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'Towns just turned to dust': how factory hog farms help hollow out rural communities | Environment | The Guardian <u>https://www.theguardian.com/environment/2022/</u> may/05/us-industrial-hog-farming-rural-towns

"Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about the things that matter." ~ Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

<u>PUC wants "INFORMAL" process for Dodge County</u> <u>Wind? Ideas for next steps!</u>

Food Systems Transformation | United States Department of Agriculture <u>https://www.usda.gov/media/live</u>

Food Systems Transformation

Tune in for an announcement by Secretary of Agriculture Tom Vilsack on USDA's framework for shoring up the food supply chain and transforming the food system to be fairer, more competitive, and more resilient.

> Wednesday, June 1 11:30 am ET www.usda.gov/live

These are the top 50 companies in Minnesota, ranked by revenue: <u>Minnesota's</u> largest companies are bigger this year.

Producers boost profits and avoid meatpackers with integrated livestock processing | Successful

Farming <u>https://www.agriculture.com/livestock/poultry/avian-influenza-</u> reported-in-michigan-in-non-poultry-flock Ag Insider: What's for dinner? Highest annual food inflation rate since Reagan era. | Food & Environment Reporting

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Amid avian flu outbreak, activists decry poultry-killing methods | AgWeek <u>https://www.agweek.com/news/minnesota/amid-avian-flu-outbreak-activists-decry-poultry-killing-</u> <u>methods?utm_medium=email&utm_source=newsletter&utm_campaign=agweek</u> <u>daily</u>

Nasal Ranger - Field Olfactometer | St. Croix Sensory <u>https://www.fivesenses.com/equipment/nasalranger/nasalranger/</u>

It's Here! Read the May Issue | The Editors at Acres U.S.A. <u>https://mailchi.mp/acresusa/may-2022-issue-is-now-available?e=e49f04f0fe</u>

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Shake It for Me Girls: Minnesota Dairy Farm a Luke Bryan Farm Tour Stop

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What the IPCC Climate Report Says About Our Food System | FoodPrint <u>https://mailchi.mp/foodprint/ipcc_report_3?e=00430612ff</u>

Your Weekly Acres U.S.A. Digest | Acres U.S.A. <u>https://mailchi.mp/acresusa/your-weekly-acres-usa-digest-5-20-</u> 22?e=e49f04f0fe

Drought last year ran state wells dry | Star Tribune <u>https://www.startribune.com/the-drying-wells-of-minnesota/600173281/</u>

Ag Insider: USDA offers plan to reform poultry 'tournament' system | Food & Environment Reporting Network <u>https://mailchi.mp/thefern.org/ag-insider-usda-offers-plan-to-reform-poultry-tournament-system?e=7568fe7c73</u> Do wild pigs (not boars) taste better than domesticated pigs?



I killed a nice big feral pig in Texas a few years back. We skinned it and cut it up to package and freeze that evening, but I had to have some for dinner that night. I carefully cut out the tenderloins and prepared them to grill thinking they were going to be amazing!

They were not amazing, however they were amazingly tough and void of flavor. I never imagined the tenderloin of anything could be so tough and inedible. It was not over cooked or burned it looked great, it certainly was not great.

(In response to comments; I must say that I am fully aware of the countless strategies people use to improve the flavor and texture of wild game so thank you. My point was that these tenderloins were nothing like any wild game I've had anywhere, they were awful! I have eaten the tenderloins directly out of most of the big game animals in North America and they were all perfectly edible without any measures to mitigate taste or toughness. But this pig was a completely different story, it was never going to be tender no matter how long it hung, how ground up it was, or how much it was hit with a hammer!



