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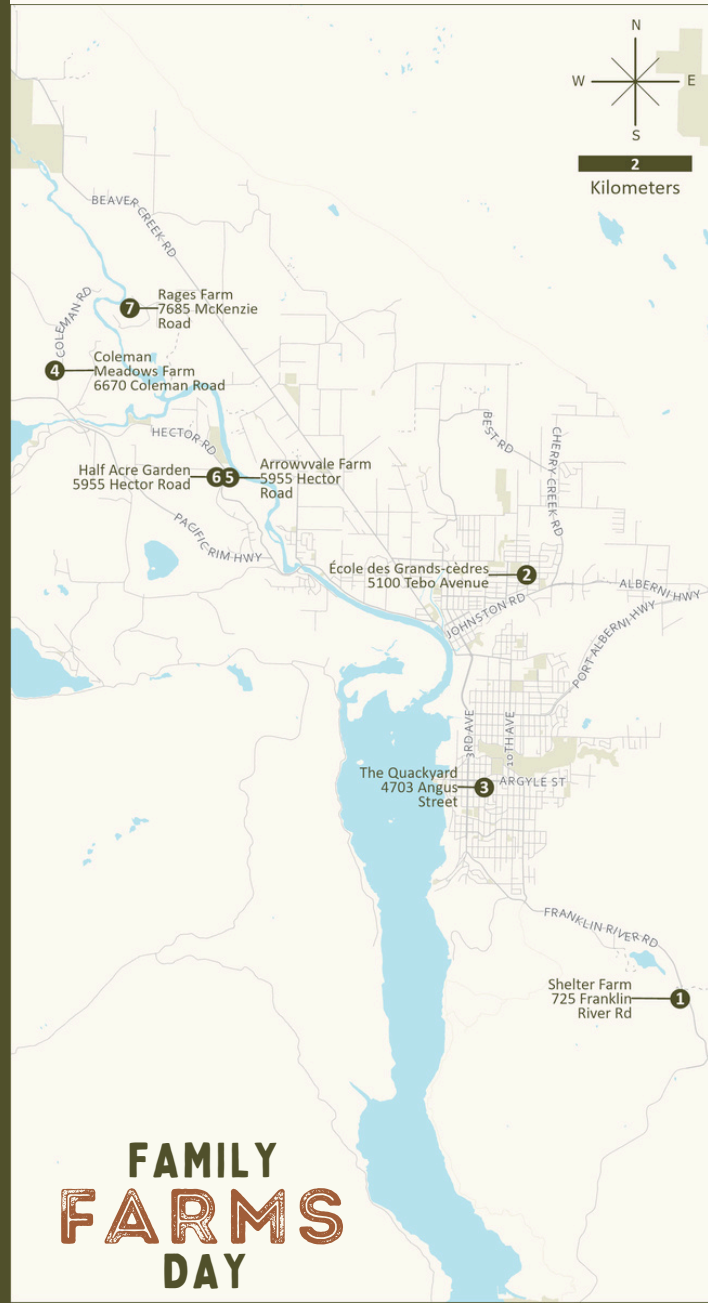
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# 2024 SITE MAP



**FAMILY  
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# FAMILY FARMS DAY

**SEPTEMBER 15 2024  
11:00 AM UNTIL 3:00 PM**

Welcome to the 12th annual  
Family Farms Day!

Farms and urban growing sites  
in the Alberni Valley have  
opened their properties to  
the community for free  
self-guided tours.

You may visit as many of the  
sites as you like and we  
encourage you to bring  
cash and a cooler for  
your farm purchases.

# FAMILY FARMS DAY

# 1

## SHELTER FARM

725 FRANKLIN RIVER ROAD

Claire Boudreau with the Port Alberni Shelter Society manages the 172-acre farm as a social enterprise market garden. The property also hosts the Valley's first Therapeutic Recovery Community program. This site will have an assortment of veggies and herbs available for purchase as you tour the gardens.

# 2

## ÉCOLE DE GRANDS-CÈDRES

5100 TEBO AVENUE

At École des Grands-cèdres, students, staff, and families aim to create a permaculture food forest that can be used by throughout the school year. The site hopes to engage students in experiential education that will cultivate lifelong healthy habits, increase school connectedness, and foster personal responsibility, stewardship, and sustainability.

# 3

## THE QUACKYARD

4703 ANGUS STREET

Leo & Dave are squeezing in as much production as possible in their 5,700 sq.ft. urban plot. The site features egg-laying ducks, fibre-producing Angora rabbits, and unconventional food plants. Learn about the urban 're-wilding' of their boulevard, and watch a fibre spinning demo from the Alberni Valley Fibre Guild.

# 4

## COLEMAN MEADOWS FARM

6670 COLEMAN ROAD

Russell, Jennifer, Edward & Melanie Dyson welcome you to their two farm businesses: a water buffalo and cow dairy. Learn more about environmental stewardship and animal husbandry as you meet the friendly animals, wander through the garden and visit the farm shop.

# 5

## ARROWVALE FARM AND CAMPGROUND

5955 HECTOR ROAD

Ann & Bob Collins have farmed in the Valley since 1980 and keep a herd of Belted Galloway beef cattle, Canadian horses, and a variety of smaller livestock. Learn more about the issues facing family farms, take a hayride, visit the animals, and purchase local food.

# 6

## HALF ACRE GARDEN

5955 HECTOR ROAD

Situated within Arrowvale Farm, Anna & Evan garden using regenerative agriculture techniques to produce 30+ types of foods, flowers, and hand-made products. This stop on the tour specializes on land share agreements and sustainable farming.

# 7

## RAGES FARM

7685 MCKENZIE ROAD

Rages Farm started in 1961 and is a 6-acre commercial greenhouse operation growing and packing hot house vegetable varieties. Learn more about the processes involved in greenhouse growing of their cucumbers, tomatoes and peppers.

