



ADVENTURES OF A DAIRY COW

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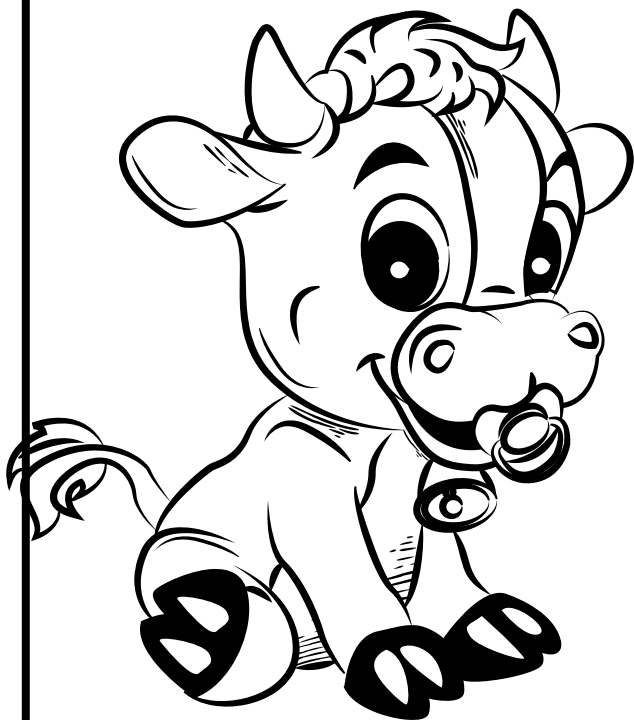




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Hi! I'm Otis, a baby calf at Irene Farm.

Irene Farm

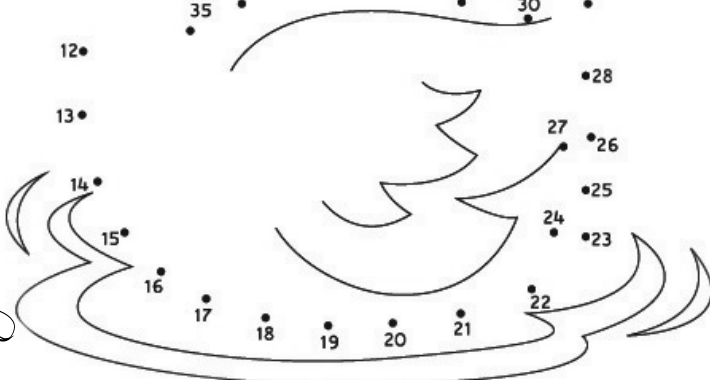
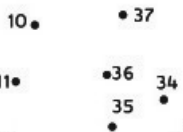
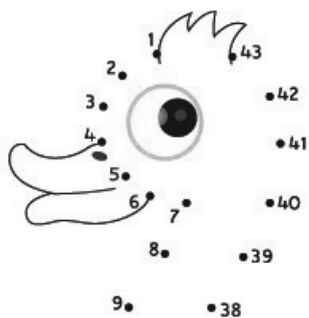
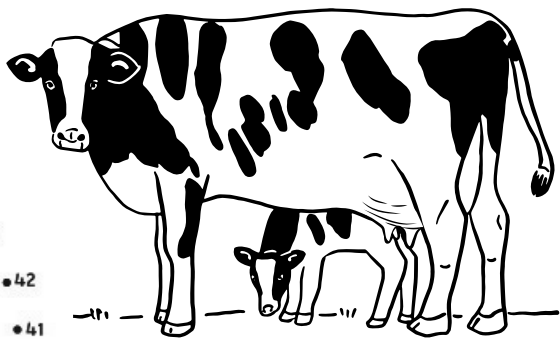
At Irene Farm we have our very own milking herd.

These cows live a very long, happy life on our farm grazing and relaxing in the fields all day long.

Did you know milk comes
from a cow?



To give us milk, a cow must first have a baby. We call her baby a “calf”.



