

# Discover farm life at the Big Farm Taste

Agri-Expo, the organiser of the South African Cheese Festival, brings a brand new tasting experience of all things farm with the Big Farm Taste on 14 October 2017 at Sandringham just outside Stellenbosch. Here, farmies and townies alike will be able to enjoy farm fare from *skaapstertjies* and tripe to craft beer and ice cream.



Visitors can look forward to unique combinations such as Bok&Bier (boer goat meat and craft beer next to the braai). An array of craft and artisan products such as wine, Karoo lamb sosaties, *roosterkoek*, steak, yoghurt, and ice cream will be available for tasting and sale at food and wine stalls.

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Both old and young can discover farm life during a full-day programme that includes performances by popular Afrikaans singers. Watch the line dancers perform and let them show you the ropes so you can join in the fun. Try out some Boeresport including sack racing, egg throwing and tug-of-war; enter the Big Ice-cream Eating Competition for participants of all ages; or get a team together for the Big Braai Competition, for which you may bring your own meat or buy meat from a stall.

Visitors will be able to meet more than 300 different animals. Have a go at judging by voting for the cutest animal in the Big Favourite Competition. Pose with a Percheron (a giant white draft horse as strong as a tractor) or with a boer goat or any other animal, and make sure you enter the Big Selfie Competition. Children, even the ones who do not have a pet at home, are invited to participate in the special Townies fun show to lead a milk goat around the arena. Kids can also ride ponies, visit a touch farm and meet miniature horses and donkeys.

Discover the difference between alpacas and llamas, watch sheepdogs work with sheep, and try to distinguish between 50 different kinds of chickens – from a tiny Kapokkie to a huge Orpington. Find out where the milk in the bottle comes from, see the sheep shearers in action and learn how different animals' wool is spun. Visit the giant Italian Romagnola couple, Waldo and Olivia, in the luxurious dairy cow hotel and don't miss the crowning of the FNB Dairy Queen and the BKB Red Meat King or Queen.

## Details

The programme takes place from 9am to 6pm. Tickets are available from Computicket and the gate at R80 for adults, R50

for pensioners and scholars (14 to 18 years) and free for children 13 years and under. Visit [Livestock](#) for more information; follow Livestock on Facebook, Instagram or Twitter, or contact Agri-Expo on 021-975 4440 or [oradmin@agriexpo.co.za](mailto:oradmin@agriexpo.co.za).

The Big Farm Taste forms part of the fourth Livestock, a world-class annual showcase of the South African livestock and dairy industry, attracting thousands of agriculture enthusiasts to Sandringham. It takes place from Thursday 12 to Saturday 14 October 2017. Tickets for Thursday and Friday's programme cost R60 per day, R50 for pensioners and scholars (14 to 18 years) and free for children 13 years and under, also available from Computicket and the gate.

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