



Walden's Commitment to Local

Walden Local produces and delivers 100% grass-fed and finished beef, pasture-raised pork and chicken, and wild Atlantic-caught seafood in partnership with active local farmers. We began in 2013 with a pilot group of 50 families, and have grown to reach tens of thousands of active member families from central New Jersey to Portland, Maine. We are pioneering a more sustainable and distributed agricultural system that makes the best ecological and economic use of our available land, given the soil and climate characteristics of the region.

Walden's primary business is a direct-to-consumer share program that allows individuals, groups, and organizations (our "members") to sign up for monthly or bi-monthly deliveries of sustainably raised local meat (the "Share Program").

Modeled after vegetable Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) programs, and now one of the largest of our kind in the country, Walden's Share Program allows a member to buy a portion of a whole animal (a "Share"). We purchase whole animals from farmers, and using our own proprietary algorithms, allocate the resulting cuts across our members in monthly deliveries we call Shares. These Shares are a carefully curated mix of local, high quality items that represent a share of a whole animal.

What does that commitment to local mean? It's a great question - we're dedicated to making local work holistically! We believe local is better defined by you and your community than us - we want the farm location we print on every label of meat we drop at your door to be a town you recognize and one that would be a common-sense choice as part of your regional foodshed. We also realize that's not necessarily a clear answer for everyone, so we also commit to sourcing >75% of your products within 150 miles of your location and 100% sourced within 250 miles. Not only do we source local, we sell local. Walden commits to selling >75% of our products to members and partners within 150 miles of our location. Together, that's how we make local work - it's not just part of our name, it's core to our mission.

This is our commitment to you.

- From All Of Us At Walden

Our Mission

For people who want to cook and eat **LOCALLY, NUTRITIOUSLY AND SUSTAINABLY,**

We are **MAKING LOCAL WORK** ...right here in New England and New York.

We produce the highest quality supply of **100% grass-fed beef** and other **pasture-raised meat** including chicken, pork and lamb from nearby highly principled farms.

By partnering with **SMALL INDUSTRIOUS FARMERS** instead of industrial factory farms, we are **REINVIGORATING** our **local agricultural economy,** in support of healthier and happier animals, people and communities.

For the **people** who want to take back control of the food they buy, cook, and eat...

For the **farmers** who work hard to ethically raise animals in open pastures...

For the **animals** that deserve to be fed what they are meant to eat and to be treated with dignity...

For the **soil** that needs better stewardship as one of our most vital natural resources...

For the long-term **health and happiness** of families and friends...

For the strength of **local economies**...

We are making local work.