Enjoy the best bounty of the season—
Shop at your local farmers market!

Farmers markets are a great way to enjoy the best produce of the season. Get to know where your food comes from by supporting local farms.

Colorado has a long growing season that changes weekly, providing an amazing array of fruits and vegetables lasting into late fall and even winter. Be daring—try a new vegetable. If you don’t know how to prepare it, ask! Growers are more than happy to share their favorite preparation suggestions and they enjoy introducing others to new foods. You might unexpectedly discover a new favorite!

By shopping at farmers markets, you are:
• supporting your local economy
• reducing your carbon footprint by eating foods grown close to home instead of foreign grown produce
• eating fresher foods than what can be found at the supermarket.

Looking for another reason to shop at a farmers market? In addition to locally grown fruits and vegetables, there are many vendor stands who produce small batch specialty foods like breads, dessert pastries, jams, sauces and even hard-to-find handmade tamales!

Farmers markets provide a pleasant outdoor shopping environment and may offer very competitive prices on organic and conventionally grown produce. Shop around before you buy because prices and quality can vary. It’s also a great way to get to know others in your community because recipe ideas are frequently exchanged with other customers who buy the same items. You will also have the opportunity to speak with CSU extension experts who can answer questions about all things food. Master gardeners even have a booth to share their knowledge on growing, storing, and preserving methods.

Get in touch with your community and learn what it is like to eat locally and seasonally. Your local economy, your family and your local farmer will thank you.
Northern Colorado is a great place for farmers markets, including several locations with availability into the winter! Check out this listing for many great options:

**Drake Road Farmers Market**
This is a seasonal open air market.
**Location:**
802 W. Drake Road in Fort Collins, Colorado
**Dates:**
Saturdays 10am - 1pm
April - September

**Fort Collins Farmers’ Market**
This is a seasonal open air market with an indoor winter market.
**Locations:**
Parking lot on southwest corner of Harmony & Lemay in Fort Collins
**Winter market:**
The Foothills Mall at 215 E. Foothills Parkway in Fort Collins
**Dates:**
Sundays, 11am - 3pm
May - October
Wednesdays 11am - 3pm
May - October
**Winter market:**
1st & 3rd Sundays, 11am - 3pm
November - January

**Larimer County Farmers Market**
This is a seasonal open air market.
**Location:**
Larimer County Courthouse parking lot on the north side of Oak Street between Mason and Howes in Fort Collins
**Dates:**
Saturdays 8am - noon and June - October

**Loveland Farmers Market**
This is a seasonal open air growers market supplemented with specialty processed goods.
**Location:**
In front of Hobby Lobby at N. Garfield and Orchards in Loveland
**Dates:**
Tuesdays, 11am - 3pm
May - October

**Rocky Mountain Green Market**
This seasonal open air market features local organic produce, green products and services
**Location:**
Rainbow Plaza at 4229 West Eisenhower in Loveland
**Dates:**
Sundays, 11am - 5pm
May - October

**Be-Local Winter Farmers Market**
These are enclosed winter markets featuring more than 55 vendors.
**Locations:**
Opera Galleria at 123 N College in and the lobby of the Northern Hotel at 172 N. College Avenue in Fort Collins
**Dates:**
Alternating Saturdays, 10am - 3pm
November - April