

2021 WYOMING

Specialty Crops

DIRECTORY



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Welcome

A NOTE FROM THE COORDINATOR

On behalf of University of Wyoming Extension, I am pleased to present the *2021 Wyoming Specialty Crop Directory*. UW Extension is a community development organization dedicated to helping Wyoming's people and its communities improve the quality of life, and encouraging residents and visitors to buy locally produced foods is an important part of creating a more robust food system and economy.

Our enthusiasm for developing and promoting the food system is shared by our project funders. Grant funding for this effort came from the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Agricultural Marketing Service through funds provided to the Wyoming Department of Agriculture's Specialty Crop Block Grant Program.

With these funds we created this directory to help connect people in Wyoming with edible specialty crops, including fresh vegetables and fruits, culinary herbs and spices, honey, and homemade goods containing specialty crops such as jams, jellies, barbecue and hot sauces, salsas, pickled and fermented vegetables, fruit pies, and wine. We also hope that farmers and others who produce food will use this directory to connect with their peers as they develop their skills and personal connections.

In short, we hope that this directory:

- Helps residents and visitors find and support Wyoming's local food producers.
- Connects food entrepreneurs with like-minded peers.
- Helps educate producers and others about available resources on a local, state, and national level.

Thank you!

The information in this directory was collected by Robert Waggener, who worked tirelessly to support Wyoming's agriculture, specialty crop producers, farmers' markets, CSAs, businesses that sell locally produced foods, and many others, including UW Extension offices, local conservation districts, community and school gardens, educational programs, and agencies that are involved in some way with specialty crops.

Please enjoy this opportunity to support the local food movement.

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Because of the directory's funding source, this project is focused on listing producers of edible specialty crops (as defined by the USDA), including Wyoming value-added food products using specialty crops. Reference to a specific product, process, service, manufacturer, or company does not constitute an endorsement or recommendation.

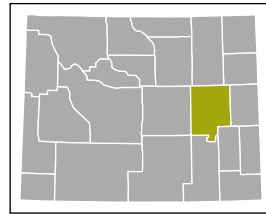
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Bear Bonz BBQ

Sells a variety of homemade barbecue sauces through online orders, at Herder Feed and the Herder Feed Farmers' Market in Glenrock, Jackalope Square Farmers Market in Douglas, and Spring Flea Market & Vendor Show in Gillette.

The business became licensed with the Wyoming Department of Agriculture in 2021, and is undergoing an expansion, including adding seasonings and rubs, offering catering services, and selling products at retail outlets in the area.



Owners: Joe Bearfield, James Bearfield, and Scott Pratt

Location: Glenrock

Email: bearbonzbbq@yahoo.com

Facebook: Bear Bonz BBQ

Phone: 307-351-1449



Berried Delights

Sells a variety of homemade jams and jellies at Pump-N-Pak in Douglas (see Weston County section for more details)

Owner: Elizabeth Townsend

Location: Newcastle

Email: elizabetht@berrieddelights.com or et@tribcsp.com

facebook.com/berrieddelights/

Phone: 307-746-9334

Website: www.berrieddelights.com/

Converse County Conservation District

Sells a variety of trees and shrubs through its seedling tree program, including fruit and berry varieties suited to Converse County, and assists with designing windbreaks; provides seedling trees to the Town of Glenrock for its Trees for Trash program; offers cost-share programs to residents, businesses, and others for community enhancement projects, and to landowners to take steps to improve soil and water quality and natural resource conservation; rents equipment to landowners to implement conservation practices, such as no-till; and offers a variety of educational programs to area residents, including youths.

District manager: Michelle Huntington; program assistant: Anna Gray; along with an elected volunteer board of supervisors

Location: Douglas

Email: michelle.huntington@wy.nacdnet.net or anna.gray@wy.nacdnet.net

facebook.com/ConverseCountyCD/

Phone: 307-624-3164

Website: <http://www.conserveconverse.org/>

Converse County Master Gardeners

Offers presentations on gardening and landscaping; conducts yard visits to help answer questions relating to gardening, landscaping, plant selection, and common issues such as weeds and diseases; and maintains a Plant Select® demonstration garden at the Wyoming State Fairgrounds (Plant Select is the country's leading brand of plants designed to thrive in the High Plains and Intermountain West with less supplemental water)

Coordinator: Becky Harris, University of Wyoming Extension horticulture educator

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Website: <https://wyoextension.org/conversecounty/>

Douglas High School Agriculture

Douglas High School students enrolled in agriculture classes and FFA learn about horticulture, plant sciences, gardening, greenhouse management, soil testing, and other topics as part of their curriculum. Students grow vegetables and flowers in a greenhouse, and some of what they grow is sold to school staff and residents with proceeds supporting the FFA program.

Ag teacher and FFA advisor: Luke Bethea

Location: Douglas High School

Email: lbethea@ccsd1.org

facebook.com/DouglasHighSchool/

Phone: 307-358-2940

Website: dhs.ccsd1.org/

4J- BQ Sauces

Family owned business that sells homemade 4J- BQ Sauce ('cayenne with a kick of sweet') and a spicy Bloody Mary mix called Bloody 55 (a 'tailgater's Bloody Mary') through online orders and at stores throughout Wyoming (see website for a list)

Owners: Melanie and Brad Jones

Location: Glenrock

Email: 4jbarbq@gmail.com

facebook.com/4JbarBQSauces/

Instagram: 4J-BQ Sauces

Phone: 307-351-9351 or 307-351-9350

Website: 4jbarbqsauces.com/



Glenrock Junior/Senior High School Horticulture

Science and agriculture students at Glenrock Junior/Senior High School, along with FFA members, learn about horticulture, plant sciences, gardening, hydroponics, and other topics as part of their curriculums. Students start vegetables on tables under grow lights, and starts are then transferred to a five-row hydroponic wall. Some of the vegetables are used in the school's culinary program.

