

LAPITE FARM

We started farming in 2001 as a second job in our country home in Pärnu County, Häädemeeste Rural Municipality that we inherited from our father.

At that time, the property included 36.4 hectares, of which 25.75 was farmland, and 1.5 hectares was natural grasslands. The animals included one cow, two pigs, and ten chickens.



For many generations, organic fertilizer, i.e. manure, liquid dung, as well as seaweed, have been used to fertilize the land, and therefore, we decided to continue with organic farming. We received training and consultations in organic farming. We acquired more animals and concentrated on growing beef cattle. We started to crossbreed a black-and-white her with high-quality beef cattle.

Currently, the farm has 137.19 hectares of farmland including grasslands, of this 83 hectares is rented. Annually, there is an average of 76 beef cattle, of which 28 are nursing cows in the main herd.

The farm is a member of the Estonian Beef Breeders Association. The Association has signed a contract with AS Rakvere Lihatööstus (Rakvere meat-packing plant) and OÜ ESTONIAN-ACB-VIANCO, which market the beef. As a result, it is also possible to get better prices.

All the food for the animals is grown on our farm. Grain is grown on 32 hectares and potatoes on 3 hectares. The remainder is used to grow clover and hay.

Information exchange and become familiar with the experiences of other entrepreneurs is important for the development of the farm. A good opportunity for this is provided by participation in the activities of the regional information centre of female entrepreneurs in Pärnu set up within the framework of the FEM project.



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