



### Welcome!



Dear Visitors,

We are back! After the challenging Covid19 year, and all the changes in our world, we are so glad to be hosting the Kenton County Farm Tour!

This year we are so proud of the work that our farming community did to rise above the challenges brought on by Covid19. Some of these challenges still exist but because of determination and support from our friends and neighbors we are standing tall.

Our sponsors this year purchased ads for us so that we can offer this brochure and print maps for you. We thank them for their generosity. Our county administration has once again placed signs along the major arteries along roads in the south end of the county.

As you are out this year please observe our natural resources like water, soil and timber and what they mean to all of us. The Kenton County Conservation District has been working tirelessly to blaze trails in the Morning View Heritage Area so that you can experience the natural beauty in Kenton County. While at Atwood Vineyard, please remember to look to the west at the beautiful rolling ridges we call home.

We like to share our farms with you. We thank you for your support.

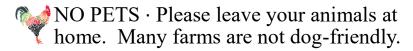
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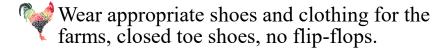
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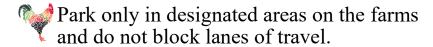
Kenton County Extension Service and 2021 Farm Tour Hosts

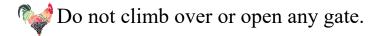
### Farm Tour Etiquette

#### TIPS FOR A SAFE & FUN FARM TOUR EXPERIENCE

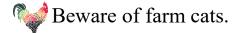








Be mindful of livestock guardian dogs, these working dogs take their jobs very seriously.



Do not pet animals from behind fencing.

Do not feed animals without farmer permission.

Do not chase animals.

Please be mindful of your children and our venues' posted schedules.

### Featured Farms





- 1. Independence Farmers Market
- 2. Kenton County Extension Service Outdoor Education Center
- 3. Milestones Equestrian Achievement Program
- 4. Kenton County Public Library
- 5. Ed-Mar Dairy
- 6. Atwood Hill Winery
- 7. Free Radical Ranch
- 8. Triple J Farm
- 9. Morning View Heritage Area
- 10. Poverty Hollow Farm
- 11. Redmans' Farm & Winery



### Independence Farmers Market

#### Located at 2001 Jackwoods Parkway next to Senior Center 8:30 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

The Independence Farmers Market is in its 13<sup>th</sup> year. A wide variety of products are offered April through October. There are all kinds of vegetables, fruit, local honey, wine, jams, sweets, breads, sauces, mushrooms, dog treats, plants, cut flowers, candles, and wood products from 15 different vendors. Music most Saturdays from 10 a.m.—noon.



2001 Jackwoods Parkway Independence, KY 41051 www.facebook.com/ SKFarmersMarket



### Cooperative Extension Service Kenton County

Visit our new Kitchen Garden as well as the Outdoor Education Demonstration Garden and Native Tree Trail. Our herb garden and Monarch Waystation/Pollinator Garden both host many beneficial insects which can be viewed during your stop. The new Kitchen Garden includes



potatoes in grow bags, an accessible gardening table, and a variety of popular vegetables and herbs that can be grown just a few steps from your back door in containers or in the ground. Wander the demonstration gardens at your own pace and have your questions answered by our Master Gardener volunteers and staff. We also have a Native Tree Trail available for self-guided tours. The kids can participate in our garden scavenger hunt! Our main building lobby will be open to you for a restroom break. Enjoy your visit!

10990 Marshall Road Covington, KY 41015 www.kentoncountyextension.org



### **Milestones**

Milestones Equestrian achievement program is a nationally

accredited, not for profit organization whose mission is to improve cognitive, physical and psychological function as well as nurture the emotional health of members of our community through therapeutic horseback riding activities. We strive to assist each rider to become an innovative and productive member of the community by building independence, self-confidence, and social skills in a safe, fun, loving environment.





