



ASSISTANT FARM MANAGER – BEEF CATTLE

- Progressive and modern cattle enterprise
- Two properties totalling 4,000 ha
- Central West Tablelands, NSW

THE COMPANY

This professionally managed Angus beef cattle breeding and grazing operation is one of the largest agricultural holdings in the area and prides itself in being a leading, progressive, commercial cattle breeding/fattening enterprise.

It consists of two well maintained undulating grazing properties, positioned relatively close to each other, totalling 4,000 ha. Together they boast productive soils, improved and native pastures, 750-950mm of annual rainfall, excellent water supply and outstanding infrastructure.

The properties are currently running 2,200 breeding cows and a sheep trading enterprise, with plans to continue increasing the cattle herd. A large emphasis is being placed on genetic improvement, cattle handling, grazing efficiency, and maximising production/performance. In particular, a large-scale AI program is conducted on 1,100-1,200 heifers/first calvers annually, to provide the most effective genetic improvement possible in meeting our commercial breed objectives.

THE ROLE

A skilled and motivated Assistant Manager, with the potential to grow into the Manager role, is now required to join and work collaboratively with the current Farm Manager. Tasks will include all activities associated with running the cattle breeding enterprise. The position will require the successful applicant to be passionate about farm management, keen to learn, contribute new ideas and work as part of a team.

THE RESPONSIBILITIES

- Assist with all livestock activities such as animal husbandry, stock movements, breeding programs and livestock health protocols.
- Assist with record keeping and data management using computers and relevant programs.
- Assist with the annual implementation of the cropping program.
- Assist in the operation, maintenance, service and repair of relevant plant and machinery.
- Assist with general installation/maintenance of farm infrastructure including water systems, fencing/yards and buildings.
- Monitor and record stock movements, help plan stock rotations and determine feed budgets.
- Promote and adhere to all work, health, and safety policies.

THE REQUIREMENTS

- Demonstrated experience with cattle husbandry duties including stock movements, stock handling, use of drenches and vaccines.
- Competent operation of tractors, seeders, sprayers, and other farm equipment.
- Sound computer literacy required for record keeping, data management and decision-making analysis.
- Experience with the use of chemicals to manage crops and pastures.
- Experience conducting general farm installation/maintenance including fencing and water infrastructure
- Strong observation skills and attention to detail in monitoring all aspects of the farms.
- Strong written and verbal communication skills.

QUALIFICATIONS

- Completion of Year 12.
- Post-secondary qualifications relating to agriculture or farm management.
- Current unrestricted car licence and motorbike licence.
- Current ChemCert accreditation.
- First Aid training advantageous.
- Heavy Rigid Truck Licence (Heavy combination licence desirable).
- Firearms Licence desirable
- Working cattle dogs desirable

LOCATION & PACKAGE

Located in the Bathurst/ Blayney area. The remuneration package (well above award based on relevant skills and experience) will include a work vehicle, on-farm accommodation, and an allocation of feed for working dogs.

HOW TO APPLY

Apply confidentially via email to patrick@craigleapastoral.com with a Cover Letter and Resume.