

SINGING PRAIRIE FARM

Lincoln County, ME

SIZE

206 acres of certified organic farmland

FARMERS

John, Holly Arbuckle & Family



FARM VISION

To regenerate soils and sequester carbon by grazing heritage pigs on permanent pasture, while producing high quality, nutritious pork. To share their holistic grazing techniques through educational outreach and build the regenerative farming movement.

ABOUT THE FARM

Singing Prairie Farm is a regenerative pastured pig operation run by the Arbuckle family in Maine. The Arbuckles are a 10th generation farm family raising heritage breeds of hogs. The farm is also known for developing Roam Sticks, the first and only non-GMO, pasture-raised pork stick.

FARMING PRACTICES

The Arbuckles rotationally graze their pigs on permanent pasture to optimize soil and animal health. Singing Prairie Farm is a regenerative farm focused on rebuilding soil biodiversity and drawing carbon back down from the atmosphere into the soil. According to Holly, “the best place to put excess carbon is back into the land as organic matter”.

Practicing holistic grazing on pasture is shown to produce healthier meat in addition to restoring soils. Singing Prairie Farm’s meat showed in a 2017 test to be higher in Omega 3’s than factory farmed pork. Singing Prairie Farm is a hub candidate for the Savory Institute.

HOW WE HELPED

Iroquois Valley financed the purchase of land for the Arbuckle family to move their pastured pig operation from Missouri to Maine in 2018. The Arbuckles identified land that was previously a dairy operation and were able to certify the land as organic immediately. They have retrofitted the dairy buildings to provide shelter for their pigs in winter. Singing Prairie Farm is Iroquois Valley’s second investment in Maine.

