

# Laguna Farm CSA

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## From Farmer Scott

Classic fall weather here, with swings of 40 degrees from night to day. Luckily, the forecast for 100 degree weather did not happen. Crops like pumpkins and hard squash are coming to maturity, along with all those wine grapes that surround us.

I would like to talk crops and snafus today. First is to explain why you received shelling peas a couple of weeks ago. We ordered sugar snap peas from the seed company, as we prefer to grow and eat these. However, the seed company must have had a mix up in the packaging, and we ended up planting and harvesting a shelling pea. Maybe it is my preference for sugarsnaps, but I thought, even after doing the work of shelling, the peas were not that tasty. Another crop I would like to explain is the sweet corn. As the season progresses, the corn ear borer has a greater effect on the later plantings, and eats into the silk end of the ear, so that we have to trim the ears significantly to cut off the worm and the damaged area. I was very happy with the first three plantings. Thanks for your understanding with all the challenges of growing lots of different crops here in Sebastopol – all to keep your box varied and interesting. Be well.

We'll be celebrating the best part of farming at our **Harvest & Herb Festival on Saturday, October 3!** 2:00 – 11:00 PM right here at the farm. Come along with me on a farm tour and sustainable energy talk at 3 PM. See the website for details.

## In your box today:

From the varied fields of the farm, our “beyond organic” salad mix, chard, beets, cucumbers or squash, heirloom or Earlygirl tomatoes, scallions on Tuesday and beans on Thursday, and cilantro; also lemons from Las Palmalitas. Fruit subscribers will receive peaches, pears and biodynamically grown apples from Sebastopol.

## FRESH ORGANIC NON-GMO LOCALLY MADE SOY PRODUCTS

.....are being considered for the Laguna Farm store, and possibly as an addition to your box. Please email us if you're interested. We will set up a tasting party soon!

**GOT EXTRA PINT OR QUART PLASTIC CONTAINERS** (salsa, yogurt, spreads, etc.)? Please bring them to the blue CSA table in the barn – we've got folks here at the farm who can use them!!

WEEKEND ALONG THE FARM TRAILS this Saturday & Sunday, Sept. 25 and 27. Good Food, Good Farmers, Good Fun! Maps here at the farm. [www.farmtrails.org](http://www.farmtrails.org).

**FARM HARVEST & HERB FESTIVAL Saturday, October 3 2 – 11 PM**  
**\$10 Admission Donation \* Food & Drink \* Herbal Products \* Kid Zone**

**Farm Tour, Herb Walk, and Classes starting at 3 PM \* Music at 3:30 PM**  
**featuring Mr. December, the Love Choir, Goathouse, Johnny Downer**  
**from Free Peoples, and SOL HORIZON at 8 PM. [www.lagunafarm.com](http://www.lagunafarm.com)**