The Worm's Voice

Red Wiggler's CSA Newsletter

Fall 2022 Week 1 September 14 & 17

IN THE SHARE

- Potatoes
- Garlic
- Summer Veggies
- Carrots
- Hot Peppers
- Cooking Greens

PICK-YOUR-OWN

Look for the **BLUE** flags on items ready to pick!

RED

Oregano, Chives, Parsley, Lavender, Peppermint, Spearmint, Shiso, Marigolds, Tarragon

ORANGE

Fennel, Zinnias, Cosmos, Basil

PINK

Mini Zinnias, Statice, Gomphrena, Celosia, Basil, Lemon Basil, Thai Basil, Ageratum, Dill, Cilantro, Ground Cherries, Cosmos, Tithonia, Roselle

BROWN

Anise Hyssop Lemon Gem Marigolds

YELLOW

Lemon Balm Sage

NEED HELP?

Ask a Red Wiggler staff for help finding these in the PYO, ideas on how to use them, or anything else!



If you're brand new to the CSA, welcome! We're so excited to have you join our community. If you're a returning member, we're thrilled to have you back! Either way, please see below for some important information about maximizing the value and enjoyment of your share. Then, read on, to learn about exciting new changes to our compost program, starting this week!

HOW TO MAXIMIZE YOUR FARM VISITS

- Bring a bag, box or basket for your share
- Drive slowly and carefully when entering/exiting the farm
- Leave the pets at home
- Check-in, and chat with the friendly staff and volunteers
- □ Visit the PYO (before or after getting your veggies)
- Learn about and participate in our compost program
- Make time to enjoy the farm!

DRUM ROLL, PLEASE!

We're so excited to introduce some big changes to our compost program this Fall. We are piloting a partnership with Compost Crew to dramatically improve the scope, ease and accessiblity of our compost program. Please read this section carefully (and follow the video links) to get up to speed on what these changes mean for our members.

New Containers

The first big change you'll notice is we now have 2 different containers to choose from—the large yellow buckets you're used to, and a new, smaller container. If you haven't participated in our compost program in the past because of the size of the buckets, now is the time to give it a try! Our cute, 2-gallon coutertop containers are perfect for singles, apartment dwellers, or folks who don't cook at home that often. And they're dishwasher-safe! Have another compost container you'd rather use? With our new process (see below), now you can use it!

New Allowed Materials

We'll be the first to admit, our compost program has been very limited. In the past, we have only allowed a small segment of organic materials to be included in our compost program. Now, by partnering with Compost Crew, we are able to dramatically increase the list of allowable materials. Just about all organic materials will now be allowed—even meat, dairy and compostable dishware! Take a look!



New Process

When you bring your compost bin to the farm each week, you'll no longer need to exchange it for a clean one. Instead, you'll just pull out your compost in a compostable liner (we provide), toss it in our bins, grab a new liner, and be on your way! You can rinse your containers at the farm if needed, but they should stay pretty clean with the liners in them.

Learn More

Remember, your CSA membership includes a weekly fee for our compost program. Which means you pay for it whether you use it or not! We hope that making the program easier and more accessible for more of our members will mean that more people participate. Rachel will have handouts and more info at CSA this week, and will be able to answer any questions you have. In the meantime, take a look at these two videos from Compost Crew to get inspired, and to learn more!



