



VIRTUAL FARM TOURS 2020 UNIT

Pennwood Farms Tour Discussion Guide

Name: _____

- How many cows are milked at Pennwood Farms?
- When did the Stoltzfus family start farming in their current location?
- Why did the Stoltzfus family move to Somerset County?
- What type of milking parlor is used on this farm?
- How many times per day are the cows milked at this farm?
- How long does it take for the carousel to make a full revolution?
- What information does the activity monitor on the cow's leg show?
- What activities do the cows do on a typical day at this farm?
- What breeds of dairy cattle are milked at this farm?
- What type of housing is used for the cows on this farm?
- What is the average age range of cows on this farm?
- Name two ways that the barns are climate controlled.
- Fill in the blanks. Holsteins produce the most amount of _____, while Jerseys produce the most amount of _____.



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- How do they keep the cows clean from the manure?
- Why do the milking cows live in the barn and not outside on pasture?
- What cows are on pasture at this farm?
- How are the baby calves housed on this farm after birth?
- Name three things baby calves are fed in the first eight weeks of their lives at this farm.
- How are the baby calves kept warm in their kennels?
- What is the main crop harvested on thousands of acres of this farm?
- What two types of feed are stored in the bunker or trench silos?
- How does this farm reuse tires?
- If the farm loses electricity, where does this farm get their electricity to operate?
- What is the most common medical condition requiring surgery on cows at this farm?

