

Rondriso Farms

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Rondriso Farm 2021 Job Posting

Rondriso Farms is looking for a farm hand for the 2021 season!

Our farm is located 5 minutes off Hwy #1, exit 53 in North Surrey just 30-45 min drive from Vancouver. We are a second generation Canadian family farm that includes cattle, eggs, hay, a variety of vegetables and a pumpkin patch. All our products are sold through our farmgate General Store where we also distribute our Localicious Produce Box. Our farming practices are rooted in sustainability, tradition, and growing good clean food for good health. Community values are essential to the farms way of working and producing. If you are keen to work hard, connect with like-minded folk who are committed to excellent farming and customer service, please read on, check us out and be in touch!

Highlights of the Farm are:

Localicious Produce Box – CSA box program (summer and fall programs)

Pumpkin Patch – running through the month of October

Our General Store – open year round

Signature Crops:

- Sweet Corn, Potatoes, Carrots (each reputed to be some of the best in the valley), beets, gourds and pumpkins, onions and garlic
- We also have a small herd of cattle raised for beef and have recently modestly increased our chicken coup to meet the demand for our eggs

Highlights of the Job are:

Working both independently and as part of a team

Serving a very loyal customer base

Variety of work: indoors and outdoors and working with your hands

On the job learning about small scale farming

About you: You enjoy getting your hands dirty and are eager to learn. Experience in farming, small-scale food production and/or labor positions is an asset however not required. This is an excellent opportunity for someone as an entry point into the field and/or someone who has recently graduated from some kind of agricultural or trade studies and wants to apply their knowledge. It is an opportunity to work with a farm team with generations of experience, known for loving what they do, working hard, and enjoying their time together. With passion, willingness and the capacity to learn and put in the work, there will be on-the-farm training to ensure that you have a solid and tailored understanding of the expectations in order to meet the demands of the role.

Posting Closing Date: The posting will remain open until the position is filled.

Our goal is to hire by April 1st 2021.

Start Date: This is a seasonal position with the potential for ongoing opportunities.

Schedule: Flexible hours based upon 20-25 hrs a week beginning May 1 and running through to November with the potential for more hours during peak periods.

Compensation: Wages will be based upon experience with a base of \$16 hr. Starting wage will be reviewed following a probationary period and increases based upon performance. In addition to compensation perks are access to farm fresh produce, stylish farm merch (i.e. tshirt and hoody for public events) and discounts on instore products.

To Apply: Please send your resume and cover letter attention Ron Tamis ronandpam@rondrisofarms.ca

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Farmhand Position Details

Job Duties: The following is an example of regular activities in the scope of this role.

- Transplanting
- Weeding – by hand – by hoe and flame weeding
- Harvesting – this includes bunching, washing and grading different vegetable crops and eggs
- Cleaning facilities and boxes in preparation for CSA
- Sorting, organizing, and packing – during box program (July-September)
- Customer service during box days, special events and pumpkin patch

Requirements: This is a physical role that works through all kinds of weather.

- Physically fit – able to lift 40-50lb on a regular basis with lots of standing, bending and kneeling
- Comfortable working with tools and a variety of equipment
- Works well independently and as part of a small team
 - o Strong work ethic and eye for working efficiently and as part of a team
 - o Communication skills – to work effectively and respectfully with team and public
 - o Adaptive - able to be flexible and take on new tasks as needed
 - o A positive attitude - enjoys working with others, can follow detailed instructions and can work at a steady pace. Perseverance and discipline are also very important in this work. **This is particularly important during the current CoVid reality – to ensure that protocols are followed on the farm ensuring safety for all**
- Field appropriate work gear – rain and shine – is the responsibility of the employee. Farm tools are provided by Rondriso Farms along with gear related to CoVid related protocols (i.e. masks, shields and gloves when required).
- Drivers license with a clean drivers abstract and/or access to reliable transportation
- Responsible and reliable are also key attributes required of this role

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