

# Stahlbush Island Farms



*“A Sustainable Family Farm”*



## Farming for the Future



We use and have helped pioneer specific practices that reduce pesticide use and leaves the soil healthier and groundwater cleaner for future generations.



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Each of our products has undergone thorough testing to ensure that no pesticide residues have been detected. *They're 100 percent pure and natural.*



Placing cover crops near waterways has helped lead to the establishment of an on-site 73-count Great Blue Heron rookery.

# National Certification



Our efforts have received state and national recognition, including: certification from the Food Alliance; an independent sustainable agriculture organization.



## Sustainable Farm Practices

- ☛ Crop Rotation
- ☛ Strip Tilling
- ☛ Winter Cover Crops
- ☛ Nitrogen Generation
- ☛ Clean Ground Water



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- ☛ Water Conservation
- ☛ Reducing & Eliminating Pesticides
- ☛ Flame Weed Control
- ☛ Soil Residue Testing
- ☛ Product Residue Testing



Low pressure irrigation system to conserve energy and water

# Good Agricultural and Best Management Practices



Stahlbush Island Farms, Inc. is committed to providing some of the highest quality food products available. To help us accomplish this goal, we have extended our focus on food quality, safety, and environmental health beyond the processing facility beginning at the field.



# Good Agricultural Practices

## **Our beneficial practices include:**

- Tracing product from the field all the way to our packaged goods.
- Training employees in:
  - *food safety*
  - *good manufacturing practices*
  - *how to control foreign material from the field*



## Best Management Practices

- Using scouting to make pest control decisions.
- Documentation of all materials applied to a field.
- Implementation and documentation of identity preservation activities.



## Technology and Innovation

- Implementation of a relational database program for documentation, planning and analysis.
- Continuous testing of new equipment, including: European strawberry harvest aids and a spinach cultivator.



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- Tractors equipped with Global Positioning Systems for more accurate cultivation and input application.

