



Two60 Kitchen and Bar in Fairfield. (Courtesy photo)

Bounty of the County highlights local farms, independent restaurants

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FAIRFIELD — Bounty of the County, a celebration of Solano County agriculture and chefs, will feature a different restaurant each week starting Sept. 27 and running through Nov. 7.

Each restaurant will highlight in-season ingredients grown on local farms in a special free sample item that will be given to restaurant customers that week.

Sustainable Solano will highlight the event with weekly videos, including cooking demonstrations by the chefs and farm profiles.

This is the second year of Bounty of the County, which creates an opportunity to learn about local farms and the importance of local food while drawing customers to independent restaurants that source locally.

Last year's Bounty of the County also featured wineries, which will be highlighted in separate events in 2022.

Bounty of the County was originally envisioned as a large, in-person event at the Solano County Fairgrounds that would highlight local food in an environment that encouraged food and wine tasting and social interaction with farmers, chefs and winemakers.

The celebration moved online in 2020 due to Covid-19, with virtual demonstrations and participating restaurants offering featured dishes.

After the summer wildfires affected many Solano County farms, last year's program also became a fundraiser, raising more than \$10,000 for wildfire relief.

This year's celebration continues in a hybrid format, with cooking demonstration videos with local chefs and video farm profiles shared each week on social media and the Bounty of the County webpage.

Featured restaurants will offer in-season, complimentary samples made with ingredients from the local farms that customers can try during their week in the spotlight.

Sustainable Solano continues to organize Bounty of the County in partnership with the Solano County Fair Association while working toward the goal of a future in-person public event aligned with public health and safety.

2021 Bounty of the County participants include:

- Restaurants: BackDoor Bistro (Vacaville), The Barn & Pantry (Dixon), Michael Warring (Vallejo), One House Bakery (Benicia), Rasta Mama's Kitchen (Vacaville) and Two60 Kitchen and Bar (Fairfield).
- Farms: Be Love Farm, Eatwell Farm, Lockewood Acres, Terra Firma Farm and Umbel Roots.

Cooking class videos will be shared through social media at noon Tuesdays. Farm profiles will be shared through social media at noon Wednesdays.

Find the schedule and latest updates and learn more at:

- http://sustainablesolano.org/bounty.
- https://www.facebook.com/sustainablesolano.
- https://www.instagram.com/sustainable_solano.

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