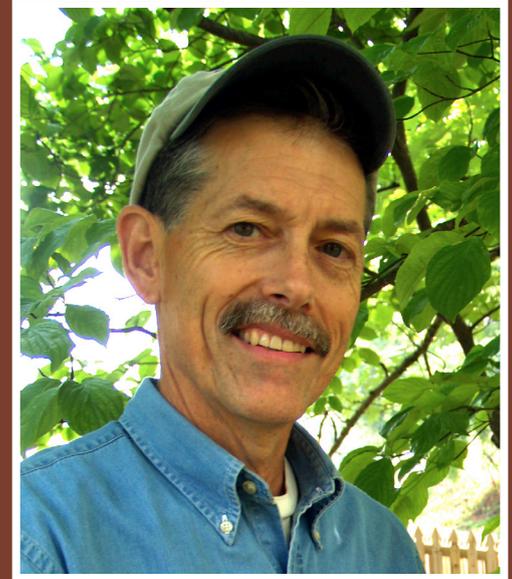


Who Grows Your Food?

Thatchmore Farm • Leicester, NC

Tom Elmore and Karen Thatcher have been growing certified organic produce on their property in Leicester since 1988. In that time, Tom has seen tremendous growth of markets for farmers in western North Carolina. He says he is glad to see that people are realizing that fresh, nutritious, and local food is better.

Tom and Karen produce fresh and nutritious food by giving each one of their plants special attention, and taking their produce directly to customers. With only one acre of flat land to cultivate in vegetables, they make sure that each plant gets the best start possible. That's what keeps their customers coming back - and what keeps Tom and Karen growing. Tom says that for him farming is something that he feels compelled to do: "It's very rewarding to raise food, feed people and know that I'm bringing high-quality food to friends and neighbors."



Tom Elmore

