23rd Annual Small Acreage Program Farm Tour &

Harvest Celebration

SHOWCASING THE BOUNTY OF CLARK COUNTY FARMS



FREE Family Fun On This Self-Guided Tour of Local Farms!

Saturday, September 17th

10 AM – 3 PM

Farm Guide and Maps at:

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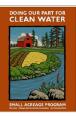


- -See alpacas, Highland cows, chickens and more
- -Buy u-cut flowers, vegetables, fruits, herbs, & fiber products
- -Tour farms, meet farmers, and participate in farm festivities
- -Enjoy the beautiful countryside landscapes!

Please, be Covid-cautious Masks optional **No pets please**

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This sign indicates farms implementing practices to protect water quality as part of a program sponsored by the **Clark County Clean Water Program** in partnership with **WSU Clark County Extension**.





- 1. Get To-Gather Farm 1913 Southeast 303rd Avenue. Washougal, WA 98671 www.gettogatherfarm.com Located on a 155 acre estate, Get To-Gather Farm opened with 3 acres of production in 2021. This farm has a diverse fruit, nut and berry orchard on 2 acres, a large chicken run (current count is 45 chickens, 2 geese and 3 turkeys), a 1/2 acre production garden, a small blueberry patch (60 plants), and a test garden - everything is grown to organic standards. The farm stand includes a wide variety of seasonal produce from our farm and from our partners in Clark County. Flowers, seasonal produce, honey, eggs, and treats are available for sale at our farm stand. Applecider right from the apple press, water, and port-a-potties will be available. Additional on-site vendors will include: Shady Grove Organics, Windy River Livestock, Van Zandt Sculptures, Nine-Bar Espresso, Donna's Sheep and Wool Spinning, XYZ Baked Goods. We'll also have pumpkins, hay wagon going and chickens to feed (and 16 newborn chicks!). www.facebook.com/gettogatherfarm and instagram.com/gettogatherfarm to learn more! The farm stand offers products from Shady Grove Farm, Finca Farm and Pantry, Windy River Liverstock, and Dilish Farm, as well. Directions: From highway 14 East, take exit 12 from WA-14E. Second exit on traffic circle. Continue on NW 6th Ave. towards city center. Turn right on NE Adams St. Turn left onto NE 3rd Ave. Turn left onto SE Crown Rd.SE Crown Rd turns slightly left and becomes SE 283rd Ave. Turn right onto SE 23rd St. Turn left and keep left and park near the farm stand.
- 2. Good Year Farms 29610 SE 23rd Street, Washougal, WA 98671 https://www.goodyearfarms.com/ Good Year Farms is a nursery in the Pacific Northwest specializing in plants native to the region. We grow many of our own plants from a range of genetic sources as well as network with other native plant nurseries to provide a wide and interesting selection. We are a family farm, established in the early 2000s, when we first arrived, the land was abundant in abandoned tires. After steady work "harvesting the crop" and some revolutions around the sun, we continue to work together to try to leave the earth "better" than how we found it. A ragtag pack of farm animals have joined the clan and provide entertainment and friendship. Lois and Cheeto are resident fur pigs while Hoyle and Peppercorn are disparately sized goats. There are a number of birds that call the farm home including chickens, wild and domestic ducks, wild geese, at least one Great Blue Heron, an American Kestrel, a Barn Owl, towhees, jays, sometimes Northern Harriers, and Hummingbirds. We work closely with a number of educational, volunteer, and civic organizations to provide applied ecological education to the community. Landscaping with species native to our region provides benefits to a wide web of beings; pollinators and people alike. Kids craft making will also be offered on the day of the event! Directions: 29610 se 23rd Street, Washougal, WA 98671 Right by Camas High School and up Woodburn Hill.

