## 2017 Jodar Farms Winter CSA

Thanks so much for your interest in our 2017 Jodar Farms Winter CSA! This unique program was designed in the 2015 Winter in order to help our Loyal Summer Members and market customers a way to ensure eggs throughout the off season. As with most CSA programs ours has changed slightly from last season, but much of the details remain the same. Please take a few minutes to read over the program information to get a better idea how everything works. And again, thanks so much for your interest!

The 2017 Winter CSA will begin in January and will last through the month of May. This gives our ladies a couple of months off in November and December to recoup (no pun intended) and reenergize in order to get ready for the spring months. CSA pickups will be held at the Farm in Fort Collins, Longmont and Boulder. Keeping with the schedules of the Summer CSA, Longmont pickups will be the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month between 10am-11am, Boulder will the the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month between 10am-11am and Fort Collins will be at the farm between 11-1pm the last Sunday of the month (With the exception of May which will be the Sunday before). The Boulder Pickup will be at the Growing Gardens Greenhouse location, same as the summer csa pickup location. Please also note that the pickups for the eggs and meat are planned months ahead of time, so please put them on your calendar early. If you are unable to attend your scheduled pickup please make an effort to come to the farm in Fort Collins the following Sunday between 11am-1pm to fulfill your order. Any orders that are not fulfilled before the next scheduled CSA pickup will be forfeited, as we are unable to store perishable foods such as eggs and meat. Thank you in advanced for your understanding!

2017 Winter CSA Pickup Schedule									
Location	Longmont (Airborne Gym Parking lot)	Boulder (Growing Gardens)	Fort Collins (At the Farm)						
Pickup Times	<u> 10am - 11am</u>	<u> 10am - 11am</u>	<u>11am -1pm</u>						
January	1/7/2017	1/21/2017	1/29/2017						
February	2/4/2017	2/18/2017	2/26/2017						
March	3/4/2017	3/18/2017	3/26/2017						
April	4/1/2017	4/15/2017	4/30/2017						
May	5/6/2017	5/20/2017	5/21/2017						

So I like to take a few minutes and address the benefits of joining our CSA. First of all, by joining the CSA you are supporting us early in the season to help cover many of the large costs that are often hard to keep up with. These expenses are things like feed, slaughter fees and packaging materials. This is obviously a benefit to us as the farmer, but by paying early in the season you also know what you have coming each month and don't need to worry about budgeting those products in. Second, you are also ensuring that you have first priority of eggs

throughout the CSA season. As you will notice, the CSA season overlaps with markets in April and May and there may be times when CSA members get eggs and the markets are very limited in supply. In addition to the egg priority, CSA members are informed first about any unique and short supply products and sales that we hold 1-2 times per year. And finally, as a CSA member you get a more in depth idea of the general happenings on the farm. We do our best to inform members about upcoming decisions, changes and news that will impact our farm. This often is seen as very personal information, however I feel that by keeping our members fully informed they can see the challenges and successes of each season more clearly.

As with most CSA programs and agriculture there are inherent risks involved with raising poultry. As a member of the Jodar Farms CSA you will be sharing the risk with the farmer. Risks may include but are not limited to loss of poultry life due to natural disaster, extreme weather, disease and predators.

Please understand that these risks less commonly affect the CSA program for poultry than most vegetable CSA's, however may still cause decreased availability of poultry. This part of the CSA helps the farmer mitigate the risk associated with raising animals in uncontrolled climate conditions. Should there be any unforeseen event that causes major production issues, members will see decreases in their monthly order based on the magnitude of the event and its effects.

It is also important to let you know more about the products. The eggs will be from our VERY free range hens that are constantly foraging through compost piles and the pastures, even throughout the winter. These eggs will be delivered unwashed and in reused cartons. The pork sausage is from our free range and pasture raised hogs that spend all year outside with access to cozy huts at any time. Sausage will delivered in one pound packs (loose sausage, no linking/casing) and you will have the option of several flavors or sausage each month. The beef is from our Neighbors at 5-D Ranch. This particular round of beef is grass fed/Grain finished. I like to refer to their beef as responsibly grain finished, which means they feed out their animals carefully and thoughtfully with the health of the animal taken seriously into account. Think 5 gallon buckets of grain fed to 15 cows VS commodity beef that is fed using a feed truck spitting feed out the side into a feed bunk for hundreds of animals. Beef will be packaged as ground beef in 1 lb packages as well. The Pork Lard is Jodar Farms rendered pork fat that has been rendered in a commercial kitchen by our friends at Back to Basics Kitchen in Longmont. Lard will be packaged in 1 pint jars and frozen when delivered. Back and leaf fat will be used for the rendering process.

Well that about does it. If you have any other questions or concerns regarding the CSA please let me know as soon as possible and I will get back to you in a timely manner. Thanks again for your interest and hope to provide you and your family with some of the best eggs and meat that can be found on the Front Range!

Your Farmers,

Aaron, Doug and the Crew

## **2017 Jodar Farms Winter CSA Orders**

Name:			
Email:			
Phone:			
Pickup Location (C	ircle one please): Fort Col	lins Longmont	Boulder

Jodar Farms 2017 Winter CSA							
Products	Price		Quantity		Subtotal		
1 Dozen Eggs, Unwashed	\$ 5.50	х		=	\$		
1 lb Bulk Pork Sausage	\$ 7.00	х		=	\$		
1 lb Ground Beef	\$ 8.00	х		=	\$		
1 Pint of Rendered Pork Lard	\$ 15.00	X		=	\$		
*** Please remember that there is a <b>\$45/month minimum</b> order***			<b>Montly Subtotal</b>	\$			
			(Janurary - May)		x 5 months		
			Winter Season Total		\$		

Thanks so much for your support of our small farm!

Please make payments to: Jodar Farms 5100 East County Road 48 Fort Collins, CO 80524