

Cestari Sheep & Wool Company

“Let’s Grow Sheep Together!”



FACTS: The population of sheep in the U.S.A. has gone from 54,000,000 in 1943 to 5,200,000+ today. However, the world sheep population has gone from 1 billion to 1.1 billion, with most of the increase coming from meat breeds. Where once, east of the Mississippi saw several million wool sheep, today there are hardly any left. What you see most now are hair sheep.

We operate a wool sheep operation consisting of Columbia and Targhee breeds. We also operate a commercial textile mill producing wool and cotton blend hand knitting and crocheting yarns with customers in every state, as well as Canada, Spain and Japan. Right now, we purchase wool from the Western U.S. to add to our own wool production. We will offer 4+ year old wool type breeding ewes for \$275, plus our breeding rams for \$500. These animals’ hooves will be trimmed and they will be dewormed and vaccinated before leaving our premises. We will be willing to take back any ewes you wish to sell which were purchased from us, for a credit of \$140 towards a replacement ewe. With the rams, a credit of \$200 will be given towards a replacement. Any animals returned must be healthy and in good, sound condition.

NOW FOR THE MARKETING: We will be setting up shearing stations in and about east of the Mississippi River where you can bring your sheep, which you purchased from Cestari, together with their progeny, to have them sheared. You will be asked to remove the fleece after shearing and skirt the fleece on the skirting table, then place the fleece in the baling chute. Skirting means removing manure, tags, and any stained wool, as well as wool less than 2” in length.

You will be paid by Cestari \$3.00 per lb. Historically, the highest price in the country! Fleece weights for ewes should run 8 to 12 pounds per animal, and fleece weights for rams should run 18 to 29 lbs. each. Now, producing wool becomes an economical asset. Traditionally, it has been projected to have the wool pay for maintaining the sheep, thus the lamb becomes more profitable.

You pay the shearer, plus an additional \$2.00 per head to the host farm to cover the costs of baling, the bale cover, and the bale operator, who also manages the operation. We will pay for shipping from the shearing station to the scouring plant. Bringing the sheep to the shearing station makes the harvesting of the wool more efficient and truly profitable with fleeces grossing \$30 to \$35 for ewes and \$60 to \$75 per mature rams.

In addition, we will offer to purchase the progeny lambs weighing over 100 lbs. for \$200 each. These lambs must be in full original fleece. No sheared lambs are acceptable at this price. You are free, as with the wool, to sell your lambs on your own or keep them to add to your flock. We hope to be enrolling quality shearers who shear sheep in a gentle manner at \$4.00 a head.

Our purchases, as listed above, are subject to our needs at the time, but we will try to accommodate you at the earliest possible time. Again, all subject to our needs, as well as subject to any drastic market changes.

This agreement is not subject to change without the written consent of both parties. Virginia law is the Jurisdiction for any disputes.

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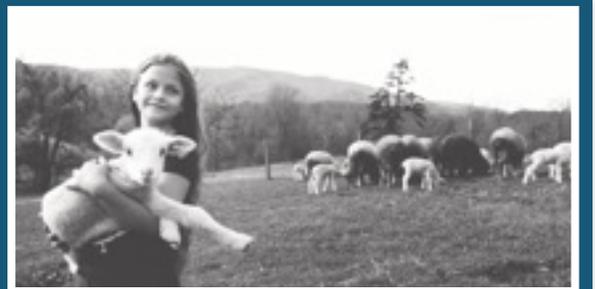
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Based upon the above, I hereby commit to purchasing _____ number of ewes. I hereby pay a deposit of _____ representing \$140 per ewe. I hereby pay a deposit of _____ representing \$250 per ram. Balance to be paid at time of receipt of the sheep.

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