

Riverdog Farm July 27, 2020

Riverdog Farm Veggie Box News

Box Contents:

1.5 lbs Early Girl Tomatoes1 bskt Cherry Tomatoes.5 lbs Green Beans.5 lbs Sweet Gypsy Peppers1 lb Mixed Summer Squash1 Cantaloupe or Muskmelon

Payment by mail is due by July 31st for August deliveries:

Tuesdays: \$96 Wednesdays: \$120 Thursdays: \$120 Fridays: \$120 Sat: \$120

Thank you for your payment if already sent! Quarterly Payment Schedule:

2nd Quarter

Jul/Aug/Sept Tu/Thu/Fri/Sat: \$312 Wed: \$336

Annual Payment

\$1,152 (This includes 2 free boxes!)

Half-Year Payment \$576

(This includes 1 free box!)

To view the 2020 Payment Schedule, A/B week schedule -

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Field Notes: The hustle bustle of harvest is filling the days at the farm during the peak of summer. We feel fortunate to be able to stay open and continue to be deemed by the State of CA an essential business producing food. We also feel grateful that we are able to sell the produce we grow via our Community Supported Agriculture program and directly to stores. While we continue to sell to some restaurants, those sales outlets have greatly decreased due to mandated restaurant closures and the required curbside service. Thank you for helping to keep the farm going during these challenging times with your continued weekly veggie box subscription. We appreciate your connection to the farm!

Box Notes: Each week, the veggie box contents are subject to change. In the newsletter, we include a list of box contents to give you an idea of what to expect but the list may change. Crop quality, daily yields and weather conditions will determine final box contents.

Webstore Feature: Canning Tomatoes (Early Girl), Red Slicer Tomatoes, Pickling Cucumbers

New CSA Announcements:

1. Frog Hollow Farm Fruit Box subscriptions are available again, like last year! We received many subscriber requests for this subscription option. The weekly fruit box is \$29.75. To add the Frog Hollow Fruit box to your weekly subscription, go to your account in Farmigo, and add it as a weekly subscription. The first deliveries of the fruit boxes will happen the week of July 20, 2020. Due to logistics, the Frog Hollow Fruit Boxes will only be available to the Wednesday/Thursday/Friday subscribers. CSA subscribers who pick up on Tuesdays, at the Berkeley and Sacramento farmers markets will not have the fruit box subscription option through our farm but members and market customers have the option of subscribing directly with Frog Hollow Farm and picking up directly from them at the Berkeley farmers markets.

Note on Delivery Holds for the Frog Hollow fruit box subscription: Due to the logistics of getting the fruit boxes from Frog Hollow Farm, delivery holds and cancellations on the fruit boxes (for any day in the following week) need to be entered by Sunday at 12:00 pm - Noon. If you enter a hold any time after that, we can cancel delivery of the box, but your account will still be charged.

Frog Hollow CSA boxes come with 3-4 varieties of seasonal tree ripened, exceptionally tasty stone fruits. Summer CSA boxes contain 7 lbs. of mixed stone fruit, many varieties of peaches, plums, nectarines and pluots. As part of their commitment to sustainability, Frog Hollow works hard to avert food waste. You can expect to see ripe cosmetically imperfect fruit and small or large pieces of fruit in the fruit boxes. These characteristics should not affect the deliciousness of what you receive. Visit their web site to learn more about their CSA program, farm, ethos and fruits and recommendations.

2. Recognizing that more people are eating and cooking at home and from our CSA subscriber feedback, we are going to increase the number of items in the veggie box. The weekly veggie box price will become \$30 to correspond with the added value. Instead of 5-6 weekly items, the veggie box will include 7-9 items or the box may include an increased quantity of some of the items included in the veggie box. For example, in this week's box, there are 5 items. With the new plan there will be more variety and more quantity of certain items.

Below is a sample of the list of contents for the new \$30 box:

- 1 lb Tomatoes cherry or mixed heirloom
- 1 lb Green Beans
- 1 Melon
- ¾ lb Sweet Peppers Red/Gold
- 1 lb Cucumbers assorted
- 1.5 lbs Potatoes Yukon Gold, Fingerling or Yellow Finn
- 2 Onions red, white or yellow

The new veggie pricing of \$30 per veggie box will start the week of August 3, 2020. - Please pick up your veggie box on your delivery day. As the temperatures heat up, it's important you pick up your CSA ORDER the day of delivery so that it stays fresh.

