THE LAND GARDENERS

BRIDGET ELWORTHY & HENRIETTA COURTAULD with recipes from LULU COX and paintings by NANCY CADOGAN

Souto Table







Bees

We love the look of the beautiful, traditional Victorian WBC beehives invented by William Broughton Carr in 1890 but we are tempted by the less invasive and easier way of keeping bees: the Warré hive. This hive was designed by the French monk Abbé Émile Warré in the early 1950s to emulate the bees' natural habitat where the queen is not excluded from any part of the hive and the honey is not separated from the brood. There is no need to frequently inspect the colony, you just remove a box twice a year and add a replacement box.

You can keep a hive at the bottom of the garden or on a roof as long as it is sheltered from the wind and rain and out of direct sunlight. It is important to fill your garden with food supplies for bees in winter – snowdrops, winter-flowering honeysuckle, hellebores, crocus and cyclamen (see page 228 for year-round food sources).

Opposite: Winter Orchard by Nancy Cadogan, 2021.

Producers

All around the world there are growers and farmers dedicating their lives to producing food which honours the soil and respects animal welfare and human health. These are a few of the producers we have connected with but thankfully there are many more and we encourage you to find them. If you can't grow or produce food yourself, then finding good food from producers who are working with nature is the next best thing. It gives you a sense of joy and connection into your local community or a wider community of those who are healing our soils. For example we can't grow coffee beans in the UK but buying it from Yallah Coffee that grows its coffee sustainably and brings it by sailboat from Costa Rica connects us to others who share our philosophy and values. By choosing growers that are doing the right thing by the soil, their produce and their animals, we can start changing the environment in which we all live; more biodiveristy, resilient soils that can sequester carbon, better air and water quality. It is time to honour and celebrate the men and woman that are growers and farmers – they are our future.



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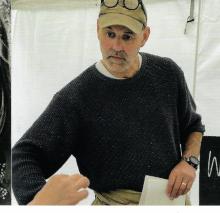
Amber Rose Small-batched brewed gut goodness, NZ @wild delicious Fred Price, on left Forage-fed native breed pigs, bakery, UKgothelneyfarmer.co.uk

Henrietta Inman Organic vegetables, bakery, UK wakelyns.co.uk Tom Adams & April Bloomfield Organic farm and bakery, UK coombesheadfarm.co.uk





lan Congdon & Courtney Young Freshly milled organic flour, Australia woodstockflour.com.au



Richard Loveridge Windrush Valley Goat Dairy, UK windrushvalleygoatdairy.co.uk



Josiah Meldrum Pulses, grains and flours from British suppliers, UK hodmedods.co.uk



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Valmai Becker Organic herb tisanes and remedies, NZ phytofarm.co.nz

Cory Carman 100% grass-fed beef, USA carmanranch.com

Ben Ranken & Sally Richardson Biodynamic wine, Australia wilimeewines.com.au



Crulz family Organic dairy, Australia Crulzorganicdairy.com.au



George Brittenburg & Ola Creston Organic vegetables and fruit farm, USA taprootfarmpa.com



Tim & Emma Malfroy Wild Honey, Australia malfroysgold.com.au



Paul Watzlaff & Clare McCulloch Organic vegetable boxes, Australia thrivingfoodsfarm.com



Prececca Frayn & Finn Harries
Pragnic honey and Mirto liqueur, Ibiza
Prececcafrayn.com.



Tammi, Stuart, Oscar, Antigone & Atticus Jonas Pasture-raised heritage pigs and cattle, Australia jonaifarms.com.au



Mulloon Creek Natural Farms Biodynamic lamb, Australia mcnf.com.au



Rob & Danny Watson Biodynamic dairy, Australia mungallicreekdairy.com.au



Creg Massa & Raquel Krach
Crganic almonds and brown rice, USA
massaorganics.com



John & Molly Chester Organic and biodynamic produce, livestock farm, USA apricotlanefarms.com



Grace Galanti Organic herbal elixirs, USA furnacecreekfarm.com



Carlos & Nadia Organic farm and shop, NZ royalburn.co.nz