

# Briceland

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## Member Agreement for 2021

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Member Contact Information:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

We 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.

### **Introducing Our CSA**

#### **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 CSA runs for 26 weeks, from May to October. Members are responsible for showing up at the chosen location to pick up their share of veggies. You will receive a generous share of all our seasonal offerings equivalent to a grocery bag of produce, with more during peak season.

Detailed information regarding pick-up is discussed below. Variety and quantity may vary as described below.

## **Our Growing Practices**

Our farm is Sun and Earth Certified. This certification requires all the standards of certified organic are met and takes it a step further. Our farm not only uses safe organic inputs and refrains from spraying any herbicides or pesticides, but implements systems and practices to ensure we are improving the farm, environment, surrounding community, and world. We practice low and no-till farming. We put our energy into supporting the natural balance of biodiverse living soil and enjoy the healthy plants that grow from it. This not only produces food that tastes better, lasts longer and is more nutritious, but also helps to sequester carbon and clean groundwater (ask us more about this sometime, we love to talk about it)! We are proud to live up to these high standards and grateful to you for supporting us in this endeavour.

## **The Products We Expect for 2021**

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

**May-June:** Lettuce, Spinach, Arugula, Radishes, Beets, Carrots, Lettuce mix, Cilantro, Broccoli, Cabbage, Cauliflower, Kale, Chard, Dandelion Greens

**July-August:** Lettuce, Carrots, Beets, Broccoli, Cabbage, Kale, Chard, Summer Squash, Cucumbers, Tomato, Pepper, Corn, Garlic, Onions, Parsley, Basil, Celery

**September-October:** Lettuce, Carrots, Beets, Chard, Kale, Tomato, Pepper, Summer Squash, Winter Squash, Garlic, Onions, Melon, Cucumber, Broccoli, Cauliflower, Cabbage, Assorted Fruit

## **Our Shared Commitments**

### **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 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. This is very unlikely, but the risk of

farming in an unpredictable world is real. Although we have built in contingency measures for our farm and have reliable systems for gathering and storing water, and irrigating through the dry season, extreme circumstances are possible. We are in this together, building on and having faith in our local environments resilience and ability to feed us. That being said, we have been selling at farmers markets for 10 years and have always had abundance to share!

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

When the farm is extra abundant we will also share that fortune with our csa members. We don't want to overwhelm our members or have food go to waste so we will let our members know when there is extra and give you the choice to take more!

## **Picking Up Shares**

You are responsible for picking up your share each week from your drop site. Place a checkmark next to the drop site you would like to use from the list below.

Briceland Farm Stand (Thursday 4-6pm in Briceland)

Garberville Farmers Market (Friday 11am-3pm)

Shelter Cove (Friday 6-7pm at Gyppo Ale Mill)

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

1. Return last week's box every week.
2. 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.
3. Be respectful of our drop site hosts' property.

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 let us know 1 week in advance.

We take the safety of your food seriously. We wash all produce when appropriate in food safe water and practice rigorous cleanliness procedures expected of any food service business. For your added protection, wash all produce before eating.

## 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. Place a checkmark next to the share type you would like from the list below.

\_\_\_ Full share \$550

\_\_\_ Half share \$300

Membership can be paid upfront in full or you may hold your share with a \$150 deposit received by April 20th and the remainder paid at your first pickup. If you chose to pay the membership fee upfront, please enclose a check for your total amount due **made payable to Daniel Stein**, with this signed agreement form. If you chose to pay the membership fee in installments, please enclose first checks with this signed agreement form. Alternatively, if you wish to pay cash, contact us so we can make arrangements with you.

## Communicating with Us

The best way to communicate with us is either via email or phone. Our email is [info@bricelandforestfarm.com](mailto:info@bricelandforestfarm.com) and our phone is 707-223-3766. 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 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.

By signing below, I agree to purchase the membership share indicated above. 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.

Please mail this signed form and check made payable to Daniel Stein, or feel free to sign and return via email as a PDF. Thank you for your participation in our farm CSA, we are so excited to grow with you!

Name (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

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

Signature:

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