



Mts. de Haan

Jolle de Haan

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## The herd

- 133 milking cows and 79 young stock
- 6 young stock per 10 milking cows
- Holsteins
- 4,36 fat and 3,57 protein
- 8459 liter per cow per year
- Age at first calving: 25 months
- 13.754 liter per ha
- Calving year round
- Free rang stable with sand cubicles
- Milking parlour

## The farm

- Jolle has a passion for sustainable dairy farming
- 81,80 ha total
- 81,80 ha production grassland

## **Innovations**

Jolle de Haan is a farmer with a vision for sustainable dairy production and actively promotes nature inclusive farming. Therefore he focuses on biodiversity and soil management. Management of soil organic matter enhances CO<sub>2</sub> storage in the soil. Soil organic matter promotes plant growth.

To improve utilisation of grass, he participates in the amazing grazing project where plant growth is monitored. In the summer he is making hay to harvest high quality feed for the cows. To accommodate the natural behaviour of the cows he built a free range stable with sand cubicles. His between calving time is low because he is using the sensor of Cowmanager for breeding cows. At least he uses wind as a natural resource to generate electricity on his farm with two wind mills.

## Theme(s) of interest:

Animal care



- \*Herd and farm data is based on 2016
- \*Innovations are based on 2018