



## Tour Booklets Now Available for Bend's Second Annual Backyard Farm Tour!

Visit over a dozen backyard farms and gardens during Bend's 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Backyard Farm Tour, Saturday, August 27<sup>th</sup> & Sunday, August 28<sup>th</sup> from 10 am to 3 pm. Visit a variety of farms each day ranging from large, commercial-level operations to small-scale, optimized backyard gardens on this leisurely self-guided tour. All gardens will feature a variety of food producing plants, some utilize greenhouses and different garden covers while others have bees, chickens, or other animals. Farm owners will be available to answer questions about their gardens, the plants within them and growing techniques. The tour is divided up over two days with some farms available on Saturday, some on Sunday and others will be open both days.

*New this year, Bend Velo is offering a **guided Bicycle Backyard Farm Tour on Saturday only**. To sign up or for*

*more information, contact Bend Velo at 541-382-BIKE (2453).*

## Feast From the Farms!

On Saturday evening from 5-8 pm, tour stop owners and tour-goers will have a chance to mix and mingle to talk more about gardens, chickens, farms, and food at our first annual Feast from the Farms Event. Tickets will be sold separately from tour booklets, and will be \$10 per person. Food at the event will be provided by local chefs/ restaurants, who are paired with a farm featured on the tour. Restaurants represented include Blacksmith, Brasada Ranch, Deschutes Brewery and Dump City Dumplings. The chefs and the farms will collaborate to create several appetizers which will be served at this small-plates dining event. Local beer from Good Life Brewing, cocktails and wine will be available at a cash bar. Live music from Organic Music Farm and Big Pine and the Pitchtones will round out this informative evening event.

## About The Backyard Farm Tour

The Backyard Farm Tour is co-sponsored by Celebrate the Season and NeighborImpact, and all proceeds will benefit NeighborImpact's Food Bank. The Backyard Farm Tour arose out of a desire to share a variety of farming and gardening techniques with those interested in becoming more self-sufficient. Central Oregon is a notoriously difficult place to successfully grow vegetables such as tomatoes and peppers, but many persistent growers have learned tips and tricks over the years. For more information on the tour & the feast, contact Celebrate the Season at 541-CHICKEN or e mail [cts@bendbroadband.com](mailto:cts@bendbroadband.com)

## Booklets and Feast Tickets are available at the following locations:

Strictly Organic Coffee Co @ 6 SW Bond & 450 SW Powerhouse Drive  
 Celebrate the Season @ 61515 American Loop  
 Bits & Pieces Custom Framing @2115 NE Hwy 20  
 CE Lovejoy's Brookwood Market @19530 Amber Meadow Drive  
 Bend Pet Express (Westside) 133 SW Century Drive

A Child's Garden @2150 NE Studio Road  
Cowgirl Cash @924 Brooks St.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: We need 3-4 Volunteers at Celebrate the Season to help with the Feast from the Farms Event Saturday afternoon from 3-7 pm. Please e-mail [sandyk@neighborimpact.org](mailto:sandyk@neighborimpact.org) if you can help!**