



## Ripley Farm's Winter CSA: It's more than just vegetables

### *It's real food!*

At Ripley Farm, we believe that everyone deserves healthy food! That's why we use natural soil building practices to raise superior produce and never use synthetic chemicals on your food. Every year, MOFGA inspects and approves our farm as Certified Organic. All this amounts to providing our members with the freshest, cleanest and best tasting produce you've ever had. We welcome you to participate in the stored bounty of this past summer's gardens through our Winter CSA farm share program this year!

### *It's an experience!*

With a CSA membership, you'll really know where your food comes from and develop a relationship with your farmers and the land. We work hard to share the whole farm, not just the veggies, with our members through the farm stories and recipes in our newsletters, daily farm photos on our Facebook page, and our website's blog and Vegetable Gallery and Recipe pages. At the semimonthly pickups, we love chatting with our members and sharing recipes.

As a Ripley Farm Winter CSA member, you'll share our seasonal cache through the cold months of the Maine winter. For us as farmers, winter is a time of reflection, relaxation and celebration of our hard work and nature's abundance. Hardy comfort food day in and day out warms the soul and body. We'll get creative together with what we have in store for all of us, nourished by last year's bounty as we look forward with excitement to another great growing season.



## Support your local farmers! Gene and Mary Margaret Ripley

At Ripley Farm we're passionate about three things: good food, healthy land, and a strong community! We met in college and discovered our shared enthusiasm for local agriculture. Lacking a farming background, we pursued an educational farm apprenticeship together. And then a dream was born.

In 2009, we were overjoyed to find a perfect home for our dream on 38 acres tucked into the hills of the Maine Highlands Region in Dover-Foxcroft. Today, Ripley Farm is a MOFGA Certified Organic diversified farm, home to 5 acres of vegetable gardens, perennial flowers and herbs, happy farm critters, and of course your friendly farmers.



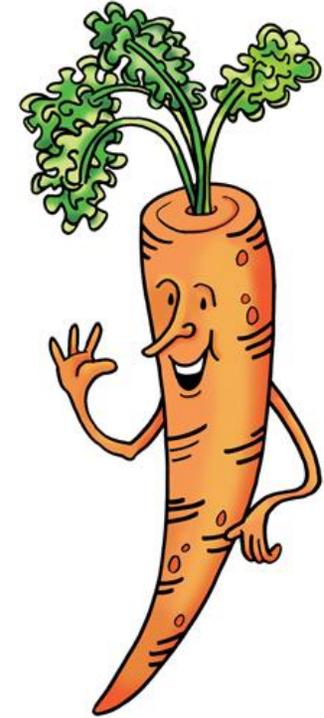
## How else can I buy Ripley Farm's produce during the winter months?

Ripley Farm also offers a Vegetable Pre-Order program from November-March. Please visit our website or call us for more info.



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*"Another great winter of superb veggies! It was even better than last year which is exciting that the more you guys expand the better everything is."  
-Ripley Farm Winter CSA member*



# RIPLEY FARM

## DOVER-FOXCROFT, MAINE

## 2015-16 Winter CSA Farm Share Membership



*Your adventure in seasonal  
eating starts here!*

## What is Community Supported Agriculture (CSA)?

CSA is a partnership between Ripley Farm and our community. Local families become members of the farm by buying a share of our fall harvest. Your membership funds the growing and storage of over 15 different kinds of vegetables, which the farm then returns back to you abundantly twice monthly during the late fall and winter.

## How does it work?

In return for your pre-season financial support, you receive your share of our farm's bounty spread over 10 pick-ups. The first pick-up is Wednesday, November 4, 2015 and our program runs through Wednesday, March 16, 2016. Twice monthly, you pick up your box of our farm's stored harvest along with a free newsletter. Our Winter CSA members love the consistent quality of Ripley Farm's winter veggies!

## What will I get in my box of goodies?



### Ripley Farm's Winter Root Cellar Stores:

- ✓ Carrots
- ✓ Potatoes
- ✓ Onions
- ✓ Cabbage
- ✓ Beets
- ✓ Winter Squash
- ✓ Garlic
- ✓ Turnips
- ✓ Parsnips
- ✓ And more!

Most pick-ups, your CSA box will contain staples like carrots, potatoes, onions, and often a member of the brassica family like cabbage, rutabaga, kohlrabi, or turnips. These mainstays will be accompanied by exciting veggies like beets, winter squash, shallots, garlic, parsnips and others.

The ten Ripley Farm Winter CSA distribution dates for 2015-2016 are:

Nov. 4	Jan. 20
Nov. 18	Feb. 3
Dec. 2	Feb. 17
Dec. 16	Mar. 2
Jan. 6	Mar. 16



## How big is the Winter CSA farm share?

Members receive a CSA box with 5-6 kinds of vegetables selected from Ripley Farm's stored fall bounty on each of the ten semimonthly Winter CSA farm share pick-ups.

Your fresh vegetables will be clean, packaged and ready for you to pick-up on Wednesdays twice per month along with our free newsletter that includes recipes and storage information.

The winter share is intended to be a seasonal vegetable supplement for a couple or a small family cooking a few nights per week, enjoying many kinds of vegetables, and eating in season. Imagine warming up on a snowy day with hot carrot soup or steaming mashed potatoes, all from your local farm!



Support your local farmer with a Ripley Farm Winter CSA Farm Share membership and eat the highest quality local vegetables stored just for you all winter long!



## RIPLEY FARM 2015-2016 Winter CSA Membership Form

Name(s)		
Address		
Phone		
Email		
Dover-Foxcroft Farm Pick-up Wednesdays 3-6pm***		\$200
Amount enclosed:		\$
Balance due:		\$

To join, please mail us this completed form with a check. Full payment is preferred, but a deposit of \$50 will hold your share. Design a payment plan that works for you with the balance due by Monday, November 30, 2015. Please feel free to contact us with your questions or visit our website.

We'd love to hear from you!



\*\*\*In case of bad weather, pick-up dates will be extended until safe travel is permitted. We will notify you via email if a pickup has been cancelled due to weather.

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