

FARM INFORMATION SHEET

Farm name: The Wandle
Location: 7439 State Highway 87, Middlemarch, Otago



Property Description:

Farm Size:

1,950 ha

Stock Units:

13,000

Farm Details:

The Wandle is predominantly a trading operation, finishing approx. 20,000 lambs and approximately 500 beef cattle.

This is complimented by a ewe breeding flock of 3,000 Romney X-bred and composite ewes and 250 Angus Cows.

- The farm has 245 paddocks plus 5 hill blocks.
- The infrastructure is in good condition following extensive development
- buildings kept to a high level. All paddocks have reticulated water.
- The farm is well serviced with sheep & cattle yards.
- There is a Farm office for general planning and staff meetings.
- The ewes are mated from 15 April. Weaning occurs from mid-December. Of the lambs, 40%+ are sold prime straight off mum with the remainder all sold prime. All lambs are sold by May. With this being a trading property, policies are able to be flexible to maximise use of grass growth and market opportunities.
- A herd of 250 Angus X cows are run on the farm with all progeny finished.
- In addition, approximately 600, trading cattle, are brought in and traded throughout the year in line with grass growth. These are sourced from within the Lone Star Farms group of farms or outside of the company.
- MA cows are mated from mid December with calving commencing mid Septemeber.



Staff:

Farm Manager, Experienced Shepherd, Shepherd x2 and casuals as required.

Accommodation:

To be confirmed at later stage.

Remuneration Package:

Salary range: \$...../annum (gross) depending on skills and experience.

Plus:

- Accommodation allowance (of \$50 or \$100/week);

- Electricity your own cost;
- Radio provided for farm communication
- Wet weather gear/protective clothing to be provided by LSF up to the value of \$500 per year;
- Farm vehicle (A rating - work use only);
- Dog expenses met by LSF for 1-3 working dogs;
- Firewood available;
- Sheep meat (1/month)

Employment start date: TBC



Further Details:

Expectations for working weekends and public holidays

Lone Star Farms believes that with good planning, organisation and completion of farm work during the week, weekend work including any public holidays, should be required for essential tasks only and can be shared equally between the team.

The Farm Manager is asked to ensure stock activities are well organised to ensure all staff, themselves included, can have the opportunity to take these days off.

It is understood however, that from time to time, it may be necessary to work on a public holiday, and staff will be compensated as per the Employment Relations Act.

Schools

- Lee Stream Primary School.
- Middlemarch Primary School – children collected from farm gate at 8.30 am.
- Taieri College, Mosgiel (45 minutes from farm) – children collected from Middlemarch at 7.30 am.

Activities available in the area include:

- Taieri Gorge Railway
- Otago Central Rail Trail – the 150 km former railway track is popular with cyclists, horse riders and walkers
- Rock and Pillar Range popular for tramping, rock climbing, photography and hunting.
- Taieri River – brown trout and salmon fishing
- Mountain biking
- Visit cafes, the local hotel, museum, craft shop
- Golf course
- New Zealand's only inland Salt Lake is at Middlemarch
- Travel on the Taieri "love train" to Middlemarch for the singles ball at Easter each year.