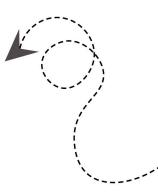
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# **BX Farm Tour 2025**

#### **Farm Stops**

5393 East Vernon Rd Brook Side Orchard & Bee Yotch Honey



**5360 Hughes Rd** Vanzeal Acres



**5469 Hughes Rd** Elderberry Fields

5630 Curlew Rd

Curlew Orchard



4122 East Vernon Rd BX Swan Lake Community Association



6311 SilverStar RD Silverstar Veggies

**7215 McLennan Rd** Hobenshield Acres

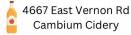


**5565 Day Rd** Indigo Valley Farms

**6852 L&A Rd** Smith Family Farm

7265 Pleasant Valley Rd Harry & Stella's Family Farm

#### Stops of Interest

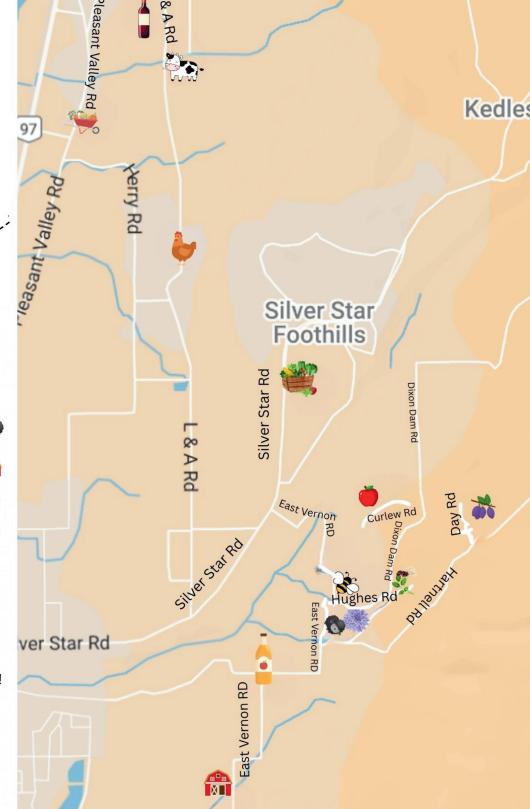


7272 L& A Rd The Perch Winery



Don't forget to get your stamp at as many stops as possible. The more stops the more chances to win a farmers gift basket!

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Email:



#### Vanzeal Acres

5360 Hughes Rd.

Vanzeal Acres is a small flower & hobby farm. As a family run farm we offer flowers fresh from the farm while in season along with farm fresh eggs, along with sourdough dough products this year We have currently expand our farm and added alpacas and their wool products for fall.



Our family work hards to operate as organic as possible farm providing farm fresh products to your family.

# Morrison Funny Farm

5155 East Vernon Rd.

We purchased our property just 4 years ago and have worked hard to turn it into a functioning farm property. There are 4 generations living on the property hence Morrison Funny Farm. We are a small hobby farm that raises pigs, chickens and lamb for consumption. The farm



also has large gardens where we grow fruit and vegetables for processing and canning. Come visit us on the farm tour to find pickles, relish, jam and many other farm products. This year have the kids visit the kids zone, they can collect some eggs, look at the different color options, brush out some raw sheep fleece, plant a garden and more.

### Silverstar Veggies

6311 SilverStar Rd.

Silverstar Veggies is a small 2.5 acre vegetable farm in foothills of Vernon. We produce a large variety of quality vegetables using natural and traditional farming practises. We are not certified organic, but we never use chemicals or pesticides on our crops. We run seasonal veggie box



programs, have a stall at the Vernon Farmers Market and weekly retail sales at the farm gate. We are passionate about growing high-quality produce for customers and community to enjoy. Our farm is managed using natural and traditional techniques along with modern equipment and knowledge.

## **Elderberry Fields**

5469 Hughes Rd.

Elderberry Fields is a 4-acre organic certified elderberry orchard. Our farm grown elderberry goes from our farm to your table! We use organic and biodynamic farming practices to sustainably grow our fresh elderberries and create our elderberry products. This year we will offer our



NEW farm to table elderflower products and frozen elderberries with the addition of an elderflower tea and elderberry jams and jellies. My nieces and nephews will have an elderberry tie-dye station where kids and grown up kids can create their own unique elderberry shopping bag.