12372 Riggs Road Independence, KY 41051 www.milestonesinc.org



### Kenton County Library

The William E. Durr location of the Kenton County Public Library opened in January 2007. It is a 39,000 square-foot library with 25,283 sq. ft. of public space. The branch features an eclectic mix of educational and entertaining programs for all ages. Our facility recently underwent the first of a two-phase renovation project complete with new flooring, updated service desks and painted walls. We have our very own library garden that produces a good amount of produce for patrons. Judy and Beverly, our library chickens, see to it there are a few eggs to give away each week.

Visit our "working" farm, meet Judy and Beverly the library chickens, tour the library garden and hold a baby chick. Enjoy fresh donuts ad cider! Free pumpkins while supplies last.



1992 Walton Nicholson Pike **Independence, KY 41051** www.kentonlibrary.org



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#### **Ed-Mar Dairy**

Just inside the southwest border of Kenton County you'll discover Ed-Mar Dairy, owned and operated by Eddie and Marcy Gibson. The Gibson family has been producing wholesome milk for three generations. In 2013 cheese



making was added to help extend the life of the farm. Group tours and field trips were introduced in 2018.

A herd of 55 cows produce milk that is processed into containers we buy at the grocery and into Ed-Mar Dairy's raw milk cheeses. No antibiotics or artificial hormones are present in our milk, ever. Our cheeses are hand-crafted using simple ingredients and can be found in area restaurants, markets and wineries. The state's first robotic milking machine lives at Ed-Mar Dairy, allowing the cows to milk whenever they choose. Visit us to tour the dairy, meet our cows, watch the robot at work, purchase delicious cheeses, hand crank ice cream, take a hayride and purchase goods from Ed-Mar friends.

All profits and donations received from Ed-Mar Dairy's Kenton County Farm Tour Day will be donated to Fairhaven Rescue Mission in Covington, Ky. Fairhaven provides programs and services supporting physical, spiritual and emotional needs of local, homeless and hurting men, women and children.

1034 Walton Nicholson Drive Walton, KY 41094 www.ed-mardairy.com



### Atwood Hill Winery

Atwood Hill Winery opened its doors in 2009 as a small tasting room. It has since grown to include a banquet hall, outdoor patio areas and an event barn for indoor music events. This 5th generation farm extends back to 1918, and still remains in the family name. Turning a new leaf from a tobacco and cattle operation, this three acre vineyard has received numerous awards from the wines produced. Make this your next visit for atmosphere and country charm!



In addition to wine tasting and live music on the patio, the Event Barn will be open for viewing.





1616 Spillman Road Morning View, KY 41063 www.atwoodhillwinery.com



### **Free Radical Ranch**

Free Radical Ranch has been a small family farm in Piner Kentucky since 2009 when we bought our first registered Katahdin hair sheep! We now have over 12 different species of livestock on our diversified family farm, including alpacas, llamas, goats, sheep, horses, pigs, chickens, banty chickens, ducks, peacocks, rabbits, plus barn cats and dogs!



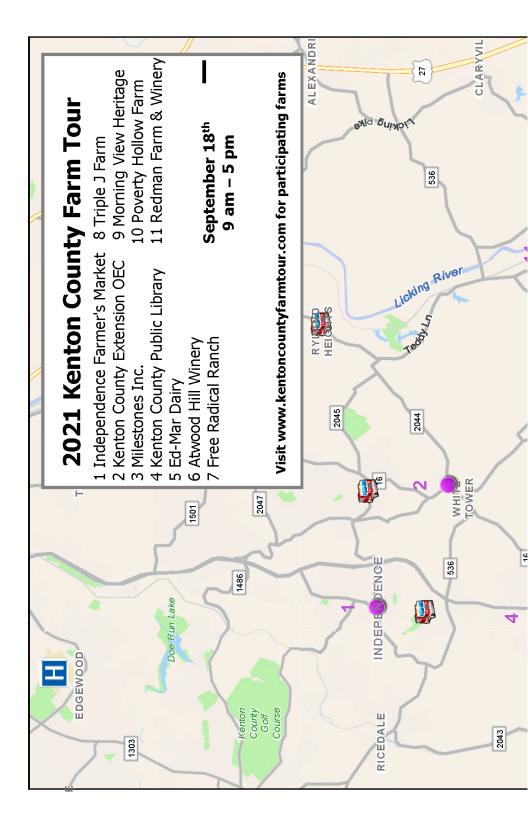
We specialize in non-GMO beef, pork, lamb, chicken eggs and duck eggs, all raised with love. We raise healthy produce with a diverse selection of heirloom and heritage varieties. We harvest Suri and Huacaya alpaca fiber and mohair fiber from our Angora goats, and recently added Teeswater wool sheep to our fiber herd. We offer unique fabric/fiber gifts and art including one-of-a-kind and farm-themed items. We make Tri-Dangle earrings using our

