### 2021 Beautiful Edibles Fall CSA Agreement Fall Share

Member Agreement for 2021

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						Member Contact Information	on: Name(s):				
						Address:					
						City, State:		ZIP:			
						Phone Number(s):					
Email:		Prefer Texts:	Yes	No	(Circle)						
Delivery Address:											
Delivery Instructions:											

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

Your membership share will include 5-7 fresh vegetables, fruits or herbs every week for 8 weeks starting in October 2021 and ending December 2021 based on what is in season. We will deliver shares weekly on your assigned day of Tuesday or *Thursday between 11 AM and 4 PM* to your door, contact free. The locally grown fresh produce will come from Beautiful Edibles and Mike Rabuck of 4Gardens. We will have add-on purchases available of local pasture-raised meats, eggs, and cheese from Jerry Steckler of Steckler Grassfed, LLC. We mentor two beginning farms who will provide items when available. They are Sam and Andrea Byers of Double A Ranch and Rebecca and Martha Adams of Adam's Farms. Your share helps us support mentoring these new farms to develop their production skills and provide for their families.

Farm Use Only:	Deposit Date Received Cash or Check # Signed Agreement?
	\$Balance Date Received Cash or Check #
	Steckler Share Add On Meat Eggs Cheese

### 2021 Beautiful Edibles Fall CSA Agreement, Continued

- Fall Full Share Membership is \$250 for the 8 week season
- The share will be a full insulated grocery bag containing 5-7 varieties of fresh produce to feed 2-3 adults frequent vegetable servings or 3-4 adults occasional servings.
- You will receive an email that features the expected weekly harvest and updates from the farm. (Substitutions can be made for items you strongly dislike with 24 hour notice)
- You are responsible for reviewing farm emails, orders and billings for accuracy
- Shares will be delivered weekly on your assigned day of Tuesday or Thursday *between 11 AM and 4 PM*
- You will designate a location for contact free delivery either at your home or place of business. Please notify us if the delivery location needs to be changed or if you are unable to accept delivery on ASAP.
- We cannot extend the Fall CSA for missed weeks or vacations. If you are unable to take delivery on any week, you can make arrangements to have your share delivered to an alternative location or we can donate it to a local food pantry. We will not be able to leave the insulated grocery bags unless you are willing to be responsible for their return.
- You are responsible for proper handling of the delivery by placing frozen or cool items into refrigeration promptly.
- An Insulated Grocery Bag and cool packs will be provided. Please leave empty bags with cool packs out to be picked up. They will be cleaned and sanitized for the next week's delivery.
- Two bags will be provided with your CSA membership. Lost or missing bags will be billed to you at \$6 each.
- CSA Members have the option to order A La Carte items to their delivery 48 hours (2 days) before delivery days . Additional purchases can be prepaid online or COD.
- CSA Members have the option to add-on purchases from *Steckler Grassfed Farms via their online farm store or by phone.* 
  - Local, Pasture-Raised Meats 100% grass-fed beef, lamb or free-range chicken
  - Organic Eggs
  - Local Artisan Cheese
  - Visit Steckler's farm store to add eggs, meat or cheese to your share delivery every week. They will come in a separate bag. (Make sure you use your CSA discount code when ordering)

# Section 1. Introducing Our CSA Farm

Becoming a part of Beautiful Edibles Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) is a relationship between our farms 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 Fall CSA runs for 8 weeks, from October to December. Members are responsible for designating a location for contact free delivery either at a home or place of business. Please notify us as soon as possible if the delivery location needs to be changed or if you are unable to accept delivery weekly on your assigned day of Tuesday or Thursday *between 11 AM and 4 PM*. You are responsible for proper handling of the delivery by placing frozen or cool items into refrigeration promptly. You will generally receive one insulated grocery bag of 6-7 varieties of vegetables, fruits or herbs with generally more during peak season. Add-on Shares will be

packed separately as needed. Detailed information regarding delivery is discussed below in Section 3. Variety and quantity may vary as described below in Section 2.

## Section 1. Introducing Our CSA Farm, Continued

Our Growing Practices - Beautiful Edibles uses Organic growing methods and is transitioning to Regenerative Agriculture. Regenerative is a conservation and rehabilitation approach to food and farming systems. It focuses on topsoil regeneration, increasing biodiversity, improving the water cycle, enhancing ecosystem services, supporting biosequestration, increasing resilience to climate change, and strengthening the health and vitality of farm soil. Practices include recycling as much farm waste as possible and adding composted material from sources outside the farm. Produce is grown without using specific conventional pesticides, fertilizers made with synthetic ingredients or sewage sludge, bioengineering, or ionizing radiation. For more information about organic or regenerative production methods please ask. We'd be happy to tell you more. Our farm is not Certified Organic.

The Products We Expect for 2021\*\*. The list below outlines some of the vegetables and fruit we hope to deliver in your share. This chart is based on our best estimate, but of course weather, pests, and other events will affect actual production.

(\*\*Fall Share may not include any heat loving summer crops like tomatoes, peppers, etc.)

