Wilding Hope Flower CSA 2026

Membership Agreement

We are delighted that you have decided to join us for the 2026 season at Wilding Hope. We will provide you with the fresh locally grown cut flower bouquets, a portion of our harvest, in exchange for your monetary support paid in the winter of 2025 and Spring of 2026. This agreement outlines our shared commitments. Please read this agreement carefully. Your purchase of a share ensures that you have read and understand what being a CSA member is all about.

IMPORTANT: You must live in or near the following areas in Pennsylvania to become a CSA member: Mifflintown, Lewistown, Boalsburg, State College, Newport, Halifax, Camp Hill or Harrisburg.

If you want a distribution location near you and you are outside of the locations listed above, contact us about how many members need to be signed up for your area to make distribution possible.

Section 1. Introducing Our CSA

A. Becoming a Part of Our CSA

Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) is a relationship between Wilding Hope LLC and you the consumer. Rather than simply purchasing flowers like in a florist shop or market, our customers become “members” who receive a weekly portion of the seasonal flower harvest in the form of a beautifully designed vase-ready bouquet.

Our 2026 CSA season runs for a full 20 weeks, from approximately the end of April into October, but can be purchased in smaller options including a Spring Share (April-May), Summer Share (June-August) and an Autumn Share (September-October). Weekly, Bi-Weekly and Monthly shares are available for the summer. Members are committed to picking up their bouquet from the distribution site closest to them. Every bouquet

will feature the best seasonal blooms picked fresh and carefully conditioned to last on average 5-7 days but sometimes longer. Bouquets will be wrapped in paper, delivered to the pick-up location in buckets of water, and floral solution and care instructions will be provided at the site.

Variety, size, and quantity of stems may vary as described below in Section 2. Detailed information regarding pick-up is discussed below in Section 2.

B. Our Growing Practices

Wilding Hope is committed to growing flowers using organic, sustainable, and regenerative growing methods. This means more than just staying away from harmful pesticides, fungicides and herbicides. We are committed to growing practices that increase soil, air and water quality, and economic biodiversity including limiting soil tillage, permanent plantings of native species, and the use of integrated pest management.

We are also committed to using human scaled technology as much as possible, cultivating and planting by hand or with small machines to eliminate soil compaction and the excessive use of fossil fuels.

At this point we are not certified by any organic agency, in part because of the high costs to small farmers for certification, but also because certification requires years of detailed record keeping and we are only in the starting years. If you would like more information about how the flowers are grown, please ask and we'll be happy to provide detailed answers to any questions you may have.

C. The Flowers We Expect for 2026

Wilding Hope is growing over 100 different varieties of flowers and shrubs for the 2026 season, many in succession plantings in order to provide a consistent variety of flowers in many different colors throughout the growing season. Here is a list of some of our favorite varieties grouped by the month that we hope to have them first appear in your bouquets. Availability will of course depend on weather, particularly planting conditions in early spring.

April-May: Daffodils, Tulips, Larkspur, Ranunculus, Anemone,Snapdragons, Bachelor Buttons, Peonies, Orlaya, Iris, Lilac, Forsythia, Pussy Willow, Red Bud.

June: Anemone, Ranunculus, Stock, Poppies, Peonies, Mock Orange, Snapdragons, Cosmos, Calendula, Bachelor Buttons, Campanula, Larkspur, Sweet Peas, Foxglove, Phlox, Salvia, Zinnias, Yarrow, Veronica, Campanula.

July: Rudebeckia, Zinnias, Foxglove, Asclepias, Crespedia, Celosia, Cosmos, Snapdragons, Sunflowers, Dahlias, Lisianthus, Blue Thistle, Ageratum, Sunflowers.

August: Sunflowers, Gomphrena, Celosias, Dahlias, Amaranthus, Lisianthus, Zinnias, Marigolds, Ornamental Grasses, Viburnum Berry, Delphinium, Ageratum

September: Dahlias, Sunflowers, Ornamental peppers, Rudebeckia, Brain Celosias, Strawflowers, Lisianthus, Snapdragons, Amaranthus, Ageratum

October: Dahlias, Flowering Kale, Strawflowers, Scabiousa, Ornamental grasses, Amaranthus, Nigella, Bachelor Buttons, Dianthus, Snapdragons

Section 2. Our Shared Commitments

A. Sharing in the Risk of Crop Failure

We promise to do our best to provide you with a lush and full bouquet of approximately 25-30 stems. However, the quantity of stems in your flower bouquet may vary from week to week due to extreme weather, insects, or other production factors despite our best efforts. By joining our CSA, you are agreeing to share the risk of crop failure with us and with the other CSA members.

One of the reasons for growing so many different varieties of flowers is to ensure that even if one type of flower does not produce well, another variety will be ready to shine in the bouquets. Succession plantings will also help to ensure consistent supply. We will compensate for any failed flower crop by filling your bouquets with other flowers grown on the farm that are ready for harvest.