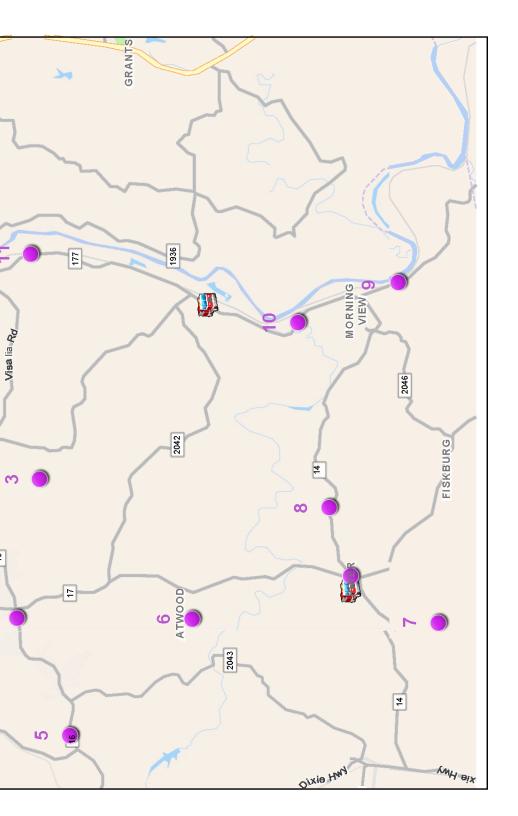


own 20+ year design. We offer quality KHSI-registered Katahdin hair sheep breeding stock. We invite the public to our open farm events and always include an educational perspective and ample picture opportunities!

15299 Parkers Grove Road Morning View, KY 41063 www.freeradicalranch.com







### 8 Triple J Farm



Triple J Farm was established in the late 1800's by the Rich family. Sisters Agnes Caldwell and Mary Rich ran the farm which produced tobacco, cattle, sheep, chickens, turkeys, and vegetables. Agnes's daughter Betty Sue, who was raised on the farm, took over with husband, Jr and continued producing tobacco and cattle. Triple J Farm consists of 185 acres and is currently operated by Jim, Jeremy, Jeremiah and Amy. Until 1997-98 the farm was a beef cattle and tobacco operation. At that point due to the

tobacco buy-out program, tobacco production ceased on the farm, and cattle and hay were the commodities raised. Today the farm has 85+ head of Black Angus cattle and produces 500-600 round bales of hay for winter consumption. In 2002, after many months of research and

farm visits, Boer goats were introduced to the operation along with a donkey, a llama, and a guard dog. Since 2002 the goat herd has ranged in size from 25 to 200+. In addition to the current goat herd of 110, there are 4 donkeys wandering the farm and 2 dogs.

Triple J will have their goats, cattle and donkeys up for viewing. They will also have the equipment utilized on the farm for hay production and farm maintenance. Kids and adults will be able to sit on tractors of every size and feed the goats. There will also be vendors selling farm products.



3124 Rich Road Morning View, KY 41063 www.facebook.com/TripleJpiner



### Morning View Heritage Area



Visit our historic dairy barn and take a hike on one of our three trails open to the public, ranging from easy to moderate difficulty. Don't miss the breathtaking view from the top of one of our trails of the entire Morning View valley or hike our easiest trail that loops around our five constructed wetlands.

The Morning View Heritage Area is open to the public 7 days a week from dawn 'til dusk. The Kenton County Conservation District has been working hard to protect and restore the land, in conjunction with making areas compatible for public use.

