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Create a Quality of Life on Your Profitable Farm



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FACT Introductions



Food Animal Concerns Trust (FACT) is a national nonprofit organization that advocates for the safe and humane production of meat, milk, and eggs.

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FACT's services for livestock and poultry farmers include:

- Humane Farming Mentorship Program – *applications due 12/31!*
- Scholarships to conferences and other events
- Free webinars
- Fund-a-Farmer Grants

The Profitable Lifestyle



Your Profitable Farm in 30 Hours/Week

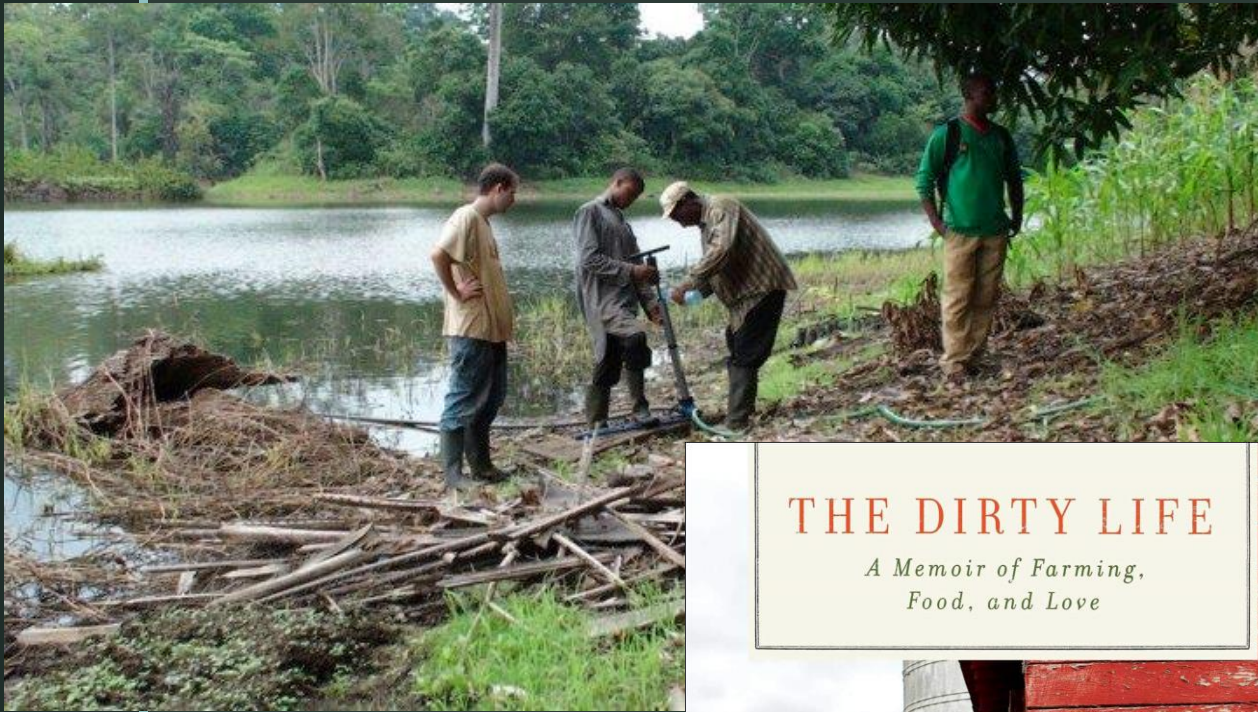
My Story





First Farming Experience





THE DIRTY LIFE

*A Memoir of Farming,
Food, and Love*



"The truest, most hilarious, and most affirming story of a beginning farmer that you could possibly find."
—*The Washington Post*

"Exquisite and inspiring."
—*Minneapolis Star Tribune*

KRISTIN KIMBALL
author of *GOOD HUSBANDRY*

Cameroon

Growing a Farmer

How I Learned to Live Off the Land



"It is wonderful to have a farmer tell his story with such honesty and eloquence."
—Alice Waters

