



Agritourism - suggested online reading and resources

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Here are links to a variety of articles, presentations and guides involving agritourism. These materials can give you an understanding of some of the opportunities and challenges facing agritourism operators. None of these are required reading for the class; this is only for your interest.

Peer-reviewed Research Article: *California agritourism operations and their economic potential are growing* (E. Rilla, et al, 2011) http://calag.ucanr.edu/archive/?article=ca.v065n02p57

Guide: *Offering High-Quality On-Farm Experiences,* from Agritourism Best Practices series (University of Vermont, 2014)

http://www.uvm.edu/vtagritourism/files/agritourism-guide/bestpractices-highquality-experiences.pdf

Guide: *Assessing Your Farm for Agritourism*, from Agritourism Best Practices series (University of Vermont, 2014) http://www.uvm.edu/vtagritourism/files/agritourism-guide/bestpractices-assessing-your-farm.pdf

Agritourism Fact Sheet: **12 Things to Consider When Starting an Agritourism Business** (Dora Ann Hatch, LSU AgCenter) https://www.lsuagcenter.com/topics/community/community/dev/agritourism/resources/twelve-things-to-consider-when-starting-an-agritourism-business

Presentation: *Diversification through Agritourism in British Columbia*, Canada (Nicole Vaugeois, Vancouver Island University, British Columbia, Canada, 2015) http://sfp.ucdavis.edu/files/225877.pdf

Article: Agritourism in the Potato State, Idaho http://leisuregrouptravel.com/agritourism-in-the-potato-state/

Presentation: **Navigating Permitting and Regulations for Agritourism** (Karen Giovannini, 2017) https://bit.ly/2AcSiLO

Guide: **Planning a U-Pick Operation on your California Farm** (Penny Leff, UC SAREP, 2018 http://asi.ucdavis.edu/programs/sarep/research-initiatives/fs/agritourism-1/UPicklayout.pdf

Guide: *Marketing Regional Farms and Wineries: A Guide for California Agricultural Marketing Groups*, (Penny Leff, UC Small Farm Program 2015) http://sfp.ucdavis.edu/files/224898.pdf

Guide: Agritourism enterprises on your farm or ranch: Where to start (Holly George, Ellie Rilla, 2008) http://anrcatalog.ucdavis.edu/pdf/8334.pdf This publication gives you a game plan for navigating the maze of permits, plans, and approvals you will need to get in order before you launch a potentially profitable agritourism enterprise on your California farm or ranch.

Guide: Agritourism enterprises on your farm or ranch: Understanding regulations (H. George, E. Rilla, 2008) http://anrcatalog.ucdavis.edu/pdf/8333.pdf Agritourism can be a great boon to the California grower, but you have to be aware of your legal responsibilities, get your permits, and follow the rules regarding land use, zoning, public health, and other areas. This gives you a brief overview.

Guide: *Marketing Strategies for Agritourism Operations* (Holly George, Ellie Rilla, 2011) http://anrcatalog.ucdavis.edu/pdf/8444.pdf Agritourism gives the farmer a broad choice of opportunities to market products, on-farm experiences, and hospitality services. This publication will help you assess your options and work out a solid plan for marketing your agritourism operation.

Recorded Webinars: **Agritourism Conversations 2016** (Penny Leff, UC Small Farm Program, 2016) Webinars discussing issues and strategies for successful agritourism: http://sfp.ucdavis.edu/agritourism/Agritourism Conversations 2016/