COLOUR BY NUMBERS

1 - Green

2 - Red

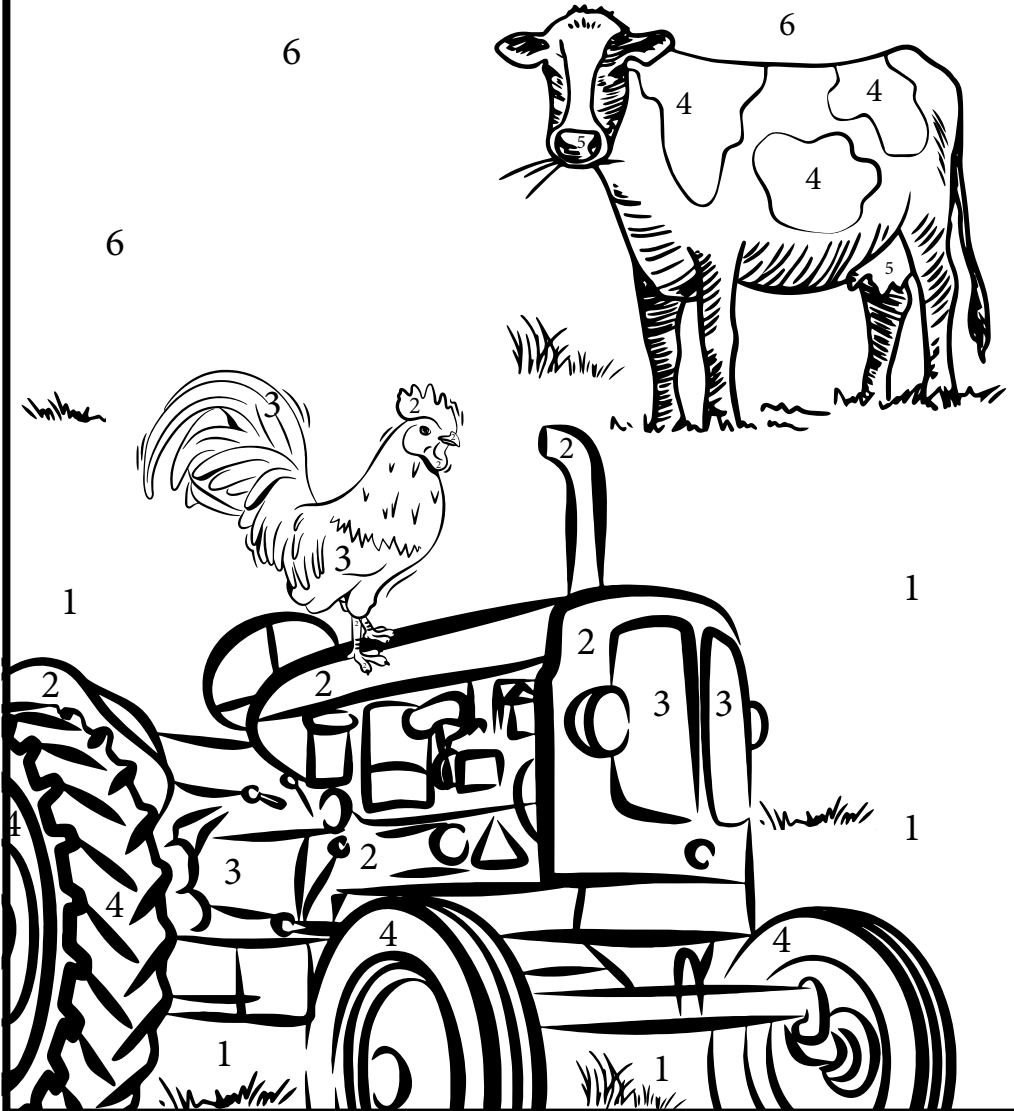
3 - Brown

4 - Black

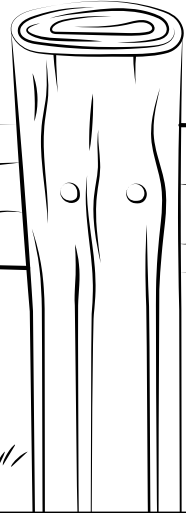
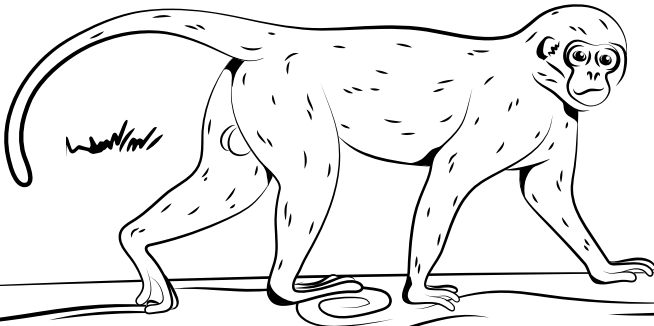
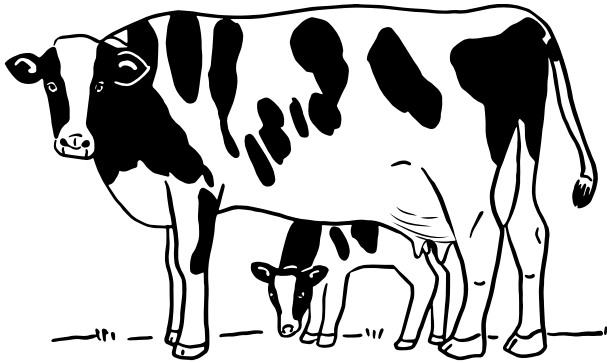
5 - Pink