Ag teacher and FFA advisor Coley Wondra says this is a new program at the school, and he hopes funding can be secured to construct a greenhouse by 2022, which will allow the school to expand its ag business classes. He is also making plans to coordinate with Converse County Weed and Pest to teach weed identification and control classes, and to work with interested students in obtaining certified commercial applicator licenses.

Ag teacher and FFA advisor: Coley Wondra; science teacher: Mandy Haskell

Location: Glenrock Junior/Senior High School

Email: cwondra@converse2.org or mhaskell@converse2.org

facebook.com/ConverseCounty2/

Phone: 307-436-9201

Website: converse2.org/Glenrock-High-School

Grasslands Market

Locally owned store featuring fresh-made pizzas, sandwiches on house-baked breads, homemade barbecue, and other foods, including numerous items made in Wyoming, among them specialty-crop items from Baer's Pantry, Cheyenne Honey, Chugwater Chili, 4J- BQ Sauces, Hi Mountain Seasonings, Pine Ridge Barbecue & Dipping Sauces, Rick's Original Habanero Sauce, The Rusty Bucket, That Salsa Guy, Wahoo Toppings, and Wyoming Sauce Co. (see listings for these businesses elsewhere in the directory).

"We are very proud that we support Wyoming food producers, and sell their products," says Jen Pollock.

Owners: Jen and Ed Pollock, and Deb and Bill Russell; manager: Lori Bell

Location: Douglas

Email: info@grasslandsmarket.com, jen@jensbooks.com, or lorib@grasslandsmarket.com

facebook.com/grasslandsmarket/

Phone: 307-358-8020

Website: www.grasslandsmarket.com/

Hat Six Honey

Sells locally produced honey at the Jackalope Square Farmers Market in Douglas

Owners: Lara and Woody Taylor

Location: Casper

Email: hatsixhoney@gmail.com

Facebook: T Bee S Pollination - Hat Six Honey

Phone: 307-258-7384

Herder Feed

In addition to offering a wide range of feed and other livestock products, the store sells locally produced canned goods, including barbecue sauces, hot sauces, and salsas

Owner: James Federer

Location: Glenrock

Email: herderfeed@gmail.com

facebook.com/HerderFeed/

Phone: 307-205-4444

Herder Feed Farmers' Market

Offers in-season fresh vegetables and fruits; locally produced honey; homemade canned goods, including jams, jellies, salsas, barbecue sauces, and hot sauces; farm-raised eggs; meat products, including beef, pork, sausage, and smoked items; ground coffee; arts and crafts; and other products. The market is held year-round, once a month on Saturdays (check the facebook page for dates).



Host: Herder Feed; market manager: James Federer
Location: Glenrock
Email: herderfeed@gmail.com
facebook.com: HerderFeed/
Phone: 307-205-4444

Jackalope Square Farmers Market

Offers fresh vegetables and fruits; locally produced honey; homemade goods, including jams, jellies, breads, and desserts; homemade body care products; and a variety of handmade items, including crafts. The market is held on five Saturdays in August and September.

Market host: Main Street Douglas; market manager: Stacey Ricker
Location: Douglas
Email: pilzner2@yahoo.com
Facebook: Jackalope Square Farmers Market
Phone: 307-351-2937 (Stacey) or 307-358-2000 (Main Street Douglas)
Website: seewhatconversecando.com/

Not Your Mama's Salsa

Sells a variety of homemade salsas at Gas & Go, Herder Feed, and the Herder Feed Farmers' Market in Glenrock

Owner: Jim Casteel
Location: Casper
Email: jimmr.salsa@gmail.com
Facebook: Not Your Mama's Salsa
Phone: 307-259-9634

Rick's Original Habanero Sauce

Rick's Original Habanero Sauce is offered in two heat levels on the 'Rickster Scale' (6.5 and 8.5). The hot sauces are available at Eastgate Travel Center, Glenrock Superfoods, Herder Feed and the Herder Feed Farmers' Market in Glenrock; Grasslands Market in Douglas; and Hat Six Travel Plaza in Evansville.

Owner: Rick Mezger
Location: Glenrock
Email: the1mez@q.com
Phone: 307-436-8541

307 Vendor Co-Op

Members of the Natrona County-based food cooperative offer fresh produce and other items at the Herder Feed Farmers' Market in Glenrock

President: Josh Bliss; vice president: Devon Olsen; and other board members and volunteers
Location: Natrona County
Email: 307vendorco@gmail.com
facebook.com: 307vendorco/
Phone: 307-920-0049 (Devon)
Website: https://307vendorco.godaddysites.com/

University of Wyoming Extension, Converse County office

Provides workshops, classes, and education based on community interest, such as horticulture, nutrition, and disaster preparedness; tests pressure canners; helps to coordinate University of Wyoming Master Gardeners classes; conducts yard visits to help residents address issues and also select plants suitable for the local environment; offers pesticide applicator license testing and training; organizes and facilitates 4-H club programs; and coordinates the Cent\$ible Nutrition Program (CNP), teaching individuals and families with limited resources to get the most for their food dollars and health.

Program contacts: Becky Harris (horticulture), Kellynne Doyle (4-H and youth development), and Leah Roberts (administrative officer manager); area educators serving Converse County are Scott Cotton (agriculture and horticulture), Mary Evans (CNP), and Denise Smith (nutrition and food safety)
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