

Red Hawk Rise Organics, LLC CSA Member Guidelines 2023

This is your handbook for Red Hawk Rise Organics 2023 CSA. Please refer to this throughout the season for your convenience and do not hesitate to ask if you have questions!

About the Farm:

Red Hawk Rise Organics is a USDA Certified Organic farm growing mixed vegetables, herbs, and fruit on our 3-acre property. Located halfway between Harpers Ferry and Shepherdstown on the Eastern Panhandle of West Virginia, Red Hawk Rise Organics was founded in 2017 by Katie Brownell and Mike Herbst. Along with our CSA, we sell our produce at farmers markets in Northern Virginia and Shepherdstown, WV. You can find out more about us, our farm, and our growing methods at redhawkriseorganics.com.

When to sign up:

CSA sign up is on a first-come-first-serve basis. We will continue accepting members until all spots in the CSA are full. If the application is still available on the website, then we're still accepting members! Please contact us with any questions.

Share Size & Contents:

The goal of our CSA is to provide every member household with a plentiful, but not overwhelming, selection of produce each week. As we select and pack each share, our primary considerations will be quality, variety, and appropriate quantities of the items included.

Example shares:

- Spring share (ie, June): 1 bunch of radishes, 1 bag of salad mix, 1 bunch of kale, 1 bunch of carrots, 1 pint of snap peas
- Summer share (ie, August): 1 pint of cherry tomatoes or several slicing tomatoes, 2 cucumbers, 1 bunch of swiss chard, 2 bell peppers or eggplant, 1 quart of green beans, 1 bunch of basil

For a full list of what we grow: www.redhawkriseorganics.com/what-we-grow

A Note About Mother Nature:

We plan out each season in an effort to provide you with the best variety and quality of vegetables in your weekly shares. However, the one thing we cannot plan for is the weather, which can affect planting and harvesting in a variety of ways. The unpredictability of the weather is just a fact of farming. As a result, becoming a CSA member entails a certain amount of flexibility. Regardless, you will receive the full value of your share over the course of the season. If we have a lighter harvest one week, then you'll receive slightly more in a later share when the harvest is more robust.

Cost:

The cost for our CSA is \$480 for 20 weeks of vegetables. The CSA will run from Friday, June 2 until Sunday, October 15, 2023. Members can choose to receive the full 20-weeks of shares or can choose to pay \$432 for 18 weeks. The 18-week option allows each member household to

choose 2 “vacation” weeks during which they will not receive (or pay for!) their share. See below for more detailed information.

Share Options:

Please read through the options below and select your preferred choice on the Member Commitment Form.

- **20-week option: \$480** Members will pay for and receive 20 weeks of vegetable shares.
- **18-week option: \$432** Members will pay for and receive 18 weeks of vegetable shares. We know most families vacation over the summer, so each member household gets to choose 2 weeks to not receive their CSA share. **Please let us know as soon as possible via email which weeks you plan to take as your vacation weeks.** At the latest, you must let us know by the Sunday before the pick-up date you plan on missing. Vacation dates must be submitted by September 15, 2023.

Pick-up Information:

(Please note our CSA is currently only available for pick up in Jefferson County, WV.)

- **Option 1: On Farm Pick-up:** Shares will be available to pick up on our farm on Engle Molders Rd near the intersection with Kidwiler Rd on **Fridays** 4:30-7pm. The specific details of how to pick up your share will be distributed to members before the first pick-up date.
- **Option 2: Shepherdstown Farmers Market Pick-up:** Shares can be picked up at our stand at the Shepherdstown Farmers Market on **Sundays** from 9am-1pm. Our stand at the market is located on King St near the intersection with New Street. The specific details of how to pick up your share will be distributed to members before the first pick-up date.

Please note that we cannot hold your share for a different day or time.

What to bring with you:

Please bring bags, boxes, coolers, etc. to take your vegetables home with you. Shares will be packed into individual boxes, but those must be left at the pick-up site. We will not be providing boxes or bags for you to take home with you.

Weekly email:

We will send out a weekly email letting you know what items to expect in your share and any other details for that week, as well as suggestions on how to use each week’s veggies.

What to do if you have to miss a pick up:

We do not give refunds for shares you don’t pick up. If you are not able to pick up a share, you are welcome to send a friend to pick up in your place. Vacation dates cannot be applied retroactively. That being said, if you have extenuating circumstances, please let us know and we will do our best to accommodate you.

Indemnification & Hold Harmless:

By signing up as a CSA member through completion of the 2023 CSA Member Commitment Form and submission of payment, the member hereby releases, indemnifies, and agrees to hold harmless Red Hawk Rise Organics, LLC, its agents, and its employees from any and all claims and/or liability from being on Red Hawk Rise Organics, LLC property, being at any of the CSA pick-up locations, from the purchase of a CSA membership, or the use or consumption of food provided by Red Hawk Rise Organics, LLC.

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