2021 CSA Information

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We, Smiling Frogs Farm (SFF), wish to provide you with fresh, naturally grown, seasonal vegetables, herbs, and flowers and you, the member, wish to receive a portion of our harvest. This agreement outlines our shared commitments to that relationship.

Section 1. Introducing Our CSA Farm

A. Becoming a Part of Our Farm

Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) is a relationship between SSF and you as our customer. Rather than simply purchasing food, our customers become "members" of this CSA farm who receive a portion of the farm's harvest. Our CSA runs from the middle of May to the middle of October. Members are responsible for showing up to pick up their share of freshly harvested produce. You will generally receive vegetables, fresh herbs, and cut flowers equivalent to two grocery bags of produce. Detailed information regarding pick-up is discussed below in Section 3. Variety and quantity may vary as described below.

B. Our Growing Practices

SSF sources all of our seeds from well known, organic, and non-GMO seed companies that have signed the Safe Seed Pledge! We believe in open pollinated and heirloom vegetables. SSF only believes in all natural fertilizers and insect & disease control. We research control recipes using all natural or made for organic gardening ingredients. We never use chemicals to solve any of our growing problems.

C. The Products We Expect for 2021

One of the most unique parts of SFF is we grow what you want. The chart below outlines some of the vegetables we hope to deliver and when you may see them in your share. This chart is based on our best estimate, but of course weather, pests, and other events will affect actual production. Once we receive your signed agreement you will be sent a vegetable survey via email. We want to know what you want to eat! If you hate radishes, we will not pack you radishes. If you love tomatoes, we will pack you extra tomatoes! If you are allergic to eggplants we will not pack you eggplants. Think of it as a custom or personalized box of veggies. No two boxes will be the same!

May & June: Arugula, Lettuce, Swiss Chard, Kale, Collard Greens, Green Onions, Beets, Green Beans, Peas, Broccoli, & Cabbage

July to August: some of the above as well as Melons, Okra, Tomatoes, Cucumbers, Peppers, Zucchini and Yellow Squash

September to October: some of the above as well as Butternut Squash & Sweet Potatoes

Section 2. Our Shared Commitments

A. Sharing in the Risk of Crop Failure

We promise to do our best to provide you with a bountiful share. The quantity of produce/herbs/flowers, however, may vary from month-to-month due to extreme weather, insects, or other production factors despite our best efforts. By joining our CSA, you are agreeing to share the risk of crop failure with us and other members. In the unlikely event of a crop failure, our procedure is as follows: If only a small portion of a crop fails, we compensate for the failed crops by filling your share with other crops grown on the farm that are ready for harvest at that time. If a large portion of a crop fails, we may not be able to deliver any of that crop for some time.

B. Sharing in the Reward of Crop Surplus

In addition to our CSA, SFF plans to host Farm Stand sales. Although production is not segregated, our CSA shares receive priority. After filling our CSA shares with the best of the week's harvest first, the remainder will be sold here on the farm to the public.

Section 3. Picking Up Shares

You are responsible for picking up your share on the agreed upon day, time, and place. We will also be offering a delivery service this year! For an additional fee we will deliver your share to your home or office Mondays between 3-4pm.

If you cannot pick-up your share, please arrange for someone else to pick it up for you. You are responsible for explaining the pick-up location and procedures to your substitute. If you wish to change your drop site, please email mary@smilingfrogsfarm.com with details. Shares that are not retrieved within the pick-up time will be donated or sold.

Section 4. Member Fees

Selling memberships in advance of the growing season reduces the burden of up-front costs for us. Your membership fees provide us with money to purchase seed and equipment before the season starts. We appreciate your commitment!

We will offer two types of memberships:

One half bushel every week for 22 weeks for \$675

One half bushel every other week for 11 weeks for \$340

More pricing and payment information is available in our agreement document.

Please email mary@smilingfrogsfarm.com for additional information.

You can choose to pay the entire membership fee upfront or pay 50% now and 50% when you pick up your 1st box. Deliver fee is due before 1st box delivery. We accept checks and Venmo (@marycself)! Memberships are first come, first serve and extremely limited, so please be in touch quickly to reserve your share!

If for some reason you can no longer commit to membership, we have the following return policy; Members must contact the farm via email to inform them of the change to their membership commitment. Refunds are as follows: by March 1 you will receive the full payment made, by April 1 you will receive 50% of payment made, and May 1 all payments will be non-refundable.

Section 5. Communicating with Us

During the off-season the best way to communicate with us is via email. If you decide to join our CSA, you will email mary@smilingfrogsfarm.com to request our CSA Agreement. This document is explained in Section 6 below.

When you sign up, you will be added to our distribution list. Please read your emails from us. We depend on being able to communicate important information such as necessary changes to your distribution schedule.

During the growing season the best way to communicate with us is via phone. We will do our best to respond as soon as possible if we miss your call. Please contact us with any news of the following: changes to your email address, changes to your drop-site location, pick up changes, or dissatisfaction with your share.

Section 6. CSA Agreement Form

Once you decide you want to join our CSA, please email mary@smilingfrogsfarm.com. A link to our CSA Agreement will be emailed to you. This form is to be completed and submitted by you, the member, that requires contact information, your CSA share preference, pick up or delivery preference, your payment preference, and your signature (typed name) agreeing to purchase your share preference.

Please submit this form quickly as shares are limited and are first come, first serve. Email mary@smilingfrogsfarm.com with any questions!