



New Options for Next Year's Summer CSA

Half Shares & Payment Plans among new options in 2012.

With a full year of CSA administration under our belts we're ready to add some extra options to next year's offerings to best accommodate our members.

The ala carte menu is perhaps the most exciting new addition for the 2012 year. It will give members the option to submit requests for additional products to be included in their regular deliveries right online, any time day or night. If you have a vegetarian share but would like a dozen eggs with your share you can simply log on and submit a request. If it's tomato season and you'd like extra tomatoes, you can submit a

request for as many as you'd like. We'll fill weekly requests as we're able, in the order that they're received.

Vegetarian shares will give families who either don't eat meat at all or simply want more flexibility in their meat types and quantities to enjoy farm member benefits, too. A full vegetarian share includes the same vegetables as a regular full share delivered weekly, but without the chicken and eggs. A half vegetarian share is delivered bi-weekly instead of weekly. Both shares include the option to use our online ala carte menu to add options to regular share deliveries – including meat and eggs.

Half shares are another addition to the 2012 season. Like the Half Vegetarian share, the regular Half Share includes everything the regular full share includes – assorted

vegetables, a whole chicken and a dozen eggs – but is delivered bi-weekly instead of weekly. The half share is great for small families and couples who may not need a full share each week.

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Old Time Wisdom: Mulch for Garlic

Though garlic probably evolved in the poor soil of arid desert regions a thick mulch can go a long way towards a good crop. Planted in the middle of fall, garlic is over-wintered right in the garden for a mid-summer harvest the next year. A thick mulch of organic matter helps protect the plants from harsh winter weather and, usually by early summer, breaks down to provide nutrition and improve soil tilth.

2012 CSA Breakdown

Full Omnivore Share

- 1 Whole Chicken, 1 Dozen Eggs, Assorted Vegetables and Value Added Items weekly.
- 15 weeks; June 17 - September 23
- Early-Bird Pricing, Before January 1, 2012: \$30/week, \$450/season
- Regular Pricing, January 1, 2012 and After: \$35/week, \$525/season
- Payment Plans Available.
- 10% discount on additional farm products.
- Access to Ala Carte Menu.

Half Omnivore Share

- 1 Whole Chicken, 1 Dozen Eggs, Assorted Vegetables and Value Added Items bi-weekly.
- 7 weeks between June 17 and September 23
- Early-Bird Pricing, Before January 1, 2012: \$30/week, \$210/season
- Regular Pricing, January 1, 2012 and After: \$35/week, \$245/season
- Payment Plans Available.
- 10% discount on additional farm products.
- Access to Ala Carte Menu.

Full Vegetarian Share

- Assorted Vegetables and Value Added Items weekly.
- 15 weeks; June 17 - September 23
- Early-Bird Pricing, Before January 1, 2012: \$20/week, \$300/season
- Regular Pricing, January 1, 2012 and After: \$25/week, \$375/season
- Payment Plans Available.
- 10% discount on additional farm products.
- Access to Ala Carte Menu.

Half Vegetarian Share

- Assorted Vegetables and Value Added Items bi-weekly.
- 7 weeks between June 17 and September 23
- Early-Bird Pricing, Before January 1, 2012: \$20/week, \$140/season
- Regular Pricing, January 1, 2012 and After: \$25/week, \$175/season
- Payment Plans Available.
- 10% discount on additional farm products.
- Access to Ala Carte Menu.



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And last, but certainly not least, is the addition of payment plans. Now you can take advantage of early-bird discounts without the burden of one big payment just before – or during – the holiday season. Whether you choose a regular Full CSA Share or a Half Vegetarian Share (or any package in between) you can now reserve your share during the early bird pricing window and make payments over the winter. Payment plans split the total cost of the CSA share of your choice over four even payments due in November, December, January and February.

For more information and all the details on the new CSA options be sure to check out the updated [CSA page](#) on our site.

In the Works: Large Hog Herd Expansion

It doesn't seem that long ago that we announced the addition of Tamworth hogs to our farm on a trial basis. After spending the past seven months getting our feet wet with large heritage breed hogs we're diving in the rest of the way. With the larger hogs joining the already established Guinea Hog herd we're excited to be able to offer an even more diversified menu to our clients. Hog shares will now be available in sizes from sixty to more than one hundred and sixty pounds and our pastured pork will come in several types from very lean to lard-type.

Watch for other interesting heritage hog breeds to join the rosters soon!

