





## **Present Day Farm**

- Fibre farm
- Pastured Chickens
- Polytunnels for Vegetables
- Artist Studio







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### Oruveski Fibre Farm

- Heritage breeds -Swedish Finewool, Gotland
- Great mothers
- Prolific 200-300%
- Excellent wool
- Native to local environment (Nordic Region)
- Circular agriculture









### Landscape benefits

- Manage native grasslands
- Grasslands need grazers!
- Create short grass habitats for ground nesting birds
- Guardian dogs keep away predators
- Understory of trees kept clear
- No soil erosion as land is permanently covered
- Permanent habitat compared to arable land





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# Silvopasture establishment 2024



- Alnus Glutinosa, Alder, nitrogen fixing
- Pioneer species, establishing naturally on the edge of the pasture
- 20m wide rows to allow machinery access and rotational grazing
- Nutrient building in soil through roots and leaf drop
- Balanced shade for plants and animals
- Emergency food from the leaves in extreme droughts
- Natural dewormer in high tannin leaves











### Closing the circle

- Combining fibres grown on the farm into finished textile art
- Preserving old traditions and skills with fibre and combining them with contemporary designs
- Preserving heritage breeds
- Growing a sustainable and eco friendly business
- Promoting life in the countryside and using the resources that surround us sustainably



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#### **Future farm direction**

• Forest/Pastured chickens for eggs

• Increasing silvopasture are

- Establishing market garde
- Tree crops
- Pastured medicine herbs
- Preserving NEST breeds

