

Windy Pike Farm



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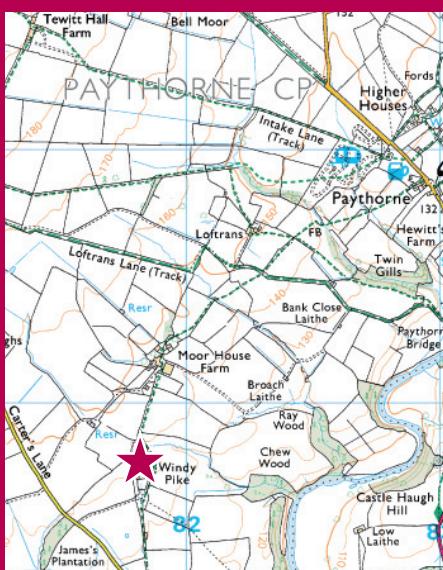
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Farm Description



Size and Landscape

- 200 hectares of undulating farmland running down to the River Ribble
- Ancient woodland, new ponds, hedgerows and wildlife corridors



Farming Type

- 160 Aberdeen Angus cattle
- 400 sheep



Facilities

- Hard surface parking for coaches
- Wet weather shelter
- Toilets and hand-washing facilities



Statement

At Ribble Aberdeen-Angus I demonstrate how a productive farm can also protect and enhance the environment. I have FACE accreditation for leading farm visits for schools and other groups. I can tailor visits for specific requirements and different key stages depending on the interests visitors have. We have a wide range of habitats including woods and river. Most visitors enjoy seeing the docile Aberdeen-Angus cattle and are surprised at the work we do to improve the breeds.

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Activities Available

- Ⓐ Cattle and sheep life cycles – feeding, breeding, management & sales
 - Digestive systems and genetics
 - Health and welfare – blood testing, vaccinations
 - Market demands
- Ⓐ Climate change & farm carbon footprint
- Ⓐ Grassland growth, types & management
- Ⓐ Farm habitat management – woodland, hedgerows, walls & water courses
- Ⓐ Escorted farm activity and discovery walks



Brief History

- Ⓐ The farm is listed in the Domesday book and the farmhouse was ‘modernised’ in 1690
- Ⓐ Nearby Castle Haugh is the site of an early Norman motte and bailey castle, known locally as Cromwell’s Basin, and an older Copper Age (early Bronze Age) settlement



Conservation on the Farm

- Ⓐ Restoration of ancient woodlands and hedgerows
- Ⓐ Wildlife corridors – trees and hedgerows
- Ⓐ Improving cover for the brown hare
- Ⓐ Improvement of stream beds for spawning salmon



Farm Walks

- Ⓐ Terrain and distances are suitable for KS1 upwards



Farm Projects

- Ⓐ Aberdeen Angus ‘meat boxes’ available on the farm or by delivery
- Ⓐ Breeding, genetics and sales of Aberdeen Angus cattle