

Community Supported Agriculture Membership Agreement

between Salt Fork Farms, LLC and _____
(Please print your name(s) here)

This membership agreement pertains to the market season of 2012: from May 1st to October 30th. By filling out and signing this form you will become a member of the Salt Fork Farms, LLC (SFF) CSA. This agreement will grant the exchange of resources between CSA members and SFF. Members will provide capital and/or (under special circumstances) labor resources in exchange for garden produce and/or poultry resources from SFF.

Purpose

To engage with one another in a mutually beneficial relationship that ensures the sustainability and prosperity of local food production on our farm and the availability of wholesome food and a connection to agrarian traditions for the community.

The Other Purpose

The concept of CSA grew out of a need for farmers to gain access to capital during a time of year when they are not earning very much. By acquiring up-front “seed money” from known customers, it gives the farmer an opportunity to remain (relatively) un-indebted to banks. Instead, the farmer is indebted to his/her members, who are repaid with the fruits of the farmer’s labor. Without access to this seed money, small-scale farming would be even more challenging, and we would not know you nearly as well!

Terms

SFF will provide vegetables, fruit, poultry, and eggs at our Iowa City Farmers’ Market stand or from the farm to all its CSA members during the main farmers’ market season (from May 1st to October 30th) in exchange for a contribution ranging from \$250—\$400, dependent on the members expected need. For their contribution, members will receive an equal amount of credit redeemable for SFF products. Credit will be tracked by SFF at the point of sale. In the past, members received a 10% discount on our products. SFF has decided to do away with this membership policy in exchange for a membership farm day, where SFF will provide food, entertainment, tours, and give the membership a connection to the farm they have supported all season. The farm day date will be announced later in the season.

SFF will produce hundreds of vegetable varieties and a few fruit varieties during the growing season. SFF will also be raising hundreds of chickens for the production of eggs and meat. However, the weekly availability of vegetables, fruit, eggs, and poultry will vary due to the climate, biology, and other unpredictable variables. SFF cannot promise the delivery of any certain item on any specific date far in advance of market. Members will receive an electronic mailing of product availability 1-2 days before each market. These products will not be held in reserve for members. Instead, members will be expected to shop for products along with the general public, and products will be sold on a first-come-first-serve basis. It should be noted that members are not obligated to purchase anything during any given week of the market season. **However, it is up to you to spend all of your purchased credit before the last Farmers’ Market Day in 2012. Any remaining credit will not be refunded!**

Member Information

I have read all of the above and understand the membership agreement.
[Please fill out the following contact information (Please print and make legible) and send signed agreement with your check to the address below].

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number(s): _____

Email: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Thank you for supporting Salt Fork Farms, LLC. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact us. We look forward to working with you over the course of this market season!



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