Tour Information

This tour is designed to be educational and enjoyable for anyone interested in the agriculture industry. We’ll visit a variety of stops and learn from some of the industry’s top professionals.

Dates:
April 30 - May 2, 2015

Departs from:
Rolla, Vienna, and Columbia, MO

Transportation:
Touring Coach w/ restrooms

Tour Sponsor/Coordinator:
Dent, Callaway and Maries County
MU Extension

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Cost of Tour:
Cost of the Tour Includes:
All transportation, lodging, noon meals, and any other tickets/fees associated with tour stops
Tour costs are based on a minimum of 30 participants
$675 per couple
(double occupancy hotel rooms)
$475 per single
(single occupancy hotel room)

If you do not have a person to travel with and are willing to share a hotel room with another single traveler, if possible - no guarantees, we will pair you with another traveler and reduce your rate to $337.50. Please indicate your willingness to share a room on your registration form.

This tour must have 30 paid participants. If we do not obtain 30 participants, the tour will be canceled and you will receive a full refund.

The maximum number of travelers is 46. Spots will be filled on a first-paid-first-served basis.

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2015 South Central Missouri Cattlemen’s Tour - Schedule

Thursday - April 30
7:00 AM  Depart from Lowe’s - Rolla
7:30 AM  Pick-up in Vienna, MO at South Central Reg. Stockyards
9:30 AM  Arrive and pick-up at MU South Farm

Stop #1—MU Beef Research and Teaching Farm - Columbia, MO
The MU Beef Research and Teaching Farm, located on the South Farm, supports the research, outreach and teaching missions of MU College of Agriculture with respect to beef production. We will tour the farm and facilities and receive research updates from MU Animal Science Faculty. Lunch will be catered in at this stop.

Stop #2 – MU Swine Teaching Barn - Columbia, MO
The state-of-the-art MU Swine Teaching Barn was constructed in 2010 to train and educate students, producers, and the industry in modern swine production practices and techniques. The 110-by-48-foot building includes an exhibition room, a 24-sow breeding/gestation room, a 12-sow farrowing room, a 150-head nursery and a finishing room which can house 150 market hogs. A key feature of the swine teaching barn is the observation hallway, which allows visitors the opportunity to learn exactly what is involved in raising swine without having to go through biosecurity measures.

Stop #3—Circle A Feeders - Huntsville, MO
Circle A Feeders is a 5000 head, CAB licensed feedyard. This facility houses cattle under roof, and is very modern, and designed to capture added value and increase returns for their customers. They offer a buy-back program for customers cattle and market cattle on value based grids.

Stop #4 - Werner Feed Efficiency - Diagonal, IA
Werner Feed Efficiency Testing Center is a facility that collects individual feed intake data which is used to calculate RFI, RADG, and cost of gain. The differences within a contemporary group emphasize the potential for genetic improvement of feed efficiency within the beef cattle industry. This stop will include a cattle handling demo, demonstration on carcass ultrasound in cattle, and a discussion on how ultrasound data is used by breeders, breed associations and the industry. Lunch will be catered in at this stop.

Saturday - May 1

Stop #5 – Step Back in Time—Jamesport, MO
Jamesport, MO is home to the largest and strictest Old Order Amish Colony west of the Mississippi River. This stop will include a tour of this community and a tour of an Amish Home and Farm, along with opportunities to stop in at some Amish shops and businesses.

Supper and Lodging in Chillicothe, MO

Friday - May 1

Stop #6 Lane Farms/Beef 360- Brookfield, MO
Lane Farms is a cow/calf operation along with a growing yard for feeder cattle and heifer development. We will learn about their operation and practices, and then learn about Beef 360, a genetic and reproductive management company, that specializes in developing and sourcing high quality beef genetics.

Stop #7– Linnenbringer Farms—Hatton, MO
Linnenbringer Farms operates as a diversified crop and livestock farm in central Missouri. The farm runs a cow/calf to finish operation with direct marketing of custom beef. Luke is a serial innovator that has explored and developed avenues to increase ecological, financial, and quality of life sustainability. Lunch will be catered in at this stop.

Return to Rolla, MO - 5:00 PM

Please see reverse side for registration form and information:

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