

JOHN'S RIVER

John's River New Harbor, ME

John's River Oysters start as seed on a 3.35 acre lease in the Upper Damariscotta River. The seed is raised in spat bags and wooden trays starting in June and is transferred to surface cages around July. Seed that has matured enough by December is moved to the John's River, which provides a unique flavor profile. The oysters are primarily hand-harvested by divers; some are drag harvested.



size

3"

count

100

available

year
round

FLAVOR

Smooth, briny start with a sweet cream and clean ocean finish

TECHNIQUE

Seed is started in the Upper Damariscotta River then bottom planted in the Johns River. Oysters are hand harvested by diver or dragged.

APPEARANCE

Dark brown with hints of green. Deep, round cup

THE FARMER

In 2007 Dave Cheney started by buying oyster seed and cultivating them on a raft in The Johns River South Bristol, Maine. Over the years he has added 3 custom aluminum work boats, several shellfish holding rafts and more than 400 surface cages in two distinct rivers.



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