

## General CSA Information

### What is a CSA?

Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) programs provide consumers the opportunity to purchase fresh, local produce by providing the means to develop direct relationships with local farmers. CSAs are mutually beneficial for both parties. By paying in advance of the growing season, CSA programs support farmers by providing much-needed funds to cover the up-front costs associated with raising food. Consumers benefit by receiving a weekly box of the freshest crops possible; produce is harvested at its peak, resulting in a diverse offering of food unparalleled in freshness and nutrition. Many consumers enjoy the surprise of new and never before tasted foods, since it is not uncommon to receive fruits and vegetables one may never have cooked or even heard of, so joining a CSA requires some sense of adventure and creativity!

### Benefits for you, benefits for the farm!

By becoming a member of the Harvest Moon CSA, you are choosing healthy, high quality, safe food for you and your family. As part of our CSA, you will not only receive a weekly box of fresh, local produce, you will directly support the efforts of our farm and other local farms. Here at Harvest Moon we grow over 20 different crops and each week our farmers walk through our fields and hand select *the best* of what's ready to put in your box. Our crops are harvested same day or only one day before pick up, which guarantees you receive the freshest possible produce. Our farm manager also makes weekly visits to local farms in order hand pick produce from their freshest harvests to supplement our offerings.

### What's in the Harvest Moon CSA box?

As a Harvest Mon CSA member, you will reap the benefits of a wide variety of farm fresh produce, once a week, July through October. The produce that comprises your CSA box will vary each week depending upon availability, specifically what is actually growing and ready for harvest, so please be aware that you will receive some crops more frequently than others. We will send an email earlier in the week to all of our members with a list of what will be the probable contents of your share that week. We will also include recipes for you to try at home.

## What's in a Harvest Moon CSA box?

Examples of fruits/vegetables to expect by month (for reference half bushel boxes contain approx. 7-9 items weekly). We may occasionally include a carton of our farm fresh eggs in your share, based on availability.

July	August	September	October
Basil	Basil	Acorn Squash	Acorn Squash
Beets	Beets	Apple Cider	Apple Cider
Bok Choy	Carrots	Apples	Apples
Carrots	Celery	Beets	Beets
Celery	Corn	Broccoli	Bok Choy
Cucumbers	Cucumbers	Carnival Squash	Broccoli
Eggplant	Eggplant	Cauliflower	Carnival Squash
Garlic	Garlic	Corn	Cauliflower
Kale	Lettuces	Delicata Squash	Corn
Lettuces	Melons	Eggplant	Delicata Squash
Peppers	Nectarines	Garlic	Garlic
Radishes	Onions	Kale	Kale
Spinach	Peaches	Lettuces	Lettuces
Spring Onions	Peppers	Onions	Onions
String Beans	String Beans	Pears	Potatoes
Swiss Chard	Tomatoes	Peppers	Spaghetti Squash
Turnips	Turnips	Potatoes	Spinach
Zucchini	Zucchini	Spaghetti Squash	Swiss Chard
		Tomatoes	Tomatoes



**Example of items in the half share box from early July 2017: Carrots, lettuces (2), spinach, bok choy, kale, radishes, garlic, eggs.**

**\*Early season boxes contain more greens, as the season progresses more crops begin to fruit and more variety becomes available to you!**

### CSA Add-On Shares

#### Milk Share

Ronnybrook Dairy Farm provides Harvest Moon with fresh, weekly milk deliveries and now we are so pleased to offer a milk share program to go along with our CSA! Our goal is to save our customers both time and money, and to offer our customers some of the healthiest milk in the country. Located in Ancramdale, New York, an hour upstate from our farm, Ronnybrook Dairy boasts cows that are grass fed and hormone free, and high quality milk that is non-homogenized. Ronnybrook milk is pasteurized at the lowest temperature allowed (170°), keeping it safe but not over-processed. We are huge fans of this farm and are happy to offer their products to you! For more information about Ronnybrook Dairy, please visit [www.Ronnybrook.com](http://www.Ronnybrook.com).

#### Cheese Share

The Harvest Moon add-on cheese share is a 13-week program that runs July 5 through September 27, featuring cheeses that all hail from New York's Hudson Valley. Every week, members will receive a different type of cheese from one of seven farms, all offering a delicious assortment of soft, medium, and hard cheese textures, and crafted from cow, goat and sheep's milk. Cheeses are individually packaged and range from 4 ounces to 8 ounces per package, and members can expect to receive one or two packages per week.

#### Beef Share

We raise Scottish Highland cattle on our own land 60 miles upstate from Harvest Moon in Hillsdale, New York. Our cattle are raised entirely outdoors and roam freely across 1000 acres of open pasture. Eating grass all their lives, our animals have access to a rich and bio diverse diet that builds stronger, healthier, stress-free animals with superior immune systems. The result? Beef of unparalleled quality, taste and nutritional value. We are offering one pound packages of ground beef for the 13 week period (July 5 - September 27).