- Seasonal Greens Blends
  - Mixed Leaf Lettuces
  - Gourmet Greens
  - Braising Greens
  - Spicy Greens Mix
- Heirloom Tomatoes
  - Large
  - Cherry
  - Saladette
- Culinary Herbs
- Edible Floral
- Broccoli & Broccoli Greens
- Cauliflower
- Kohlrabi
- Cabbages
- Collards
- Kale
- Peas
- Squash Summer & Winter
- Cucumbers
- Eggplant
- Peppers Hot and Mild
- Garlic & Garlic Scapes
- Spinach
- Asian Greens

- Nuts
  - Chestnuts
  - Black Walnuts
- Beets & Beet Greens
- Radishes
- Turnips & Turnip Greens
- Onions
- Okra
- Carrots
- Persimmons
- Pumpkins
- Melons
- Seasonal Berry Varieties
  - Gooseberries
  - Raspberries
  - $\circ$  Blackberries
  - Elderberries
- Rhubarb
- Beans
  - $\circ \quad \text{Green Beans} \quad$
  - Fava Beans
  - Purple Long Beans
  - Asparagus Yard Long Beans
- Late Season Potatoes

#### 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/month-to-month/season-to-season 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. We may cover for a crop loss by buying in from other local farmers generally/other farms with the same certifications as our farm. This may not be a feasible option for all crops because of cost or widespread failure.

## B. Sharing in the Reward of Crop Surplus

In addition to our CSA, our farms sell to restaurants, grocery stores, online markets and direct to consumers. We segregate our production for the CSA by allocating separate plantings and certain fields to the CSA. When production of our CSA segregated crops are especially abundant, we pack as much as possible into your share. However, we don't want to overwhelm our members or deliver so much produce that it goes to waste. When we feel that members have received enough of certain crops, we handle the surplus by selling it through our other outlets. Please note that we produce some items exclusively for our other outlets. You may see our products at other outlets that you will not receive in your CSA share. We may experiment with new varieties of vegetables, fruits,herbs, or flowers so that we can increase diversity. These crops will be distributed as equitably as possible but all members of the CSA may not receive all items or CSA members will receive a small sample of these varieties. We balance the priority of the CSA with our other markets. This allows us to select a consistently full and diverse share to our customers while avoiding over-delivering any one product.

### Section 3. Shares Delivery

You are responsible for your share each week once delivered. Please read thoroughly.

- You will receive an email that features the expected weekly harvest and updates from the farm. (Substitutions can be made for items you strongly dislike with 24 hour notice)
- You are responsible for reviewing farm emails, orders and billings for accuracy
- Shares will be delivered weekly on your assigned day of Tuesday or Thursday *between 11 AM and 4 PM*
- You will designate a location for contact free delivery either at your home or place of business within our delivery zones.
- Please notify us if the delivery location needs to be changed or if you are unable to accept delivery as soon as you know via online, by email, text or calling if within less than 12 hours of delivery times.
- We will attempt to deliver to a new location within our zone of approximately 15 miles from our farm in Newburgh, IN

- We cannot extend the Fall CSA for missed weeks or vacations. If you are unable to take delivery on any week, you can make arrangements to have your share delivered to an alternative location or we can donate it to a local food pantry. We will not be able to leave the insulated grocery bags unless you are willing to be responsible for their return.
- You are responsible for proper handling of the delivery by placing frozen or cool items into refrigeration promptly and washing all produce before eating.
- An Insulated Grocery Bag and cool packs will be provided. Please leave empty bags with cool packs out to be picked up. They will be cleaned and sanitized for the next week's delivery.
- Two bags will be provided with your CSA membership. Lost or missing bags will be billed to you at \$6 each.
- Additional bags or boxes will be provided for Steckler Grassfed Add-ons to ensure no cross contamination occurs. Please return empty bags and packs for cleaning and sanitizing.
- We take the safety of your family and ours seriously. We are certified by the Produce Safety Alliance Grower Training Course.
- Please let us know if there is a question or problem with your delivery or products. We want you to enjoy a fresh from the farm experience all season long.

# Section 4. Member Fees

By selling membership in advance of the growing season, a 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.

• \$250 Full Share Membership for the 8 week Fall season

If you chose to pay the membership fee upfront, **please enclose a check for your total amount due**, made payable to **Beautiful Edibles** with this signed agreement form. If you choose to make a deposit of half the membership fee up front and the remainder by the second week of deliveries, you may give us two checks dated two weeks apart, each for one half of the total fees. **If you pay by credit card - we will add the card service fees at 2.9% plus a \$1** base fee per transaction for membership fees only. (\$8.25) We will adjust the share order to reflect these fees before approving your order. Please call if you have any questions about using our online system to place an order (www.beautifulediblesgrow.com) Weekly order add ons can be purchased through our online system. We do not add fees for other credit card purchases. By submitting an agreement form you are agreeing to pay the membership fee for the share. All payments are non-refundable beyond the second week of the season.

### Section 5. Communicating with Us

The best way to communicate with us is via email.

Our email is <u>beautifulediblesgrow@gmail.com</u> and our phone is 812-774-5616. The best times to reach us are 8-9am, 12-2pm or between 5-6pm.

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 delivery site location, problems with your delivery, 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. Every week, we will email an update giving you information about the crops available, crops coming, recipe ideas, or other farm related news.

By signing below, 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.

Name (please print):

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature:

Thanks for supporting local farms and families.

Mary & Roger Beautiful Edibles