# Local, Nutritious,

## Farm Fresh Produce... Grown in Dartmouth

### is a Wintertime Reality!

## Announcing Brix Bounty Farm's 2017-2018 Wintertime

Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) Program



### Alliums, Fresh Greens, Roots, & More

#### Farm Fresh Brix Bounty Vegetables to Supplement Your Wintertime Diet with Deep Nutrition

~8-10 Distributions: November 2017 through May 2018

Registration is Now Open

More Information available online at http://www.brixbounty.com/csa/wintertime/

#### 2017 - 2018 Brix Bounty Wintertime CSA Calendar - Tentative Distribution Dates

~8 Distributions from November > May...

#### Pickups are at the Farm (449 Bakerville Road, Dartmouth, MA 02748) Noon to 7PM\*

Due to the nature of wintertime production exact distribution dates not guaranteed

Friday November 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday November 10<sup>th</sup>

Friday November 17th

Friday December 1<sup>st</sup>

Friday December 8<sup>th</sup>

Friday December 15<sup>th</sup>

Friday January 5<sup>th</sup> <u>or</u> Friday January 12<sup>h</sup>

Additional Jan/Feb/March – Date(s) TBA

May - Date TBA

Producing greens through the winter is inherently more variable than summertime production. Growth rates in the fieldhouses are impacted by daytime high temperatures, nighttime low temperatures, and sunlight. The distribution schedule outlined above is our best estimate on planned harvest dates. We will adjust as the seasons develop.



A note about the weather: Occasionally Mother Nature makes travel in the wintertime dangerous. If a distribution needs to be "postponed" due to the weather we'll plan to hold the distribution on the following day, Saturday.

We are in the process of expanding our capacity for wintertime production on the farm, we currently have ~7,000 square feet of fieldhouse space, and plan to build additional fieldhouses in fall 2018. We will continue to add additional houses through 2020 which will increase our total fieldhouse space to more than 12,000 square feet (~1/4 acre). In time, we aim to develop a wintertime CSA distribution schedule which provides a nice selection of greens every other week throughout the winter and into the Springtime. We are continuing to trial planting dates and experiment with different varieties, seeking out the best options for deep winter production.

As with previous winters, the volume of produce will be heavily skewed toward distributions in November & December. Distributions after the new year will be much lighter; "a sampling of the Winter"...

#### 2017-2018 Brix Bounty Wintertime CSA

Our wintertime CSA distributions will include a selection of late season field crops (typically protected by row cover), a light mix of storage crops, and greens grown in our fieldhouses (unheated greenhouses). Because of the increased labor requirement of these crops; the price per unit of vegetable for the wintertime share is higher than the price per unit for summertime share items. Our distributions will typically include 5-10 items depending on the time of the year and are intended to <u>supplement</u> a family's wintertime vegetable consumption. The selection will naturally be less varied than our summer distributions, a result of a narrower selection of crops suitable for wintertime storage and/or production.

#### List of Crops – which we currently hope to include in this Winter's CSA distribution:

- Asian Greens
  - Arugula
  - Carrots
  - Celeriac
- Cilantro & Dill
  - Chard
  - Daikon
  - Kale

- Kohlrabi (perhaps)
  - Leeks
  - Lettuce
  - Mustard Greens
  - Napa Cabbage
  - (perhaps)
    - OnionsRadishes

- Pac Choi
- Potatoes
- Sage
- Shallots
- Spinach
- Turnips (Salad)
- Winter Squash

Unlike our main season CSA, with the Wintertime CSA we already have an idea of how our crops are growing for the upcoming distribution season...

#### Limited or unavailable in 2017-2018 (a.k.a. the list of crops we didn't plant for this season):

Beets, Broccoli, Brussel Sprouts, Cabbage, Cauliflower, Parsnips, Sweet Potatoes (note: The King Farm has an excellent crop of sweet potatoes which will be available for sale through early/mid November)...

We offer our Wintertime CSA share for the folks seriously committed to local, nutritious vegetables!

Our wintertime CSA shares are ideally suited to folks who enjoy greens... each season is a bit different and our crop selection will depend on growing conditions. We don't have significant storage space at Brix Bounty Farm and therefore don't specialize in winter storage crops, Freedom Food, Heart Beets, and Skinny Dip include a strong focus on winter storage crops (see below)

We are pleased to count ourselves among a growing community of winter vegetable producers on the Southcoast.

Here are a couple of other great options worth considering, the following farms are also offering veggies this winter:

Apponagansett Farm (Elm St, Dartmouth) – Wintertime CSA (Tuesdays), New Bedford Farmers Market (Thursdays) at the Times Building in Downtown NB, and Dartmouth Winter Market (Fridays) at Farm & Coast in Padanaram.

Freedom Food Farm (Raynham) - Year-Round Farmstand, Fall & Winter CSA, and Markets in Pawtucket and Somerville

Heart Beets Farm (Berkley) - Fantastic Wintertime CSA

Skinny Dip Farm (Little Compton, RI and Westport) – Pre-Order Online Box Shares (email them for information) and Winter Markets in Plymouth, at ORR High School, and in Westport

#### We Want to Invest in Our Health - 2017-2018 Brix Bounty Wintertime CSA Share

Name:	Family Members:
Address:	Email:
City, State, Zip:	Phone:

For Current CSA Members, if we have your current contact info you only need to fill out name(s) and current email.

We would like to invest in a:

Wintertime Vegetable Share – Fridays – Noon - 7PM at Brix Bounty Farm, 449 Bakerville Road, Dartmouth, MA

**Wintertime Vegetable CSA Share Price** – Our prices reflect our deep commitment to growing top quality produce using sustainable practices which emphasize care for the earth. We are raising our prices this winter as we increase wages for labor on the farm. Thank you for supporting us as we create a sustainable farm, both environmentally and economically.

#### 2017-2018 Brix Bounty Farm Winter Share Price

Wintertime CSA Share	(8-10 distributions planned)	sliding scale	\$320	\$280
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Distributions start Friday November 3, 2017

Total

Balance Due is Preferred at Time of Registration

Please make checks payable and send registration form to Brix Bounty Farm, 1 Seth Davis Way, Dartmouth, MA 02748 Registration forms may also be dropped off at our farmstand.

> I have read the 2016-2017 Brix Bounty Wintertime CSA Registration Information. I agree to share the risk and share the bounty with the farm.

Signature:	Date:	Date:	
Contact the Farm at	In white the last and the	Office Use Only:	
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