

## **Bristol's Farm Market CSA Member Agreement for 2019**

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Bristol's Farm Market  
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Thank you for becoming a member of our CSA program! We want to bring you the best, freshest, healthiest produce we possibly can from our farm! This form signs you up for this years CSA and explains the ins and outs of our program! By purchasing a CSA, you not only get a full seasons worth of fresh fruits and vegetables from our farm, but you help us to buy seeds, equipment and pay our workers early in the season. Which is why we give you more than what you pay for in every week!

### **Becoming a Part of Our Farm**

Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) is a relationship between our farm and you as our customer. Rather than simply purchasing food, our customers become "members" of our CSA and share in our harvest all season long.

Our CSA runs for 18 weeks, from early-June to mid-October. On the mornings of every CSA pick-up our farm crew goes out and picks the produce for your share fresh for you! You will generally receive 9-10 different varieties of fruit and vegetables in a full share and 5-8 in a partial share. The retail value of the produce you receive throughout the season will be significantly more than you paid for your share,. Detailed information regarding pick-up is discussed below.

### **Our Growing Practices**

Produce for the CSA is grown on Bristol's Farm Property by Joshua and Daniel Bristol of Bristol's Farm Market. While not certified organic we place a strong preference on pest control methods which are natural, organic and non-toxic. We only deviate from organic-style pest and disease control when total crop loss is the only other option. Also, herbicides are not used in our fields and GMO products will never be included in your share or sold in our retail store.

Occasionally we may supplement our shares with fruit from other local Connecticut farms in order to

provide a diversity of seasonal produce, especially tree fruits which we do not grow on site.

### **Sharing in the Reward of Crop Surplus**

We will provide extra of any crop for which we have an abundant harvest through either pick-your-own opportunities or allowing you to pick up extra with your share!

Extra crops can always be used for

- Pickling
- Canning
- Freezing
- Giving away to friends and family

Also, we grow a few unusual vegetables/varieties just for our CSA customers

### **Picking Up Shares**

If you cannot pick-up your share, we offer several options

- 1) You may have a friend or family member pick it up for you
- 2) We can give you 2 shares the following week, on regular pick-up days
- 3) We can double your share the following week, on regular pick-up days

Options 2 and 3 REQUIRE at least 24 hours notice, before the time of the missed pick-up, no exceptions. Any shares not picked-up on your pick-up day will be held for 24 hours, before being donated to charity, but will not be picked fresh again for you.

We take food safety seriously, please wash your produce before using it.

### **Member Fees**

By selling membership in advance of the growing season, CSA reduces the burden of up-front costs for the farmer. Your membership fees provide us with money to purchase seed and equipment before the season starts and pay our farm-hands. We appreciate your commitment to our farm. Please initial next to the pick-up slot you would like from the list below and indicate if you want a full or half share. Please note our pick-up days have changed since last year.

Pick up Day:

Monday 1-6:30pm \_\_\_ Every week June 10th - October 7th

Friday 1-6:30pm \_\_\_ Every Week June 14th - October 11th

Share type:

Full Share \$525 \_\_\_

Partial Share \$325 \_\_\_

Full shares are \$525 for the season. Partial Shares are \$325 contain half or more the produce of a full share and may have a slightly different mix of items. Please enclose a check for your total amount due, made payable to Bristol's Farm Market with this signed agreement form. By submitting an agreement form you are agreeing to pay the membership fee for the share you indicated above. All payments are non-refundable after May 31<sup>st</sup>

**Communicating with Us**

The best way to communicate with us is via email. Our email is [Bristolsfarmmarket@gmail.com](mailto:Bristolsfarmmarket@gmail.com) We will do our best to respond as soon as possible. You can also contact farmer Josh at 860-693-8965. We will communicate with you by email. When you sign up, you will be added to our distribution list. We depend on being able to communicate important information such as necessary changes to your distribution schedule or to our farm events. Also, we send out a list of what is in this weeks shares as well as recipes and other info every Monday night. Please add [Bristolsfarmmarket@gmail.com](mailto:Bristolsfarmmarket@gmail.com) to your safe list so that we don't go to your spam folder.

By signing below, I agree to purchase a membership share. I understand that, although unlikely, the farm may change parts of this agreement related to production and distribution from time to time. I understand that they will contact me via email in advance of any changes to this agreement.

Name (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_