6 - Blue

A cow is pregnant for 275 days!
That's a long time!



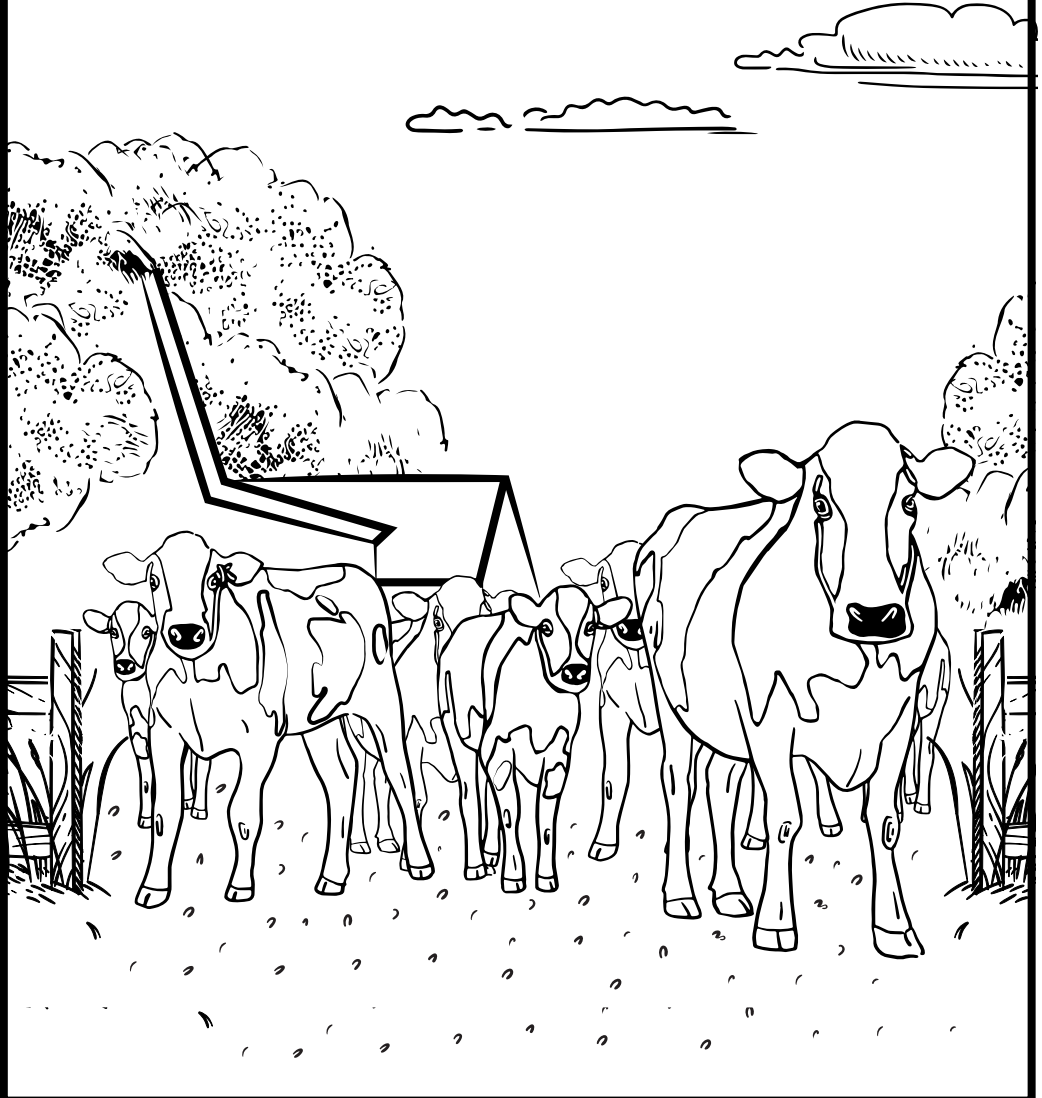
When the calf is born it stays
with its mommy for 4 days.

