

[BLUE FOX BUCKS Signup Form](#)

- \$90, you get \$100 in BF Bucks (2 cards)
- \$220, you get \$250 in BF Bucks (5 cards)
- \$425, you get \$500 in BF Bucks (10 cards)

PRINT Name

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Please send this form along with your check to:

BLUE FOX FARM
939 Thompson Creek Road
Applegate, Oregon 97530

Your email address will be used only to send email newsletters and communicate Blue Fox Farm events and News. If you would rather not receive these newsletters and updates, please check the box below.

- I do not want to receive email newsletters from Blue Fox Farm.

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Bucks Given:

- \$100 (pd \$90)= 2 bucks given / buck #'s
- \$250 (pd \$220)=5 bucks given/ buck #'s
- \$500 (pd \$425)=10 bucks given/ buck #'s

Questions about the new CSA at Blue Fox Farm

What exactly are these Blue Fox Farm Bucks?

They're just like punch cards or gift certificates. Each card is worth \$50 of food redeemable at our farmer's market booth at either of the markets we attend. (Ashland on Tuesdays 8:30-1:30 and Grants Pass on Saturdays 9-1). **The Farm Bucks Program will start when we begin markets in the spring –usually the first week in April and we finish the season in mid-November.** Once you've used up a card you go on to your next card. If you run out of cards, and we still have some available for the season, we can sign you up for more.

So there are just a limited number of Bucks available?

That's right. We're planning for this just like we have in the past for our CSA. We're aiming to get the equivalent of 40-50 members through the new system. So once the Bucks are gone for the season they're gone until the next year. **Ideally we'd like to get the Bucks sold by April to support the farm's spring startup costs.**

Do I get to choose what I buy? Are there any limits?

Once you buy your Bucks you can spend them as you please at our booth.

Why would I buy \$500 dollars worth of Farm Bucks when I could just get \$100 worth five times as I need it?

Several reasons:

First, providing more money upfront for the farmers gives us more working capital for the season. This means less credit based purchasing for us which builds more business security for us and more food security for you.

Second, buying \$500 worth of produce costs \$425– that's a 15% savings
buying \$250 worth of produce costs \$225– that's a 12% savings
buying \$100 worth of produce costs \$90– that's a 10% savings

Third, we only have a finite number of Blue Fox Farm Bucks for the 2008 season. Once they're gone, they're gone until next year.

If you have any other questions please email us bluefoxfarm@gmail.com



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**2008
GROWING
SEASON**

Check out our new Hybrid CSA program for 2008

**COMMUNITY
SUPPORTED
AGRICULTURE
PROGRAM**

What is a CSA?

Community Supported Agriculture, or CSA is an arrangement that provides a direct link between consumers and local producers of food. Participating supporters contribute to the farm's yearly operating budget by purchasing in advance a share of the season's harvest. By making this commitment ahead of time, CSA shareholders join the farmer in assuming the costs, risks and rewards of growing that season's crops. Shareholders help pay for seeds, supplies, labor, water, equipment maintenance, and other costs. In return, the farm provides fresh, nutritious vegetables throughout the growing season.

Who and where we are —

Melanie Kuegler and Chris Jagger began their farming relationship together in Santa Cruz, California in the late 90's working at various farms large and small but all with the same ideal— Growing good food!

They moved to the Applegate Valley in 2002 and have been growing vegetables there since 2003.

Blue Fox Farm is located one mile up on Thompson Creek Road outside of the little town of Applegate, Oregon. The farm originally began as a dairy farm and changed hands and faces several times finally to find its niche as home to our gardens, animals, and family. The farm itself is owned by the two sisters, their husbands, and the girls' parents. This partnership was created to revitalize the reality of what we are rapidly losing in America— The small family farm.

Growing Methods

Blue Fox Farm is committed to using ecologically sustainable agricultural practices free of conventional chemical pesticides, herbicides, fertilizers and genetically modified organisms. All of the vegetables grown at the farm meet this standard. We are Certified Organic by Oregon Tilth and Certified Salmon Safe.

Adaptation

Supporting a community's food system means being able to adapt and change to a community's needs. We recognize those needs from both our members and ourselves, the farmers.

For our members:

***80 percent of our membership this past season picked up their shares at the farmers' markets.**

***We ask ourselves, "Why pack these boxes when people have this entire market table of produce to choose from?"**

***We continue to strive to solve the "Why can't I have more choice of what's in our box?"**

***We hear more of "We just can't get enough of those great veggies to eat!"**

***As well as "We want to support your farm, but we're going to be gone for 3 weeks this summer"**

***"We love the newsletter and recipes, but can we get a list of what's in the share before pick-up day?"**

For the farmers:

***We have a new beautiful baby boy, Demian Michael Jagger.**

***We have promised to dedicate our lives to him and our passion for farming.**

***We need to find a way to reduce the number of hours we spend packing and delivering produce.**

***We don't want to burn ourselves out juggling our farm and our family.**

***We plan to supply our community with healthy organic produce for a long time in the best way that supports our community and ourselves in a sustainable manner.**

The Solution

For the 2008 growing season we're going to try a hybridized form of **Community Supported Agriculture**. It is based on Blue Fox Farm Bucks.

It works like this:

You pay in advance for your share of the harvest by buying Blue Fox Bucks to be used at either of the Farmers' markets we attend.

You receive a **10-15% discount** for buying the Bucks in advance. The Bucks come in **\$50** increments.

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You just bring your card to market shop for your produce, we mark off what you've spent, and you're on your way!

Once you use up your Bucks you can sign up for more as long as they're still available for the season.

You'll also receive a weekly email newsletter the day before market that will include a list of what will be at market that week as well as recipes pertaining to produce in season at that time of year.

***There will be a limited number of Blue Fox Bucks for the 2008 season.**

***Signing up early guarantees you Bucks and gives the farmers guaranteed startup capital for the season.**

Any questions please call us at (541) 846-0251 or visit our website: www.bluefoxorganics.com