**WHOLE FARM PLANNING COURSE: SUSTAINABLE LIVESTOCK PRODUCTOIN RESOURCES**

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**ONLINE RESOURCES**

**UI Extension Bulletins:**

**Livestock and other animals:**

<https://www.extension.uidaho.edu/animals.aspx>

**Small Acreage Farming:**

<https://tinyurl.com/UISmallAcreageFarming>

**All Titles:**  
 <https://www.uidaho.edu/extension/publications>

**Other Land Grant Publications:**

[**OSU Small Farms Program**](https://extension.oregonstate.edu/smallfarms) <https://extension.oregonstate.edu/smallfarms>  
[**OSU Extension Catalog**](file:///C:\Users\kpainter\Dropbox\2020%20CS%20Whole%20Farm%20Planning%20Course\Livestock%20Workshop%20Day\Resources\OSU%20Extension%20Catalog) https://catalog.extension.oregonstate.edu/

[**WSU Small Farms**](http://smallfarms.wsu.edu/) http://smallfarms.wsu.edu/

[**WSU Extension Catalog**](file:///C:\Users\kpainter\Dropbox\2020%20CS%20Whole%20Farm%20Planning%20Course\Livestock%20Workshop%20Day\Resources\WSU%20Extension%20Catalog) http://pubs.wsu.edu/

[**Montana State University Extension**](file:///C:\Users\kpainter\Dropbox\2020%20CS%20Whole%20Farm%20Planning%20Course\Livestock%20Workshop%20Day\Resources\Montana%20State%20University%20Extension) <http://msuextension.org/>

[**ATTRA Livestock Resources**](http://www.attra.org/livestock/)

<http://www.attra.org/livestock/>

[**SARE - Sustainable Agriculture Research and Education**](http://www.sare.org/) <http://www.sare.org/>

[**USDA Livestock and Grazing Resources**](http://www.attra.org/livestock/)

<https://www.usda.gov/topics/animals/animal-production>

**FORAGE**

Forage Testing Labs [http://www.foragetesting.org](http://www.foragetesting.org/)

**Idaho Forage Handbook**

University of Idaho Publication, Bulletin #547 <http://www.cals.uidaho.edu/edcomm/pdf/BUL/BUL0547.pdf>

**Pasture & Grazing Management in the Pacific Northwest** PNW614

<http://www.cals.uidaho.edu/edcomm/pdf/PNW/PNW0614.pdf>

**Excellent miscellaneous websites** [www.sheepandgoat.com](http://www.sheepandgoat.com/) [www.sugarmtnfarm.com](http://www.sugarmtnfarm.com/) (pastured pigs)

**ECONOMICS**

**UI Livestock Enterprise Budgets:**<https://www.uidaho.edu/cals/idaho-agbiz/livestock-budgets>

**Small Scale Livestock Enterprise Budgets, Indiana:**<https://ag.purdue.edu/agecon/Pages/Livestock-Enterprise.aspx>

**Comprehensive Livestock Enterprise Budgets, Kansas:**<https://www.agmanager.info/farm-mgmt-guides/livestock-budgets>

# BOOKS

## General

* You Can Farm, by Joel Salatin
* Small-Scale Livestock Farming, by Carol Ekarius
* Butchering , Processing and Preservation of Meat, by Frank Ashbrook
* Basic Butchering of Livestock & Game, by John J. Mettler Jr. DVM
* The Ultimate Guide to Skinning and Tanning: A Complete Guide to Working with Pelts, Fur and Leather, by Monte Burch
* Whole Beast Butchery: The complete Visual Guide to Beef, Lamb, and Pork, by Ryan Farr with Brigit Binns *Visually extraordinary and written for chefs and cooks by the famous artisan butcher of 4505 Meats in San Francisco.*
* Humane Livestock Handling, by Temple Grandin
* Successful Small-Scale Farming, by Karl Schwenke
* Work Horse Handbook, by Lynn R. Miller
* The Complete Herbal Handbook for Farm and Stable, by Juliete de Bairacli Levy
* Keeping Livestock Healthy – A Veterinary Guide, by N. Bruce Haynes DVM
* Organic Livestock Handbook, a project of Canadian Organic Growers Inc.
* The Omnivore’s Dilemma, by Michael Pollan
* Acres USA Books & Videos – Many hundreds of titles on ecological farming topics. [www.acresusa.com](http://www.acresusa.com/)
* The Resilient Farm and Homestead, by Ben Falk, Chelsea Green Publishing, White River Junction, Vermont, 2013 *Whole systems design ideas and strategies for making the homestead resilient, even in cold climates areas.*
* Handbook for Small and Direct Marketing Farms: Regulations and Strategies for Farm and Food Businesses, 7th edition. Washington State Department of Agriculture, 2014. *Innovative ideas and useful information*
* Gaining Ground. Forrest Pritchard, Globe Pequot Press, Guilford, CT, 2013. *A humorous romp through the experiences of sustainable agriculture. Funny and uplifting.*

