

# Participating Farms

## 1. Case Farm

Mike & Sheila Case-Smith, 360-675-1803

98 Case Rd., Oak Harbor, WA 98277

This rustic, 109 year old, diversified, family farm on North Whidbey, features fresh produce and vegetable plants, beef cattle, grain and hay. In Oct. we open to the public for U-Pick Pumpkin sales, along with picked gourmet onions, winter squash, fall decorative items and other produce. We have animals and equipment on display for self-guided tours, and folks available to answer questions and discuss farming past and present.

**Directions:** The Case Farm is located just north of Oak Harbor, off Hwy. 20 at mile marker 34 near the intersection of Hwy. 20 and NE Regatta Dr. Go down Case Rd. ½ mile to the farm. Parking is on the grass.

## 2. Island Bliss Alpacas

Dina Blackstone, 360-420-7130, islandblissalpacas@comcast.net

2839 Taylor Rd., Oak Harbor, WA 98277

Island Bliss Alpacas is located in Oak Harbor and breeds and sells alpacas with elite fleece characteristics. We have educational materials, tours, and alpaca-related clothing products, hand-spun yarn, and fiber for sale in addition to spinning and fiber processing demonstrations throughout the day. Hand-feed animals and feel their fabulous fleece! We will also be giving away free compost – ready for use in your garden.

**Directions:** From Hwy. 20, turn east on Fakkema and go about 1½ miles, then turn south onto Taylor Rd. for about a mile. The farm is on the corner of Taylor and Mounts, just south of Silver Lake.

## 3. Wildwood Farm

Heather Carder, 360-679-3474, [www.wildwoodfarm.com](http://www.wildwoodfarm.com), heather@wildwoodfarm.com

2326 N Happy Valley Rd., Oak Harbor, WA 98277

Wildwood Farm is an 80-acre breeding facility that raises horses for the racetrack and Sport Horse disciplines. Home to Noble Horse Saddlery, we have an exceptional B&B, offer a wonderful training and instruction program for riders of all ages, and host tours in which we offer training demonstrations, hay rides and pony rides for children.

**Directions:** From Hwy. 20 in Oak Harbor take Whidbey Ave. east. Turn left on Regatta Dr. then right on Crescent Harbor Rd. At the end of Crescent Harbor Rd. turn right then turn left on N Happy Valley Rd. Follow signs to the farm.

## 4. Hummingbird Farm Nursery and Gardens

Lee and Lori Spear, 360-679-5044, [www.hummingbirdfarmnursery.com](http://www.hummingbirdfarmnursery.com); lee@hummingbirdfarmnursery.com

2319 Zylstra Rd., Oak Harbor, WA 98277

We are a destination nursery and display garden on north Whidbey featuring a large selection of both unusual and popular perennials, herbs, shrubs, vines and small trees. We'll have self-guided demonstration stations with info on the benefits of horticulture in general and personal gardening in particular, and live, hands-on sessions demonstrating fall garden preparation and planting/transplanting techniques.

**Directions:** Heading north take Hwy. 20 and turn left on Zylstra Rd. (4 miles north of Coupeville). Go 4 miles & watch for blue fence after Fort Nugent Rd. Heading south take Hwy. 20 and turn right on Swantown Rd., (at the last stoplight leaving Oak Harbor) turn left on Fort Nugent Rd. Go 1.75 miles and watch for blue fence at intersection of Zylstra Rd.

### **5. Bell's Farm (Farm open Saturday only)**

Gerald Bell , 360-678-4808, reneem@cablespeed.com

892 N West Beach Rd., Coupeville, WA 98239

In operation since 1946, Bell's Farm produces wheat barley, veggies, flowers, seed crops and of course strawberries! Be sure to stop by to take a self-guided walking tour of the farm to see how they bed down the berries for winter.

**Directions:** From Coupeville: turn left onto Libby Rd. off Hwy. 20 at the sign for Ft. Ebey State Park. Take the second right onto West Beach Rd. We're at the top of the hill on the right.

### **6. Lavender Wind Farm**

Sarah Richards, 360-678-0919, www.lavenderwind.com, sarah@lavenderwind.com

2530 Darst Rd., Coupeville, WA 98239

We have Certified Organic lavender in lots of forms, including dried lavender, essential oil, food items, lotions & soaps and offer nursery plants that include lavenders, herbs, flowers, and shrubs. Come collect tips on how to grow and use lavender, and learn how to prune plants, process dried lavender, and make sachets. Lavender snacks will be available as you view the Strait of Juan de Fuca from the lavender labyrinth.

**Directions:** About 2 ½ miles north on Hwy. 20 after the light at Coupeville (or about 6 miles south of Oak Harbor) turn on Libby Rd. Turn right onto West Beach Rd., go ½ mile and take a left on Darst Rd. Then you'll see the sign for Lavender Wind Farm.

