

# **Lisk's Heritage Farm**

## **2019 Member Agreement**

We, the farm cooperative, wish to provide you with fresh, local, seasonal food and you, the member, wish to receive a portion of our harvest. This agreement outlines our shared commitments to that relationship.

### **Section 1. Introducing Our CSA**

#### **A. Becoming a Part of Our CSA**

Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) is a relationship between our farms and you as our Member. Rather than simply purchasing food, our Members become “members” of this CSA who receive a portion of the farms’ harvest.

#### **B. Seasons**

Our CSA is 15 weekly pickups starting (approx.) the week of 14 June and ending on 27 September

If we are able to provide enough produce for our Members prior to 14 June or after 27 Sept we will let you know. Members are responsible for coming to the pick-up site each week to pick up your share of freshly harvested produce/meats/goods. You will generally receive 4-8 vegetables/fruits/herbs (depending on the type of share you purchase). Detailed information regarding pick-up is discussed below in Section 3. Variety and quantity may vary as described below in Section 2.

#### **C. Our Growing Practices**

Our farms grow all of your produce using natural growing methods. We do not use chemical or synthetic fertilizers or pesticides, and we avoid GMO seeds. We aim to treat our land with respect and grow sustainably so it will continue to produce for future generations. For more information about our growing practices, please ask. 336-255-1637 we’d be happy to tell you more.

Because we use natural growing practices, the produce you receive may not look like the perfect specimens available at your local grocery store. There may be the occasional bug or blemish on your fruits and veggies. While we may rinse and sort produce to eliminate most of these, some bugs and blemishes will inevitably escape our notice. (YOU WILL STILL NEED TO DO A FINAL WASH AT HOME) Our farmers give you, our CSA Members the best produce while reserving the blemished specimens for their families and animals to eat. Bugs and blemishes are a small trade-off for all-natural, sustainable agriculture.

Our animals are free range and grass fed. Free-range animals are allowed continuous access to the outdoors during their production cycle. Grass-fed animals receive the majority of their nutrients from grass throughout their life. Our meat, poultry, eggs, and dairy products come from animals that are not given antibiotics, growth hormones, or genetically modified feed.

#### **D. The Products We Expect for 2019**

Crops included in the shares will vary as different things come in and out of season, with the early season shares tending to be smaller, mostly greens and then rising as more crops come into their peak. This list is based on our best estimate, but weather, pests, and other events will affect actual production. We have the following items on our growing schedule this year:

Arugula, Green and Yellow Beans, Beets, Broccoli, Cabbage, Carrots, Celery, Cucumbers, Kohlrabi, Eggplant, Garlic, Green Onions & Bulb Onions, Kale, Lettuce, Peas, Peppers (Hot & Sweet), Potatoes, Radishes, Spinach, Squash (Summer & Winter), Swiss Chard, Tomatillos, Tomatoes, Turnips, adding almost 20 different kinds of herbs and more

### **Section 2. Our Shared Commitments**

#### **A. Sharing in the Risk of Crop Failure**

We promise to do our best to provide you with a bountiful share each week. The quantity of produce, however, may vary from week to week due to extreme weather, insects, or other production factors despite our best efforts. By joining our CSA, you are agreeing to share the risk of crop failure with us and other members. In the unlikely event of a crop failure, our procedure is as follows: If only a small portion of crops fail, we compensate for the failed crops by filling your share with other crops grown on the farms that are ready for harvest at that time

#### **B. Sharing in the Reward of Crop Surplus**

In addition to our CSA, our farms sell to our farmers markets, restaurants, and grocery stores. Although production is not segregated, our CSA receives priority. After filling our CSA share with the week's harvest first, the remainder is sold to our other markets. When we have an abundance of produce, then CSA members will be rewarded with extras.

#### **C. Refunds and Cancellations**

Membership in our CSA is a commitment to purchase and receive vegetables for an entire growing season. We generally do not offer refunds or allow cancellations however we will consider exceptions on a case-by-case basis for the following issues: Major loss of household income due to unexpected unemployment or disability, death or disaster, unexpected relocation, and unresolved customer service issues. A \$50 administrative fee will be deducted from any refund issued. No refunds for the current season will be issued after July 1

### **Section 3. Picking up Shares**

You are responsible for picking up your share each week from your drop site or sending someone in your stead to pick up for you. You will forfeit the weekly share if not picked up by 0900 the following day or make other arrangements. If you will be on vacation, you may schedule it on our website and receive a double box the following week. You must schedule vacation days at least 4 days in advance to accommodate our ordering and harvesting schedule.

#### **Pick up Locations**

Lisk's Heritage Farm: 16560 Airport Rd, Linesville Pa 16424     336-255-1637 cell / 814-683-5376 farm

**We reserve the right to cancel pickup locations in the event that there is not enough interest to warrant a delivery.**

You are responsible for observing our drop site rules, which are as follows:

- Bring your own bag and leave the box at the site.
- Pick up your share within the time frame stated. Although we deliver high-quality produce to the site, it will decline quickly if not picked up in time. (Some locations may allow you to pick up your share earlier. Check with site coordinator.)
- Be respectful of our drop site hosts' property.
- Follow additional rules posted at your drop site regarding parking, use of certain entrances, etc.

If you cannot pick up your share, you must arrange for someone else to pick it up for you. You are responsible for explaining the pick-up location and procedures to your substitute. If you need to make other arrangements for pickup, check with your site coordinator to see if they can accommodate your needs. **(If you are elderly, cannot drive AND live within 15 miles of any drop off point, let us know and we will ensure your weekly pick up is delivered)**

If you wish to change your pickup site, you must notify the Manager a week in advance. Shares that are not retrieved within the pick-up time will be distributed by the drop site host at their discretion: to a food pantry, needy families, or for their own use.

