



DIARY DATE: 9th June - Meet the Guardians of the Earth this Open Farm Sunday!

Open Farm Sunday is back for its 18th year! Marking farming's annual, national open day, this year's event will take place on Sunday 9th June, where hundreds of farms across Britain open their gates to the public.

Organised by global sustainable farming charity LEAF (Linking Environment And Farming), the event offers everyone a fantastic opportunity to see farming with nature at first hand. Visitors will discover the amazing work our farmers do as 'Guardians of the Earth' to produce our food sustainably, while caring for the environment and wildlife, answering questions like: Why are hedgerows and wildflowers so important? And what role can bat boxes and bug hotels play on a farm?

Open Farm Sunday is a great family day out, whether you are a first-time or seasoned visitor. Each event is unique, as each farm is different and every farmer too, but what they all share is a passion for farming and telling their story, amazing expertise, and a commitment to farming with nature as our 'Guardians of the Earth'.

Some farms opening on Open Farm Sunday are also LEAF Marque certified. This means that they are farming regeneratively, nurturing healthy soil, protecting water, supporting nature conservation and enhancing wildlife habitats. Here, you'll find out more about the LEAF Marque, which you might have already seen on fruit, vegetables and other products in the supermarkets, and how these are grown in harmony with nature, while creating a positive impact on the planet.

So, clear the diary, pop on your wellies (not obligatory!) and find your nearest farm to visit at www.farmsunday.org.

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- Website: www.farmsunday.org
- Facebook: @LEAFOpenFarmSunday
Twitter: @OpenFarmSunday
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- Open Farm Sunday is managed by LEAF (Linking Environment And Farming) – the charity that promotes and supports more sustainable farming to create a resilient food and farming system for future generations. LEAF is a registered charity no: 1045781 <https://leaf.eco/>
- This year Open Farm Sunday comes of age – 18 years in the making and open to all! The OFS team at LEAF are ready to support farmers across Britain to take part to make Open Farm Sunday 2024 the best ever! www.farmsunday.org
- With thanks to our Open Farm Sunday principal sponsors: AHDB, Arla Foods, Asda, BASF, Coop, Defra, Frontier Agriculture, John Deere, LEAF Marque, M&S, McDonald's, NFU, Sainsbury's, Tesco, and Waitrose.
- Open Farm Sunday 2024 will take place on 9th June 2024. Register to host an event at www.farmsunday.org
- To contact the Open Farm Sunday team direct: Email: OpenFarmSunday@leaf.eco Tel: 02476 413911 Mob: 07912 463151.