



Tolstoy Farms CSA
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Dear Folks,

It is time, once again, to make preparations for another growing season. Attached you will find your Tolstoy Farms CSA (Community Supported Agriculture) application form for the 2018 season.

The application is, hopefully, very straightforward. We continue to strive to provide increased variety in the boxes, and to “close the loop” by getting organic inputs (including organic straw for mulch and organic seeds). We feel our boxes are a great deal and expect this year to be the best ever. We are confident that you will enjoy the variety, quantity, and quality of fine organic produce, which Tolstoy Farms is known for.

The application has four basic sections. A CSA veggie share entails a weekly box containing products of which we have sufficient quantity to supply our projected 75 CSA shareholders. CSA customers get a 15% discount on additional items purchased at our farm stand. Please note that this discount does not apply to special orders or already discounted bulk items. Shareholders will also receive our weekly newsletter, “From Far Afield” which will contain articles about what’s happening on the farm, information about sustainable agriculture and related issues, and recipes. CSA boxes are picked up once a week at the Tolstoy Farms stand at the Spokane Farmers’ Market between 8 a.m. and 1 p.m. beginning in early June (**first pick-up date for Wednesday pick-ups is June 13th; for Saturday pick-ups, June 16.**) *The Spokane Farmers’ Market is located on 5th between Division and Browne.* The application has a spot for you to choose your preferred pick-up day, Wednesday or Saturday. **This will be your pick-up day for the entire season. The number of CSA’s we do does not allow the flexibility to switch pick-up days from one week to the next; the day you pick will be your day through the entire season.** Our CSA season lasts 17 weeks. (See “What to expect” on next page.)

A **Winter Share** is 50 pounds each of carrots, onions, potatoes, and winter squash. This produce is picked up en masse on the last CSA pick-up day of the season. For those who want bulk produce for winter storage and have the space, this is a popular option.

This year we are again offering a low-income support program. We realize that at times people’s financial situations put quality, organic foods beyond their budgets. We have a desire to see families eat well, regardless of income. Thus, there is a section on the form, “CSA Sharing”. Persons who desire to do so can donate above their CSA cost; the additional money will be put towards helping families who desire a CSA share but cannot fit it in their budget to receive a share. If you feel you cannot afford the full price of a CSA share, please contact us, and let us know. We will see what we can work out.

When you purchase a CSA share you are creating a stable local agricultural system. Unlike buying food from a store or produce warehouse, you are supporting farmers directly. You have the ability to know exactly how and where your food was grown, and get unsurpassable freshness. The continued support we have received from our CSA friends over the past twelve seasons has truly made a difference on our farm. Both farmers and consumers benefit from the increased security a viable farm economy brings.

More info on next page...

WHAT TO EXPECT

CSA Veggie Shareholders get a variety of seasonal produce, beginning in early June and lasting until late September/ early October. Full Share boxes are bushel size, and generally satisfy the produce needs of a family of four, or a couple if a serious foodie; Half Share boxes are ½ bushel, and are often preferred by single folks or couples without kids. Your weekly boxes will change according to what is available, and may include:

June: Spinach, lettuce, herbs, peas, cut flowers, green onions, strawberries, salad mix, mustard, radish, collards, kale, garlic tops, turnips

July: Chard, peas, spinach, lettuce, kale, green onions, sweet onions, strawberries, salad mix, carrots, beets, herbs, cut flowers, fava beans, basil, potatoes, zucchini, Chinese cabbage

August: Green and sweet onions, leeks, carrots, beets, chard, kale, lettuce, zucchini, cucumber, green beans, potatoes, basil, herbs, corn, tomatoes, cabbage, garlic, tomatillo, green & hot peppers, eggplant, broccoli, corn

September: Corn, beets, carrots, chard, cucumber, zucchini, kale, lettuce, potatoes, tomatoes, sweet and keeper onions, green pepper, winter squash, pumpkin, celery, tomatillos, green beans, garlic, hot pepper, eggplant, broccoli, cauliflower

The above appeared at some point during the given month in the 2016 season boxes.

Limited # of CSA slots fill fast. TO ENSURE YOUR CSA SHARE AND DESIRED PICK-UP DAY, PLEASE MAIL YOUR APPLICATION A.S.A.P. YOU CAN MAIL YOUR PAYMENT AT A LATER POINT, UNTIL MAY 31, IF NEED BE.

FIRST WEDNESDAY MARKET AND CSA PICK-UP JUNE 13. FIRST SATURDAY CSA PICK-UP JUNE 16.
FARMERS' MARKET FIRST DAY 2018: SATURDAY MAY 12

SPOKANE FARMERS' MARKET ON 5TH AVE. BETWEEN DIVISION AND BROWNE

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*******Thank you for supporting your local organic growers*******

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Registration Form 2018

Name

Address

City, State, Zip

Phone

E-mail

Please fill out your choices of shares and sign and date the registration form below. **Make checks payable to Tolstoy Farms.** Please make payment in full by May 31, 2018.

Basic Tolstoy Farms CSA Share:

Quan.	Price	Description	Total
	\$650	Tolstoy Farms CSA Veggie Share	
	\$400	1/2 CSA Veggie Share	

Tolstoy Farms CSA Winter Share

	\$250	50 lbs. <i>each</i> Carrots, Onions, Potatoes, and Winter Squash	
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CSA Sharing

Donation toward a CSA share for a low-income family:	
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Grand Total: _____

Amount enclosed _____ (minimum \$25.00 non-refundable deposit)

Please make checks payable to Tolstoy Farms.

Please enter your preference for your Pick-up day. We will try to accommodate your preference, but we can do no more than 35 boxes per pick-up day so you may not be able to have your preference. We will contact you if we need to change your pick-up day.

Wednesdays _____ **Saturdays** _____ **Davenport** _____

An unique feature of Community Supported Agriculture is that its consumer participants share the risk of impacted crops with the farmer. Membership fees in CSA farms are paid in good faith that farmers are striving to do their best while facing their traditional adversaries of weather and pestilence. CSA shareholders agree that it is worthwhile and in their best interests to absorb the loss of a crop now and then because in so doing they keep their local food producers stable year after year, therefore **funds paid into the Tolstoy Farms CSA are non-refundable.**

Signed, _____ Date:

Please mail your application and payment to:

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First CSA pick-up day: Wednesdays: June 13; Saturdays: June 16.

Farmers' Market first day Saturday May 12

Spokane Farmers' Market located on 5th Ave. between Division and Browne