## Grazing

* Management-Intensive Grazing, The Grassroots of Grass Farming, by Jim Gerrish
* Shelter & Shade, by John & Bunny Mortimer
* Quality Pasture - How to Create it, Manage it, and Profit from it, by Allan Nation
* Quality Pasture - How to Create it, Manage it, and Profit from it, 2nd edition, revised by Jim Gerrish
* Weeds - Control Without Poisons, by Charles Walters

## Grassfed Meat

* Why Grassfed is Best - The Surprising Benefits of Grassfed Meat, Eggs, and Dairy Products, by Jo Robinson
* Pasture Perfect - The Far-Reaching Benefits of Choosing Meat, Eggs, and Dairy Products from Grassfed Animals, by Jo Robinson

## Cattle/Dairy

* Storey’s Guide to Raising Beef Cattle, by Heather Smith Thomas
* Grass-Fed Cattle, by Julius Ruechel
* Cattle Health Handbook, by Heather Smith Thomas
* Natural Cattle Care, Pat Coleby
* Salad Bar Beef, by Joel Salatin
* Uncle Dave’s Cow and Other Whole Animals My Freezer Has Known: A guide to sourcing, storing and preparing healthy, locally raised meat, by Leslie Miller
* The Small Scale Dairy, The Complete Guide to Milk Production for the Home and Market, by Gianaclis Caldwell

## Pigs

* Dirt Hog, by Kelly Klober
* Storey’s Guide to Raising Pigs, by Kelly Klober

## Sheep

* A Practical Guide to Sheep Disease Management, by Norman Gates
* Natural Sheep Care, by Pat Coleby
* Storey’s Guide to Raising Sheep, 4th Edition. Paula Simmons and Carol Ekarius. *This has always been my go-to guide for practical solutions to any number of sheep-related problems.*
* The Sheep Book: A Handbook for the Modern Shepherd, Revised and Updated. Ron Parker
* Managing Your Ewe and Her Newborn Lambs, by Laura Lawson, LDF Publications, Culpeper, Virginia, 2011 *The best and most complete guide to caring for ewes & lambs. Includes diagnostic flowcharts to determine whether you have a problem and where to find the relevant info in the text; so useful for preventative management and crucial when you don’t have a veterinarian standing right there.*

## Poultry

* Pastured Poultry Profits, by Joel Salatin
* The Small-Scale Poultry Flock, by Harvey Ussery. 2011.
* Raising Poultry on Pasture – Ten Years of Success, American Pastured Poultry Producers Association

## Goats

* Natural Goat Care, by Pat Coleby
* Meat Goat Handbook, by Yvonne Zweede-Tucker

# PERIODICALS

* Small Farmer’s Journal, [www.smallfarmersjournal.com](http://www.smallfarmersjournal.com/)
* Acres USA edited by Charles Walter [www.acresusa.com](http://www.acresusa.com/)
* Stockman Grass Farmer, [www.stockmangrassfarmer.com](http://www.stockmangrassfarmer.com/)
* Graze Magazine, [www.grazeonline.com](http://www.grazeonline.com/)

# FARM SUPPLIES

* Premier 1 (fencing & livestock supplies[) www.premier1supplies.com](http://www.premier1supplies.com/)
* Kenkove Farm Fence Supplies. 800/536-2683
* Sydell (manufacturers of sheep & goat equipment) [www.sydell.com](http://www.sydell.com/)
* Nasco Farm & Ranch Supplies [www.eNasco.com/farmandranch](http://www.eNasco.com/farmandranch)
* Jeffers Vet Supply [www.jefferslivestock.com](http://www.jefferslivestock.com/)
* New England Cheesemaking Supply [www.cheesemaking.com](http://www.cheesemaking.com/)
* Mid-States Wool Growers (sheep/goat veterinary & barn supplies) [www.midstateswoolgrowers.com](http://www.midstateswoolgrowers.com/)
* Perma-Guard (diatomaceous earth[) www.perma-guard.com](http://www.perma-guard.com/)
* Azure Standard (organic kelp meal) [www.](http://www/) azurestandard.com
* Redmond Inc. (trace minerals[) www.redmondinc.com](http://www.redmondinc.com/)