



Quarry Farm Veggie Box Newsletter #3
June 28

This week's box: Arugula, Beets, Broccoli, Green Onions, Herb Bouquet, Italian Spinach, Kale, Kohlrabi, Lettuce, Peas, Radishes, Zucchini

Reminder: Boxes will now be ready for pick up at 3:00 pm. Boxes that are not picked up by 5:00 pm will be stored in the large cooler. Try to pick them up as soon as you can. Because we use minimal packaging (some of you have thanked us for that), the vegetables will keep much better once they are in your hands.

This last part of June has been cooler and not so sunny. However, the heat is likely to hit us very soon. This will help speed up the summer crops, but we will say goodbye to some of the spring ones. This will be the last week for kohlrabi. We will have peas for the next few weeks, but the beans will soon be ready. Some greens will be harder to grow, but we will keep them coming.

Meet Wiet. Wieteke Verhoeven, to be precise. Wiet hails from Holland. Her first career was as a goldsmith, but the call of the outdoors pulled her into gardens and gardening. Some of her first experiences were here in Canada when she first came for about ten months. Back in Europe, she took a basic gardening course and found work in nurseries where she learned about ornamental plants. When she, her partner and their young daughter returned to Canada and Salt Spring, she found work first at Thimble Farm and then for a CSA in the north end and at Hastings House where she met Daria. Daria and Wiet made a great team in the Hasting House Gardens. Four years later, she and Daria had both left Hastings House and The Quarry Farm CSA exists in part because they wanted to continue working together.

Wiet is a great planner and record keeper. She is responsible for all the seeding and provides a continuous supply of new plants, keeping the momentum of the garden rolling forward. Wiet can take a great deal of credit for the abundance of these early boxes. Here she is hiding behind the fence and picking peas.

Next week – Ronaldo

