Episode 118 – Truffles

1. What state is the location for this segment of America’s Heartland? _________________.

2. If white __________________________ are the Chevrolets of fungi, then __________________________ must be considered the Cadillacs. They are an expensive delicacy usually grown and harvested in the forests of _________.

3. At least two truffle lovers believe that they can grow well in the forests of rural __________________________.

4. The truffle is a __________________________ that grows on the __________________________ of __________________________ in a symbiotic __________________________.

5. The truffles you may have eaten did not taste like a fungus but are __________________________.

6. Truffles are not a food one would encounter everyday. Where are you most likely to find them on the menu? __________________________.

7. Some people do not like truffles. To those people truffles just taste like __________________________.

8. As far back as the __________________________ century, farmers used ___________ to sniff out the fungus on tree roots. Trees are inoculated with the fungus in France today.

9. Once truffles grew only in Europe. How did they make their way to the United States? ___________.

How long did it take after he planted the trees before he knew that truffles could grow in North Carolina? __________________________.
10. Frank and Betty Garland now sell inoculated trees to those interested in growing this crop.

   Many people are interested in doing so because of the price of truffles. What is the price range (per pound) for this tasty fungus? ______________________________

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