

Tide Mill Organic Farm's COMMUNITY SUPPORTED AGRICULTURE (CSA)

Payment is due by June 1st. Payments made as early as possible is helpful. Make checks payable to Tide Mill Organic Farm and mail to 91 Tide Mill Road, Edmunds, ME 04628. Payment plans are available, and a deposit needs to be received and payment plan agreed by the June 1st deadline. Member Shares help cover the costs of operating the farm until crops are ready for harvest. If you have questions before purchasing your Share call Carly at 733-2551 or email at eatlocal@tidemillorganicfarm.com. You must use your entire balance in 2010. Any balance that is not used in 2010 will not be carried forward. Exceptions include a second share bought within the 2010 season.

One of the benefits of our diverse farm is the selection of products and our reasonable prices for the value of food that we offer to our loyal customers. In 2010 we are offering the following CSA Agreements.

Pricing and Options

_____ 1 Month Sampler Meat Package: \$60 plus delivery

_____ 6 Month CSA Meat Package: \$350 plus a 25% discount on delivery

_____ 12 Month CSA Meat Package. \$650 plus 50% discount on delivery

Add Tide Mill Organic Farm's Fresh, Unpasteurized and Unhomogenized Milk to your Meat CSA Package: (Must be delivered with the Meat Package)

_____ 1 gallon a week for 20 weeks: \$110 _____ 2 gallons a week for 20 weeks: \$220

Our CSA Member Share Includes:

☞ \$300 worth of fresh, organic vegetables and herbs in the 2010 season. The choices you will have each week are intended to provide a small family with a large part of their seasonal vegetable needs. The amount of food you will receive will range from 5-18 pounds (an average of 13 lbs) for 20 weeks beginning in the 2nd week of June and continuing through October. A Share will include vegetables and herbs harvested each week (See chart of crops and dates of availability for more details).

CSA members are asked to cross off the items that they strongly dislike and do not want included in their meat packages from our list of products and prices. We also ask that you * the items that you really like. We will try to include as much of those items as possible. We will not include your strong dislikes as part of your meat packages. It is our job to provide you with safe, healthy food grown and produced by Tide Mill Organic Farm. We have made the commitment to producing high quality, nutrient dense food and we do guarantee your satisfaction. We ask for you to be flexible and provide honest communication with us. Please keep in mind that a CSA offers the unique opportunity to try new things. With the internet and local libraries and neighbors, there is a lot of information about learning to cook something new.

What is included in the Sampler Meat Package?

Between 10 and 12 lbs of Tide Mill Meats: Chicken, Beef and Pork. Our list of products and prices (available on our website, or we can mail or email it to you) goes into great detail about all the cuts that we offer. We will select a variety of our meats giving you a diverse selection of certified organic meats for you and your family to enjoy.

How does our food get to you?

We deliver to the Lubec/Trescott area every Monday. We deliver to Whiting-Columbia Falls on Tuesday. We deliver to Dennysville-Calais & Eastport on Thursdays. A negotiable \$5.00 delivery fee per stop applies. There is no delivery charge if you pick up your meat and milk at our farm in Edmunds, Maine. However, you must make prior arrangements to make sure your order will be ready for you when you come to pick it up.

Working Members:

Tide Mill Organic Farm’s CSA does not require that Shareholders work on the farm. However, we are interested in a core group that can help us educate and outreach to the local community as well as participate in group “work parties” for certain projects (picking rocks & brush, weeding, etc.). Please let us know if you are willing to contribute your talents, skills, recipes, and stories to help our CSA venture succeed.

There are many different CSA models being practiced all over the country and the world. Tide Mill Organic Farm’s CSA is tailored to best meet the needs of our community and our farm. CSA’s promote a personal relationship to one’s food and the farmer who grows it. They are rooted in values, community, and the recognition of the importance of sustainable local farms and farmers. We are inviting you to invest in the growing CSA movement to “put a face on your food” and connect with where your food comes from.

SIGNATURES

We as farmers commit to do the very best job we can to grow food that is vitally nutritious for the health of our CSA shareholders, as well as being socially and ecologically sound for the health of our community and our earth.

Signature: _____

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I (We) as shareholders commit to learn to recognize and attempt to understand the farmer’s challenges and to assume our part of the risk and responsibility of our CSA share, and to communicate honestly with our farmer, expressing our joys, challenges and concerns. I (We) also commit to use our share balance in 2009 unless there has been a previous arrangement made.

Signature(s): _____

Printed Name: _____

Address, City, and Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Special Interests or Talents: _____