

Chewy's Backyard Farm Summer 2020

CSA Member Agreement

We, Chewy's Backyard Farm, 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 Farm

A. Becoming a Part of Our Farm

Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) is a relationship between our farm and you as our customer. Rather than simply purchasing food, our customers become "members" of this CSA farm who receive a portion of the farm's harvest. **Our Summer CSA runs for 20 of weeks, from May 23, 2020, to October 3, 2020.** Members are responsible for showing up at either the farm or one of the pick-up sites each week or every other week to pick up your share of freshly harvested produce. You will generally receive approximately 5 or 10 pounds of vegetables and fruits depending on share size, equivalent to 1-2 grocery bags of produce. Detailed information regarding pick-up is discussed below in Section 3. Variety and quantity may vary as described below in Section 2.

B. Our Growing Practices

The farm is not currently certified organic. Organic produce is grown without using specific conventional pesticides, fertilizers made with synthetic ingredients or sewage sludge, bioengineering, or ionizing radiation. We do our best to use natural practices to ward off bugs and to keep our plants fed. From time to time it is necessary to spray for bugs. In those instances, we use only organically certified products, for example, neem oil. If you have any questions about our practices, we would love to tell you about them.

C. The Products We Expect for Spring/Summer 2020

The chart below outlines some of the produce we hope to deliver and when you may see them in your share. This chart is based on our best estimate, but of course weather, pests, and other events will affect actual production.

Month	Expected Crops
May	Collard greens, peas, kale, lettuce, swiss chard, beans, onions, baby choy, spinach
June	Tomatoes, peppers, squash, beans, eggplant, okra, collard greens, cucumbers, onions, swiss chard
July	Tomatoes, peppers, squash, beans, eggplant, okra, eggplant, watermelon, cantaloupe, cucumbers
August	Tomatoes, peppers, squash, beans, eggplant, okra, watermelon, cantaloupe
September	Tomatoes, peppers, squash, beans, eggplant, okra, watermelon
October	Peppers, winter squash, beans, eggplant, okra, watermelon

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 slightly 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 farm that are ready for harvest at that time. If a large portion of crops fail, we may not be able to deliver any product in some weeks.

B. Sharing in the Reward of Crop Surplus

In addition to our CSA, our farm sells to farmers markets and wholesale distributors. 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.

Section 3. Picking Up Shares

You are responsible for picking up your share each week or every other week from your designated drop site. Place a check mark next to the drop site you would like to use from the list below.

Location	Address	Day	Time
Dallas Farmers Market	160 Confederate Ave Dallas, GA 30132	Saturdays	8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
Marietta Farmers Market	65 Church St, Marietta, GA 30060	Saturdays	8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
Ridge Ferry Park Farmers Market	363 Riverside Pkwy NE, Rome, GA 30161	Wednesdays	7:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
Chewy's Backyard Farm	340 Wray Road Buchanan, GA 30113	Mondays and Wednesdays	3:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
Chewy's Backyard Farm	340 Wray Road Buchanan, GA 30113	Tuesdays and Thursdays	5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

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

- Pick up your share within the timeframe stated. Although we deliver high-quality produce to the site, it will decline quickly if not picked up in time.
- Be respectful of our drop site hosts' property.
- Follow additional rules posted at your drop site regarding parking/use of certain entrances/boxes.

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 wish to change your drop site, you must email or call the farm at least 48 hours before your normally scheduled pick up day. Shares that are not retrieved within the pick-up time will be sold at the farmers market.

We take the safety of your food seriously. Chewy's Backyard Farm follows the food handling safety guidelines required by Georgia Department of Agriculture Craft Food License. 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 reduces the burden of up-front costs for the farmer. Your membership fees provide us with money to purchase seed and equipment before the season starts, and we appreciate your commitment. Below you will find a list of the share and payment options for Summer 2020.

Share Option	Cost	Weight	Duration	Pick Up Frequency
Full Share	\$ 600	~10 lbs	20 weeks	Weekly
Half Share Option A	\$ 300	~ 10 lbs	10 weeks	Bi-weekly
Half Share Option B	\$ 300	~ 5 lbs	20 weeks	Weekly

Payment Options

- Pay the whole season all at once (due May 21)
- 2 Installments (payment due dates May 21 and July 30)
- 4 Installments (payment due dates May 21, June 27, July 30 and September 2)

Section 5. Communicating with Us

The best way to communicate with us is via email. Our email is chewysbackyardfarm@gmail.com. We will do our best to respond as soon as possible, but please understand that we spend most 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 distribution schedule or to our farm events.

By acknowledging this agreement, I agree to purchase the membership share indicated in Section 4. 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.