



**Jones**  
FEED MILLS LTD.

September 2021

Linwood | Heidelberg | Wroxeter

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Notice, All JFM Mills and Offices will be closed Monday September 6 for Labour Day and Thursday September 30 for Truth and Reconciliation Day

## Tips for an Optimal Corn Silage Harvest

It is hard to believe that it is already that time of year again! With ample rain in most of southern Ontario throughout the summer, there could be an excellent crop of corn silage to take off. As corn silage starts to hit bunks, bags, and silos across the province, there are a few things to keep in mind to help maximize your corn crop's nutritional value.



- 1) Harvest at 65% moisture, or 2/3 milk line. **Pay close attention, as corn will begin to dry rapidly in the warmer temperatures we have been experiencing lately.**
- 2) Chop to ½ inch if not processed, or ¾ inch if processed.
- 3) For processed corn silage set rollers a dime thickness apart. **It may be a good idea to check the processing quality of last year's silage as a basis for making better-processed corn silage this season.**
- 4) Check samples for whole or poorly processed kernels often. **Processed silage should contain no whole kernels, and very few half kernels.** Processing corn silage allows for better digestion of the starch within the kernels, meaning less corn is lost undigested in manure.
- 5) Pack to an ideal density of 15 lbs of dry matter/cubic foot. **Checking last year's bunk density will give you a good indication of how to improve packing this season.**
- 6) Pack no more than 6-inch layers at a time in bunk silos.
- 7) Cover bunks quickly and well with lots of tires (enough that the tires are touching) to hold plastic down.

The handy calculation for tractor packing weight in pounds is 800 times the tons/hour delivered to the bunk or pile. If you are short packing weight, consider adding another tractor, adding weight to the front or rear of tractors, adding tire weights, or slowing down harvest. Dry matter, processing and packing make all the difference when it comes to nutrition.

Please reach out to your JFM nutrition team with questions regarding corn silage harvest. We would be happy to assist in determining dry matters, testing bunk densities or assessing processing on last year's crops in preparation for this season.

## FUTURES

Aug 30, 2021

Live Cattle

 (\$/CWT)

Oct	\$ 161.98
Dec	\$ 169.99
Feb	\$ 174.91
Apr	\$ 178.83

 Dressed Hogs  
(\$/CKG)

Oct	\$ 213.22
Dec	\$ 195.66
Feb	\$ 198.09
Apr	\$ 201.93

Canadian Dollar: \$ 1.26

Source: farms.com

## Silo Gases Can Kill

As we approach corn silage filling season, the JFM Health and Safety Team reminds all producers to properly ventilate all areas around silo access areas to prevent the presence of deadly silo gases. JFM recommends posting warning signs and keeping all personnel and family members away from all silo areas for a minimum of two weeks after filling. **Stay Safe/Stay Alive!**

## Jones Feed Mills Covid-19 Protocols and Updates – September 2021

- JFM mills and offices remain closed to the public currently. JFM has opened both the Heidelberg and Wroxeter stores. Please see the front doors of each facility for in-store directions and updates. Curbside pick-up and service remains in place for those wanting.
- When visiting the Linwood office, you may enter the vestibule and speak with JFM personnel using the phone on the desk. Please note, only one person or family unit is allowed in the vestibule at a time.
- Masks must be worn at all times when at any JFM mills.
- Curbside and dockside pick-up remain available at all JFM mills.
- Customers are requested to practice physical distancing when interacting with JFM sales or delivery personnel when at your farm.
- On-farm sales and service calls continue while utilizing Covid-19 preventative measures including mask wearing when, physical distancing and avoiding confined spaces when others are present.

For more information, please contact Jones Feed Mills at 1-800-265-8735 or [info@jfm.ca](mailto:info@jfm.ca).

# Thrive! Milk Supplement

Thrive is a whole milk supplement for calves and kids with

ESSENTIAL **4** Lipids Life

**THRIVE** is research proven to help improve calf/kid performance in 4 ways:

- \* Reduces scours \* Improved ADG
- \* Improves frame growth \* Improved feed efficiency



Talk to your JFM Dairy Sales Consultant to learn more.

**Thrive Special: Receive 20% off Thrive 10 Litre Pails or 20 Kg bags August 1 - September 30/21**

## National Truth and Reconciliation Day

In June, the federal government passed legislation to annually mark Sept 30 as National Truth and Reconciliation Day. Due to the feed industry being federally regulated, Jones Feed Mills will be recognizing this day. JFM encourages all to seek out information on the history and events leading up to this day of recognition and share it with family and friends. More info at: [www.canada.ca/](http://www.canada.ca/)



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## Sheep Program

Ask for the new JFM Sheep Program Brochure!



**Providing exceptional results through:**

- ✓ Ration Balancing using industry leading technology
- ✓ All-inclusive Feeding Programs using Jones' branded products
  - ✓ Premixes, Supplements & Complete Feeds
  - ✓ Organic, Non-GMO & Conventional Feed Ingredients

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## Summer 2021 Photo Contest Winners



Four Seasons



**1<sup>st</sup> Place**  
Harvest by Erin Warboys

Making the best of COVID



**1<sup>st</sup> Place**  
Photo by Cheryl Coghlin

Pets & Birds



**1<sup>st</sup> Place**  
Blue Jay by Shirley Godderts



**2<sup>nd</sup> Place**  
Winter by Lori Sebben



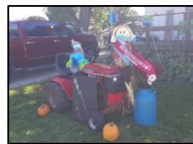
**2<sup>nd</sup> Place**  
Photo by Chelsea Coghlin-Fewster



**2<sup>nd</sup> Place**  
New Friends by Ester Kelly



**3<sup>rd</sup> Place**  
Cows & Rainbows by Dustin Martin



**3<sup>rd</sup> Place**  
Brussels Parade by Dwayne Vanravenswaay  
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**3<sup>rd</sup> Place**  
Puppy by Michaela Stoneman

## Start Them Right!!

This year's calf crop from the west is predicated to arrive more stressed and under condition than in previous years. JFM encourages producers to start their planning process now. Your JFM Beef Team is trained and experienced in receiving protocols and getting cattle off to the start they need. Start now by talking to your JFM Beef Sales Consultant and your veterinarian to have your receiving plan in place. Cattle started right, finish better!

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