



The Shoving Leopard Leaf

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News from the garden

The garden is still under snow, however...

The seeds have arrived, the garden plan is nearly complete, the greenhouse design is underway, maple sap is turning to syrup on the woodstove, twenty-five chicks are arriving next week, and my thesis will be handed in on Monday!

Tesha, Emily and I built an igloo in the center of the flower garden, using up the snow from the labyrinth's pathways to build it. If you happen to be on the poet's walk, you are welcome and encouraged to come by to visit it - and the hens!



Emily, Tesha and Marina in the flower garden

This spring

CSA Shares: I will be offering three types of CSA shares (first come, first serve). More information on next page.

Plant Sale: May 31st and June 1st at the garden. If you have extra pint and quart size plastic pots you want to get rid of (and shortly be reunited with...) please let me know.

New faces: The Rokeby Agricultural Mélange is coming into being:

Severine will be raising grass-fed, all-natural rabbits for meat and fir during the month of May. Place orders early!

Sam Comfort is starting his business raising queen bees in the HRV, and some of his hives will be here at Rokeby. As well as providing robust and hardy queens for Northeastern beekeepers, Sam will be selling the bi-products including raw honey, pollen, and more!

New Hens! Of the twenty-five arriving next week, half will begin a residency at Shoving Leopard Farm, and the rest will continue on to Lincoln, Mass. Two roosters have been invited to live with them in the hopes of expediting egg-production among the new Aracanas (blue and green eggs!), Silver Spangled Hamburgs, Silver-Laced Wyandotes, and Buff Orpingtons.



CSA Information

Community Supported Agriculture, or CSA, is a system in which you and your family become “shareholders” of the farm, and receive a share of each week’s harvest. The benefit to you: freshly picked produce throughout the growing season, from a farmer and garden you trust. The benefit for us: better and more efficient retail planning without the uncertainty of sales.

Sample Spring Share:

¼ lb baby spinach
 1 head lettuce
 1 lb sugar snaps
 1 bu radish
 1 bu scallions
 flowers
 herbs

Sample Summer Share:

1bu beets
 2 heads garlic
 3 lbs tomatoes
 1 lb green beans
 2 lbs summer squash
 2 lbs cucumbers
 6 ears sweet corn
 1 head lettuce
 1 bunch carrots
 1 lb potatoes
 flowers
 herbs

Sample Fall Share:

2 lbs onions
 1 lb broccoli/cauliflower
 2 winter squash
 2 peppers
 1 bu turnips
 2 lbs potatoes
 1 basket cherry tomatoes
 1 eggplant
 ¼ lb spinach
 1 bu kale/chard/collards
 hot peppers
 flowers
 herbs

** All these will be available at the farm stand on weekends as well! **

All-veggie (full):

Five full shares will be offered this season at a \$400 value. I want to start small to ensure excellent quality, and to distribute **at least** the value of the share price in veggies. Pick-up days will be Wednesdays from June-October.

All veggies (weekender):

Ten weekender shares, valued at \$150, will be offered for those of you who only visit the HRV on weekends and don’t need to pack to fridge. You can choose to have a smaller share every week, or larger shares every other week from June-October. Pick-up on Fridays.

Strictly floral

Fifteen floral shares, valued at \$125, will be offered as well for a 12-week pick-your-own bouquets in the labyrinth.

BONUSES:

As a CSA member, you get first dibs on eggs when they come into production. You will also be offered “winter storage” discounts on bumper crops that need processing and storing for winter months!

Tee-shirts with Shoving Leopard Farm logo available for \$8!

Tell us your shirt size and favorite color to have your very own!



PYO Flowers Closed for the season!
 But come walk the snowy labyrinth!

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