

Introducing...

Michael & Anne McDonald

McDonald Orchards

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Michael and Anne McDonald, farming for 10 years in the Capay Valley region, have enjoyed farming in their family for seventeen years. McDonald Orchards produces delicious almonds, walnuts and sweet honey.

Farm Name

McDonald Orchards

Owners

Michael and Anne McDonald

Education

Bachelor of Science (Michael)
Doctorate (Anne)

Family

Son- Eli

Community Involvement

Capay Valley Vision, Grange, Fire Department, Esparto Market Mitigation Committee

Number of Years Farming

10

Our Farm

Using conventional and certified organic production practices, McDonald Orchards employs three seasonal workers to cultivate on 160 acres of land.

Some of the products from McDonald Orchards include almonds, walnuts, and delicious honey.

Distribution of Product

Fifty percent of McDonald Orchards' production is sold on the wholesale market to top purchasers. The remaining production is retailed directly to consumers through local farmers' markets (Davis and Esparto). One hundred percent of their products are sold in Yolo County.

Joys of Farming

There are a variety of benefits to farming but the most enjoyable is our lifestyle. We also love working on the land. It reminds us daily how beautiful nature truly is.

Challenges of Farming

Although we love the lifestyle, there are a few things about farming we dislike. Some of the challenges we face are government regulations, fickle weather and new methods.

