

## Dicot Farm Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) Member Agreement - 2019

When you purchase a CSA share, you are signing up to be an integral part of Dicot Farm - investing in us at the start of the year and experiencing the ups and downs of the season with us. You pay upfront in winter and receive the freshest in-season veggies every week or every other week for a set timeframe later in the year.

When you sign up for a Dicot Farm CSA share, you agree to the following terms:

- I have signed up via the designated 2019 Dicot Farm online sign up form.
- I am selecting one of the following three vegetable share options and each share will contain approximately 8-10 items:

Share Type	Weeks	Cost
(A) Full Season Weekly	Weeks of May 18 - November 9, 2019 (25 shares, I choose one week off for vacation)	\$700
(B) Full Season Biweekly	Every other week May 18- November 9, 2019 (13 shares) <i>Biweekly shares pick up every other week - they will start either the week of May 18th or May 25th – Dicot Farm will confirm my start date in March.</i>	\$365
(C) Summer Only Weekly	Weeks of July 13 - September 14, 2019 (9 shares, I choose one week off for vacation)	\$270

- I may add on an option to receive a cheese from P.A. Bowen Farmstead (<http://pabowenfarmstead.com/cheese/>) when I pick up my vegetable share:

Share Type	Weeks	Cost
Optional Add-On: Raw Milk Cheese	Same as weeks in option selected above; whenever I pick up my veggies, also pick up a delicious cheese from P.A. Bowen Farmstead (\$5.50/week)	\$49.50 - \$137.50

- If Dicot Farm does not receive enough sign ups for CSA shares by March 1, the CSA will be cancelled for 2019 and I will not be charged.
- Dicot Farm will send me an invoice for my selected share on March 1, 2019 and I will pay the invoice via check or credit card by March 15, 2019. I will contact Dicot Farm at [dicotfarm@gmail.com](mailto:dicotfarm@gmail.com) prior to March 1, 2019, if I would like to discuss a payment plan or SNAP/EBT payment option.
- I will pick up my share at P.A. Bowen Farmstead (15701 Dr Bowen Rd, Brandywine, MD 20613) on Saturdays from 10am-2pm. Weekly shares will have one "vacation" week. If I select a weekly share, I will respond to Dicot Farm's inquiry about my vacation week once the CSA season starts.
- If I am unable to pick up during the designated Saturday 10am-2pm timeframe at P.A. Bowen Farmstead (e.g., due to vacation, emergency), I will let Dicot Farm ([dicotfarm@gmail.com](mailto:dicotfarm@gmail.com)) know as soon as I am aware of my inability to pick up to discuss alternate pick up options. Dicot Farm will do its best to ensure members can pick up shares but may not be able to do so if members do not communicate in advance.

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- Variety will depend on many variables such as the week and weather, and some weeks may offer more options than others. Dicot Farm may purchase produce from other local farmers (that grow using organic practices) in order to provide enough variety, especially for crops Dicot Farm does not grow. If this happens, Dicot Farm will inform members of who grew any produce not grown by Dicot Farm.
- I am entering into a **shared risk and reward** agreement with Dicot Farm and that due to unforeseen events and unpredictable weather, there may be variations in planned or expected crops. Dicot Farm's goal is to provide CSA members with produce at an average price of up to 20% off the farmers market price if we have very good yields, but possibly 0-5% or negative if we have crop failures.
- If unforeseen events prevent Dicot Farm from providing enough of its own produce to make a full CSA share, Dicot Farm may purchase produce from other local farmers (that grow using organic practices) in order to supplement the share. If this happens, Dicot Farm will inform members of who grew any produce not grown by Dicot Farm.
- If I have any complaints or feedback about the CSA or my share, I will let Dicot Farm ([dicotfarm@gmail.com](mailto:dicotfarm@gmail.com)) know so that we may mutually address any issues.
- My purchase is eligible for a refund only if I move out of the area or if I experience a personal/financial hardship. Refunds will be prorated. Refunds for reasons of personal preference will impose a hardship on Dicot Farm who has already incurred time and expenses on my behalf. Dicot Farm may grant refund requests for personal reasons on a discretionary basis.
- Weekly share information and any other important communications from the farm will be delivered via email and opening these emails is my responsibility.

***We look forward to being your farmers in 2019!***