

SHEEP BOOT CAMP FOR AG TEACHERS: SATURDAY'S SHEEP FARM TOURS

Our first stop will be Bend in the Creek Farm in Middleburg, Pennsylvania. On this lovely property with a vintage barn and the coolest lambing support set-up you'll ever see, Bucknell Professor Emeritus Gary Sojka and his wife Sandy have raised Tunis Sheep for over 20 years. This endangered breed is one of the oldest to be developed in America, after being brought to this country as a gift to George Washington from Tunisian royalty.

And even better.... Gary and Sandy will be in the middle of lambing season at the time of our visit! From the flock management to the sustainable farming practices to the unique challenges of breed preservation, this will be a visit to remember.

Then we'll head over to Lilac Hill Farm in Muncy, Pennsylvania, where Rick and Vivianne Lapp raise Katahdin sheep, Cream Legbar chickens, and Pilgrim geese. Rick is an expert woodworker, and you will see this influence everywhere you look. Lilac Hill Farm is a gorgeous property with beauty and practicality in every detail from fenceposts to buildings.

Your hostess Viv is proficient not only at managing sheep, but cooking them as well. Yes, Lilac Hill Farm is also our dinner stop. You will enjoy a feast of Owens Farm grass-fed lamb prepared by the Lapps: the perfect close to a day of adventure.