

The Beichlers are a first/second generation farm family who run [Creambrook Farm](#) in their home state of Virginia's Shenandoah Valley. The 215 acre purchase closed in April 2017 and allowed this young family to establish their grass-fed organic dairy.



Kristen and Ben met while apprenticing at a diversified livestock and pasture-based farm nine years ago. Since then, they have gone on to manage a 150-head dairy herd in Pennsylvania. Connecting with Kristen's family, who run Old Church Creamery about two hours east of the farm, enables a family-sourced supply of milk to meet the growing demands of the creamery. The Beichlers started with 60 Jersey cows that they moved with Creambrook Farm. The Beichlers are working with other local creameries that will make yogurt, kefir, and cave-aged cheeses from their milk., Raw milk is also sold as part of the farm's own herdshare program.



## CREAMBROOK FARM

### AUGUSTA COUNTY, VA



Photos courtesy of Creambrook Farm: Ben Beichler with dairy cows, cows grazing on pasture, and Kristen with Lydia the dairy cow.

The farm includes 150 acres of rolling pasture and 70 acres for grain and hay production. The Beichlers use a rotational grazing system, where cows move daily to feed on fresh pasture and hay in winter. The cow manure and grass left over from the previous day feeds the soil biology and help improve the nutrient capacity and cycling in the soil. The farmstead included a meat processing facility that was retrofitted as a milking parlor.

This purchase allows Iroquois Valley to impact a new region - the Shenandoah Valley - where the company has generated considerable investor interest. Creambrook Farm adds to our footprint in the South and is 100 miles away from the Mystic River dairy farm in the Appalachians. Iroquois Valley is proud to invest in a multi-generational farm family building community through their grass-fed dairy and direct sales model.

*Iroquois Valley Farmland REIT is a restorative farmland finance company providing land access to organic family farmers, with a focus on the next generation. Private investment capital, currently from 300+ investors, supports organic farm purchases and financings from Maine to Montana.*

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