

Community Pick 2024

Sweet Roots Farm

Welcome to Sweet Roots' Community Pick! We are so excited to offer this opportunity. Our goal of Community Pick is for the farm to continue to engage our community and cultivate a sense of ownership among our Community Pick members.

Here are the basics:

- Community Pick only applies to **blueberries** at Sweet Roots Farm.
- You pick - we keep half, **every time you come to the farm.**
- Community Pick members commit to **harvesting a minimum of 50lbs** for the season. We keep 25lbs and you keep 25lbs.
- Community Pick Members agree to attend one mandatory training session at the beginning of blueberry season to get acquainted with the systems of the Farm and the expectations of Members.
- All blueberries we keep must be **marketable quality**. Guidance and training will be given at the beginning of the season to ensure everyone knows what marketable quality is. If we receive berries that are not marketable quality, we will ask you to come back and pick again just for us. If this is a recurring issue, we will remove members from the program after guidance and training attempts have been made.
- This arrangement is only applicable to the member who signed up and other members of the same household. The signing Member agrees that they will take responsibility for the quality of the berries harvested by household members. We welcome Members to encourage their communities to visit the farm and ask that non-Members always pay for what they pick.
- If Community Pick members want to pick more than 50lbs, that is great! If Members do not want to take home half of their total pickings, we will offer store credit in the Market at \$1.50/lb. (For example, if you pick 50lbs total, we keep 25lbs. If you only want 15 of the remaining 25lbs, we will take the other 10lbs and give you credit in the Market for \$15.) This applies to any quantity above 50lbs total as well.
- All Community Pick members will coordinate picking with Jane. Sweet Roots is happy to welcome Community Pick members outside of regular business hours and will let Members know the available hours at the beginning of the season.
- Community Pick members will designate their bin in the refrigerator/walk-in and will enter their harvest information on their Community Pick notecard.
- Community Pick members may be asked to harvest in areas not open to the public. When doing so, they will honor that this is a privilege and management decision and will respect/advocate for this boundary with non-members.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Jane via email jane@sweetrootsvt.com

Thank you! We look forward to welcoming Community Pick members to the farm this blueberry season!