



### Cost Effective Winter Feeding - SUPERSTOCK Hi Pro 50 Protein

- Mix with cereals for a high quality finished home-mix
- High protein concentrate for lower inclusion rates and economy
- Heavily molassed meal format for palatability and no dust
- Full mineral & vitamin inclusion with extra high vitamin E
- Beef and sheep versions are available

Cereal %	95	90	85
Hi Pro 50 %	5 (2bags/t)	10 (4 bags/t)	15 (6 bags/t)
Protein %	13	15	17
ME MJ/kgDM	12.9	12.8	12.7

We recommend a 13% protein mix for ad lib feeding systems for beef and 15% protein where the mix is restricted and forage is also fed.

With cereals at £185/ tonne and Superstock 50 at £12.99 per bag a 15% protein/12.8 ME mix can be made for £217/tonne mix. This is fully mineralised as well.

For pregnant ewes pre-lambing we recommend a 17% protein mix is fed initially increasing to 19% protein at 2 weeks pre-lambing by the addition of Superstock Supreme Sheep 40 at 5% inclusion (2 bags/tonne) replacing cereal.

**Our Blitz disinfectant is proven to kill Avian influenza virus (Bird flu) ask us for more details.**

### Downland Essential Cattle Bolus

One Downland Essential Bolus gives the complete daily requirement of Cobalt, Selenium, Copper and Iodine for 6 months

#### Benefits

- Calves born healthier with a good trace element status and a stronger immune system
- Easy clean calvings with less intervention
- Less retained cleansings so fewer vet calls
- Strong healthy calves that will get up and suck quickly
- Stronger oestrus so cows will bull more successfully
- Tighter calving interval
- Cows stronger and healthier.
- All these benefits for about 23 pence per Cow per week



### Christmas Opening Hours

**Closed on December 25th, 26th and 28th 2020 & 1st January 2021**

**We will be closing at 3pm between Christmas and New Year**

**Otherwise its business as usual!**

**Ledbury Hours TBC – Check Facebook for the latest details**

***Finally may we wish you all a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy & Prosperous New Year - we look forward to working with you throughout 2021***

## Arable Update

### Market averages

UK LIFFE wheat Mar21 @ £191 - £194

MATIF OSR May21 @ £366 - £368

AN34.5% Fertiliser @ £210 - 216/t

### Overview

It has been a thoroughly testing autumn again but most crops are planted and have established reasonably well. Given the volume of rain, soils aren't as wet as would be expected (in most cases), and have proved to be pretty resilient. Notwithstanding this not much is realistically going to happen in fields until early in the new year. This is now the opportunity to dust off your crop budgets and also put a fertiliser plan together for the spring. If you need some input into either of these areas please talk to your agronomist.

Below are best estimate budgets for Winter Wheat and Oilseed Rape – there are blank columns for your crops;

		Wheat	Oilseed Rape	Your crop 1	Your crop 2
Income	Yield (t/ha)	9	4.5		
	Value (£/t) (LIFFE Harvest)	£153.00	£360.00		
	Total Income (£/ha)	£1,377.00	£1,620.00		
Variable Costs	Seed (£/ha)	£73.10	£81.60		
	Fertiliser (£/ha)	£245.00	£237.50		
	Sprays (£/ha)	£249.60	£321.00		
	Total Variable Costs (£/ha)	£567.70	£640.10		
Gross Margin £/ha		£809.30	£979.90		

\*These figures are based on real costs but will vary widely from farm to farm.

### Web based events—Keep an eye on Facebook for upcoming webinars

COVID-19 has obviously impacted on all of us and has reduced opportunities to visit crop trials and other farm events. To make up for this **R.M. Jones** will be bringing some crop talks directly to you via the magic of the Internet starting with a **Soil and Crop Nutrition** evening on the 16<sup>th</sup> Dec. This will be looking at how to get the best from our soils, crop nutrition and at the same time looking at ways we can tick the green boxes that ELMS will be targeting in the future. For more information please talk to your Agronomist or email [ask@rmjones.com](mailto:ask@rmjones.com) for a login.

### Job Opportunity at R.M.Jones in Hay

We are looking for a full time Farmcentre Team Member to join our Hay-on-Wye store.

The right candidate will be outgoing, enthusiastic and enjoy building positive and productive relationships with our customers.

All necessary training will be provided by R.M. Jones, including AMTRA SQP/RAMA qualification and Forklift licence. There will be career progression potential for the right candidate.

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