



Dear Friends,

As 2016 draws to a close, it's time to start planning for the next growing season. 2017 will be our twelfth CSA season in Greenville, NY, and will mark 20 years since we first started farming on a rented homestead in Roxbury, Wisconsin.

A lot of things have changed since we planted those first tomato seeds in a tiny wooden greenhouse on a rainy day in March 1997, but our reasons for farming have not. We farm because it connects us to the natural world, because we value hard work and because we want to become more self-sufficient. We farm because we are deeply concerned about the impact of corporate agribusiness on our personal, environmental and economic health, and because we have lost trust in the industrial food system. Most importantly, we farm because we love good food: growing it, eating it and sharing it with others. We invite you to join Foxtail Community Farm CSA to be part of the work we are doing, to support our farm and to share in its bounty.

For those new to the concept, Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) is a partnership between farmers & customers. You make a commitment to support the farm through your CSA membership, which provides us with a stable customer base and reliable cash flow. We deliver farm-raised food to you throughout the season, providing you with a steady supply of good food and an assurance that your food dollar directly supports a local farm family and ecologically sound growing practices.

Over the last eleven years, our farm has expanded and diversified steadily. We offer members an array of share options all year round: vegetables, herbs, fruit, eggs, meat and greenhouse seedlings. We place strong emphasis on sharing the farm experience with our members. Through farm days, workshops, tours and our weekly CSA newsletter, we strive to connect you with farming and the food you are eating. As the farm continues to grow, we especially encourage and appreciate year-round memberships, which allow you to enjoy the farm's full bounty at the greatest discount possible.

New this year we will pasture our first small herds of pigs and beef cows, have added a new pick up site at the Greenville Elementary School for GCS employees, and are trialing home delivery of shares within a limited area. Please contact us for more information about these options.

Additional information about our farming practices, share options and membership terms are outlined on the back of this page and in the attached membership agreement & order form. With all the share options we now offer, the selections may be a bit confusing. If you have any questions about shares, our farming practices or anything else please contact us. Our contact information is at the top of the order form.

Joining a CSA is the most direct way you can support a small family farm. Thank you for being a part of our continued success. Here's to a great 2017 season!

Your Farmers,
Eric & Rachel

December 2016

FOXTAIL COMMUNITY FARM
2017 CSA SHARE SELECTIONS

~ Four Seasons Membership ~

The true spirit of CSA! Support our farm and share its full bounty all year by choosing:

Full Year Vegetable Share + Full Year Egg Share (+ any additional items)

Take 5% off your total + 5% off all other purchases year round!

Four Seasons members also will have preference for any share options in limited supply.

Select specific share options for each season below & fill in discount in payment box where indicated.

~ Vegetables & Herbs ~

Fresh vegetables and herbs are the centerpiece of our farm. We grow a wide seasonal variety from spring greens to summer tomatoes to fall roots and everything in between. We plan a mix of traditional & specialty varieties each season including many time-tested heirloom selections. We use sustainable growing methods including crop rotation, cover-cropping, beneficial insects and organic soil amendments. No synthetic chemical fertilizers, pesticides or GMO seeds are ever used.

Winter Season

January - May 2017
10 deliveries

Winter Produce - storage crops (roots, alliums, squashes, dried herbs & beans) plus fresh greens from the high tunnel. Note that because of the severe drought in 2016, this year's Winter Shares will be a bit smaller than last year's. Staples will be onions, potatoes, carrots and fresh spinach plus 1-2 other storage or greenhouse crops in each delivery. Two deliveries per month. \$200

Summer Season

June - October 2017
21 deliveries

Taste of the Season - our standard share features fresh vegetables & herbs at the peaks of their seasons, typically 5-10 varieties/week with quantity and variety increasing as the season progresses. One delivery per week. \$425

Harvest Basket - larger size share highlights vegetables and herbs from the first taste to the peak bounty of each item. Typically 7-12 varieties per week, amount of some items may be larger than Taste of the Season. One delivery per week. \$525

Full Year

January - December 2017
35 deliveries

Full Year Vegetable Share - see descriptions at left for Winter & Summer vegetable shares *plus* four additional deliveries (two each in November & December) to keep the harvest going through the end of the year. Late field crops, high tunnel greens and storage crops. Includes special Thanksgiving and Winter Solstice holiday shares. \$750 *with Taste of the Season*/ \$850 *with Harvest Basket*.

~ Fruit ~

Summer fruit shares feature a seasonal progression of berries (strawberries, raspberries, blueberries), tree fruits (cherries, peaches, plums, pears, apples) and melons. Some fruits come from our own fields, raised using sustainable growing methods. Most fruit comes from other area farms and is raised using conventional growing practices. Each delivery typically contains one variety of fruit, though we sometimes double up in peak season.

Summer Season

mid June - September 2017
15 deliveries

Fruit Share - one delivery per week. \$150.

