

# Halas Farm Market CSA/Farm Share 2020



## **THIS IS NO ORDINARY BOX OF VEGETABLES.**

We've been farming & growing vegetables for the past 4 generations. We love what we do, and nothing gives us more satisfaction than growing beautiful, wholesome food for members of our community. When you become a member, you connect to the land that sustains us.

## **What is a CSA /Farm Share?**

A "Farm Share" is a simple idea (very much like buying a magazine subscription) in which a "Member" buys a "Share" of a farmer's harvest prior to the growing season, and then comes to the farm each week to pick up their "Share" of the farm's vegetable harvest. Many farm share programs are called "CSA" which stands for "Community Supported Agriculture."

By selling membership in advance of the growing season, CSA's reduce the burden of up-front costs for the farmer. Your membership fees provide a degree of cash flow to purchase seed and fertilizer, repair buildings and equipment & pay weekly labor bills before the season starts.

## **What A Farm Share Program Is All About:**

A Farm Share Program is both an investment and a risk for the farmer and the family who joins. Together we are sharing in the risks and rewards of farming. We must understand that we are growing in New England, with unpredictable weather, using only natural growing methods for fertility, and against insects, fungi and bacteria. While we are not organically certified, we are committed to using safe and ecological growing methods. We take this approach because we believe the potential risks associated with chemicals, fungicides and commercial fertilizers outweigh the benefits.

We will harvest and provide a bountiful supply of produce to each member once a week Mid-June through Mid-October for a total of 16 weeks.

Harvest quantity, diversity and time frames are entirely weather dependent, which is part of any CSA/Farm Share model. Registered sharers will be notified of start and finish dates. We will be growing most everything in your share at our farm as well as partnering from time to time with other local farms to supplement your shares. **Our goal is to give you above and beyond what you pay for.**

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## Summer 2020 Sign-Up

Shareholder Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

### Sign me up for the following 2020 season, from mid-June through to mid-October:

☐ Full share (weekly) – 16 weeks – \$600.00

☐ Half share (bi-weekly) – 8 weeks – \$300.00 (Must be paid in full at the time of sign up)

#### \*Full Share Members

A down payment of 50% is required. at the time of sign up to receive a share. The remaining balance is due by January 31. 2020.

\*Box Deposits- We require a \$20.00 Box Deposit for the use of 2 wooden boxes that will be assigned to you for the duration of the season. This is required at the time of sign up. Your deposit will be returned to you at the close of the farm share season upon return of the boxes. We ask that you place \$20.00 cash in an envelope with your "NAME" on it marked "Box Deposit".

\*Members will be notified of exact start and finish dates

### Sign me up for the following pick-up days:

☐ Tuesday – 2:30p.m. – 7 p.m.

☐ Friday – 2:30p.m.– 7 p.m.

Pick up is at Halas Farm Market, 28 Pembroke Road, Danbury, CT.

### Please Initial the following:

\_\_\_ I understand that I am becoming a member of the Halas Farm Market CSA/ Farm Share and that my deposit is non-refundable. This agreement represents a season-long contract, and that my payment entitles me to a share of the produce harvested during the growing season.

\_\_\_ I understand that this is a community venture and that, although the farmer is committed to the best of his ability to produce high quality produce, there are risks in agriculture (weather, disease, and pests, and other such natural occurrences). In the event of crop shortages or losses, Halas Farm Market will fill the CSA boxes to the best of our ability. Share can start out smaller in quantity at the beginning of the season and then increase during peak harvest time.

\_\_\_ I agree that it is my responsibility to pick-up my share at the pickup time I have chosen. I understand that is I do not pick up my share, I will not receive a replacement.

### Please Sign Here:

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# Halas Farm Market CSA/Farm Share

Below is a list of available produce through the Halas Farm Market CSA/ Farm Share, but is no guarantee of actual harvest.

Arugula	Kale (3 different varieties)
Beans (Green – French type)	Lettuce (Romaine, Red & Green Leaf, Buttercrunch & more)
Beans (Yellow wax)	Leeks, Shallots, Fennel, Purslane, Endive
Beans (Purple)	Onions, Scallions & Chives
Beets (Red & Gold, White), Parsnips, Turnips	Oregano
Broccoli, Broccoli Rabe Romanesco	Herbs (Parsley, Basil, Mint, Rosemary, Cilantro & more)
Brussel Sprouts	Peas/Sugar Peas
Cabbage, Bok Choi, Nappa Cabbage	Sweet Peppers (Yellow, Red, Green, Purple, & frying peppers)
Carrots (Purple & Orange)	Radish (white, red, watermelon)
Cabbage/Napa Cabbage	Spinach & Escarole
Cauliflower (Purple)	Pumpkins & Gourds
Cauliflower (Cheddar)	Squash (Green & Yellow)
Cauliflower (White)	Squash (Patty Pan)
Butter & Sugar Sweet Corn	Squash (Eight Ball)
Cucumbers (Slicers)	Squash, Butternut, Acorn, Spaghetti Squash, Honey Nut, Mashed Potatoes Acorn Squash
Cucumbers (Picklers)	Swiss Chard
Cucumbers (Burpless)	Tomatoes
Eggplant (Purple & white)	Tomatoes (Heirloom)
Japanese Eggplant	Tomatoes (Cherry)
Garlic/Garlic Scapes	Zucchini
Hot Peppers (Poblanos, Long Hots, Cherry Hots, Habaneros & more)	Locally grown Apples, Strawberries, Peaches, Blueberries

\*As an added bonus all of our Farm Share members will receive 10% off Trees, Shrubs & Perennials for the 16-week duration period of their membership.

\* We will have a “Swap Table”. If there is an item, you don’t want you may put it on our swap table and choose something else that is on the table. For example, on pick up day we may have an excess of carrots but not enough to provide to all the boxes. We will put the carrots on the swap table. This will allow our members the opportunity to enjoy having an option.