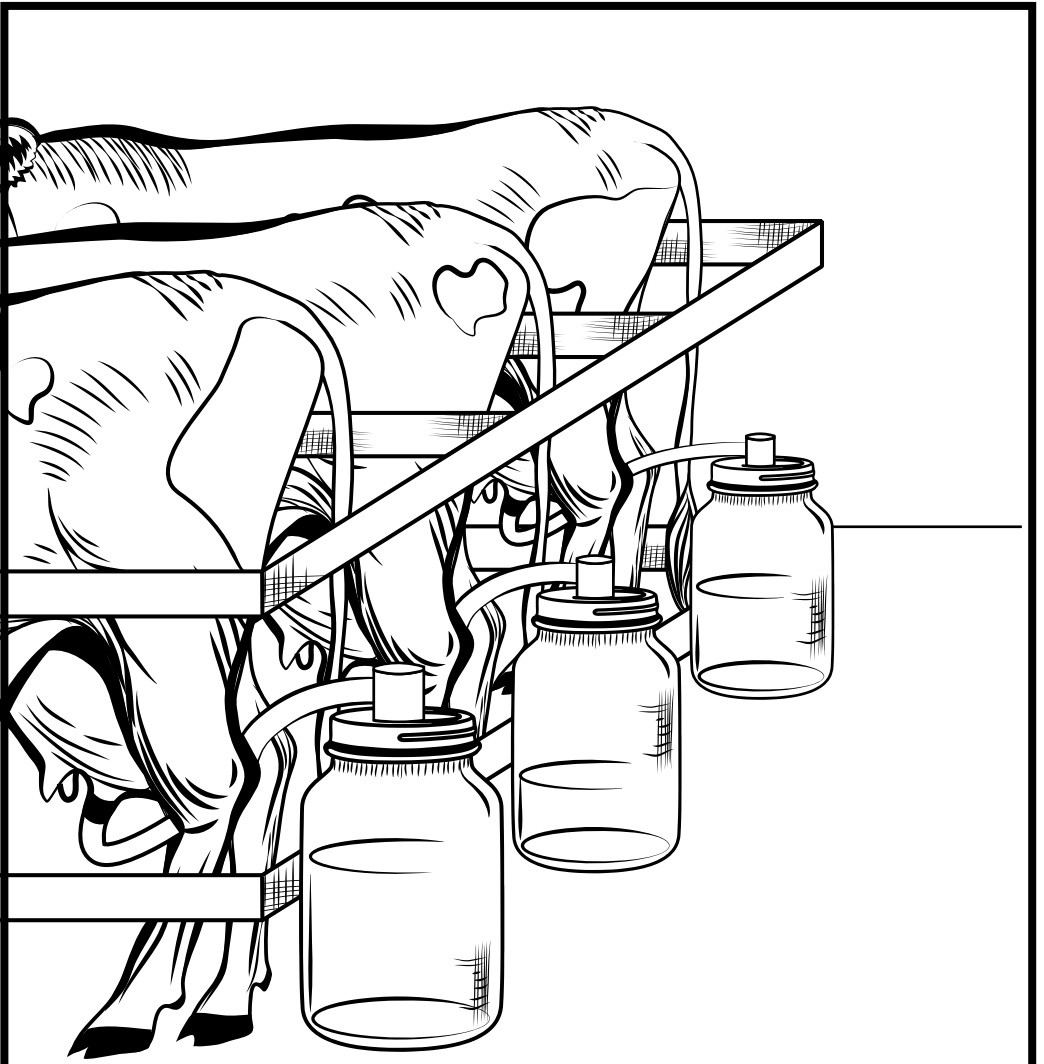


Then it goes to the pens where all the other baby calves are. Here they drink 5 litres of milk every day until they are big enough to move to the grazing fields.



The mommy cow can now give us
yummy farm fresh milk every day,
so she goes to stay with the milking
herd.