~ Eggs ~

Fresh brown eggs from our chicken flocks are available year-round. Our birds are humanely raised on pasture in large, movable open-air hoop-coops that are integrated in our crop rotations. All-natural vegetarian feed & garden scraps supplement natural foraging. No hormones or antibiotics are ever used.

Winter Season January – May 2017 <i>10 deliveries</i>	Summer Season June – October 2017 <i>21 deliveries</i>	Full Year January – December 2017 <i>35 deliveries</i>
Winter Eggs – delivered twice per month	Summer Eggs – delivered once per week	Full Year Egg Share – keep your eggs going all year to support our flock and get the best price. Includes steady egg deliveries through Winter (twice monthly deliveries), Summer (weekly deliveries) and Extended Fall Season (twice monthly deliveries).
Two dozen per delivery (equivalent of 1 dozen per week). \$80	1 dozen eggs per week. \$110 ½ dozen eggs per week. \$60	One dozen per week (or equivalent in Winter/Fall). \$190 One half-dozen per week (or equivalent in Winter/Fall). \$102.50
One dozen per delivery (equivalent of ½ dozen per week). \$42.50	<i>Please note</i> ~ egg prices vary by season. Choose a full-year egg share for the lowest price per dozen!	

~ Poultry ~

Our chicken continues to receive glowing reviews from members and has become highly sought-after. We raise Freedom Rangers, a slower-growing and more naturally-proportioned breed developed in Europe to meet rigorous *Label Rouge* free range standards.

Stew hens are available by special order at the end of each season as a new cohort of laying hens takes over.

We raise a small flock of traditional broad-breasted white turkeys for Thanksgiving – reserve your turkey now as we always sell out!

All birds are humanely raised on pasture, with all-natural vegetarian feed & garden scraps to supplement their foraging. No hormones or antibiotics are used.

Winter Season January – May 2017 <i>5 deliveries</i>	Summer Season June – October 2017 <i>5 deliveries</i>	Full Year January – December 2017 <i>12 deliveries</i>
Winter Chicken – One delivery per month (5 total). Base order is one whole chicken (~3.5-4.0 lbs.) per delivery. You may reserve chicken shares in any multiples. Winter birds are delivered frozen. \$90	Summer Chicken – One delivery per month (5 total). Base order is one whole chicken (~4.0-4.5 lbs.) per delivery. You may reserve chicken shares in any multiples. Summer birds are delivered fresh. Fresh chickens can be cut up into pieces for additional charge. \$90	Full Year Chicken Share – see descriptions at left for Winter & Summer chicken shares <i>plus</i> two additional deliveries (one each in November & December) for a steady supply year-round. \$216

Holiday Turkeys - Pick-up at farm Sunday before Thanksgiving. Specify size on order form (weights not guaranteed)
Small (10-15#), **Medium** (15-20#), **Large** (20-25#), **XL** (25-30#), **Jumbo** (>30#)
\$4.25/pound, \$25 deposit with balance paid at delivery based on final weight.

~ Other Offerings ~

Garden seedlings raised in our greenhouse will be available in the spring, with pre-orders taken in early 2017. This year we also plan to raise our first small herds of pastured heritage pigs and beef cattle, with expected harvest in Fall 2017. Order forms for seedlings, pork & beef will be distributed separately.

*** To reserve your CSA shares, complete & return the CSA Membership Agreement & Order Form ***

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2017 CSA MEMBERSHIP AGREEMENT & ORDER FORM

To reserve your 2017 CSA share, carefully review and complete this agreement and mail to: Foxtail Community Farm, 506 County Route 75, Greenville NY 12083. Question? Contact us at (518) 291-0285 or mail@foxtailcommunityfarm.com.

MEMBER HOUSEHOLD INFORMATION

Member Name(s):			
Address:			
Email (1):	Email (2):		
Telephone (1):	<input type="checkbox"/> text msg?	Telephone (2):	<input type="checkbox"/> text msg?

