CHICKEN TENDER TIMES

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Greetings from Paradigm Pastures, and welcome to our monthly newsletter.

We have been rocking and rolling in our efforts to practice humane animal husbandry in raising pastured poultry!



WHAT'S BEEN GOING ON:

We officially have grass-eating turkeys! The turkeys went out on pasture, and they are doing great. They are getting bigger by the day, and have just a month left until Thanksgiving. We love to see them foraging and enjoying the sunshine since turkeys will consume up to 40-50% of their diet in grass depending on the type of grass. This is the healthiest way for them to live and you'll notice the difference over Thanksgiving! We have pre-sold almost all of them, so we now just need to prepare for processing day. The gardens have been almost closed down...there's still kale and broccoli thriving out there. We are going to try to grow a few things in the garden shed over the winter, but we are really holding our breath since we've never successfully grown crops over the winter. We will also be growing the sprouted oats like we did last year for the egg-layers. This allows them to get the chlorophyll they need for those dark yellow yolks you only find in a grass-fed chicken egg. Speaking of eggs, the layers have been going through a moult in which they lose a lot of their feathers and grown new ones. The energy needed to replace these feathers causes their laying to reduce to nearly nothing. This reduction is compounded by the shorter daylight hours, so we have been short on our stock of eggs. Their production is picking back up, though, so you will see eggs back on our website pretty soon. You'll also see that we still have honey, sweatshirts, and pieced-out chicken on the website. We are out of whole-chickens for the year, but we do have those grill cuts and some other pieces. If you're picking up a turkey on Nov 20th and want to grab some chicken while you're here, be sure to place that order in advance. Anyone who has been here for tukey pick-up knows that it moves pretty quickly. Stopping to process a new order can really throw some kinks into the flow, so we encourage you to put those extra orders in well in advance and just note in the pickup instructions that you'll pick them up along with your turkey. Our next milestone though, is the Marine Corps birthday. We will be hosting our annual Marine Corps birthday celebration here at the house, and we so look forward to having an evening of drinks, laughs, and sea stories with our fellow Marines. There's nothing like being around a group of our brothers and sisters and carrying on our traditions. However we get a chance to see or hear from you, we hope it is soon and that you are healthy and happy. We appreciate you all!

what's the Buzz?



WE DID THE FINAL HONEY HARVEST OVER
LABOR DAY, AND WE GOT ANOTHER 60
JARS OF HONEY. IT WAS REALLY COOL TO
SEE THE RAINBOW OF POLLEN COLORS IN
THE HONEYCOMB. POLLEN & NECTAR
FROM DIFFERENT FLOWERS VARIES, AND
FLOWER COLORS VARY DURING DIFFERENT
SEASONS. THE BRIGHT YELLOWS AND
ORANGES OF SPRING MEAN LIGHTER
HONEY IN EARLIER HARVESTS. THE REDS
AND PURPLES OF LATE SUMMER MEAN A
DARKER AMBER HONEY IN LATE
HARVESTS. NOW IT'S TIME FOR THE
GIRLS TO GET WINTER-READY!









CALLING ALL MARINES:

WE WILL BE HOSTING THE 247TH

MARINE CORPS BIRTHDAY

CELEBRATION HERE AT PARADIGM

PASTURES. WE HOPE ANY LOCAL

FORMER, RETIRED, OR ACTIVE DUTY

MARINES CAN JOIN US. REGISTER

AT OUR WEBSITE BELOW:

Special Events
(paradigmpastures.com)

Only 2 Turkeys left!

We warned you, and now it's down to the wire. We only have 2 turkeys left for pre-order. If you have been wanting to put in your pre-order but haven't gotten to the website to do it, this is likely your final opportunity.

Go to the link below to reserve your bird for Thanksgiving: