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2001 FINGER LAKES GRAPE PRICES

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This issue of Finger Lakes Vineyard Notes is devoted to our annual compilation of grape prices from Finger Lakes buyers. I would like to thank the 25 wineries and processors that supplied prices for this listing.

At this time, conditions look good for a slightly early harvest of high quality fruit. The next issue of Vineyard Notes will be our Annual Harvest Issue, which will come out around the beginning of November. Best wishes for a successful harvest.

2001 LAKE ERIE CONCORD LARGE PROCESSOR CASH MARKET PRICES

Barry Shaffer Lake Erie Regional Grape Program

Prices are generally up for Concord grapes this season. The prices are reasonable, many growers' yields are not!

\$ Per ton at 16° Brix Canandaigua Wine Company

Early Concord 250 Concord 260 Kosher Red Concord 285

Cliffstar 265 Mogan David 290

Red Wing Company

Contracted 235
Uncontracted 220

The different companies have different price adjustments for brix levels. Cash market growers will face different effective prices depending on brix levels and processor.

UPCOMING EVENTS

September 8. Steuben County's Farm-City Day, Pulteney. Everyone is invited to attend Steuben County's first annual Farm-City Day, hosted by the Agricultural Farmland Protection Board and Keith and Lori Egresi, which will be held in Pulteney on September 8th from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. This is an opportunity to tour a grape farm, see a grape harvester operate, discover what different varieties of grapes are used for, learn about grape culture and view educational displays. There will be a hay maze and a coin hunt for the children and door prizes and raffles for the adults. Food will be available or bring a picnic lunch. Follow the signs from Route 54A in Hammondsport or Route 53 in Prattsburgh. For further information contact Cornell Cooperative Extension at 607-776-9631 ext.2300.

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