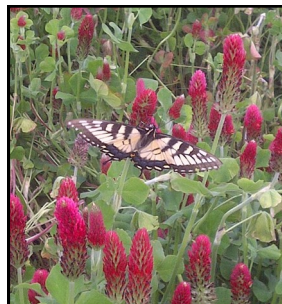


Sassafras Creek Farm is one of two certified organic vegetable farms in St. Mary's County. The farm grew from David and Jennifer Paulk's love of growing vegetables. In 2011, their very large garden evolved into a small market farm and a follow-on job for David after completing a successful Navy career. David and Jennifer saw market farming as an opportunity to be self-employed and contribute to a healthier, more local food system.

The farm was certified organic by QCS, Inc. in April 2012, consistent with the Paulks' belief in growing food in harmony with nature, without the use of synthetic chemicals. Their small farm is located in beautiful Southern Maryland, where they grow over 90 varieties of vegetables, herbs, and fruits from April to December. They are dedicated to producing exceptionally delicious, healthy food for their community.

The Paulks' operation consists of their home farm and one satellite farm. The 5 acre home farm is located in Park Hall, near Lexington Park. Most of their crops are grown here. The satellite farm is in Leonardtown, MD on 83 acres, where the Paulks grow potatoes, garlic, onions, peppers, melons, and many acres of year-round cover crops to improve the soil fertility in preparation for future vegetable.

Sassafras Creek Farm sells at two local farmers markets, a natural food store, two local stores, and three farm-to-table restaurants, including Woodberry Kitchen, a well known Baltimore restaurant featuring a locally-sourced menu. Visit the farm's website at [sassafrascreekfarm.com](http://sassafrascreekfarm.com)



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