Although some areas still have restricted access, the main body of the property is available for hiking and observing wildlife. Stop out and explore!

#### History of the Morning View Heritage Area and Steinhauser Farm

The land was formerly known as the Steinhauser Farm. The Steinhauser family farm that is now the Morning View Heritage Area, owned and operated by the KCCD, was home to John and Matilda, and six generations of their descendants. In the 154 years that the Steinhausers were living on the Morning View property, they made many contributions to the local community. They ran a dairy farm as well as a store on their property.



15168 Decoursey Pike Morning View, KY 41063 www.kccdky.org



### Poverty Hollow Farm



Poverty Hollow Farm began as a tobacco and cattle farm about 70 years ago. Over the years we developed additional products to meet market demands. Currently we are a diversified family farm, producing Black Angus cattle, private label beef, field corn, hay, over 100 varieties of pumpkins, squash and gourds, honey, and several types of fruits and vegetables. Visitors may guide themselves over the farm or board one of our hayrides. Information will be available on topics including beekeeping, and growing and utilizing

pumpkins. We will have antique vehicles and tractors on display. Children can ride the barrel train and participate in educational activities and crafts with Kenton county 4H staff and volunteers.

Weather permitting, we will include other farming activities/demonstrations. All activities are free, but several items will be for sale, such as homemade jams, honey, Poverty Hollow Angus Beef and pumpkins. We will offer delicious food for sale all day long, featuring sweet treats made with our own fruit and pumpkins, our own hamburgers and smoked brisket. Our message is that farming is engaging, rewarding and vital to Kenton County. Enjoy your day!



MORNING VIEW, KY

14691 Decoursey Pike
Morning View, KY 41063
www.facebook.com/povertyhollowfarm



### Redmans' Farm & Winery



Redmans' Farm is nestled in the valley of southern Kenton County Kentucky, bordering the Licking River. Established in 1941, Redmans' Farm is a 5th generation working, family farm.

We added a small farm winery in 2010. We are open on Fridays 5 p.m. to 9 p.m., Saturdays 1 p.m. to 9 p.m., and Sundays 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. We have mostly fruit wines in dry, mild, and sweet and we also have wine slushies.. Redmans' Farm & Winery invites your family to visit and share a farm and wine experience with us.





12449 Decoursey Pike Morning View, KY 41063



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#### Redmans' Farm Winery

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#### Tasting Room

Friday 5-9 Saturday

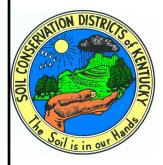
Sunday 1-6

Call for additional tasting hours.

Back Roads Wine Trail

(859)363-3364 (859)356-2837 redmansfarmnky@gmail.com Redmansfarmnky.com





## KENTON COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Visit our historic dairy barn and take a hike on one of our four trails. Morning View Heritage Area is opened to the public seven days a week from dawn 'fil dusk.



REDMANS' Farm Winery is having BOO FEST again

It begins on Sept. 25<sup>th</sup> through Oct. 24<sup>th</sup>

Saturdays 1 pm to 10 pm and Sunday 1 pm to 6 pm

FUN FOR ALL

for more information call 363-3364 or 743-6738



VISIT US ON THE 2021 FARM HARVEST TOUR!





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Wines are a journey of taste...



If you're 13+ we'd love for you to volunteer to help during lessons, with our horses, or facility care!

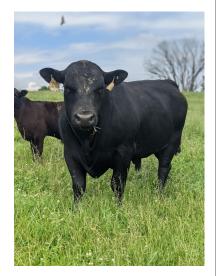


Whatever your talents are, Milestones could use your help!



Register today at: www.milestonesinc.org or call: 859-694-7669





#### Did You Know?...



166,998 people live in Kenton County.



**506** farms are located in Kenton County.



The average farmer in Kenton County is **58** years old.



The average farm in Kenton County is 73 acres.



**36%** of land in Kenton County is used for farming.



Kenton County sells \$5,390,000 worth of agricultural products per year.

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