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ALDI has customers shopping blind

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Blind box culture has officially entered the grocery aisle. Inspired by the growing popularity of surprise unboxing trends across fashion, beauty and collectibles, ALDI is launching the “ALDI Blind Box,” a new way to turn everyday grocery shopping into something a little less predictable. For a limited time, shoppers have the chance to claim a free box filled with ALDI fan-favorite products, standout staples and fresh picks from across every aisle.

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QDC Fresh brings exclusive Australian citrus program to U.S. retailers

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QDC Fresh Inc. launched its exclusive Australian citrus program, featuring premium Cara Cara oranges, Navel oranges, mandarins and true Blood oranges. Through an exclusive partnership with an industry-leading Australian grower, QDC Fresh will be first to market in 2026 with Australian Cara Cara and Navel oranges into the United States. Fruit has already been harvested and is currently en route to the U.S., with the first arrival scheduled for mid-July.

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Ark Foods expands organic pepper program

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Ark Foods is growing its organic program after a successful trial in Florida last fall, marking a new step forward for the specialty produce company as it builds out a broader organic offering for retail and foodservice customers.

Known for its focus on distinctive, high-flavor vegetables and specialty peppers, Ark Foods began testing organic production in Florida to evaluate quality, consistency and customer interest. The trial performed strongly, giving the company confidence to expand the program this summer with additional SKUs and new growing locations.

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Turek Farms gearing up for summer sweet corn after wet start to year

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Cayuga County, where Jason Turek grows sweet corn and other vegetables, broke records for rainfall during the first five months of the year.

At mid-June, however, Turek was relieved when his farm, Turek Farms in King Ferry, received about an inch of rain. Starting in late May through mid-June, the county had been dry. Turek farms in upstate New York's Finger Lakes region, just east of Cayuga Lake, which historically receives enough rain that fields are not irrigated.

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Dependability drives D’Arrigo New York’s continued success

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For a company that has spent generations serving New York’s produce industry, consistency remains the foundation of success at D’Arrigo New York.

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Trendspotting: Shopper trust starts in the produce aisle

By

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Cheerios are Cheerios. Oreos are Oreos. No matter where you buy them, they are going to taste the same. We all know winning shoppers and shopper loyalty is cultivated in stores' fresh sections — especially the produce aisle. Just how important are these sections? Pretty darn important, according Logile Inc., a global leader in AI-powered Connected Workforce solutions.

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