#### Curlew Orchard

5630 Curlew Rd.

Organic apple juice in 5Litre boxes and bulk or boxed apples for sale from the farm. Apple varieties grown include gala, ambrosia, salish, granny smith, honeycrisp, nicola, hidden rose, ruby red mac and gravenstein.



#### Brookside Orchards + Bee-Yotch Honey 5393 East Vernon Rd.

Brookside Orchards is excited to announce our partnership with Bee-Yotch Honey! Join us at the orchard to sample our unique apple varieties. Bee-Yotch Honey will have an observation hive where you can meet the hardworking bees and spot the Queen bee. Don't miss



the chance to try our popular Hot Honey and explore other delightful gifts from the hive. We look forward to seeing you there!

# Indigo Valley Farm

5565 Day Rd.

Indigo Valley Farm will have a self-guided farm tour as well as a farmstand with haskap berry products (jam, juice, sauce, freeze-dried, fruit leather & frozen berries). Special event: fresh, made-on-the-spot poffertjes! (Dutch mini pancakes served with haskap sauce).



### **Smith Family Farm**

6852 L&A Rd.

Located in North BX, Vernon, BC, Smith Family Farm is proud to be part of the annual BX Farm Tour. Our mixed farm hosts free-range chickens with colourful eggs, cows Daisy and Belle with their calves, and busy honey bee hives. We grow tomatoes, eggplants, onions, bell and hot peppers, potatoes, sweet potatoes, squash, corn, and pumpkins, plus raspberries, apples, peaches, apricots, nectarines, plums, pears, cherries, and hazelnuts. From this abundance, we make homemade preserves, canned fruit, and relishes. Whether you value sustainable agriculture or dream of a



# Harry & Stella's Family Farm

homestead, visit and enjoy a day on the land.

7265 Pleasant Valley Rd.

Family owned farm growing fruits and vegetables. We take pride in providing fresh, high-quality produce to our local community. Our farm is dedicated to sustainable and responsible farming practices, ensuring that our fruits and vegetables are not only delicious but also environmentally



#### Hobenshield Acres

7215 McLennan Rd.

Welcome to our three-generation, mixed family farm! We raise quality beef, meat chickens, and farm-fresh eggs, along with growing our own orchard hay. From our garden veggies, we craft our award-winning Hal-ish Relish, proudly recognized by the IPE. Beyond the farm work, you'll meet our friendly horses, dogs, and cats—and maybe even catch a glimpse of our two daughters enjoying farm life. Come experience the heart and harmony of our family-run homestead!

# **Why Water Matters**

# A brief history of the Grey Canal

From 1906 to 1970, the Grey Canal carried water to over 20,000 acres of orchards and farmland in Greater Vernon, including areas where today's BX Farm Tour properties thrive. At 50 km long, it was once BC's largest gravity-fed irrigation system from a single water source, running from Lavington to Okanagan Lake. Without it, much of the lush agricultural landscape we enjoy today would not exist. Learn more at: www.ribbonsofgreen.ca/history-grey-canal

#### A Stream of Facts:



- From 1906–1914, workers used steam shovels, horses, and backbreaking manual labour to dig the route.
- In most places, the water flowed through ditches up to 6 m wide and 1 m deep.
- To cross rough terrain, wooden or steel flumes were built on tall trestles. The longest was 750 m near Swan Lake, and the tallest, 12 m high, stood in Bella Vista.
- At BX Creek, the canal crossed a deep ravine using an "inverted siphon"-290 m of pipe that carried water down one side and up the other without pumps.





# **BX Farm Tour**

Sept. 20 & 21, 2025

The 5th Annual BX Farm Tour invites you to connect with local food, to better know your farmers, and to explore all the BX has to offer! Pick a starting point and explore any of the farms along the way by car, foot or bike. You will be welcomed by friendly farmers happy to tell you more about their work. We will also have some artisans on site!

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