

Our Farm

Our farm is in Holcombe Rogus on the Devon / Somerset border between Taunton and Tiverton. We farm 155 acres and are the 3rd generation of our family on the farm.

We grow wheat, barley and oats for grain and straw, some of which we use for our poultry. We have some beautiful ground in a steep side of a valley, which has not been sprayed in living memory and is lightly grazed by sheep to encourage wild flowers.



Fenton Farm

The poultry are in the fields surrounding the farm buildings. We strive for the highest standard of welfare of our animals and poultry and are keen to improve the environment on the farm. To this end we have joined the Higher Level Environment Scheme and have undertaken a number of projects to encourage wildlife and biodiversity: -

- We have 6 metres of uncropped wildlife margins around all of our fields to create habitats for small mammals, invertebrates and birds.
- We have 10 acres of fallow plots to encourage ground-nesting birds, including skylark and yellowhammer.
- We provide unharvested, unfertilised and spray free conservation headlands to provide a winter food source for wild birds.
- We are restoring 25 acres of species-rich, semi-natural grass land, which is not treated with fertiliser or sprays.
- We provide 10 acres of over-wintered stubbles to provide an important winter food source for seed eating birds.
- Half of the farms' hedges are left uncut each year to provide a winter food source for birds.
- This year we have planted 450 metres of new hedges.
- We have coppiced 250 metres of hedges to help rejuvenate them.
- We have restored a traditional orchard, planting apple, pear and plum trees.



New Hedge, unharvested conservation headland and late cut hay