Riverdog Farm has an active Instagram account. Find us via our Instagram handle: riverdogfarm. On our account, we share images of the crops, farming, re-posts of your farm fixings photos and videos and provide market/CSA updates.

Whether you leave the box at the site or take it home to return the following week, please unfold (collapse) your box carefully to keep the end flaps from tearing. Slowly, bend the two end panels towards the outer ends first then collapse (flatten) the whole box by gently folding the rest.

Give your account 48 hours to update when making changes. For example, when changing your account status from permanent hold to active by charging your credit card, the status may take up to 48 hours to update. The auto-pay option button is at the bottom of your account page. Please click it for auto-renewal of your CSA subscription and to ensure uninterrupted weekly veggie box deliveries.

Please check your CSA account for the most up to date information such as your delivery schedule.

- Keeping it safe: with the Shelter-in-Place order still in effect in Yolo County, we continue to implement our COVID-19 prevention
 protocol on the farm per the CDC and Cal-OSHA recommended best practices. Prevention measures include: required face
 covering and glove wearing, 6-foot distancing in the workplace, hand sanitation and employees are not allowed to work with
 symptoms of COVID-19.
- Reminder: So that your subscription continues uninterrupted, please make sure your credit card on file is up to date on your CSA account. For those who need to end the CSA subscription before your deliveries end, you MUST contact the farm through email to request cancellation. You may put your account on a DELIVERY hold if you will be gone for periods of time. If you wish to cancel your account, you may email the farm and we can cancel it for you.
- Please pick up your veggie box on your delivery day. As the temperatures heat up, it's important you pick up your veggie the day of delivery so that it stays fresh.
- The cut off time is 12 noon 2 days before your delivery day for any changes you need to make to your account. Remember to make any changes to your account such as payment renewal or delivery holds by 12 noon 2 days before your delivery day. Thank you!

Delivery hold" is used for short periods of time - you use this option 48 hours in advance to schedule the deliveries you are unable to pick up.

<u>Permanent Hold</u>" is used for long periods of time – you use this option if you are gone for extended periods of time and wish to resume your account when you get back. You must reinstate your status back to active when you return in order to resume deliveries.

<u>Cancel</u>" is used to delete membership details, this means you would need to re-enter delivery status, subscriptions, and credit card information when you resume the Riverdog Farm CSA.

Summer Melon Smoothie

From: https://krollskorner.com/recipes/drinks-smoothies/summer-melon-smoothie/.

- Cantaloupe
- Greek yogurt (Vanilla or Plain)
- Bananas, frozen
- Milk or Juice
- · Lime juice

Gather the ingredients and slice the melon into cubes. Place the ingredients in blender, and blend until smooth. Make adjustments as needed if you'd like it thicker or thinner!

Red = no deliveries, farm closed Yellow = "A" week deliveries White = "B" week deliveries

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Riverdog Farm Weekly CSA Payment Schedule 2020

| Delivery Day | Tuesday | Quarter | Wednesday | Quarter | Thursday | Quarter | Friday | Quarter | Saturday | Quarter |
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| January | 96 | | 96 | | 96 | | 96 | | 96 | |
| February | 96 | | 96 | | 96 | | 96 | | 120 | |
| March | 120 | 312 | 96 | 288 | 96 | 288 | 96 | 288 | 96 | 312 |
| April | 96 | | 120 | | 120 | | 96 | | 96 | |
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| June | 120 | 312 | 96 | 312 | 96 | 312 | 96 | 312 | 96 | 312 |
| July | 96 | | 120 | | 120 | | 120 | | 120 | |
| August | 96 | | 96 | | 96 | | 96 | | 96 | |
| September | 120 | 312 | 120 | 336 | 96 | 312 | 96 | 312 | 96 | 312 |
| October | 96 | | 96 | | 120 | | 120 | | 120 | |
| November | 96 | | 96 | | 96 | | 96 | | 96 | |
| December | 72 | 264 | 72 | 264 | 72 | 288 | 72 | 288 | 72 | 288 |
| Annual Total | 1,200 | | 1,200 | | 1,200 | | 1,200 | | 1,224 | |
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Holiday No-Delivery Dates: December 21 through January 1, 2020

Annual payers receive a \$48 discount (2 CSA boxes free).