

Central Oregon Ostrich



Region Redmond, OR
Farmer Since 2010
Methods Feeds ostriches spent brewers grain
Products Ostrich
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About Central Oregon Ostrich

When it comes to choosing an alternative to traditional beef ranching in the High Desert, Michael Lehman has expanded the market by raising ostrich meat. Michael is a systems engineer with a little ranching experience on the side. Having an engineering background, he liked the idea of moving away from technology and trying his hands at a new type of system. Now he raises 30 birds at a time from chicks to adults and is happy to be a part of the Central Oregon food system by offering a very unique and tasty product. Visit their website to learn more about where to find their delicious bison.

“Exercise creativity to build new systems.”

Why Central Oregon?

“This property has been in my wife’s family since 1972. Her grandfather was a homesteader in Central Oregon and bought the land for \$50. Ostrich used to be grown here. I started out by getting my eggs from a woman in Klamath.”

Why ostrich?

“It has the nutritional profile of chicken but is a pure red meat with high protein density. It tastes like beef but is a little sweeter and has less fat.”



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