

FLORADALE FEED MILL

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Interested in our Grain Bank Program?

Inquire with your sales rep today for more information!



It's harvest season! In volatile market conditions, you may want to consider Floradale's Grain Bank program. You'll have the ability to use your banked wheat and corn in your feed programs throughout year. You can lower volatility from selling at harvest and get paid at market prices when your feed is made. Contact us today for more information.



CLOSED FOR THANKSGIVING

Our office and warehouse will be closed Monday, October 10th for the thanksgiving holiday.

 519-669-5478



Floradale Welcomes Brenda Neeb

RUMINANT SPECIALIST AT FFM

Floradale Feed Mill Limited is excited to announce the addition of Brenda Neeb to our Ruminant Sales Team. Brenda joined the team as Ruminant Specialist in September and will be serving producers in the North Oxford & South Perth Counties. No stranger to the industry, Brenda and her husband operate a 2-Robot Operation between Shakespeare & Stratford and are 7th generation producers. Brenda is a passionate consultant and experienced dairy nutrition advisor & direct sales representative. With over 15 years of industry experience, she is well known for her 'awarded' customer service. Brenda combines her on-farm experience with her extensive nutrition background to bring practical, results-oriented Floradale solutions to producers. Looking for a fresh approach to meet your goals and increase your operations' profitability? Contact Brenda today for a free consultation. We look forward to serving you and your operations.

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CORN SILAGE RESULTS AT A GLANCE

MATT SCHOTSMAN, NUTRITION MANAGER



The corn silage harvest season of 2022 began around the second week of September and continues throughout Southwestern Ontario. Variable planting dates and inconsistent rainfall have resulted in conditions where quality and volume vary considerably, even from one concession to the next, as can be seen in the chart below. **In general, this year's corn crop had shorter stalks and full cobs, resulting in corn silage with high level of starch and low fibre.**

For those who haven't yet begun to harvest, moisture levels are continuing to decrease, even in fields that may appear green. The best way to determine harvest window is by checking whole plant moisture. Corn stalks can be brought to Floradale for free testing or contact a ruminant sales rep who can take a sample for you. With several frosts overnight, nitrates may also be a concern for producers feeding fresh corn silage.



Speak to a Floradale nutritionist to discuss your corn silage analysis and best strategy for feeding.

Pictured: Meghan Martin, Sales & Services Representative

Starch levels by region

Starch

County	Average	Min	Max	# of Samples
Waterloo	36.4	30.9	42.0	8
Perth	37.3	35.6	39.1	7
Wellington	36.7	31.9	40.7	7
Dufferin	36.6	32.0	40.5	4
Haldimand	37.3	36.7	37.8	2
York	34.6			1
Hamilton	28.5			1
Bruce	37.1			1
Brant	39.1			1
Durham	39.7			1

ROBOT FEEDING PROGRAMS

Meet your performance goals with Floradale's Robot Feeding programs.

NUTRITION TO SUPPORT YOUR PERFORMANCE GOALS.

1 ENHANCER ROBOT RATION

Our premium fiber-rich robot pellet lineup is available in 14%, 16% & 18% crude protein options.

- Optimize rumen health
- Excellent pellet quality & palatability that maximize performance
- Fixed formulas with less variability providing consistent results

2 ECONOMIZER ROBOT RATION

Our high-energy robot pellet lineup is available in 14%, 16% & 18% crude protein options

- A cost efficient option without sacrificing performance value
- Nutritional formulations that yield highest quality pellets
- Consistently attract cows to the robot

Want more information? Contact our sales team today.
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Tis' the season: be mindful of silo gas!



Did you know Nitrogen dioxide levels reach peak around 3 days after harvest, but can be present for up to 30 days? Remember, do not enter a silo without the blower running, and provide extra ventilation in feed rooms.