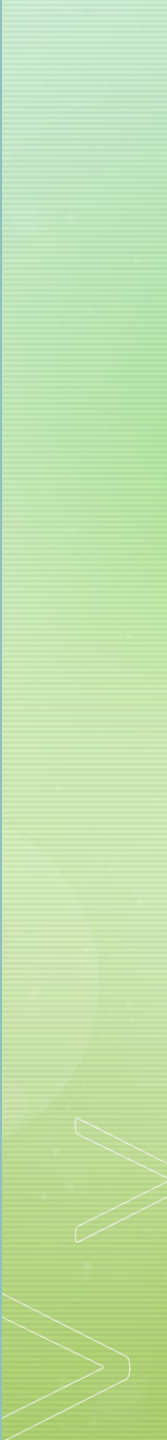
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Early Years

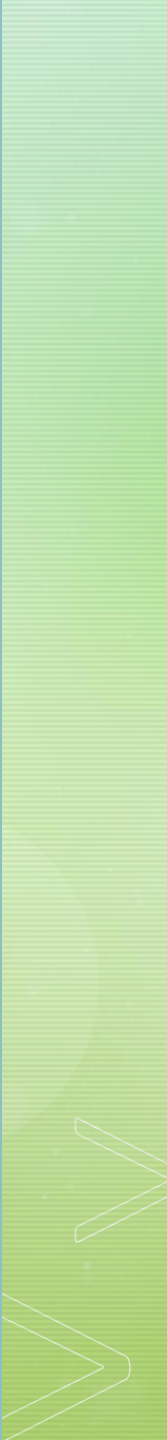








Sharing Hard Lessons Learned

- Your time is valuable
 - Organize your priorities
 - Organize your financial needs
 - Create a Mission Statement
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▶ Dawnbreaker Farms' Mission Statement

- Be regenerative
- Be profitable
- Teach others to do the same

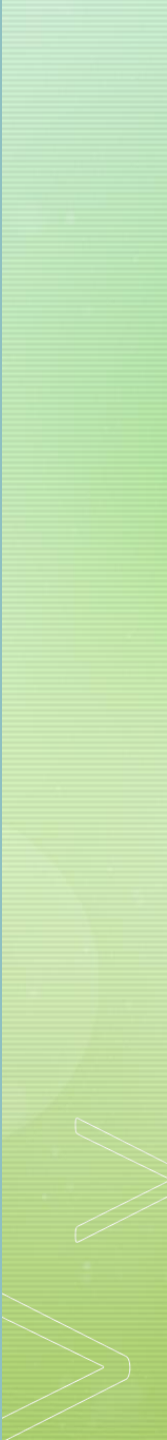


Record Keeping (it's fun!)

- Not my nature – learned out of necessity
- Helps you make informed decisions
- Keep important vital statistics

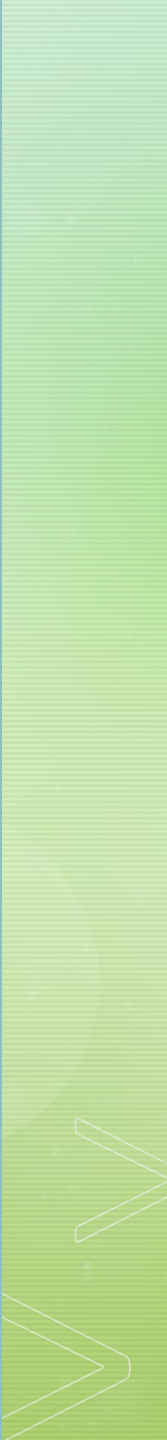


Records that I keep

- Time inputs by task, enterprise and batch
 - Feed and other production inputs
 - Inventory by batch and total freezer inventory
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Enterprise Selection

- Choose one profitable focus
 - Laser focus inside that focus
 - Farm maximum output
 - Scale up for maximum efficiencies
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Build the life that you want

- How much money do you want to make?
- How much can your farm produce?
 - Do they line up?
- What are your priorities?
- Take a break!

My Farm Today







QUESTIONS

Type your questions into the chat bar



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Food Animal Concerns Trust

Upcoming webinars

- 🐔 **January 14:** Planning Ahead for Farm Camps for Kids
- 🐔 **January 28:** Hosting a Farm School for Adults
- 🐔 **February + March TBD:** Grazing Management series
- 🐔 **March 25:** Trees for Livestock Food and Medicine

Grants, Scholarships, Mentorship & More!

- 🐔 **Scholarship applications accepted on an on-going basis**
- 🐔 **Mentorship Program applications due by December 31**

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