

Swine Nutrition

for pasture-based operations

What should I feed my pigs?

Pigs are monogastric, opportunistic omnivores that need properly balanced proteins, fats, fiber, vitamins and minerals to maintain optimal health.

Pigs Need TFR + Supplementation

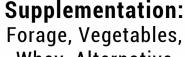








TFR: Total Feed Ration / **Complete Feed**



Forage, Vegetables, Whey, Alternative Grains, etc.





- Average 16% protein
- LYSINE is critical
- Fat 3-8%, Fiber 3-4%
- "All-Stock" feed is not a an ideal substitution for **Swine Ration**
- CANNOT be a substitution for TFR
- NO JUNK, NO MEAT
- Moderation is key for most supplements



CAN I FEED JUST TOTAL FEED RATION?

But your pigs will be happier with some supplementation.



CAN I FEED JUST SUPPLEMENTS?

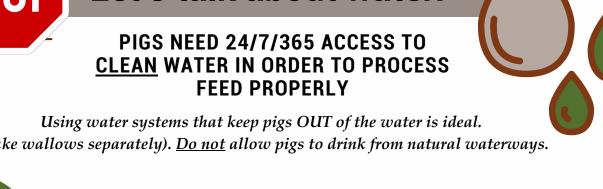
Your pigs will not have all of its nutritional needs met without TFR.

NO



Let's talk about water!

Using water systems that keep pigs OUT of the water is ideal. (make wallows separately). <u>Do not</u> allow pigs to drink from natural waterways.



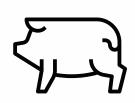


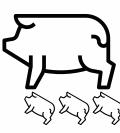
How much should I feed my pigs?











Weaner

Grower

Finisher/ Mature

Breeding/ Lactating

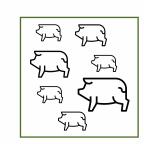
There are different formulas of TFR for different ages/stages. Try to match TFR to age/stage of your pigs.

THEN ACCOUNT **FOR ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS**









Extreme Cold

Rain / Dampness

Heat / Sun

Competition / Overcrowding

Feed an AVERAGE of 2-3% body weight of TFR + Forage (quality hay/grazing). Adjust accordingly taking into account factors above. All supplementation besides forage (hay/grass) should be given in limited quantities.







