

**Simmental Australia
invites members to join the**



Simmental Trade Mission to United Kingdom

June 13 to July 1, 2008



- ◆ **Evaluate the United Kingdom Simmental Breed**
- ◆ **Identify opportunities for Australian Simmental**
- ◆ **Participate in the World Fleckvieh Congress in the UK**
- ◆ **Establish contacts with Simmental breeders worldwide**

Organised by:

Simmental Australia and Quadrant Australia (formerly ANF Agritours)

Itinerary

Please note: A more detailed itinerary is available on request from Simmental Australia.

2008 Simmental Trade Mission Segment 1 - June 13 to June 18

- June 13th Trade Mission departs Australia
- June 14th Arrive Belfast, Northern Ireland. Trade Mission briefing and market overview
- June 15th Orientation visits in Belfast.
- June 16th Farm visit and Northern Ireland tour
- June 17th Calf Show Omagh and Heritage Park visit
- June 18th Ferry to Edinburgh via Skerrington herd

2008 Simmental Trade Mission Segment 2 — June 17 to June 24

- June 17th Segment 2 delegates depart Australia
- June 18th New Trade Mission Delegates arrive/register by 6pm Edinburgh, Scotland
OPENING CEREMONY AT HIGHLAND SHOWGROUND (evening)
YOUNG BREEDERS—Option to join the Congress
- June 19th Simmental judging at Royal Highland Show
- June 20th House of Bruar, Blair Atholl Castle and Grouse Experience Tour
- June 21st Edinburgh tour or Interbreed judging at Highland Show
- June 22nd Stirling Castle, the Falkirk Wheel and farm visit to the McNee family, Woodend, Armadale
- June 23rd Innerwick and Woodhall herds, Gretna Green, Popes herd then on to Preston for overnight stay
- June 24th North East Club Thirsk Market Open Day and onto Huntington

2008 Simmental Trade Mission Segment 3 — June 23 to July 1

- June 23rd Segment 3 delegates depart Australia
- June 24th New Trade Mission Delegates arrive/register by 6pm Huntingdon, England
- June 25th Simmental National Show at the Royal Norfolk Show
- June 26th Congress meetings for delegates and evening in Cambridge (non delegates) Visit to National Stud, Norfolk Club area and Norfolk Broads evening boat trip
- June 27th Sacombe herd visit and Junior Stock judging competition /heathbrow herd visit. Arrive Forest of Arden Hotel afternoon.
- June 28th Congress open meeting Forest of Arden Hotel, Warwick Castle afternoon/evening visit Warwick town
- June 29th Cotswolds tour and commercial herd visit Boddington Estate, 'Sterling' herd visit and Closing Ceremony at Boddington
- June 30th Delegate free time—morning
Afternoon visit to Stratford upon Avon followed by Wroxall herd visit and barbecue
- July 1st Trade Mission Delegates depart to London and return to Australia or extend own tour arrangements.

(The Royal Agricultural Society of England has changed the Royal Show Dates for 2008 to 3rd-6th July and therefore the Royal Show can no longer be included in the 17th World Simmental UK Programme. However, if you wish to extend your visit and attend the Royal Show, please tick the correct box on the Registration Booking Form).

Trade Mission Participation Fee

Members are invited to join the Trade Mission by participating in one or more of the three Trade Mission Segments. Membership of the Trade Mission requires direct booking and payment with Simmental Australia.

The Land cost of each Segment is shown below, with discounts for early payment.

The Trade Mission Fee below does not include airfares or travel insurance. Details can be arranged through Quadrant Australia and payment made through Simmental Australia. Individual itineraries may include additional travel before or after selected segments.

Please discuss your plans with Quadrant Australia as soon as possible. (Phone: 1300 301 128 or 07 3236 9889)

Simmental Australia encourages members to make payment for airfares through the Association to assist in Trade Mission organisation and to further reduce the land content fee. Quadrant can also provide advice on this process.

