



Winter Farm Share 2011-2012

Roots Farm Flexible Winter Farm Share

Looking for a great selection of delicious and nutritious organic vegetables through the winter months? Check out our flexible and affordable program designed with your convenience in mind. By signing up for a winter farm share, you receive a set dollar amount of vegetables that you can use on whatever vegetables you choose, whenever they are available, at the pickup time & location of your choice.



Who we are at Roots Farm

We are a certified organic, small diversified vegetable farm in Tiverton, RI. We focus on year-round growing in our unheated, moveable greenhouses, providing you with fresh greens and other veggies through the winter. We strive to grow the most nutrient dense crops for you and your family -- that also happen to be the freshest and best-tasting you can find.

Benefits to our Flexible Winter Farm Share

- You have full choice of veggies and pickups, and are not tied to a weekly pickup
- Fresh veggies for our extended winter season, with special holiday order options
- Whether you are single, a couple, or a family, the flexibility makes it work for you
- We the farmers enjoy reduced pressure of marketing during the growing season
- As a member, you'll get to know us as "your farmers" and get to see how we grow your food
- Local, fresh, organic, nutritious and tasty veggies for everyone
- Support your local economy, and meet your locavore neighbors

Winter share season

The winter farm share season at Roots Farm will run approximately 20 weeks, from mid-November to late March. There will be two holiday pickups near Thanksgiving and just before Christmas, then the winter farm share will be weekly from December 30th 2011 to March 30th 2012.



Winter farm share options

Large share: you pay \$300 and receive 10% extra veggies – equivalent to \$330.00

Small share: you pay \$150 and receive 5% extra veggies – equivalent to \$157.50

Winter veggies

Crops planned for the winter harvest include: salad mix, watermelon radish, fresh (and sweet!) winter carrots, spinach, baby chard, arugula, kale, collard greens, parsley, scallions, red radish, hakurei turnip, pac choi, and braising greens.

Pick-up times & locations

You may choose your vegetables at our farm stand or at the winter farmers market. There is no need to commit to a single location for your pickup.

Special holiday pickups:

- Thanksgiving sales (Nov 18th at Roots Farmstand and Nov 19th at the Tiverton Farmers Market at Four Corners)
- Christmas sales (Dec 21st and 22nd at Roots Farmstand)

Regular pickups December 30th to March 30th:

- *Roots Farmstand:* Fridays 3-6pm
- *Pawtucket Winter Farmers Market:* Saturdays 10am–1pm at the Hope Artiste Village

Other options

- Buying club -- Organize a group of buyers, get produce delivered to your door, and receive an extra 10% discount. Contact us for more info.
- Workshare -- Trade your help in harvesting for veggies. Contact us for more info.



Questions?
Contact us:
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"The day is coming when a single carrot, freshly observed, will set off a revolution." ~ Paul Cezanne



Roots Farm Winter Farm Share -- Membership for the 2011-2012 Season

Shareholder Name _____

Address _____

Town/State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Family Members/Friends authorized to pick-up your share

I would like to invest in (please select share size)*:

_____ Large Share (\$300) – I will receive 10% extra veggies for a full value of \$330.00

_____ Small Share (\$150) – I will receive 5% extra veggies for a full value of \$157.50

*You can add more funds to your account at any time, or continue shopping even if you've used up your account. See info sheet for details.

Initial investment for farm share at time of registration: _____

Balance due for farm share (Final payment due by November 18, 2011): _____

Please make checks payable and send this sign-up form to: **Roots Farm, 217 East Rd, Tiverton RI 02878**

By signing up for the Roots Farm Winter Farm Share for the 2011-12 season, I agree to take part in the rewards and risks of farming. I understand that the availability of produce will vary with the season, weather, and nature.

Signature _____ Date _____

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Winter Farm Share Details:

- The **farm share season** is expected to include 16 pickup dates and to run from November 18th 2011 to March 30th 2012. The exact start and end dates may be adjusted depending on weather and crops. If there are any changes to these dates, we will give members as much notice as possible.
- **Pre-ordering:** In order to ensure you get the veggies you want, we can arrange a pre-order for interested members. If you would like to do so, please notify us, and we will email you each Monday with a list of veggies available for that week. Your pre-order can then be made by email or phone by **Wednesday 9pm** to request items be set aside for you. Please specify your pick-up time/location for pre-orders. There is no requirement to pre-order, and you can always come to any of our farmstand or farmers market hours and use your account. However, if you do not pre-order, we cannot guarantee crops will be available, as it is otherwise first-come first-serve. If you pre-order and do not pick up at the time you specified, your account will still be charged. However, if there are any unforeseen circumstances where you cannot pickup your pre-order and you call to notify us, we can try to arrange an alternate pickup time that same weekend.
- Please note that your farm share balance should be used by the end of the winter season (March 30th 2012); no balances will be carried forward to next season.
- **Add-ons:** If you use up your farm share account before the season is over, you can add funds in \$50 increments and receive a 5% discount rate for the added funds. The add-on funds would still need to be redeemed by the end of the winter season (March 30th 2012).
- **Buying club:** If you are interested in organizing a group of buyers, having the produce delivered to your door, and receiving an extra 10% discount, please contact us.
- **Work share:** If you would like to trade your help with the weekly harvest in exchange for veggies, please contact us.
- **Farm tours:** We welcome our members to visit the farm and see how their food is grown. Please contact us ahead to set up a time if you would like a tour.
- By participating in the Roots Farm Flexible Farm Share, we the farmers and you the members are agreeing to work together with nature to provide you with fresh, tasty produce. We make the veggie options and pick-up locations flexible for you, and we hope that you will also be flexible in understanding if there are limitations due to weather or other unforeseen circumstances.

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