

# **FEATURED FARMERS**

# **PRODUCT SPOTLIGHTS**



Find many of these farms and more at https://appalachiangrown.org/

#### WARCRY PEPPER COMPANY

Matt and Carlos Bruant

Bryson City, NC

https://www.warcrupeppers.com/



#### DARNELL FARMS

The Darnell Family Bryson City, NC

https://darnellfarms.com,



### BARKER FAMILY FARM

Darren Barker Bryson City, NC

#### BACKWOODS BAKERY

Whittier, NC

https://www.backwoodsbakery.com/



Ochre Hill Farms

'Thoughtfully-sourced, lovingly-crafted." We are a NCDA-certified microbakery nestled in the backwoods of Western N.C. A true "mom and pop" shop, we work together to bake the finest the area has to offer. With no "brick-and-mortar," our public offerings can be found at area farmers markets and events as well as local retailers and restaurants

### 3 BARN FARMS

Katie Doe & Alex Franklin, NC

"Growing Food and Plants for Folks in Far West North Carolina." Katie and Alex love their community! While Alex specializes in animal husbandry and forest management, you can find Katle caring for plants and overseeing marketing and community outreach efforts. They aim to grow 3 Barn Farm into a 'full diet farm' that offers a one stop shop to Franklin, NC and

#### SPROUT CULTURE FARM

Jesah Segal Asheville, NC

https://www.sproutculture.farm/

Sprout Culture is one of the region's largest indoor vertical farms growing organic microgreens More than a business, we are a cultural change movement working to shift our society from a "fast food culture" to a "living food culture." We're bringing one of the healthiest, sustainably grown foods to tables across the region.

#### OCHRE HILL FARMS

Family Farm Sulva, NC

https://www.ochrehillfarms.com/

We are passionate about providing fresh, high-quality, products that are locally grown right here in the mountains of Western North Carolina. Our lavender, berries and seasonal produce are grown with care and attention straight from our family to yours. Whether you are looking for culinary lavender, handmade products or fresh produce you have come to the right place!



SWEET POTATOES





This incredibly versatile **fruit** (which pretends to be a vegetable) is native to Mexico, Central and South America but is everywhere in our lives from ketchup to salsa to salad.

Tomatoes get their name from the Spanish word tomate which came from the Nahuatl word tomatl when the Spanish first encountered tomatoes in the Aztec Empire in the 1500's.

Tomatoes' red color comes from lucopene and betacarotene, two of the antioxidants that make tomatoes healthy along with their high vitamin C, potassium, folate, and fiber! They are great for **heart health** because they lower bad cholesterol (LDL) and inflammation. The antioxidants likely help reduce the risk of cancer and increase your immunity. Lycopene in particular is great for skin health, with one study showing that it might even help protect your skin against sunburns!

TIP: combining tomatoes with olive oil might increase your body's absorption of lycopene.



## **NO BOXES**

**NEXT WEEK** 

**July 1-7** 

In anticipation of some folks being away/busy for the holiday, there will be no boxes delivered or available for pick up that week.

LAST BOX **July 8-12** 

Thank you so much for participating in this 26-week program! This was the second series of the program and we hope we can get another series going again as soon as possible. We will be in touch as this series comes to a close with a survey and will really appreciate your feedback to help us continue the program and make it better!