

THE LAND

Strawberry Lane Farm is 78 acres that has been totally chemical-free since 1993. There are areas that have never been treated with chemicals. The soil is mostly rich, black Muddy Creek bottom. Some areas of sandy loam provide friendly environments for the strawberries and there are rocky slopes where sheep feel right at home.

Deep ditches dissect the farm and along the woody banks grow walnuts, morels, May apples, hazelnuts, violets and other wonderful wild things.

Chickens supply the farm with fertilizer which is composted with leaves collected in town, old hay and garden and kitchen waste. Greenmanure crops are plowed into the soil to sustain nutrients and tilth. Chickens and wild birds help with insect control.



WHY ALL-NATURAL?

Naturally grown food is produced without synthetic fertilizers, pesticides, gene altered seeds, artificial ripening processes, growth stimulators or regulators, antibiotics or other drugs. Naturally grown vegetables are processed, packaged, transported, and stored without the use of chemicals and food irradiation. Natural growers maintain a program of sustainable agriculture, including putting organic matter back into the soil and rotating crops.

TAKE A BIG STEP TOWARD HEALTH.
EAT NATURALLY
GROWN FOOD!



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STAWBERRY LANE FARM ALL-NATURAL CSA and Market Farm



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FULL SHARES

We are offering full shares only for 2013. Members can split a share with a friend, neighbor or relative to suit themselves. If you are sharing with someone please give us names, telephone numbers and emails of all the members.

HOW DO I GET MY SHARE?

Shares may be picked up at the farm (day to be determined). For Kansas City area members, pick up is on Wednesdays at the Westport Plaza farmers' market at 43rd Street and Wyoming 4:30 to 7:30 p.m.

HOW DOES OUR GARDEN GROW? We are constantly trying out different types and varieties of vegetables and fruits. If you want something we don't have on our list (www.strawberylanefarm.com) just let us know and we will try to grow it for you.

Crops are planted in succession to provide a continuous supply of mixed vegetables. As crops rotate throughout the season, weekly shares vary by size and types of produce. July and August will most likely bring the most variety. When watermelon and squash are ready, the shares will weigh the most.

Every year most crops do exceptionally well while others fail. If one crop fails, there is always something else to make up for the loss. This is our tenth year operating our CSA and we've never had to shut down because of no produce. When we feel the shares should be larger, we might include baked goods such as bread or cookies.

To sign up for the **2013 season**: Complete this form, sign, enclose payment and send to:

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____ share @ \$600. \$ _____

Add 2.725% MO Food sales tax \$ _____

Total \$ _____

Name _____

Address _____

City & State _____

Phone _____

Cell _____

Email _____

I understand joining Strawberry Lane Farm CSA is a season long commitment. As a member I agree to share the bounty and the risks of farming with the farmers and the other CSA members. If I can't finish the season as a member, for whatever reason, I understand I am welcome to reassign my share to another household, and I understand Strawberry Lane Farm does not issue refunds for shares.

Signature _____

Date _____

HOW DOES THIS WORK?

Subscribers purchase their shares before the beginning of harvest for the following season. This allows the farmer to plan how much and what to plant and to have the production expenses guaranteed. In return for their investment, the subscribers receive a weekly share of fresh, healthy, locally-grown natural produce available at a set time and place from May to October.

Becoming a subscriber creates a responsible relationship between people and the food they eat, the land on which it is grown and those who grow it. This arrangement helps create an economically stable farm operation in which subscribers are assured the highest quality FRESH produce at a reasonable price and in return, the farmer is assured a reliable market for a diverse selection of crops. It is a partnership in which everyone benefits.

This is local food harvested at its peak for quality and freshness, resulting in the best-tasting food on the planet with no harm to the environment.

FAQ

What if we are out of town for a couple of weeks and can't use the food? You can arrange for someone else to have the shares or we can donate them to the local women's shelter or an elderly person unable to garden any more.

May we come visit the farm? Yes, you may come visit and although it isn't required, you can help out if you wish. There is always room for an extra pair of hands on a farm! Please do not plan to bring pets; our dogs consider any strange animals a threat to us and/or the chickens. Otherwise they're very friendly. Please call first.