We Must Confront the Largest Unaddressed Source of Water Pollution! | Waterkeeper Alliance <u>https://mailchi.mp/waterkeeper/we-must-keep-forever-chemicals-out-of-our-water-334068?e=c8ebe4c117</u>

Ag Insider: Biden promises bold plan to combat hunger | Food & Environment Reporting Network <u>https://mailchi.mp/thefern.org/ag-insider-biden-promises-</u> <u>bold-plan-to-combat-hunger?e=7568fe7c73</u>

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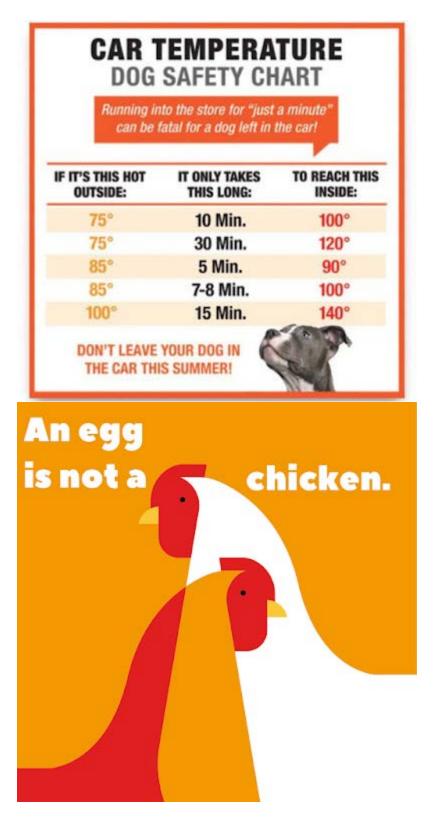
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https://www.nytimes.com/2022/04/29/world/europe/angl o-saxon-kings-diet.html

Homegrown News | City of

Minneapolis https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/MPL

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lands | Food & Environmental Reporting

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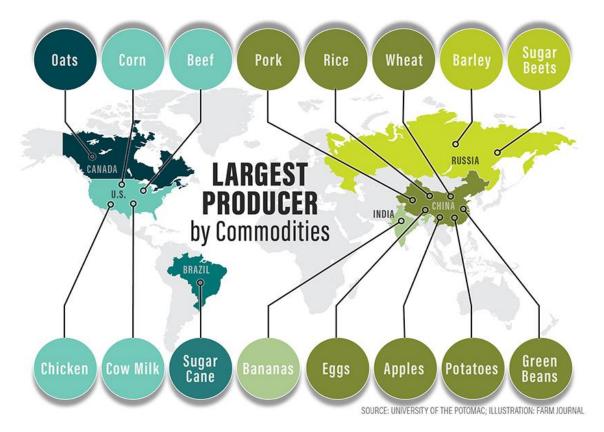
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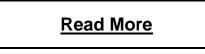
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"I just wish the world was twice as big and half of it was still unexplored." ~ David Attenborough



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What are the most popular crops and livestock produced across the globe? Let's take a journey around the world of agriculture.



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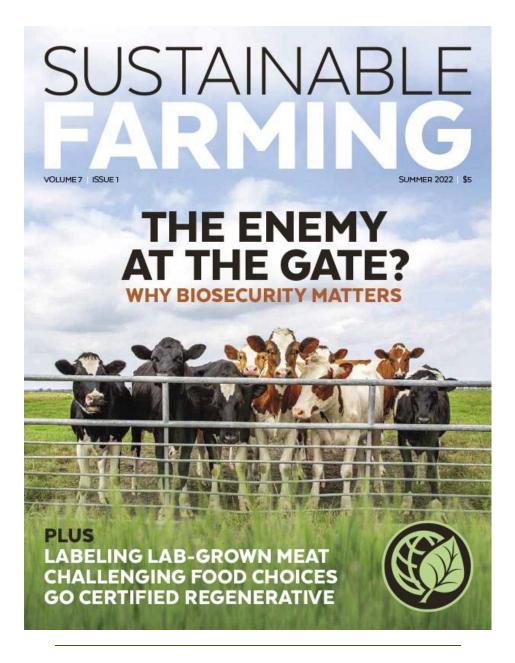
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Breed Highlight: Silkie Bantams

Named for their unique fluffy, silkysoft plumage, Silkies are a popular breed for backyard flocks. Silkies will hatch out with five toes. They are calm, friendly, and the most docile of poultry, making them an ideal pet. Hens are good mothers because they are broody. Though they are fair layers themselves, they are commonly used to hatch eggs from other breeds.



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