Beef Cow-Calf Production Guide

A step-by-step beef cow-calf production guide for ranchers and new producers, covering the yearly cycle from breeding through calving, weaning and marketing of calves on a cow herd.

Farm / unit: _____ Date: _____ By: _____

1. Set herd goals for the year
2. Match cow numbers to available forage
3. Plan the breeding season and bull needs
4. Prepare calving area and supplies
5. Watch cows and calves through calving
6. Vaccinate and deworm per your veterinarian's plan
7. Wean and sort calves
8. Decide what to keep, sell or retain

YOUR NOTES

TIP Review the guide each season and adjust it with notes from your own herd records and your local extension agent.