

Drumlin Farm Winter Share

The Drumlin Farm Winter Share is a Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) program made possible by Drumlin's root cellar where we store our vegetables throughout the winter. Members who purchase a share receive a variety of naturally grown Drumlin Farm vegetables from November to the end of February, on scheduled pick-up dates.

Reasons to join Drumlin's Winter Share abound. Rather than needing to buy food that has been extensively processed and shipped to your supermarket from all over the world, you will enjoy vegetables grown near to your home and preserved in a traditional manner. This choice not only benefits the environment by reducing energy spent on food transport, but also improves your health and quality of life throughout the winter by increasing your intake of naturally grown vegetables.

Members may receive a one hundred dollar reduction in the price of a share by agreeing to help us gather vegetables from the fields and prepare them for storage, seed greens in the greenhouse, harvest and bag those greens, and plant next year's garlic. Working with us is a fun way to get to know other folks in the community as well as to strengthen the connection between the farm and your plate. Work must be completed by the last week of October.

•*What is a root cellar?*

Traditionally a root cellar means any underground storage space, such as a small room dug into a hillside that helps maintain an optimal temperature and humidity for keeping vegetables fresh. Most vegetables store best at temperatures between 32 and 40 degrees Fahrenheit and a humidity of 90 percent. At Drumlin we achieve these ideals with a chamber dug below the frost line that uses an air pump to ensure adequate ventilation while maintaining the required atmosphere. We harvest most of our storage vegetables in mid-October and can depend upon their staying fresh under these conditions until spring.

•*06-07 Pick-Up Dates:*

Thursdays from noon to 5:00

November 16th and 30th

December 14th

January 4th and 18th

February 1st and 22nd

•*Work Dates:* Fridays and Saturdays from 1:00 to 3:00 beginning the second week of October.

October 6th, 7th, 13th, 14th, 20th, 21st, 27th, 28th.

•*Prospective contents of each basket:*

You will enjoy a steady supply of greenhouse greens, onions, carrots, potatoes, winter squash, celeriac, parsnips and beets. In addition, your November and December shares will include kale, cabbage and leeks while they are still available.

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