What’s community supported agriculture (CSA)?

Members share the costs of organic farming with a local farmer, John Krueger, Circle Brook Farm, Hardwick Township, NJ. The CSA collects the fees and pays Farmer John at the start of the growing season, when he has most of his expenses (seed, soil, fertilizer). In exchange, members receive 24 weeks of organic produce starting in early June. For 2021:

- A premium share is $750. Early bird discount, $725 if paid before 3/15.
- A basic share is $625. Early bird discount, $600 if paid before 3/15.
- Eggs: 1 dozen a week, $120; 2 dozen a week, $240.
- Fruit, 15 weeks, $240.
- $10 membership fee

To pay for shares with SNAP, contact Susan Fowler: 917 734-3746 or susan@fast-consulting.com.

How does it work?

Pick-up is every Thursday evening from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.
Weekly emails announce deliveries, work schedules, important notices, and tips. Members help out for 5.5 hours at the distribution site during the season.

What’s in a share?

Premium: 12-13 items a week. Basic: 8 to 9 items. Over the season, members get at least 40 different types of vegetables.

A premium share is good for 3-4 people. You can split a share with another person.

To learn more and register online, visit http://statenislandcsa.org. The North Shore CSA has existed since 2005.

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