Who we are:
Owner Geoff Kinder and apprentice Hannah Wylie raise the animals at Round the Bend Farm with the freedom to choose their own diet while rotationally grazing through nutrient-rich fields of perennial grasses. Our animals are working animals which means they are utilized in a wide range of land management techniques.

Our Philosophy:
Our focus is to bring sustainable land management to our community by teaming up with goats to bring change to landscapes.

How it works:
We start by providing a free on-site consultation to ensure that the area is suitable for goatscaping and learn about the clients vision for the landscape. In most cases, the goats will need to do repeat visits over a few seasons to see the desired outcome. Discounts can be applied to clients who commit to a long term agreement. Using mainly machetes if needed, we cut the area into 10,000 sq. ft. and set up our portable electric net fence that runs on a solar-powered charger. We then bring the goats to the area using a trailer. Once we bring the goats in, a Paradox Acres teammate will stop by everyday to ensure goats have plenty of vegetation to eat, water and that the fence is up to our standards.

Cost:
Goats are rented by the week. Cost is determined by the distance from the farm and how difficult the area is to fence. Prices per week range from $350-$500

Benefits:
• Using goatscaping instead of, or as a compliment to traditional landscaping/machinery can help reduce carbon emissions making your property more sustainable.

• Goats have a large stomach with four separate chambers, which means when they eat seeds they won’t germinate in the soil. When using a brush cutter, seeds can spread and germinate, making an area of invasive vegetation even bigger.

• Goats can also change the chemistry of your soil. Woody plants such as rose bushes like a fungal-based soil, while grasses such as clover like a more bacterial-based soil. Goats’ manure helps change the soil into more of a bacterial-based soil while they eat and stomp their organic fertilizer droppings into the ground.

• Because goats eat all their favorite food first, they will be nibbling selectively. This process stresses out a plant more than clear cutting it. It has a harder time surviving since the cutting is happening over a longer period of time.
Are goats for you?

Goatscaping is a great way to experience having goats on your property without the added expense and work of owning them. They are wonderful with children and can give a child a better understanding of living creatures and the responsibilities that go along with animals. You can help us give names to the goats while you watch them and learn the different personalities they have! Ask us about renting pigs for pigscaping!

FAQ's

What if it rains?

Goats don’t mind a light rain but a heavy rain will stop them from eating. If there is a heavy rain and goats stop grazing they usually make up for it by eating at night or will eat a little more the following day. Because the goats could be scheduled for another week we cannot add days to a rented week due to rain. If we look at the forecast before the week starts and it looks like many days of rain we may reschedule your week.

Can we touch the goats?

The goats are very friendly and do not bite but because they are kept in with an electric fence we ask people not to touch goats unless a Paradox Acres teammate is present.

What if I have two separate areas on my property that need clearing?

Because setting up and taking down the electric fence is very time consuming we can only do one area per week. The size of our herd is best suited in an area about 10,000 sq. ft. in size. At the consultation we will assess the size of the area and let you know if it needs to be broken up into two smaller areas or if it needs two weeks with the goats.

It’s noon and the goats are just lying down?

Goats are ruminants, which means they have a large stomach that processes food through four different chambers and need time to digest. They tend to laydown in the middle of the afternoon and will continue to eat well into the evening.

What if my property has poisonous plants?

At the consultation of the area we will look for any plants that could be harmful to the goats. Goats eat many plants that are poisonous to humans such as poison ivy and sumac. Goats are very smart and if something is not good for them they most likely won’t eat it.

I have a dog, is that going to be okay?

The goats are fine around most dogs. The electric fence should help keep pets away from the goats. As long as you feel that your dog is not going to jump over the fence or in other ways try to attack the goats there should not be an issue.