



The Mudgee Fine Foods Incorporated FARM WALKS focus on the grass roots level of production, where participants meet the farmers and learn how their produce is grown. Sometimes there is the chance to pick your own and taste the difference fresh, ethically and locally grown makes! We will visit two farms on the third Sunday of the month from March through to November.

This month's Farm Walk is on **Sunday 17th March 2019**

BONNIE VIEW FARM

The husband and wife team of Sharon and Tom moved to their piece of paradise in 2005. They decided to extend their veggie patch in 2013 to grow a wider variety of seasonal, chemical free and local produce with a view of sharing with family and friends – this soon grew into a Farmers' Market based business. To further their use of the produce Sharon started making chutney, relishes, pickles and jams.

Their other passion is *chooks!* They have wonderful, pastured raised, free-range eggs - their girls forage around the paddock during the day and are housed in innovative, purpose built mobile houses for their protection from predators at night. Completing the menagerie are some sheep, an alpaca, a horse and a dog Great one for the kids!

Di LUSSO ESTATE

Di Lusso Estate is a small farm with a lot going on!

The Estate was founded in 1999 and it is primarily famous for producing Australia's greatest range of Italian wines with over seventeen Italian varietals and blends available and yes you will have a chance to sample these after the Farm Walk!

As well as their famous wines they also run a very productive farm, producing saffron, vegetables (which they use in their tasting platters and lunches at the winery) plus beautiful olive oil from their 500 tree Olive Grove.

But it is the figs and the resulting fig products from their 120-tree Fig Orchard that we will be concentrating on this Farm Walk. Rob will discuss the methods of propagation, pest control and there will also be yummy sampling of the ripe figs.

Di Lusso Estate is also famous for their wood fired pizzas that you and the family may care to stay on and indulge in after the Farm Walk.

DETAILS

CONTACT: Julie Watt – Farm Walks Coordinator. farmwalks@mudgeefinefoods.com.au or 0412 222 442.

TIMES: Meet at 9.00 am at the Mudgee Visitors Centre, 84 Market St, MUDGEE. Usually finished by 12 - 12.30 pm.

REQUIREMENTS: Own vehicle or arrange to share, covered shoes, hat, sunscreen and water.

TICKETS: \$15 per person or \$35 per family (2 adults & a few children) extra children \$5 each.

Tickets can be purchased in person at either of our Farmers' or Makers' Markets or via the Mudgee Visitors Centre at 84 Market Street, 02 6372 1020 or on-line at either www.mudgeefinefoods.com.au or www.visitmudgeeregion.com.au/whats-on/farm-walks

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