



BASCOM HOLLOW FARM

GRASS FED BEEF AND PASTURED PORK



OUR FARM

Bascom Hollow Farm is a family farm on 160 acres of protected forest and farmland in a secluded valley in Western Massachusetts. A dairy farm until the early 1960's, the fields were maintained thru hay production for decades. In 2007 the farm was purchased by the Donahue and Chalmers families, the field edges cut back, fence and water lines installed and the farm restored to productive use. Today the farm is producing grass fed beef and pastured pork. All our meats are processed at Adams Farm Slaughterhouse in Athol, a USDA inspected and certified facility.



OUR PIGS

We raise heritage breeds, Tamworth and Gloucester Old Spot cross, for their heartiness, ability to thrive outdoors on pasture, and the wonderful flavor and quality of their meat. We breed our sow Gloucester Old Spot Ellie to a Tamworth boar and also purchase spring piglets from a friend with similar stock. The piglets are started in our barnyard and transitioned out to the fields once they are large enough to be safe from predators. The pigs are humanely raised and have plenty of open pasture in which to run and play, the freedom to graze, laze in the sun, and to live free from fear and stress. They have plenty of fresh water and are fed a mixture of grain, field vegetables and fresh pasture grass; all antibiotic and hormone free. In the early Spring, we harrow and plant last year's grazed and routed pastures with an assortment of grains and legumes for Summer grazing. In the fall, they are fed pumpkins and squash from our fields.



OUR BEEF

Our herd of Devon and Devon Cross cattle enjoy life out on our secluded grassland with plenty of fresh water, shade and cooling breezes. Currently we have 9 cows, 9 calves, yearlings and a Devon bull. The cattle graze from late April when the grass is up until December frosts and the grass hunkers down for winter. We rotationally graze them across our fields, carefully managing the grassland so that the grass and the cattle thrive. In the winter, they feed on round bale hay brought to them out in the pasture. They move inside the old dairy barn only when the temperature is very cold, the wind is strong and the snow is raging. They are bred in late Summer or Fall and calve in the early Summer. The steers are with us for 2 years before they move on.



PRODUCTS

PORK:

Loin Chops, Ribs, Roasts, Ground Pork
Breakfast, Sweet and Hot Italian Sausage
Smoked Bacon



BEEF:

Ground Beef
Steaks
Roasts