

# New Ideas to Solve Old Problems

Thoughts for Making Ranching Economically and Ecologically Successful

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John Marble owns a small grazing and marketing operation that focuses on producing value through managed grazing. He manages cattle and goats, grasslands, timber and wildlife habitat.

John's speciality is helping folks look at old problems in new ways. Whether it's a novel solution for supplementing with minerals, training cattle to move through pastures, practical paddock design and parasite control, or how to create an economically and ecologically successful farm/ranch, John shares thought provoking ideas for improving farm and ranch resources and profits. You can read all his articles here:

<http://bit.ly/JohnMarble>



## Here's What You'll Find....

### Grazing Philosophy

Whether it's figuring out how often we should move our livestock, interacting with our communities, or considering ag policy, our philosophy guides what we do. Here are some ideas that to add to your own philosophy.

### Livestock Management

What's the right size cow for grass-finishing? How do we deal with parasites? How can I train cattle to follow? What makes for a profitable (and fun!) calving season? These are just some of the questions on working with livestock that John has answered so far.

*In nature, form follows function. Maybe it should on your ranch, too.*  
~ John Marble

### Pasture Management

Working with nature has helped John design his paddocks to work for the livestock and the ranch. Could you adapt these ideas to your place?

### Advice for Start-Ups

Here are some thoughts for getting off on the right foot.

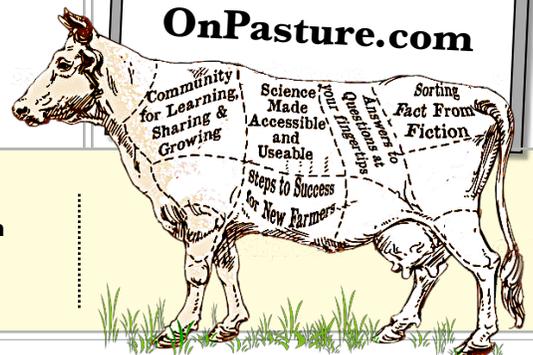
### How To's

Get rid of that bio-film in your tanks. Solve the roadblocks to supplementing minerals. This list will grow!

### Economics

John's operation has been successful because he took a hard look at inputs, and asked himself a lot of questions about what he chooses to do. Here are some of his thoughts on making a ranch work.

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