- 3. Flat Tack Farm 9400 NE 134th St, Vancouver, WA 98662 fhttps://flat-tack-farm.ueniweb.com/ Flat Tack Farm is a small scale farm which has been farming and working on their organic certification for the last 5 years within the serene vineyard setting of Heathen Estate in Vancouver, Washington. They specialize in growing a wide variety of produce, all without the use of harmful pesticides, chemicals, or synthetic fertilizers; while focusing on improving the land to a healthier state using holistic, organic practices. Currently the farms cultivated area is around two acres and is managed using intensive methods. The use of the high tunnel also extends the growing season. The farm focus is on low/no-till practices and is integrating Permaculture (permanent agriculture: creating natural eco-systems designed to be sustainable and self-sufficient) practices. Flat Tack sells their produce through CSA, farmer's markets, and restaurants. Enjoy corn hole and disc golf. Hot sauce and veggie tasting. Sprout and Blossom (Lindsay Jacobs) is also a farmer selling veggies and flowers at this location. Directions: From I-205 take Padden Parkway west to NE 72nd Ave, turn west on NE 119th St, turn north on NE 87th Ave, then a right NE 134th St in Barberton. Continue west on NE 134 until you arrive at destination.
- 3. 78th St. Heritage Farm 1919 NE 78th St. Vancouver, WA 98665 https://clark.wa.gov/public-works/78th-street-heritage-farm
 The 78th Street Heritage Farm is a 79 acre farm that is overseen by Clark County and with vast community involvement. These tours are hosted by the Clark County Food System Council, to showcase the diverse community partners who work at the Heritage Farm to support a healthy local food system. This includes agricultural research and education, local agriculture and business development, youth programs including 4-H, community gardens, a composting demonstration site, and the overall historical importance of the farm. Port-a-potties and water will be available. Directions: From I-5 take exit 4. Follow NE 78th St. 0.7 miles to the farm on the right (by the very large conifer tree and across the street from Grover Electric and Plumbing supply).



4. Serendipity Alpaca Ranch - 2630 NE 253rd Street Ridgefield, WA 98642 <u>facebook.com/Serendipity-Alpaca-Ranch</u> This is a cottage industry with a farm store, and a small breeding program. This ranch gives demonstrations of animal husbandry. Lots of fiber exhibits and examples!! Come enjoy alpacas! Directions: North I-5 take Exit 11 for Battle Ground. Turn right on WA-502. Turn left on 29th, you are now heading north. Turn left on 253rd. There is a black cyclone fence and a sign with a Raspberry colored barn.



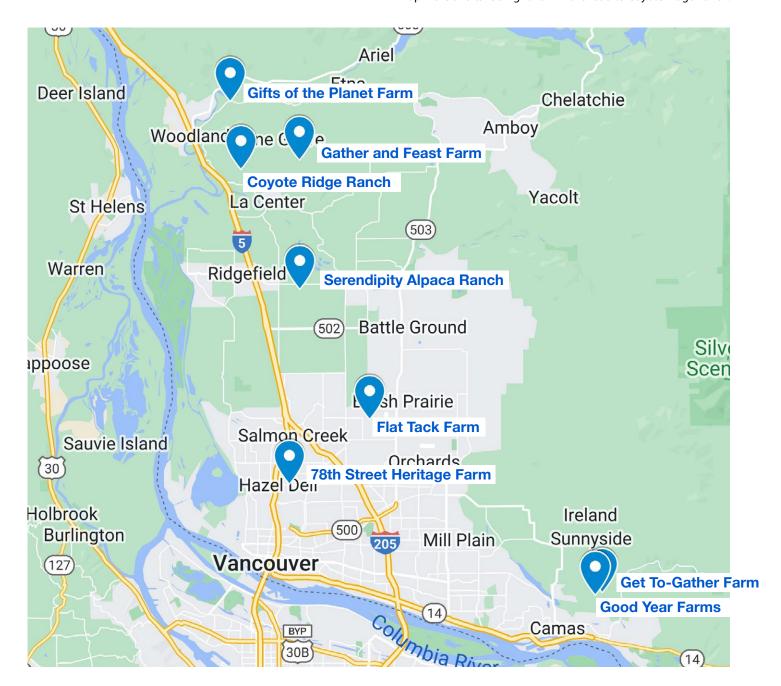
6. Gather and Feast Farm - 2706 NE 369th St., La Center, WA 98629 http://www.gatherandfeastfarm.com/ (503) 224-0370 Gather and Feast Farm is a 20-acre farm that grows vegetables and fruit trees to organic standards. Gather and Feast Farm is also the home of laying hens, broiler hens, quail, and ducks; as well as Scottish Highland Cattle: all raised free of pesticides, herbicides, and chemicals. From farm dinners to agricultural camps for kids, this is an innovative and interactive farm. Take a self-guided farm tour with your whole family. Restrooms are available. No pets please. Directions: From 15 freeway Exit NW La Center road and go East towards the town of La Center. At the traffic circle take the 1st exit onto W 4th St. Turn Left onto NE Highland Ave. Turn left onto NE 31st Ave. Turn left onto NE 369th St. Arrive at Gather and Feast Farm in 0.6 miles on the right hand side

