

Possible Activities to Host at Your Agricultural Event

Ideas shared by farmers for farmers	Difficulty level*	
Meet the farmer - a friendly conversation with the hosts		Low
Meet the animals		
See the crops		
Tools and machinery display. Optional: Guess the purpose and how it's used.		
"Cow chip" or other farm animal BINGO with nutrient management factoid signs		
Guess how many seeds in the jar, guess the plant from the seed		
Guest speaker on a selected topic		
Machinery and or tool demonstration		
Yard/lawn games. Examples: corn hole, horseshoes, washers, "giant-size" tic tac toe, giant 4-in-a-row, etc.		
"Play as you tour" handouts. Examples: Eye spy, scavenger hunt, riddles, mad-libs, etc.		
Hospitality spot. Examples: Welcome sign, guest book (large chalkboard, digital, instant photo), selfie station, souvenirs/giveaways, business cards, brochures, etc.		Medium
Local fundraiser, door prizes, raffles. Optional: pop-up tent space.		
Farm animal face-painting		
Product sampling and taste test		
Select and tag your pumpkin, tree, etc. for a future visit		
Farmer-led tour		
Self-guided tour with wayfinding and description sign posts. Optional: QR codes for audio narration (increases level of difficulty).		
Workshop: Caring for your own garden. Farmer tips.		
Workshop: How to use farm products (selection, recipes, crafts, etc.)		
Photo booth - Farmer for a day		
Plant a seed or seedling		High
Art area. Examples: Farm scene coloring, plein air artist, farm-foodware pottery pop-up, family portrait backdrop, etc.		
How it's made demo: Real-time. Examples: farm products, packaging, planting, harvesting, etc.		
Tractor or horse-drawn wagon rides with proper towage and seating		
Barnyard Olympics or Relays. Examples: hay toss or roll, wheelbarrow race, tire flip, latch the gates, match or find the tool, etc.		
Educational dioramas. Examples: farm systems, plants at different maturity stages, etc.		
How it's made demo: Pre-made video clips or picture board. Examples: farm products, packaging, planting, harvesting, etc.		
Workshop: Maker for a day, DIY farm product to take home		

*Ease of implementation considers estimated resources (time, expenses, planning, event-specific infrastructure, etc.). Individual farm experiences will vary due to the frequency and familiarity of hosting agritourism events, specific event goals, etc. Find more agritourism resources online: www.maine.gov/dacf/agritourism/course

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