



Plumpton College

Plumpton College Centre for Sustainable Food Farming & Forestry

Course Information

Course Name: Rearing Poultry for the Table

Tutor: Sarah Blackford

Venue: Ivyland Farm
Netherfield
Nr. Battle
East Sussex
TN33 9QB

Half day course

Start Time: 10 am

Finish time: Approx. 2pm

Designed for: Any one who wants to raise table poultry. No previous experience needed. Covers equipment, housing, and rearing free- range chickens, geese, ducks and turkeys.

Aims of the course: To introduce participants to the main points that need to be considered when rearing poultry for the table

Typical number of delegates: 6 -10

Course runs approximately twice a year

Course Timetable

Course administration/ tea or coffee/introductions

Marketing of Poultry

The costs involved

Regulations and Acts that cover table poultry (handout)

Stockmanship and Staffing

Sourcing your day old chicks

Brooding chicks

Tea/ Coffee break

Housing - bedding materials, ventilation and temperature

Feed and water

Inspection for health and disease control

Emergency Procedures and health and safety considerations

Additional requirements for free range and organic systems

Catching, handling and transport

Considerations for on farm processing

Summary /Questions and Answers

Tea / Coffee and Course Evaluations

What you need to bring: Hot & cold drinks are provided, but you will need to bring a packed lunch. The course venue is on a working farm. Please wear appropriate Clothing and footwear.

As an ongoing precautionary measure, please ensure that items of clothing and footwear used previously on another farm, have been thoroughly cleaned.

Course Outcome: College Certificate (on request)

Follow on course suggestions: Poultry Processing, Poultry Stunning, Direct Meat Marketing, Basic Food Hygiene Certificate

For dates and further course information please contact Plumpton College.

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To book this course, for further information, or in case of an emergency on the day of the course please contact:

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