**We take the safety of your food seriously. For your added protection, wash all produce before eating and put frozen products in the freezer as soon as possible.**

#### **Section 4. Member Fees**

By selling membership in advance of the growing season, CSA enables our farmers to better plan their crops. Your membership fees provide us with a guaranteed market for our products, and we appreciate your commitment. By submitting an agreement form you are agreeing to pay the membership fee for the share you indicated. All payments are non-refundable after April 15. You may, however, sell your share to another person in the event that you cannot complete the CSA season. **(25% down payment (non-refundable) required by 1 March)** Remainder of Membership fees should be paid in full by 1 May 2019. If you have circumstances which prevent full payment, please contact our Manager. Persons paying with SNAP benefits will be charged monthly for their share.

**We also can accept SNAP, Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program (SFMNP) and the WIC Farmers Market Nutrition Program**

## **Section 5. Payment Plans**

We offer a payment plan that divides the cost of a CSA share into equal payments. The first 25% is due when you sign-up. After that your payments will be split and due on the first day of the remaining months to 1 June.

Our payment plan is intended to help members manage the cost of a share but it is not a “pay-as-you-go” plan. Membership in our CSA is a commitment to purchase and receive vegetables for an entire growing season. When you sign-up and choose the payment plan option you are expected to make all payments.

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## **Section 6. Communicating with Us**

The best way to communicate with us is via email. Our Manager’s email is Lisksheritagefarm@hotmail.com. We will do our best to respond as soon as possible, but please understand that we spend much of our time in the field growing your food and not at our desk. Please contact us with any news of the following: changes to your postal or email address, changes to your drop-site location, problems with your drop-site, or dissatisfaction with your share. We will communicate with you by email. When you sign up, you will be added to our distribution list. Please read your email from us. We depend on being able to communicate important information such as necessary changes to your a or to our farm events. Every week, we will email an update giving you information about the crops available that week, recipe ideas, or other farm related news.

By signing below, I agree to purchase the membership share(s) that I have chosen. I understand that, although unlikely, the farm may change parts of this agreement related to production and distribution from time to time. I understand that they will contact me via email in advance of any changes to this agreement.

# Lisk's Heritage Farm Application

Please complete this portion of the Agreement and mail it with your payment.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address (including city/state/zip) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Pick-Up Location \_\_\_\_\_

Share Type: (check all that you wish to order)

_____ Full Vegetable Share 15 weeks	\$625.00
_____ Half Vegetable Share 15 weeks	\$380.00
_____ Add extra Chickens _____	\$25.00 ea.

Heart of the Harvest Share	July-Aug 9 weeks
_____ Vegetable Share	\$280.00
_____ Add _____ Chickens	\$25.00 ea.

Total Due \_\_\_\_\_

**(25% down payment (non- refundable) required by 1 March.  
Balance due by 1 May  
Extra chickens and turkeys must be paid at time of deposit)**

By signing below, I agree to purchase the membership share(s) that I have chosen. I understand that due to circumstances the farm may change parts of this agreement related to production, products and distribution from time to time. I understand that they will contact me via email in advance of any changes to this agreement.

SIGN \_\_\_\_\_

Get your Thanksgiving Turkeys here  
Pasture Raised with supplemental NON-  
GMO Grain

QTY \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$45.00ea

Will be avail for pick up in OCT/NOV

If you want to "exchange" 2 chickens for a turkey please check here. \_\_\_\_\_

Mail the completed form with a check written to Lisk's Heritage Farm to:  
Michele Lisk, Manager, Lisks Heritage Farm 16560 Airport Rd Linesville Pa.  
Questions? Email [Lisksheritagefarm@hotmail.com](mailto:Lisksheritagefarm@hotmail.com)

# Lisk's Heritage Farm Share explanation.

**Full Share 15 wks.**-You will receive 5-8 different fruits, Herbs and vegetables per week \$625

**Half Share 15 wks.**-You will receive 4-6 different fruits, Herbs and vegetables per week \$380

## **Heart of the Harvest July-Aug Share 9 weeks**

**Full Share** You will receive 4-8 different fruits, Herbs and vegetables per week \$270

**Half Share** You will receive 4-6 different fruits, Herbs and vegetables per week \$230

## **For our Full Share Members-**

Along with our fruits and vegetables each week you will also receive 2-3 bunches of fresh picked herbs. In July/Aug you will receive (4) of our Pasture Raised Non-GMO/Hormone Free chickens which will weigh approx. 5-7 lbs. (value over \$120 if you purchased them separately). They will be processed at a PA DEPT of Agriculture inspected processing center. (Unless you choose to exchange 2 chickens for a turkey ready for Thanksgiving)

## **For our Half Share Members-**

Along with our fruits and vegetables each week you will receive 2-3 bunches of fresh picked herbs. In (July/Aug) you will receive two (2) of our Pasture Raised Non-GMO/Hormone Free chickens which will weigh approx. 5-7 lbs. (value over \$60 if you purchased them separately). They will be processed at a PA DEPT of Agriculture inspected processing center. (Unless you choose to exchange 2 chickens for a turkey ready for Thanksgiving)

## **For our Heart of the Harvest Members July-Aug**

Along with our fruits and vegetables each week you will also receive 2-3 bunches of fresh picked herbs.

**We also can accept SNAP, Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program (SFMNP) and the WIC Farmers Market Nutrition Program**

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