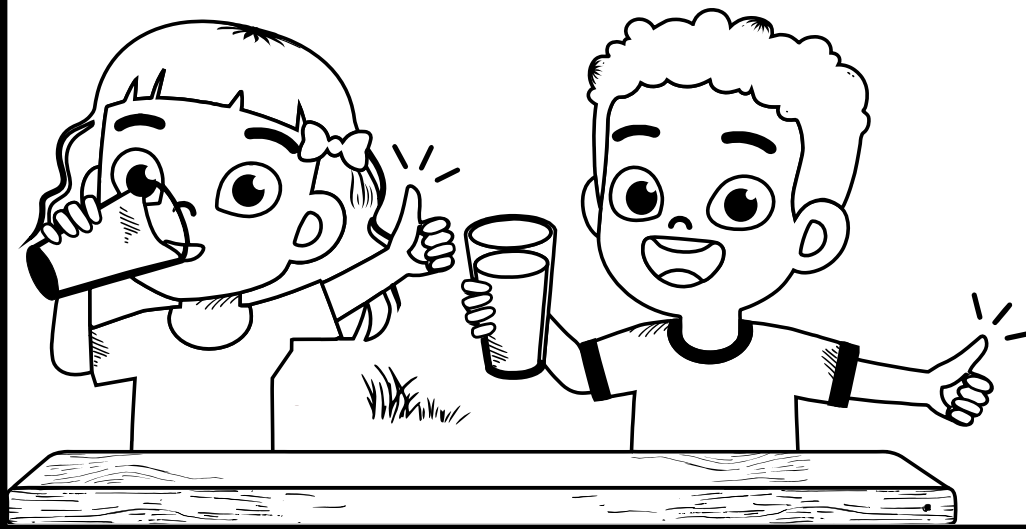
The milking herd is milked two times a day – you might have seen them being milked at Irene Farm.

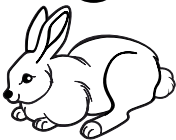
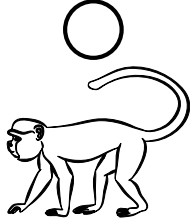
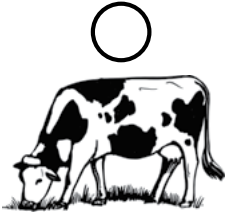
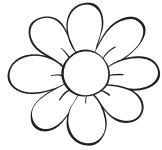
After the cows have been milked, the milk is cooled down and put into bottles.



This milk is called Certified Raw Milk and Irene Farm has been selling it for over 120 years.

Come down to Irene Farm to
visit our cows and try our milk. It
will help you grow big and strong.





1 The Dairy

2 The Deli

3 The Deck

4 The Barn

5 Milking Parlour and Stable

Viewing of our dairy cows being milked is a daily occurrence and takes place at our viewing gallery from 14h30 to 15h30. This is where kiddies learn more about where milk comes from.

6 Wishing Fountain

The famous wishing fountain can be found at the walkway entrance of the farm. Your coins will help so many as all proceeds are donated to local charities.

7 Kids Playground – Ensuring hours of fun for little ones

With loads of space to run, a fun jungle gym to climb and some old tractors as well as other farm equipment to explore, the kids will be entertained for hours.

8 Maternity Ward – Watch calves being born

Otherwise known as the Farm's 'Hospital', this area is close to our farm workers so that cows and calves are cared for as soon as they need assistance.

9 Crèche – Baby calves (0 to 1 year old)

Our little ones are kept under the watchful eye of the caretaker for the first few months of their lives. He feeds them milk twice a day, water regularly and checks that they grow up to become strong, healthy cows. Come along and view them - they love to give cow kisses (licks) to anyone who comes close enough.

10 Visit our Ponds

The ideal spot to take a picture or two. Feel free to buy a bag of corn kernels at The Deli and feed our birdlife, alternatively just take a break by resting on our natural benches whilst soaking in all that nature has on offer.

11 Little Calves – (1 to 2 years old)

The calves' playground whilst growing up consists mostly of their favourite treat which is grass! If you would like to feed them, merely offer them a nice green piece of grass and they will happily eat out of your hand.

12 Buy a Boat – Float it down our moat

The Deli sells little boats that you can assemble and paint. Then watch the boat go down the moat to the dam, catch it and start again.

13 Young Cows – (2 to 3 years old)

These teenagers are almost ready to join the herd. When they reach 3 years old the farmer artificially inseminates them so that once they have had their first calf they may join the milking herd. Wonder how old these cows are? Well the first number on their behinds is the year they were born and the second number is the number sequence in which they were born. These markings are added to their behinds when they are old enough or rather, when their behinds get big enough!

14 River Trail

Take a stroll down the tree-lined brick road or ride your bicycle and do the river loop! Whilst taking a walk, spot some animals or just enjoy the fresh air.

Visit The Deli for small gifts, souvenirs and fun kiddies activities to make your visit even more memorable. Our farm map can also be found online on our website under contact us.



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