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MOUNTAINS-TO-BAY GRAZING ALLIANCE

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Participant Profile - Complete and Return with Registration

Name: _____ **Farm Name:** _____ **Locality and State:** _____

How many years have you been farming? _____ **How much pastureland** ____**(ac.) and hayland** ____**(ac.) do you manage?**

How much of the following types of livestock do you manage?
Brood cows ____ **Stockers/Yearlings** ____ **Bulls** ____ **Replacement Heifers** ____ **Sheep** ____ **Goats** ____
Horses ____ **Other** ____

Describe your current forage system, and in which areas you would like to improve. (E.g. grass finishing on cool-season pasture, looking to improve carcass quality)

What are you hoping to get out of an advanced grazing school?

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Crewe, VA 23930

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VFGC

2019 Advanced Grazing School

Hosted by

Virginia Forage and Grassland Council
Virginia Cooperative Extension and
Natural Resources Conservation Service

Advanced concepts and strategies for experienced forage producers.

Class size is limited to the first 30 producers to register!

Wednesday, October 2nd 2019
8 am - 5 pm

Swallow Hill Farm
Woodford, VA

2019 VFGC Advanced Grazing School

This school is designed for experienced managers seeking to better understand advanced forage management concepts and intensify their grazing management. You will learn how to:

- Identify specific benchmarks for livestock on forage diets.
- Incorporate performance-enhancing forages into your system
- Use strategic supplementation to complement forage nutrition
- Better understand animal and plant physiology
- Allocate forages to maximize intake and economic return

The school will be led by forage specialists from the NRCS & Virginia Cooperative Extension. We will also be joined by , Dr. Tom Griggs, forage specialist with WVU. Tom has spent his career working with grazing-focused producers across the U.S.

Questions about the school?

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Program Registration

No refunds for cancellation after September 16th

Name _____

Address _____

_____
City *State* *Zip*

County _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Before September 2
$50 early registration per attendee

After September 2
$75 late registration per attendee

Registration includes lunch

Early registration must be received by Monday, September 2

Make Check Payable to:
VFGC

Mail Check and Registration to:

2019 Advanced Grazing School
Margaret Kenny
3599 Indian Oak Road
Crewe, VA 23930

DIRECTIONS to:

Upper Caroline Fire Department
12581 Stonewall Jackson Road,
Woodford, VA 22580

We will meet for the morning classroom session at the Caroline Fire Department.

From I-95:

- Take Thornburg Exit 118
- Drive East on Rte. 606 for almost 6 miles to fire department on left

From Rte. 2 south of Fredericksburg:

- Turn and travel West on Rte. 606 for almost 2 miles to fire department on right

After the morning session we will travel together to Swallow Hill Farm for the field portion.

Suggested lodging

Best Western Plus Thornburg Inn & Suites:
540-805-5023

Holiday Inn Express & Suites Thornburg:
540-604-9690

COME PREPARED...

We plan on holding about half of the class instruction in the field, rain or shine. Please dress appropriately and don't forget rain gear, bug repellent, wide-brimmed hat, sunscreen, etc.

Reaching for the Next Level in Grazing Management?

*Attend the VFGC **Advanced Grazing School***

This intensive, 1-day school is geared for producers who are raising high quality forages for backgrounding calves or raising replacements on pasture, as well as pasture-based finishing operations.

The field portion of the school will be held at Swallow Hill Farm—producers of grass-fed beef, lamb, and goat, which is direct-marketed on the farm. Join us to tour Swallow Hills diverse and high quality forage system including annuals, alfalfa, orchardgrass, novel fescue, and native warm season perennials. We will finish the day with an opportunity to visit the farm store and learn about planning, processing, and marketing grassfed meat.