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**Commercial Cut Flower Growers
Field Day and Conference
September 14, 2021**

**Organized by University of Maryland Extension
In cooperation with the Association of Specialty Cut Flower Growers (ASCFG)**

**In 2021, we will be visiting two new cut flower operations in Central Maryland,
Castlebridge Flower Farm and Rolling Ridge Horse and Flower Farm**



Castlebridge Flower Farm

Kimberly and Carter Adkinson

4888 Castlebridge Road, Ellicott City, MD

Castlebridge Flower farm started in 2020 and Kim, Carter, and their daughter have put in extensive plantings of cut flowers. They recently had a barn constructed with walk-in coolers and a workspace area that will give you many innovative ideas. They offer bouquet subscriptions, sell “bucket of blooms” for DIY weddings, and sell to local florists. At Castlebridge Flower Farm, the focus is on soil health, flower-friendly bees and bugs, crop rotation, water conservation, solar power, and green practices.



Rolling Ridge Horse and Cut Flower Farm

Emmi and Glenn Bergmann

7409 Brink Road, Laytonville, MD

Emmi and Glenn Bergmann expanded their cut flower production areas in 2021 and have a beautiful venue for weddings and other special events. Rolling Ridge offers DIY flower arranging classes, flower sales to local florists, and arrangements for any occasion.

Tour of Castlebridge Farm:

8:30 – 8:45 **Introduction:** Stanton Gill, Extension Specialist, IPM and Entomology, University of Maryland Extension and Kimberly and Carter Adkinson, Owners of Castlebridge Flower Farm

8:45 – 9:50 **Tour of Castlebridge Farm by Kimberly and Carter Adkinson**

Presentations:

10:00 – 10:30 **Interesting Cultivars for Cut Flowers**
Speaker: Ginny Rosenkranz, Extension Educator, University of Maryland Extension, Eastern Shore of Maryland

- 10:30 – 11:45 **Upping Your Game in Cut Flowers**
Talk about why plugs make sense for growers vs starting their own plugs. Fall planted crops that attendees can go home and plant after the meeting like larkspur, rudbeckia, and other cold hardy annuals to get a jump on spring sales. Info on spring planted bulbs that people forget about.
Speaker: Dave Dowling, Cut Flower Specialist, Ball -ColorLink
- 11:45 -12:30 **Lunch Served at Castlebridge Flower Farm**
- 12:30 – 1:00 **Travel to Rolling Ridge Horse and Flower Farm, Laytonsville, MD**
About 25 minutes from Castlebridge Farm
- 1:00 – 2:00 **Tour of Rolling Ridge Horse and Flower Farm Operation and Flower Arranging Studio by Emmi and Glenn Bergmann**
- 2:00 – 3:00 **Flower Bulbs & Perennials Cut Flower Fundamentals**
Speaker: Ko Klaver, Cut Flower Specialist, Botanical Trading Company.
- 3:00 – 3:30 **Learn From Masters of Design: Arranging Flowers for Maximum Sales**
Instructors: Emmi Bergmann, Rolling Ridge Horse and Cut Flower Farm, and Melane Hoffmann, Hidden Ridge Farm Flowers and Herbs

**For more information on the program:
301-596-9413 or sklick@umd.edu**

**Contact on day of tour:
Stanton Gill, 410-868-9400 (cell)**

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

To register with a credit card go to: <https://2021cutflowertour.eventbrite.com>

Cost: \$35/person. \$30 dollars for members of ASCFG

Lunch is not guaranteed after September 10th

No refunds after September 10th

PAYING BY CHECK? Use This Form

Please make checks payable to: "University of Maryland"

Send to: 2021 Cut Flower Tour, 11975 Homewood Road, Ellicott City, MD 21042

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