

Farmer's Diary ~Hokkaido "Ezura Farm"~

He quit his job and moved to Hokkaido. I started farming as a field farmer.

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<p>◆ Spring planting is complete! ! ◆</p> <p>2019/05/28 13:48</p> <p>Hello. She is the mother of Ezura Farm.</p> <p>May is one of the busiest months of the year. It was a “planting rush!”</p> <p>Some vegetables, such as leafy vegetables, are sown and harvested many times a year, but the crops we produce are planted and harvested only once a year.</p> <p>Therefore, the busiest times are spring for planting and autumn for harvest.</p> <p>This spring we planted four items: sugar beets, potatoes, sweet corn, and broccoli. (Wheat is sown in autumn.)</p> <p>Sugar beet (Beet)</p>	<p>profile</p> <p>No Image</p> <p>Author:Ezura Farm [About us] Just before the age of 30, I ended my life as an office worker in Tokyo and moved to Hokkaido. After three years of training, she realized her dream of working as a farmer in Hokkaido in April 2012. They are a newly hired farming couple who quit their jobs.</p> <p>[Business details] Field farm management, direct sales of crops on the Internet, management of the farm guesthouse "E</p>

Seedlings sown in a greenhouse in March are moved outside and exposed to the outside air to strengthen them before being planted in the field.

Happening here! It snowed and the seedlings were under the snow. However, the cold-tolerant sugar beets were fine! The seedlings are transferred to a container, placed on a machine, and then planted one by one by the machine. After planting with a machine, any missing or dead areas are replanted by hand. No matter how advanced machines become, in the end it's still manual work. We walk along the 300 meter long ridge carrying the seedlings on our backs. This "planting sugar beets" is the most difficult task in spring. Just lifting the seedlings is a pain. It also requires skill to stand behind the machine and place the seedlings on the belt. Thank you very much for your hard work on the farm! ! **Potatoes** : Seed potatoes will arrive in a huge container in April. Potato seeds are potatoes. Total amount: 17 tons!



experience, live-in volunteers, and part-time workers, planning, production, and sales of wheat craft "Himmeli", company through agricultural work Training acceptance projects, etc.

[Location] Shirataki, Engaru-cho, Monbetsu-gun, Hokkaido

[Area] Approximately 42 hectares (approximately the size of 9 Tokyo Domes)

[Crops] Potatoes, wheat, sweet corn, sugar beets, broccoli, etc.

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tainers every 20 kilograms.



My daughter also helped me ♪ Then, I lined them up in a warm greenhouse and exposed them to the sun, allowing them to sprout. Larger sizes must be cut by hand. A total of 50,000 pieces... ``I might be cutting a lifetime's worth of potatoes..." he said, silently continuing to cut them. Planting is done by machine, of course. However, putting the potatoes into the machine is done manually, so it requires a lot of physical strength. **Sweet corn** corn seeds are also corn kernels. The field is about the size of 1.5 Tokyo Dome, so of course it will be planted by machine. This year it was hot and windy, and the faces of the members sitting behind the machines turned black to the point where people asked, "Who are you?" **Broccoli** I started growing broccoli this year. I borrowed a machine for planting seedlings from the agricultural cooperative and planted them for the first time. I was impressed by the high-tech ability to automatically plant seedlings. Of course, the areas that could not be planted will be planted by hand. **Next is my own vegetable garden!** Planting and harvesting once a year. Nothing happens without planting, so I was relieved that the

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m now on, without having time to take a breather, I will start planting vegetables from my own garden. Most types of vegetables are grown in the garden, including tomatoes, cucumbers, green peppers, eggplants, watermelons, and melons, and are used for meals by volunteers and harvest experiences at farmhouses.



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Hokkaido's short summer, surrounded by flowers, vegetables, and fruits, is almost here. A total of nine volunteer members stayed with us during the planting period, the most difficult task of the year:

work hard, eat well, and play well . As a way of thanking them for their hard work, I offer them mealtimes that they look forward to every day, and I want them to take time off at least once a week so that they can enjoy various things. I also hope that you will have interactions and experiences that cannot be replaced with money. 3 meals where everyone can have fun together. Experience stone tool making at the Engaru Town Buried Cultural Property Center in Shirataki, interact with dogs and sheep at Outrider in Shirataki, and enjoy picking wild vegetables (this is Yachibuki) . I went horseback riding at Makiba Hokkaido in Shirataki, went out for a while, and did some sightseeing. After finishing planting moss phlox sugar beets in Higashimokoto, Notoromisaki, Abashiri, we baked pizza in a pizza oven as a celebration. **The hectic days of "planting" are now** over, and the field is now being managed. My main focus is on taking care of the crops, such as weeding, and my days are a bit quieter. The busy season for farm guesthouses begins in June. Summer vacation has begun in Japan and overseas, and many people come to stay at Ezura Farm. Volunteer work will also increase in helping out at guesthouses. Our family

had a major crop failure last year.

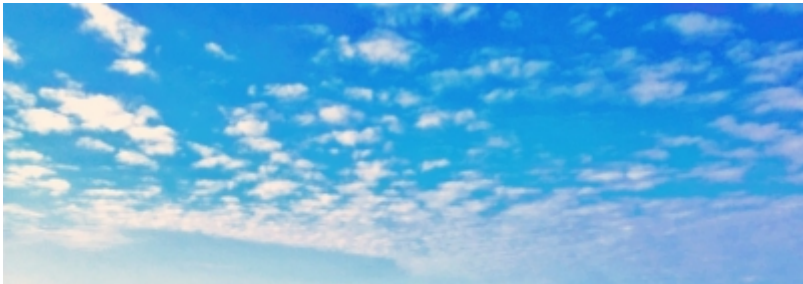


















I hope the crops grow smoothly this year.

And I hope you have many encounters.



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