### **7. 3 Sisters Cattle Co.**

Shelly & Ron Muzzall, 360-675-2136, www.3sistersbeef.com, muzzall@aol.com

938 Scenic Heights Rd., Oak Harbor, WA 98277

Raising USDA inspected grass-fed beef for local retail, the Three Sisters are the 4th generation to work this 600 acres and each of us owns a percentage of the business. We also raise specialty crops and products like cabbage, coriander, hay, pumpkins, gourds, squash, sweet corn, free range hens (eggs), and cut flowers.

**Directions:** From Hwy. 20, turn on to Monroe Landing Rd. Go to the end of Monroe Landing Rd. Turn left on to Scenic Heights Rd. Go up the hill one mile and the farm will be on the left with parking in the pasture on the right.

### **8. Penn Cove Shellfish (Saturday only)**

Ian Jefferds, 360-678-4803, shellfish@penncoveshellfish.com; www.penncoveshellfish.com

P.O. Box 148, Coupeville, WA 98239

This unique Island County farm is the largest and oldest commercial mussel farm in the US. Tours of the farm involve a boat ride and will be available at 11:00am and 1:00pm. Those who have pre-registered by calling 360-240-5558 will be guaranteed a spot with space available. Those not pre-registered will be taken on a first come first serve basis, if space is available, the day of the event.

**Boat Tour Directions:** Boats leave from the north side of the Coupeville Wharf building. Take Hwy. 20 to Coupeville. Turn north at the light onto Main St. Follow Main Street to Front St., turn left, at the end is the wharf. Parking is up the hill 2 blocks on the right side of Alexander St.

### **9. Sherman's Pioneer Farm Produce**

Dale and Liz Sherman, 360-678-4675

46 S. Ebey Rd.

Coupeville, WA 98239

Take a trolley ride out to a pumpkin patch! Pumpkins and squash are available every weekend in October.

**Directions:** From the north - Follow the Hwy. 20 south, turn right onto Ebey Rd. From the south - Take Hwy. 20 north, turn left onto Ebey Rd. Once on Ebey Rd., the Sherman's house is the 3rd on the right, with lots of old farm equipment in the front.

### **10. Rosehip Farm and Garden (Farm open Saturday only)**

Linda Bartlett and Valerie Reuther, 360-678-3577, [rosehip@whidbey.net](mailto:rosehip@whidbey.net)

338 Fort Casey Rd., Coupeville WA 98239

Rosehip Farm & Garden is a small, diversified organic farm. We grow over 30 vegetables, including many heirloom varieties, old garden roses, peonies, dahlias, bedding plants and cut flowers. Fall vegetables, plants and cut flowers are available for purchase. Guided and self-guided tours of the fields and display gardens will be offered, as well as a presentation “Get your own personal farmer – join a CSA” at 11:00am.

**Directions:** Northbound on Hwy 20. turn left on Terry Rd. (southbound turn right), then take 1st left onto Fort Casey Rd. Rosehip is .7 miles on the right.

### **11. Au Sable Institute**

Robert Pelant, 360-678-5586, [www.ausable.org](http://www.ausable.org), [mowens@ausable.org](mailto:mowens@ausable.org)

180 Parker Rd., Coupeville, WA 98239

The Au Sable Pacific Rim site covers 175 acres of prairie and forest, including a native remnant of about 4-5 acres of prairie plants such as camas, chocolate lilies, spring gold, Roemer’s fescue, Oregon sunshine and more! We will have expertly guided tours of the prairie, forests and birds/wildlife and offer you the chance to see Bio-Diesel being made.

**Directions:** From the north - Follow Hwy. 20 signs south past Coupeville. Turn left onto Parker Rd., 2 miles past Coupeville. Parker Rd. leads “straight off” at a right bend in the highway. Turn left at the stop sign and the Au Sable Institute will be on your right. From the south - Take Hwy. 20 north toward Coupeville. Make a slight right onto Parker Rd. (about two miles south of Coupeville) and the entrance is the second drive on the right.

### **12. Greenbank Farm**

765 Wonn Rd., Greenbank WA 98253

360-678-7700 [www.greenbankfarm.com](http://www.greenbankfarm.com); [events@greenbankfarm.com](mailto:events@greenbankfarm.com)

This Whidbey landmark started out as a dairy farm in the early 1900s and became the largest loganberry farm in the US. Purchased in 1997 by the public in partnership with Island County, the Coupeville Port Authority and the Nature Conservancy, today it is a gathering place for community events, weddings and celebrations like the Loganberry Festival. It offers a market for local products, wine tasting, miles of trails, and an organic farm.