#### Flower Share

We are pleased to offer you the option of adding on lovely local flowers to your weekly vegetable share this season! Each week you will receive one seasonal market bouquet featuring the freshest cut stems from our good friends Luke and Jenny at Tiny Hearts Farm. From zinnias to sunflowers, snapdragons to cosmos, and everything in between, we will work weekly with Tiny Hearts to feature a broad array of seasonal blooms over the course of the share. The share is offered for 12 weeks (July 12 – September 27).

**\*\*PICK-UPS ARE EVERY THURSDAY AT THE STORE\*\***



## First pick-up July 5, 2018

Please complete this form in its entirety and drop off in person at our store. Please have payment ready at time of application drop-off (Cash/Check/Credit Card). If you have any questions, feel free to give us a call at (914) 485 -1210, or email us at harvestmoonorchard@gmail.com.

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

Check here if you were a member of the 2017 CSA

### **CSA APPLICATION AGREEMENT:**

I \_\_\_\_\_ would like to participate in the Harvest Moon Farm and Orchard CSA program for the 2018 season. I understand there are both risks and rewards for each season: weather and factors beyond Harvest Moon Farm and Orchard's control may result in lighter harvests than previous harvests as well as the shortage or absence of some of the crops listed. I understand that after the first share pickup, my share is non-refundable. Completing this application does not guarantee membership, shares are given on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

We use organic practices for vegetables grown on our farm whenever possible.

We use ecologically and environmentally conscious techniques for maintaining fruit crops on our farm.



## Share Application

**Seasonal Produce Shares:** (Check one)

\_\_\_\_\_ 13 Week Season Jul 5 – Sept 27 – Half Bushel Box \$325.00

\_\_\_\_\_ 13 Week Season Jul 5 – Sept 27 – Full Bushel Box \$585.00

\_\_\_\_\_ 18 Week Season Jul 5 – Nov 1 – Half Bushel Box \$450.00

\_\_\_\_\_ 18 Week Season Jul 5 – Nov 1 – Full Bushel Box \$810.00

\*Half bushel box feeds a family of four, full bushel box feeds a family of 6+ (it depends on your love and use for produce!)

## Add-On Shares

**Milk Share:** (Please circle type and indicate amount of share desired)

**13 Week Season Jul 5 – Sept 27**

\_\_\_\_\_ One (1) quart\* Whole/Low Fat - \$39.00

\_\_\_\_\_ One (1) quart\* Chocolate - \$52.00

\_\_\_\_\_ One (1) ½ gal Whole/Low Fat - \$59.00

**18 Week Season Jul 5 – Nov 1**

\_\_\_\_\_ One (1) quart\* Whole/Low Fat - \$54.00

\_\_\_\_\_ One (1) quart\* Chocolate - \$72.00

\_\_\_\_\_ One (1) ½ gal Whole/Low Fat - \$81.00

\*For QUART milk shares please add \$2 per bottle for the glass deposit. For example, the 13-week quart of low fat milk is \$39 + \$2 for a total of \$41. You are then required to bring your empty glass bottle back each week to avoid paying an additional \$2 deposit per each new glass bottle.

**Cheese Share:**

**13 Week Season Jul 5 – Sept 27**

\_\_\_\_\_ \$130.00 (1-2 pkgs. cheese/week)

**Beef Share:**

**13 Week Season Jul 5 – Sept 27**

\_\_\_\_\_ \$100.00 (1lb. pkg. ground beef/week)

**Flower Share:**

**12 Week Season Jul 12 – Sept 27**

\_\_\_\_\_ \$210.00 (1 bouquet/week)

Grand Total: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**

## CSA Policies & Procedures

**(Please initial each item)**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Picking up Your Share:**

Thursdays 8:00am – 6:00pm

Members agree to pick up their box each week at our farm store within the pickup time window.

We guarantee freshness of boxes only during the pickup time. We are not responsible for freshness of boxes picked up after Thursday. The longest we will hold your box is until Sunday (4 days). After Sunday, freshness is compromised and your box will be donated.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Vacation/Absence Policy:**

If you are not available to pick up your CSA box for one reason or another, you can choose to have a friend, neighbor or family member come to the store to pick up your box in your place. If no one picks up your share by Sunday your box will be donated.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Substitution Policy:**

We strive to provide you with both versatility and staple items each week, hoping that this will fulfill your produce needs. Therefore, you must take home what comes in the box. We apologize for any inconvenience, but we do not make any substitutions under any circumstance.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Allergy Information:**

Please mark on your application and call to speak to the manager if you have a severe allergy concern. We will note your allergy and exclude the item from your box.

There will be no substitutions.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Milk Share Information:**

Due to the nature of the way milk is received at our farm, if a minimum quantity is not reached for your specific type of milk to fulfill an order, you will be asked to change to a different type of milk or refunded the total amount for your milk share if you wish.