The Land Content of each Segment includes:

- Trade Mission briefings, coordination and services of a Trade Mission Leader
- Industry liaison, technical visits and meetings, as well as Congress and related costs
- Coach and transfer costs, accommodation and most meals
- Breed marketing materials

Trade Mission Segment				
All prices are in Australian dollars per person on a share twin basis	Segment 1. *	Segment 2. *	Segment 3. *	All Segments *
Fee if paid by ~ Friday 1 st February 2008	\$1215	\$2300	\$1965	\$4625
Or				
Fee if paid by ~ Friday 4th April 2008	\$1290	\$2385	\$2050	\$4870
Plus Single Supplement (if applicable)	\$385	\$870	\$660	\$1915
<p>Please note: If airfares are also paid through Simmental Australia, by the dates shown below, the following reduced Trade Mission Fees will apply (see below)</p> <p>Combined with the trade mission fees below, Quadrant Australia can offer special return economy class airfares to London from \$2255 per person including taxes. (Applicable to departures shown for Segments 1, 2 and 3 and based on minimum group numbers)</p> <p>Note: Special reduced rates apply for the Young Simmental Members program (Ages 18 to 30 years only). Please contact Simmental Australia for details.</p>				
Fee if paid by ~ Friday 1 st February 2008:	\$1135	\$2100	\$1787	\$4595
Or				
* Fee if paid by ~ Friday 4th April 2008:	\$1205	\$2175	\$1863	\$4820
Plus Single Supplement (if applicable)	\$385	\$870	\$660	\$1915
<p>For final payment, subtract the paid deposit of \$500 from the total fee selected above.</p>				

How to book: An initial deposit of \$500 per person (\$300 non refundable) or full payment, is required at the time of booking to confirm your place on this Trade Mission program. This deposit is payable to Simmental Australia no later than Monday 14th January 2008. Please also note final payment deadline for discounted rates.

Places are limited and based on date of payment receipt. Complete the booking form and return to the Simmental Australia office along with your payment by Monday 14th January 2008. Confirmation will in turn, be provided in writing along with necessary receipts and invoices. An amendment fee of \$30 will be charged for alterations to your booking after confirmation has been sent. Any changes made by the client after full payment has been made will incur a minimum \$100 fee plus any changes imposed by airlines, hotels and operators.

Payment: Fees are payable to Simmental Australia. Payment may be made by cheque, Mastercard or Visa ~ a 1% processing fee will be charged on credit card payments. Note: Exchange rate movements may incur price changes.

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BOOKING CONDITIONS

ACCOMMODATION

Program prices include accommodation throughout on a twin share basis (unless otherwise specified). For delegates travelling alone, it may be necessary to pay a single supplement. However in some special circumstances we may be able to assist with sharing arrangements. Agreements are solely between the delegates concerned, and the company accepts no responsibility for compatibility. Single rooms may be smaller than twin bedded rooms.

TRAVEL DOCUMENTS

Delegates will require a current passport with 6 months validity beyond the date of return. Currently no visas are required for Australian passport holders to the UK where the stay is less than 90 days.

Should you be travelling to other countries, please check on visa requirements. Passport and visas are the responsibility of the traveler however Quadrant Australia can assist.

VACCINATIONS

You will need to contact your medical practitioner for the most up to date requirements for the UK or any other country you may travel to.

TRAVEL INSURANCE

Travel insurance is a requirement for this program and can be arranged through Quadrant Australia.

Should we supply travel insurance information and application forms, you must ensure you read and understand the insurance details. Once we have received your completed insurance application and traveller's Medical Appraisal Form (where necessary), we will accept your information in good faith. Please note we act as agent for the principal insurance provider or broker. Documentation will not be released until proof of insurance is provided, or declined in writing.

CANCELLATIONS

Should you need to cancel for any reason written notification is required.

Cancellations made more than 60 days prior to departure may incur a 10% penalty of total program cost.

Cancellations made between 45 –60 days prior to departure may incur 25% penalty.

These cancellations penalties do not include those fees and penalties imposed by suppliers, which will be in addition to the above penalties.

Cancellations made within 45 days of departure may incur a 100% penalty.

UNUSED SERVICES

It is our policy to follow the program written, however sometimes due to circumstances outside our control or in the best interests of the group the itinerary will vary slightly. No refunds will be given for any unused portions of the program in respect of meetings, technical visits, transfers, accommodation, meals, sightseeing tours or any other services included in the program price but not utilised by the trade mission member.

BROCHURE AUTHENTICITY

This program was prepared in November 2007. The information given and literature produced has been compiled with care and is published in good faith.

RESPONSIBILITY

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