

Week 11 – Summer CSA

August 15 – August 21, 2022

Hi everyone,

This week we have such a fun assortment of summer crops. We're very excited to be sharing these sun-filled seasonal items. Between sweet corn, green beans, and peppers, it's clear that the heat has been ripening our warm produce to fruition. And then potatoes, pictured, are always a stand-by for delicious early-season calories, well before most of the fall starches finish and arrive in our pantries. We've enjoyed watching the potatoes' different brilliant colors of flowers, as shown, even though a potato's flower color and the tubers' flesh color don't necessarily correlate. As some of you may know, potatoes are generally propagated vegetatively, i.e. clonally, from an existing tuber, and so their flowers for the most part are irrelevant to the lifecycles of the crop – in major contrast to the other *Solanaceae* family crops (tomatoes, peppers, etc.). Such as thing as “true potato seed,” involving flowering and seed set, does exist, but it a very niche pursuit, with nearly all growers buying bags of “seed” potatoes (potatoes meant for planting), which are then used as the stock to plant our fields and get growing. Our GTF potatoes generally offer a delightful eating quality, vs. the mass-produced potatoes often found in stores. But we'll let you make you own determination on that one... ;)

Have a great week!

Box contents, Week 11:

- Red potatoes
- Leeks x 2
- Onions x 2
- Colored Pepper
- Sweet corn x 4
- Green Beans
- Lettuce
- Cucumbers x 2-3
- Carrots
- Tomatoes

