

2018 CSA Program

Blue Moon Community Farm Stoughton, WI

Membership Details

A CSA Share at Blue Moon offers great variety and quality from field to table! We grow over 40 different crops to ensure a seasonal bounty throughout our distribution season. We augment our farm-grown offerings with sweet corn, potatoes, strawberries and blueberries from other local certified organic farms—all included in your share.

A **Standard Share** is a portion of each week's harvest over the course of our 20-week distribution season. It consists of 9-12 (sometimes more) items per week depending on what is ready for picking. This share type works well for couples and families who cook at home most days and use (or strive to use!) vegetables quite regularly. **Cost:** \$660 (\$675 after April 1)

An **Every-Other-Week (EOW) Share** is just that—these members receive 10 weeks of vegetables, with a pick-up every other week. The weekly share size is the same as a Standard Share, and EOW members receive full benefits of membership, including U-pick items (even on their "off" weeks if they choose), weekly recipes, and farm events. This share type works well for single-member households, couples/families who travel and eat out more often, or families who like to supplement their share with farmers market shopping, gardening, etc.

Cost: \$390 (\$400 after April 1)

A **Late Fall Share** gives members the option of extending their season with 2 or 4 more weeks of fall veggies. We LOVE this share—and it's a tremendous value! You can expect to see plenty of favorites from the field and hoophouse, as well as more recipes and storage tips. These shares are larger than main season shares, with many items able to be stored for future use. **Cost: Full share (4 weeks) \$170; Every-other-week (2 weeks) \$90**

Egg Shares! We partner with Prairie Bluff Farm in Mount Horeb to offer Egg Shares to our on-farm CSA members. The farmers are wonderful and the eggs are awesome! Shares are limited and may sell out before our vegetable shares are filled. **Cost: Full Share-1 dozen/week \$90; EOW Share-1 dozen every-other-week \$45**

Please Note: A \$20 fee is added to Standard and Every-Other-Week shares that are shared between families. This fee does not apply to Late Fall Shares or Egg Shares.

Distribution

CSA pick-up is every **Wednesday from 3-7pm** at Blue Moon Community Farm (3856 Schneider Drive, Stoughton). We are located roughly 5 miles from the communities of Stoughton, Oregon, and McFarland. We do not host any off-farm pick-up sites. **Our Regular Season runs from June 6 to October 17**. If you are an Every-Other-Week (EOW) member, you will be assigned your first pickup day, either June 6 or June 13. Late Fall Share pick-ups are on <u>Wednesdays from 4-6pm</u> from October 24 to November 14, 2018.



Our farm pick-up is run in a "market" style in which members pack their own shares from the produce displayed for them. This eliminates the need for boxes, introduces you to each vegetable first-hand, and occasionally offers you choices about what goes into your bag.

Expected Harvest: In your share, you will see three staples most weeks: Salad fixings (head lettuce, salad mix, spinach, etc), an onion family item (scallions, onions, leeks, garlic), and an herb. Other items vary throughout the season. Check out our CSA newsletters from 2017 to see what you can expect at different times of the season on our website www.bluemooncommunityfarm.com.

Other Benefits

Blue Moon's CSA is much more than a box of vegetables!

U-Pick: While in season, you will have the opportunity to pick flowers, sauce and cherry tomatoes, pickling cucumbers, and herbs each week at no additional cost. It's a very popular aspect of our CSA and can add great value to your share.

Farm News and Recipes: Each week you will receive news from the farm and seasonal recipes to make good use of your share. Newsletters and recipes are archived on our website.

Events: We host several get-togethers, starting with a Farm Open House and Seedling Sale on Sunday, May 20 to kick off the season!

Pastured meat: We raise a small herd of pastured pigs, chickens and flock of heritage turkeys in rotation with our vegetable fields. They are great hosts to your weekly trips to the farm—they love visitors!—and meat is available to CSA members for purchase in the fall.

Payment Assistance

Payment Plan: Members have the option of paying for their share in 3 installments. See the registration form for more details.

HMO Rebate Programs: Several insurance companies offer rebates for CSA shares as part of their wellness programs! Head to https://www.csacoalition.org/affordability/health-insurance-rebates/ to learn important details about requesting your rebate before sending your form to the farm.

Partner Shares Program and EBT: The Partner Shares Program, a project of FairShare CSA Coalition, provides matching funds toward the cost of CSA shares for households on a low income. For more information contact FairShare at 608-226-0300 or visit https://www.csacoalition.org/affordability/partner-shares/ FairShare can also process EBT payments toward your CSA share!

Assistance Fund: Consider making a tax-deductible donation to Partner Shares and support CSA families at Blue Moon! There is room on the Membership Form for your contribution. You will receive a separate receipt for your donation.

Worker Shares: Each year we have several openings for members who would like to work on the farm in exchange for their weekly share. If you are interested in this option, please see our Worker Share Guidelines and Application in the "Work Here" tab of the website.

By Request, we now offer a Community Share!

A **Community Share** in the farm does not include a weekly share of vegetables. It allows avid gardeners, past members, and other farm fans to be a part of our community, visit the farm and the U-pick gardens regularly, and stay in the loop with our weekly newsletter and farm events. \$25 of every share goes to our Assistance Fund to support low-income CSA members. **Cost:** \$100

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