

Hello Everyone, The weather has been quite nice over the past week, apart from the Sunday morning rain, which put a damper on my markets. We actually needed some rain to keep the fall crops growing and help sprout the thousands of seeds I have been sowing, so my only gripe is with the timing. In general, though it has been kind of a rotten year, quite literally. Overly dry seasons are a challenge, but excessive rain is worse. We can always irrigate when it is necessary, but there is no solution for too much water. We are scrambling to get the winter squash out of the field because much of the crop has already started to rot. I apologize if you had an unpleasant experience with the spaghetti squash. I heard several accounts of them exploding, some on the counter overnight, but at least one member was startled when it popped while she was in the room. We inspected them in the morning when they were being loaded on the truck, but sometimes it is on the inside and you just cannot tell. Despite all the challenges we soldier on and try to provide you with a diverse mix of veggies to nourish your family. We are waiting for our last planting of summer squash to come into full production. We will send it as availability allows and butternut in it's place over the next two weeks. We will also have eggplant for all in the next two shares. The share will be- Kale, zucchini or butternut squash, choice of arugula or tatsoi (mostly arugula), colored peppers, lettuce, rainbow carrots, Japanese leeks (Negi), tomatoes, redskin potatoes, sweet corn, daikon, eggplant (for some), and choice of an herb (basil, cilantro, mint). Premium shares will also include celery root.

Enjoy! Farmer John