7. Gifts of the Planet Farm - 42117 NW 34th Ave., Woodland, WA 98674 facebook.com/Gifts-of-the-Planet-Farm (360) 356-5116 This two-acre farm with its organic certification grows apples, pears, blueberries, blackberries, raspberries and more. Come learn about growing blueberries, apples and pears. Ask about how they worked with the NRCS to get their 30x35 foot high tunnel. No restrooms available and no pets please. Directions: From N.B. I-5 take Exit 21 Woodland. Turn right at bottom of off Ramp, then another right by the Am Pm cross the Lewis River and stay left. Go 2 miles and find NW 34th Ave. (the farm driveway) on the right on a big righthand curve.



8. Coyote Ridge Ranch - 2404 NW Coyote Ridge Rd., La Center,

WA 98629 http://www.facebook.com/coyoteridgewa (360) 607-8797 Coyote Ridge has a wide variety of vegetables and fruits available for u-pick. They will have peppers, eggplant, kale, chard, corn, squash, figs, boysenberries, apples, and eggs for sale. Coyote Ridge brings produce to Salmon Creek Farmer's Market. Restrooms & picnic area available. Directions: From the South: Take exit 16 off of I-5 northbound. Head east (right) on La Center Rd. After crossing the East Fork of the Lewis River and head Northwest on Old Pacific Highway. The road curves left coming out of town. After 1 mile turn right on Bolen St., then left on NW 14th Ave. Down the hill and up, and left on 359th St. Up hill more, right on NW 21st. Up more and left onto Coyote Ridge Rd. Come up more and take a right Fork in the road to Coyote Ridge Ranch.



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Make the Farm Connection! Invest in Your Community - Buy Local

Small Acreage Program - Washington State University Clark County Extension

Clark County farms face an uncertain future – a future that depends on community support. Global competition, high production costs, land prices, cheap food policies, and a fast growing population unfamiliar with farming pose daily challenges. Today, our food often comes to us shipped hundreds or thousands of miles from where it was produced. Many consumers do not give much thought to the farmer who grows and raises this food. Less than two percent of Americans work on a farm. Much different than the 50% who did so in 1900.

The face of farming in Clark County looks much different today than it did even 20 years ago when local farming included large dairies, expansive berry fields, prune production, and diverse livestock operations. Today, many of the dairies are gone, farming acreage has shrunk, and most farms do not produce large amounts of commodities for processing or wholesaling.

Farming Adapts in Clark County

Our local farmers adapt to changing conditions in order to become sustainable. To remain economically viable, farmers diversify what they grow or raise, they sell more than raw fruit or vegetables (for example, tomatoes become salsa), and they sell their products directly to the community. In order to remain environmentally sustainable, they steward their land, after all, their livelihood depends on good stewardship. To foster sustainable communities, they connect with community members, not only providing access to local and fresh products, but also connecting as neighbors.

Buying Clark County farm products supports both farms and our community. Spending some of your food dollars on local farm products keeps money in our local economy and provides the farmer a living. Local farming keeps us more secure from interruptions in the global food system. We receive many indirect benefits from local farms: farmland makes better habitat for wildlife than a parking lot; it slows down rain runoff and recharges groundwater better than developed land; farmland provides aesthetics; and farms keep us connected with our agricultural heritage. So, come out on Saturday, September 18th and visit some of your farming neighbors and help shape what our community looks like in the future.

LOCAL MEANS GROWN | RAISED | HARVESTED | MADE



Why Buy Local?

Economic Diversity & Economic Development.

Local farms provide jobs and keep your food dollars in the local economy.

Food Security. Production of, and access to, fresh, safe, food.

Preservation of Landscapes. Farms provide green space, productive landscapes, groundwater recharge, flood control, & wildlife habitat.

Tourism. Local farms attract visitors.

Reduced Transportation & Energy Costs. Food traveling hundreds of miles to market can impact the environment and the economy.