



# CHESTNUT BRAE SOCIAL SCRIPT

Welcome to Chestnut Brae Sweet Chestnut Farm!





# When you arrive

Upon arrival, our visitors are greeted by open fields, crisp, fresh air and hillsides of chestnut trees. The farm is located in the quiet and beautiful countryside just outside of the town of Nannup, Western Australia. There is a big sign that says “Chestnut Brae Farm” so you know you’re in the right place.

# What to bring

- It’s a good idea to wear comfortable shoes because you will be walking a lot.
- You might also want to bring a hat and sunscreen if it’s sunny, or an umbrella if it is cloudy.
- If it gets loud in the production shed at harvest time, it may help to bring some headphones.





## Sights

Wander through two orchards of 1000 chestnut trees. Each season offers different colours and beauty. During picking season, beware of the chestnut husks. The husks protect the chestnuts with tiny yet sharp spikes, we recommend wearing leather gloves and boots if you come to pick chestnuts. In season, the green leaves rustle in the breeze. If you come in winter, the trees are bare of leaves and quite beautiful. Early in the year, you might see chestnuts hanging from the branches in spiky green husks. Summer is much like walking through a European forest.

There are also many types of farm animals here. We have chickens walking around and hear them clucking, or the guinea fowl running along fence lines. Our turkeys like to show off their beautiful feathers. Our sheep, goats and alpaca are our lawnmowers, whilst our neighbours cattle look on.

There are often other visitors on the farm. Some people might be picking chestnuts, others might be enjoying a picnic or walking along the paths to explore.



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# Sounds

As you walk around the farm, you will hear lots of different sounds. You may hear birds chirping in the trees and the sound of the leaves blowing in the wind. The chickens make gentle clucking noises, and sometimes you might hear the mooing of the neighbours cows. Or the gobble of turkeys as you walk past their enclosure. If there are other people at the farm, you might hear them talking or laughing as they enjoy their time here.

If the farm is running a workshop or event, there might be some extra noises, like people talking together about what they are making. There is a lot of space at the farm, so if it ever gets too noisy, you can find a quiet spot to relax.



# Smells

As you enter the farm your nose will be filled by the aroma of our rose geranium by the walkway. You might notice the freshness of the trees and the leaves. If the chestnuts are being roasted, you may smell a warm, nutty aroma, which is very pleasant. If there are animals nearby, there might be some aroma of hay or soil, but these are all normal on a farm.

If rain is falling, there will be a freshness in the air.







## Things you can do

- You can walk around and look at the chestnut trees.
- You might get to pick some chestnuts or see how they are collected.
- You can touch the chestnuts but be careful! The husks are spiky.
- On a booked tour, you can taste different chestnut products that are made at the farm.
- If there is a workshop, you may be able to join in and learn something new, like making herbal teas or cooking with chestnuts.

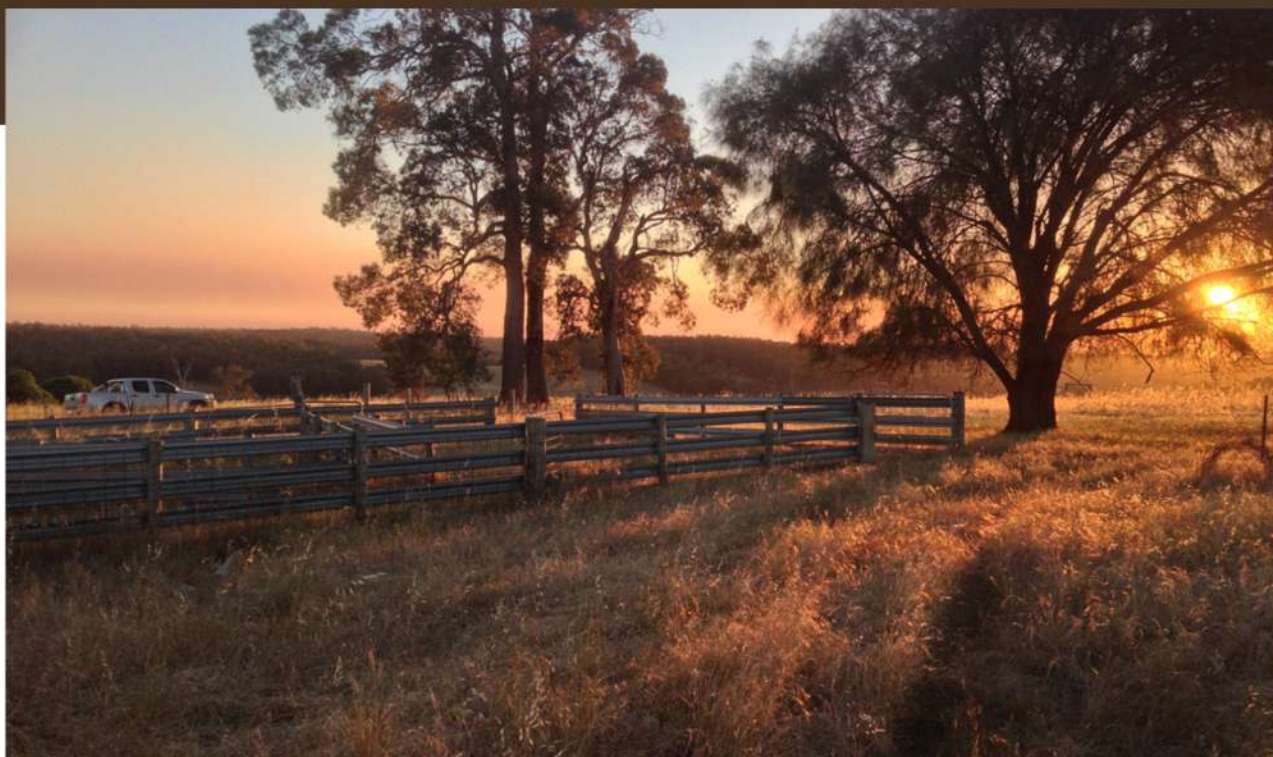
## Important Reminders

Chestnut Brae is a place to learn and have fun. It's okay if you need to take a break. There are quiet spots where you can sit and relax if you need to rest or if things feel overwhelming. Everyone at the farm wants you to have a good time, so don't be afraid to ask questions or let someone know if you need help.



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## We hope you have fun

Visiting Chestnut Brae is a great way to see nature, learn about chestnuts, and enjoy time outdoors. There will be a lot of new things to see, hear, and smell, and we hope you enjoy your visit!

