



These morels are considered the choicest by mushroom-lovers. They are (from left) Morchella angusticeps, the common "black" morel although color may vary from dark cream to brownish-black and Morchella esculents, the common "white" morel whose color varies from light cream to yellowish-brown. The beginning mush-roomer is advised to buy a mushroom book and to make the first several mushroom hunts with someone who knows his mush-

Go equipped with shallow baskets or carboard boxes to stow your harvest. Plastic bags do not protect the mushrooms against breakage and promote hot, moist conditions that result in rapid spoilage.
Pick only fresh, young mushrooms,

stem and all, so you can be sure of a positive identification. Trim off the lower part of the stem and remove any duff (forest floor debris) before you add each morel to your collection.

There are a variety of publications at MSU which will guide you to a safe harvesting and cooking of mushrooms.

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- Office, P.O. Box 231, East Lansing 48824.

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- 924, 75 cents.

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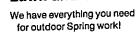
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