



Drift Hills Farm LLC

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Member Agreement

What is Community Supported Agriculture (CSA)?

Simply put, members of our CSA purchase a “share” of what we will be growing and each week we will deliver a bounty of fresh seasonal produce to our pick-up locations. But a CSA is so much more than that. The CSA model offers consumers the ability to form a direct relationship with the people and the land which grows their food, and to know and support the practices of sustainable farming and to build community interdependence. With a CSA, both the risks (pests, weather etc.) and rewards (bounty!) of farming are shared among the community. This helps the farmer to grow food in a more equitable system. By joining our CSA, the money you spend goes directly towards supporting a local farmer, ecological land management, and local economy. CSA done right should support and build community and foster local food independence.

How Our CSA Works

Prior to the beginning of the season, members purchase a share by choosing the payment option and share size that works best for you. Once the season begins, we will deliver your share at our determined time and location each week. Once the season begins, if you are unable to pick up for some reason, please give us as much notice as possible and we will arrange either an alternative pick up or a donation to a friend or family in need (see FAQ). You may also customize your CSA by selecting the weeks that you pick-up to avoid any schedule conflicts.

Growing Practices

We grow 100% organically, and most of what we do goes beyond the organic certification requirements. We are always learning new ways and working to integrate them with our ancestral ways of cultivating. We believe in the power of the natural world to heal itself and so we choose to intervene as minimally as possible. Each year we use farm made compost, cover crops and crop rotation as a means to ensure a healthy system. Our intention is to grow the healthiest most delicious produce by building soil and tending the earth in the most loving, caring way we know how so that the generations who come after us may inherit rich soils and a bountiful life.

Expectations Of Members

In order for the CSA model to work we need you to follow some guidelines.

Communication:

Stay informed. Read our emails so that you know what is going on. Learn more about CSA and the benefits to communities so that we can all grow better together. Keep us informed about what you need.

Pick up/Show up:

Show up on time to our pick up site. We work hard to keep good relationships with our pick up locations, we need to be in and out during the arranged time so that we don't wear out our welcome. We also have our own family responsibilities that we need to tend to and waiting around for people to show up adds unneeded stress to our daily life. If you cannot pick up on time COMMUNICATE so that we can make other arrangements to get you your share.

Farm visits:

Throughout the season we may have farm work days and dinners, please come and bring a friend. If you would like to make a visit to the farm during the season, we would love to have you. Please contact us by phone or email a few days before you would like to come and we can make arrangements.

The farm is located at 268 County Road 1675 Jeromesville, OH 44840.

Final thoughts:

You are part of a community and the community does not work without your input. We would love to hear any productive feedback you can give us so that we may make our CSA better for you and those who join later. **Please speak to Sam or Cameron directly or email us at drifthillsfarm@gmail.com**

Risks and Rewards

Farming is an inherently risky business, and part of the beneficial and rewarding relationship between a CSA shareholder and the farmer is that they are both invested in the production of

the food together. However, Mother Nature has her own plans and we cannot change them. We do our best to accommodate her, but we are not going to pretend we are in control. Most of the time there will be a bounty and you will reap those benefits. In the event of catastrophe (crop losses) **we are not able to provide financial refunds.** We will however do our best to make it right by adding to the next week or season's share.

Payment Plans

If you are signing up for a payment plan, you are required to make your payment each month. If you do not make your monthly payment, we will not be able to deliver your shares until payment is made.

Payment installments begin the month after you pay your deposit, and continue monthly until the balance is paid.

Cancellation Policy

For members who wish to cancel their subscription before April 1st, we will offer a full refund minus \$50 for administration fees. We are not able to offer refunds after April 1st. We use your payment to pay for seeds, planting materials, and labor that help us get the season underway.

Your satisfaction is of great concern to us, If for any reason you are not satisfied with your share, please contact us immediately.

I have read and agree to the above terms of service. I understand that I am part of a community that will not work without my participation. I will do my best to uphold the terms of service.

Signature _____

Date _____

Printed name _____

Contact information:

Email _____

Phone _____

Billing
Address

*Please print, sign and bring to first pick-up