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## TIDE MILL ORGANIC FARM'S COMMUNITY SUPPORTED AGRICULTURE (CSA)

Cost of a Member Share: \$275. Payment is due by May 1st. Payments made as early as possible is helpful. Make checks payable to Tide Mill Organic Farm and mail to 91 Tide Mill Road, Edmunds, ME 04628. Payment plans are available, and a deposit needs to be received and payment plan agreed by the May 1st deadline. Member Shares help cover the costs of operating the farm until crops are ready for harvest. If you have questions email Carly at <a href="mailto:eatlocal@tidemillorganicfarm.com">eatlocal@tidemillorganicfarm.com</a> or call 733-2551. You must use your entire balance in 2019. Any balance that is not used in 2019 will not be carried forward. Exceptions include a second share bought within the 2019 season.

## **Our CSA Member Share Includes:**

A credit of \$300 worth of certified organic, locally produced, nutritious food. The bountiful selections include: fresh vegetables, herbs and fruits, pasture raised meats (beef, pork, chicken and turkey), raw milk dairy, eggs, creamery products and more. The selection of choices will change as our season changes throughout the year. Farming and growing food in our northern climate has its challenges as this past winter reminded us, but you may be surprised at all the scrumptious diversity you can eat with 100% Maine grown, certified organic foods.

## How to Access our food and deduct from your CSA balance:

- Farmstand on Tide Mill Farm. Saturdays 10:00 2:00 NOW OPEN YEAR ROUND!
- Lubec Farmer's Market (Saturdays 9-11) and Deliveries.
- Town Hill Farmer's Market, Fridays from 3:00 6:00.

## **General CSA Information:**

There are many different CSA models being practiced all over the country and the world. Tide Mill Organic Farm's CSA is tailored to best meet the needs of our community and our farm. CSA's promote a personal relationship to one's food and the farmer who grows it. They are rooted in values, community, and the recognition of the importance of sustainable local farms and farmers. We are inviting you to invest in the growing CSA movement to "put a face on your food" and connect with where your food comes from.

Tide Mill Organic Farm does not require that CSA members work on the farm. However, we are always interested in assistance in outreaching to the local community as well as participation in group "work parties" for certain projects (picking rocks & brush, weeding, etc.). Please share ideas you have to help our CSA venture succeed and local, organic food is a mainstay in our communities. Thank you.

We make the commitment to producing high quality, nutrient dense food and guarantee your satisfaction with the healthy food you receive from our farm. Please keep in mind that a CSA offers the unique opportunity to try new things. With the internet and local libraries and neighbors, there is a lot of information about learning to cook something new. We ask for you to be flexible and provide honest communication with us.



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I (We) as shareholders commit to learn to recognize and attempt to understand the farmer's challenges and to assume our part of the risk and responsibility of our CSA share, and to communicate honestly with our farmer, expressing our joys, challenges and concerns. I (We) also commit to use our share balance in 2019, unless there has been a previous arrangement made.