**Directions:** North of Greenbank, off of Hwy. 525, turn east onto Wonn Rd. Driveway to the farm is on the left.

### **13. Greenbank Cellars**

Frank Rayle, 360-678-3964, [www.whidbey.com/wine](http://www.whidbey.com/wine), [wine@whidbey.com](mailto:wine@whidbey.com)

3112 Day Rd., Greenbank, WA 98253

Greenbank Cellars is a winery and vineyard. We are currently producing some estate bottled wines from our vineyard. Winery will be open with wine tasting and sales.

**Directions:** From Hwy. 525, just south of the Greenbank Farm, turn west onto Bakken Rd. go ½ mile. We are at the corner of Bakken and Day Rds.

### **14. Meerkerk Gardens**

Kristi O’Donnell, 360-678-1912

3531 Meerkerk Ln., PO Box 154, Greenbank, WA 98253

Meerkerk Rhododendron Gardens was founded in the early 1960’s by Ann and Max Meerkerk. Rhododendrons will be on sale and volunteers will be available to answer cultural questions about growing them, while docents will be located throughout the Gardens to guide you and your family on a Botany Adventure tour.

**Directions:** Meerkerk Rhododendron Gardens is located just south of Greenbank near the intersection of Hwy. 525 and Resort Rd. Take Resort Rd. ½ mile east to Meerkerk Ln. Turn on Meerkerk Ln. to the main entry to the Gardens.

### **15. M Bar C Ranch, Forgotten Children's Fund**

5264 Shore Meadow Rd., Freeland WA 98249

360-331-6019, mbarcranch@whidbey.com

Home to The Forgotten Children's Fund, this beautiful ranch is in the business of producing smiles as you check out the horses and wander through the western village consisting of a post office, barber shop, jail, bank, hotel, Red Dog Saloon, church, and "boot hill."

**Directions:** From Hwy. 20, head west on Bush Point Rd. in Freeland. Just as you go down the hill into the valley, Shore Meadows Rd. will be on your right. Follow the signs down and to your left.

### **16. Forget Me Not Farms (Farm open Saturday only)**

Lois and Josh Wenzek, 360-321-2523, dlwenzek@whidbey.com

5700 Double Bluff Rd. Freeland, WA 98249

A year-round family farm specializing in flowers, berries, and produce, we offer a CSA program, educational opportunities for families, wedding site and floral work. Our self-serve shop is open daily. Children's activities start at 2pm, & guided tours run all day. We'll have baked goods, flowers, produce, & gifts for sale in our shop.

**Directions:** Going north on Hwy. 525, about 15 minutes from the Clinton ferry, turn left on Double Bluff Rd. Go 3/10 mile and turn right at the sign "Forget Me Not Farms".

### **17. High Country Farm (Demonstrations on Saturday only)**

Susan Crocker, 360-321-5220, ezecho@whidbey.com

2720 Thompson Rd., Langley, WA 98260

Unlike the other stops on the Farm Tour, this site is not open for the entire duration of the tour. BUT, it is well worth a stop at 10:00am and 2:00pm on Saturday for special sheep dog herding demonstrations. Please leave your own pets at home.

**Directions:** Going north on Hwy. 525, about 15 minutes from the Clinton ferry, turn right on Thompson Rd.

### **18. Sonshine Alpaca Farm (Farm open Saturday only)**

Gary & Pam Uhlig, 360-321-5772

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5662 Crawford Rd., PO Box 1264, Langley, WA 98260

We are a family run farm breeding & raising quality fleeced alpacas. Our family friendly tour features chickens, friendly farm dogs, and lots of up-close alpaca 'kisses'. Come see 4-H alpaca obstacle course, alpaca fiber spinning, and needle felting demos. 4-H will be selling needle felting kits and dyed & natural alpaca fiber and will give away samples alpaca 'Gold' fertilizer.

**Directions:** From Hwy. 525, turn north onto Crawford Rd. Turn left at the first driveway on Crawford Rd.

### **19. Whoamule**

Chris & Jerry Lubinski, 360-579-1244, [www.whoamulefarm.com](http://www.whoamulefarm.com), [cairn@whidbey.com](mailto:cairn@whidbey.com)

7800 S Mortland Dr., Clinton, WA 98236

Home to a flock of 44 Shetland Sheep, 2 Haflinger horses, a donkey and a mule, we sell both animals and fleeces. We will have continual fiber demonstrations and a big display/sale involving several Whidbey Island fiber producers with fleeces, roving and yarn available.

**Directions:** From Hwy. 525 just north of Clinton, take Cultus Bay Rd. south. Turn right onto Bailey Rd., turn left onto Scatchet Head Rd., and turn right onto Swede Hill Rd. The farm is on the corner of Mortland Dr. and Swede Hill Rd.