Growing Farms ...
Successful Whole Farm Management Workshop Series

The OSU Oregon Small Farms team is collaborating with partners to offer the Growing Farm: Successful Whole Farm Management series in 2010. Growing Farms was launched in 2009 in four regions of Oregon, where 105 farmers benefited from the series.

This course is designed to provide beginning specialty crop and livestock farmers with the tools and knowledge to manage both the biological and financial risks of farming. Participants will assess their farm enterprise and gain the ability to develop a whole farm plan. Guest farmers will share their experiences and help you avoid some common mistakes when first starting out.

The workshops address these six broad topics:

- **Dream It: Strategic Planning** (goals, resource inventory, planning your dream)
- **Do It: Farm Operations** (equipment, renewable energy, season extenders, irrigation efficiency, labor issues)
- **Manage It: Farm Finance** (business management, financial strategies, funding options)
- **Sell It: Marketing Strategies** (strategies, market options, licenses and permits)
- **Grow It: Production** (Soil, cold climate production and techniques)
- **Keeping It: Managing Liability** (managing liability, insurance, farm succession)

**Register today!**

March 30; April 6, 13, 20, 27; May 4, plus one Farm Tour (Saturday, April 24)

5pm to 9pm

Deschutes County Extension Service
Redmond, OR

Cost: $200/person, $350/couple from the same farm. This includes the resource binder, workbook and a light meal. (Partial Scholarships Available, Credit Card Option)

Online registration: [http://smallfarms.oregonstate.edu/growing-farms-workshop-series](http://smallfarms.oregonstate.edu/growing-farms-workshop-series)

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