MEMBERSHIP TERMS

- * A non-refundable deposit is required with this form to reserve your share (see payment options below for details). Your membership is a commitment for the full season. There generally are no refunds once the delivery season has started.
- * Administrative charges of \$25 for returned checks and \$5/month for late payments will be applied. Deliveries may be withheld for outstanding payment.
- * If you choose to split a share with another household you are responsible for dividing payments and coordinating pick-up. Share partners who wish to receive emails or member privileges must submit a separate agreement form.
- * Shares are pre-packed & delivered in reusable boxes and bags. Members pick up their shares from their designated sites between **4:00-7:00 pm** on delivery day. Empty containers from the previous week are returned at the same time.
- * Due to harvest and delivery logistics we generally cannot accommodate changes in delivery sites or dates, except that GCS employees who choose the Elementary School pick up site may choose an alternate site during school breaks.
- * During the summer season only, each member may be credited for **one** canceled delivery with at least 24 hours advance notice. Otherwise, no credits/refunds will be given for deliveries canceled by members.
- * The delivery schedule below is **tentative**. A final schedule will be provided to members prior to the start of each season.
- * Please note that there will be **one week in the summer with no deliveries (date TBD)** for our family vacation.
- * Farming contains risks beyond our control. Sharing the risks of farming along with the benefits is a fundamental aspect of joining a CSA. We plan each season carefully and work in good faith to fulfill our commitment. Like all small farms, we have years that are better or worse than others due to weather, insect pressure, seed quality and many other variables. We cannot guarantee the quantity or availability of any item.
- * By signing this form, members agree that we may use photos taken of them and their guests at farm-related events on our Website, social media, printed or other promotional materials. Notify us if you do not agree to this use.
- * There are numerous hazards and risks inherent in being present on the farm and participating in farm activities, whether work or recreational in nature. While present on the farm, members are responsible for their own safety and that of their children or guests.
- * By signing this agreement, members freely accept responsibility for any and all risks while participating in farm activities or while present on Foxtail Community Farm premises and agree to release, forever discharge, indemnify, defend and hold harmless Foxtail Community Farm, its owners, agents and employees from all liability for negligence and any and all losses, damages, costs and attorneys' fees resulting from any and all claims or suits for personal injuries, death and/or property damage of any kind while on the farm or after leaving the premises.

On behalf of my household, I have reviewed and understand all the information in this agreement and wish to become a member of Foxtail Community Farm CSA for the 2017 season. I will adhere to the guidelines above & the share options and payment plan selected below.

Signature

Date

Please continue for share selections...

SHARE SELECTIONS

	Price	Number	Subtotal
Vegetable Shares			
Year-Round Vegetable – with Taste of the Season Summer Share	\$750.00		
Year-Round Vegetable – with Harvest Basket Summer Share	\$850.00		
Winter Produce Share	\$200.00		
Summer Taste of the Season Share	\$425.00		
Summer Harvest Basket Share	\$525.00		
Fruit Share			
Summer Fruit Share	\$150.00		
Egg Shares			
Year-Round Egg Share - 1 dozen per week	\$190.00		
Year-Round Egg Share - ½ dozen per week	\$102.50		
Winter Egg Share - 2 dozen per delivery (~1 dozen/week)	\$80.00		
Winter Egg Share - 1 dozen per delivery (~ ½ dozen/week)	\$42.50		
Summer Egg Share – 1 dozen per week	\$110.00		
Summer Egg Share - ½ dozen per week	\$60.00		
Poultry Shares			
Year-Round Chicken Share	\$216.00		
Winter Chicken Share	\$90.00		
Summer Chicken Share	\$90.00		
Holiday Turkey (\$25 deposit, balance due at pick-up) - <i>Requested size: S M L XL Jumbo</i>	\$25.00		

SITE SELECTIONS

Winter Season			
Delivery schedule: 2 nd & 4 th Monday of the month, Jan - May (Jan 9 & 23; Feb 13 & 27; March 13 & 27; April 10 & 24; May 8 & 22); <i>sites will also be used for November & December deliveries.</i>			
<input type="checkbox"/> Delmar (Adams Place)	<input type="checkbox"/> Scott M. Ellis Elementary (GCS employees only)	\$0.00	
<input type="checkbox"/> Pick up at the Farm (Greenville)	<i>discount applicable to vegetable shares only</i>	-\$15.00	
<input type="checkbox"/> Home delivery <i>limited geographic area - contact us if interested</i>		\$25.00	
Summer Season			
Delivery schedule: First week of June through the last week of October			
<i>Mondays</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Albany (Milner Ave)	<input type="checkbox"/> Loudonville (Ross Ct)	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Delmar-A (Adams Pl)	<input type="checkbox"/> Delmar-B (Adams St)	<input type="checkbox"/> Scott M. Ellis Elementary (GCS employees only)	
<i>Thursdays</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Pick up at the Farm (Greenville)	<i>discount applicable to vegetable shares only</i>	-\$25.00
<i>Mondays</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Home delivery <i>limited geographic area - contact us if interested</i>	\$50.00	

TOTALS & PAYMENT OPTIONS

Subtotal	
Four Seasons Discount (if applicable) -5%	
Grand Total	
(-) Deposit Enclosed (see below)	
Remaining Balance	

Please choose your payment option:

- Single payment in full with membership agreement. Thank you!
- Monthly payment plan for those with totals under \$1,000. \$100 deposit enclosed. Remaining balance to be paid in \$100 monthly installments, beginning February 1st, until balance is paid in full.
- Monthly payment plan for those with totals over \$1,000. Initial deposit due is equal to amount owed in excess of \$1,000 (Grand Total - \$1,000) or \$100, whichever is greater. Remaining balance to be paid in \$100 monthly installments, beginning February 1st, until balance is paid in full.

Please make checks payable to
Foxtail Community Farm.

A \$25 charge will be applied to
all returned checks.