

Fox Creek Farm 2012 Season CSA Membership

I would like a share in Fox Creek Farm's 2012 CSA season. I understand that the farm will act in good faith to grow me the produce as described on the farm's website (www.foxcreekfarmcsa.com), and understand that some growing conditions may be out of the farmers' control.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Name:	Address:
Day phone:	Evening phone:
Email 1:	Email 2:
(Please provide us with your email address and in case of shared shares, also the email of your share partner(s) – farm related communication via email helps us reduce our administrative work load and related expenses. We are sending you our newsletter electronically)	

INDICATE YOUR PREFERRED PICK -UP SITE:

TUESDAY	FRIDAY
<input type="checkbox"/> Albany (Honest Weight Food Co-op)	<input type="checkbox"/> Gallupville (at the farm) <input type="checkbox"/> Clifton Park
<input type="checkbox"/> Delmar 1 (Delmar Reformed Church)	<input type="checkbox"/> Altamont (Altamont Reformed Church) <input type="checkbox"/> East Greenbush (Woodland Hill)
<input type="checkbox"/> Albany (University at Albany)	<input type="checkbox"/> Schenectady (Parkwood Blvd.)
<input type="checkbox"/> I'd like to know more about the workshare option, please contact me about this	

CSA SHARE, OPTIONS and PAYMENT (see reverse for further details)

	Each	Total
<input type="checkbox"/> Large Share (Full Share). 20 weeks of produce, starting the middle of June, and going towards the end of October. A large share is intended to fulfill the vegetable needs of a family of 4 or two vegetarians.	\$ 475.--	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Medium Share (Half Share). Same as above, but intended to fulfill the vegetable needs of a family of 2 or one vegetarian. This share will give you about half of the produce in a full share, <u>but will not always have the same items as the full share.</u>	\$ 300.--	\$ _____
OPTIONS TO THE BASIC CSA SHARE:		
<input type="checkbox"/> Winter Storage Share. Make your experience with Fox Creek Farm last! Approximately a bushel of winter storage crops (e.g., potatoes, onions, garlic, carrots, beets, winter squash), to be delivered a week after the last share.	\$ 45.00	\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Pastured Poultry Share. Three pastured chickens throughout the season (one in July, one in August, and one in September), approximately 5 pounds each, to be picked up at the farm within one week of processing. Note: multiple shares possible while supplies last.	\$ 52.50	\$ _____
Total CSA Share and Options		\$ _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Renewing members: renew early and receive a free Fox Creek Farm CSA T-shirt with your first 2012 share, if we receive this form and the \$ 100 deposit by November 1, 2011. Please circle your size: S M L XL XXL / MAN --- WOMAN	T-Shirt	
<input type="checkbox"/> Early full payment discount. Deduct \$ 12.50 from the total share price if the balance is paid <u>at once in full</u> by March 1, 2012	\$ 12.50	
<input type="checkbox"/> 2011 Membership referral credit (enclose credit memo)	\$ _____	
Total Discounts and Credits		\$ _____
2012 CSA SHARE (SHARE MINUS DISCOUNTS AND CREDITS)		\$ _____
Amount enclosed (\$ 100 minimum reservation deposit required) Make checks payable to "Fox Creek Farm". After May 15, the balance is due in full. Please retain a copy of this form for your records.		\$ _____

I agree to all the terms described on this membership form, and I have reviewed the details regarding Fox Creek Farm CSA, the share, share options and potential dangers related to farm visits on the other side of this form.

Date: _____ Signature: _____

Mail completed form and payment to:
Fox Creek Farm, c/o Raymond and Sara Luhrman, 182 Fox Creek Farm Road, Schoharie, NY 12157

Fox Creek Farm CSA, 2012 Growing Season

Fox Creek Farm CSA Membership: By joining Fox Creek Farm CSA, I understand that I support a small family farm that has been preserving farmland and farming skills by operating a successful CSA since 2004. The farm uses organic farming practices, but is not certified organic. While the farmers have a proven track record working in good faith to fulfill their commitments, weather events can adversely affect crops and yields. The farm will share the bounties of the harvest with the CSA member; however, CSA members need to understand that conditions out of control of the farmers could have negative impacts on yields.

Share availability: I understand that the 2012 membership is on a first-come, first-served basis. Due to harvest and distribution logistics, the farm limits the number of shares available per distribution day and site. If the site of your choice has filled up, the farm will contact you to discuss alternatives. The farm will acknowledge receipt of this membership form by email. In case the farm receives my application after the CSA has filled up, or we cannot reach agreement on a pick-up site, the farm returns my check and puts my name on the waiting list.

Member responsibilities: It is my responsibility to pick up (or have someone pick up) my weekly produce share at the agreed vegetable distribution site within the specified timeframe (4:00 – 6:00 PM for all sites, with exception of the farm (3:00 – 6:00 PM), and East Greenbush (3:00 – 5:00 PM)). The farm cannot ‘hold over’ shares that are not picked up at the sites, neither can the farm accommodate one-time switches of sites. If my share does not get picked up, I agree to have it donated to charity.

Hazards on the farm: I understand that although the farmers strive to make the farm safe for visitors, there are hazards on any farm. Hazards include uneven ground, sharp objects, farm equipment, electric fences, tools, etc. I understand that climbing on farm equipment is not allowed. I agree to not hold the land owners, the farmers, or Fox Creek Farm liable for any injury to me, my family, guests, or damages to any of our property that might occur at the farm.

Start and finish of the CSA season: The first delivery for the Tuesday sites is on June 12 and for the Friday sites on June 15. The last regular delivery is on October 23 and 26, respectively. If selected the optional winter storage share, delivery will be on Tuesday October 30, and Friday, November 2.

Pastured Poultry Share: The farm uses pastured poultry to improve the soil fertility on the farm. For the share, we are raising Cornish Cross chickens. We put the birds out on pasture as soon as possible, generally at two weeks of age, and rotate them daily to fresh ground. We estimate the birds get 30% of their diet from the pasture. We supplement their diet with locally milled, conventionally grown, unmedicated feed. Chickens are processed on the farm, under provisions set by the NYS Department of Agriculture and Markets (Food Safety and Inspection Circular 925, Article 5A, Section 96-C), for processing less than 1,000 birds for on-farm sale.

We plan on raising three batches of poultry, which will be harvested in the months of July, August and September. If you select the pastured poultry option, we will inform you when we are processing the birds. Pick up is at the farm only. Fresh birds will be available in the late afternoon of the processing day (usually Saturday), or you may pick up your frozen birds within one week of processing from the freezers at the farm during regular farm hours – no appointment necessary.

Payment, discounts, etc.: A minimum deposit of \$ 100 is required with the submission of this membership form, although payment in full is appreciated. To qualify for the \$ 12.50 discount for payment in full, you may send in your \$ 100 deposit now and the remaining balance in one payment before March 1, 2012. You may pay your balance in installments, but by doing so, you will forego the early full payment discount to cover additional administrative expenses for the farm.

If you are an existing member who has referred a new member to the farm in 2011, please remind us of the ‘Thank You’ credit memo we issued to you, and we’ll gladly adjust your balance for the 2012 CSA share accordingly.

If you sign up after May 15, payment in full is required with this membership form.

If you feel the CSA share price limits you to join Fox Creek Farm CSA, please contact the farmers to discuss possible payment arrangements.