

Community food gardens to sell their fresh harvest at Shoprite and Checkers' Market Day

Fresh and organically grown produce from 35 community food gardens will be available for purchase directly to the public at selected Shoprite and Checkers supermarkets on Wednesday, 7 June 2023.

"For the first time since Market Day's inception in 2017, community food gardens in Lesotho will also be selling their produce directly to the public. We're very excited that Market Day keeps expanding and that we continue to support community food gardens to create sustainable livelihood opportunities in more ways," says Sanjeev Raghubir, Sustainability Manager at the Shoprite Group.

To support Market Day, visit the following participating [Shoprite](#) or [Checkers](#) stores on Wednesday, 7 June 2023:

EASTERN CAPE:

- Phawu AgriPak Cooperative – Shoprite Dutywa
- Siyalima Asidlali Co-operative – Shoprite Mount Ayliff
- [Star Uplifting Centre](#) – Shoprite Kingwilliamstown
- Wathint' Abafazi – Shoprite Ziyabuya, Gqeberha

GAUTENG:

- [Carroll Shaw Memorial Centre](#) – Checkers Tambotie Mall Randfontein
- Dithaka Dikopane Cooperative – Checkers Southgate, Johannesburg
- Mahata Mmoho Agricultural Cooperative – Checkers Hyper Vanderbijlpark
- [Mmakgomo Agricultural Co-operative](#) – Checkers Pretoria North
- Siyakhula/Reahola Community Garden – Checkers Grey Owl Midstream, Centurion

FREE STATE:

- Dikonyana Community Based Care Center – Shoprite Heidedal, Bloemfontein
- Free State Rural Women Assembly Agroecological Hub – Shoprite Botshabelo Mall
- [Ntsoanatsatsi Community Garden](#) – Shoprite Setsing, Phuthaditjhaba
- [Qholaqhwe Garden Project](#) – Shoprite Mandela Park, Phuthaditjhaba

KWAZULU-NATAL:

- God's Acres – Shoprite Raisethorpe, Pietermaritzburg
- Iqabungelihle Community Garden – Checkers Durban North
- Siyazondla kwaPhindangene – Shoprite Ulundi
- [Thubelihle Special Opportunity School](#) – Shoprite Ladysmith
- [Velemsemi Farming Group](#) – Shoprite Estcourt

LESOTHO:

- Action Lesotho – Shoprite Leribe, Butha-Buthe
- St Cecilia Orphanage Home – Shoprite Sefika, Maseru

LIMPOPO:

- Marubini Multi-Purpose Women's Primary Cooperative – Checkers Makhado Crossing
- Ndlovu Care Group – Shoprite Dennilton, Groblersdal
- Radical School of Entrepreneurship – Checkers Tzaneen Lifestyle

- [Ratanang Agricultural Cooperative](#) – Shoprite Mankweng, Polowane
- [We Can Women's Development Cooperative](#) – Shoprite Paledi, Polokwane

NORTHERN CAPE

- Tshenolo Primary Cooperative – Shoprite Taung

NORTH WEST:

- Bakgatla Ba Moseleha – Shoprite Temba
- [Nthabiseng Skills Training Centre for the Disabled](#) - Checkers Rustenburg

MPUMALANGA:

- Ploughs and Feathers Co-operative – Checkers New Hazyview Junction
- Sibonile Agricultural Co-operative – Shoprite Acornhoek Mall, Nelspruit
- Timbavati Project – Shoprite Acornhoek Plaza, Nelspruit
- [Too Fresh Produce Cooperative](#) – Checkers Ermelo

WESTERN CAPE:

- Mthimkhulu Community Development Programme – Shoprite Kleinmond
- Our Garden – Checkers Protea Heights, Brackenfell
- Siyazama Community Garden – Checkers Somerset West

Shoprite is committed to in communities and supports [more than 200 community food gardens](#) and over 3 500 home gardens, which impacts almost 55 000 beneficiaries. In the past year, more than 2 700 community members were trained in sustainable food gardening and the community food gardens collectively produced a harvest of more than 31 500 kg, providing almost 100 000 meals.

“By improving food security in the communities that we are a part of, we are almost making these communities more adaptive and resilient to a changing climate,” adds Raghubir.

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