We do have access to irrigation year round and many of our flowers are grown in covered field tunnels which help to mitigate the risks of extreme weather. However, in the event of larger weather disasters (extreme drought, flooding, unexpected frosts) we

will do our best to procure flowers from other local flower farmers who use similar growing methods. This may not always be a feasible option since flower growers in the area are limited and the costs of importing organic flowers is quite high.
Should the unfortunate occurrence of total crop failure happen, the CSA member shares in the risk that the share may be smaller or later than expected.

B. Sharing in the Reward of Crop Surplus

Wilding Hope does have other marketing venues including wholesale to florists, retail outlets including selling to restaurants, and for our own use in designing weddings and events. Although production of the flowers is not segregated, Floral CSA member bouquets receive our first priority each week during the growing season. After filling our CSA share with the best of each week's harvest first, the remainder is sold to our other markets.

In the event of a flower surplus, additional stems will be tucked into the bouquets that you receive and extra bulk flowers may be made available to CSA members on a first come, first serve basis. Any flowers not claimed at the drop location will be donated to nursing homes or other charitable organizations.

Section 3. Picking Up Shares

You are responsible for picking up your share each week (full share) or every other week (bi-weekly share) or monthly (monthly share) from your selected CSA drop site. You will be emailed with the starting date and a confirmation of your drop off location by March 15.

Current Drop Off Locations include the following:

Harrisburg: Open Air Farmers Market in the Farm Show Complex Parking Lot

Camp Hill: Market Cafe, 3700 Market Street

Boalsburg: Boalsburg Farmers Market at the Pennsylvania Military Museum

State College: Kate Avilion's office, 1111 West Beaver Avenue

Mifflintown: Juniata River Commons, 2218 William Penn Highway

Additional drop off locations are still being arranged, but we are committed to finding locations that are convenient and have accessible parking. Depending on the number of member shares at each location we may offer a number of different days for pickups.

You are responsible for observing our drop site rules, which are as follows:

1. Bring your own container or vase for transporting flowers if you would like them to remain in water at all times. The bouquets will be wrapped in brown paper and awaiting pickup in buckets of water. Vases are not provided, although care instructions and floral solution will be provided at the drop off site.

2. Pick up your bouquets within the time frame assigned in your email. Although we deliver fresh high-quality flowers to the site and will ensure that temperature conditions are maintained during the CSA drop time, we can not guarantee the quality of the bouquet if it is not picked up within that time frame.

3. Please be respectful of our drop site hosts' property and any staff members at the site location.

4. Follow additional rules posted at your drop site regarding parking, use of certain entrances, surplus bulk flower allotments, etc.

5. If you cannot pick-up your share, you must arrange for someone else to pick it up for you and notify us that you are sending someone in your place. You are responsible for explaining the pick-up location and procedures to your substitute.

We do our best to make sure that drop locations and times are convenient but understand that sometimes schedules change mid season. Because of this we will make available a list of all of our pick up locations and times. If you wish to change your drop site location and time, you must notify us at least one full week in advance of your next pickup.

Any shares that are not retrieved within the pick-up time will be donated to local nursing homes or charitable organizations.

6. Certain flowers, although delightful to the eye, may be harmful to you or to household pets if ingested. We will do our best to notify you of any poisonous flowers used in bouquets, so that you can avoid them if concerned about safety. You are responsible to keep bouquets out of the reach of children and pets and accept the liability of having these flowers in your home.

Section 4. Member Fees

By selling memberships in advance of the growing season, the CSA business model reduces the burden of up-front costs for the grower. Your membership fees provide us with money to purchase seed and equipment before the season starts, and we greatly appreciate your commitment. Ideally, memberships must be paid in full before the distribution begins. If financial hardship is a deterrent, consider checking out our working membership or email us and we will see what we can do.

IMPORTANT: We understand that sometimes people's plans change, however once a payment is submitted and a CSA Membership Agreement is signed, Flowers By Phoebe is not liable to refund more than 50% of any membership fee. After the fourth week of the season (by July 15), all payments are completely non-refundable. However, your membership can be gifted to another person as long as we are informed of the change and as long as that person also fills out a membership agreement.

Section 5. Communicating with Us

The best way to communicate with us is via text, email, or by phone. Our email is info@wildinghope.com or you can text or call us at (574)-238-4930. We will do our best to respond as soon as possible, but please understand that we spend most of our time in the field planting, picking, and weeding and not in the office.

Please contact us with any news of the following: changes to your postal, email address or phone number, changes to your drop-site location (at least a week in advance), problems with your drop-site, or dissatisfaction with your bouquet.

We will communicate with you by email. When you sign up, you will be added to our email list. Please read your emails from us. We depend on being able to communicate important information such as necessary changes to your distribution schedule or to our farm events. Every Month we will send a newsletter giving you information about

the flowers available in your bouquets for the month, farm updates, upcoming workshops and events, plant giveaways and more.

Section 6. Agreement

I understand that, although unlikely, Wilding Hope may change parts of this agreement related to production and distribution from time to time. I understand that they will contact me via email 2 weeks in advance of any changes to this agreement.

I understand that by purchasing a membership online or by check, I am accepting the details of the CSA Membership relationship with Wilding Hope as outlined in this document.