Agritourism for Huntingdon County, PA

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26-years' feasibility, design & consulting for agritourism



- Market feasibility
- Financial feasibility
- Master plans
- Concept & mix development
- Full site, architectural & interior design
- Food & beverage
- Management consulting
- Business audits

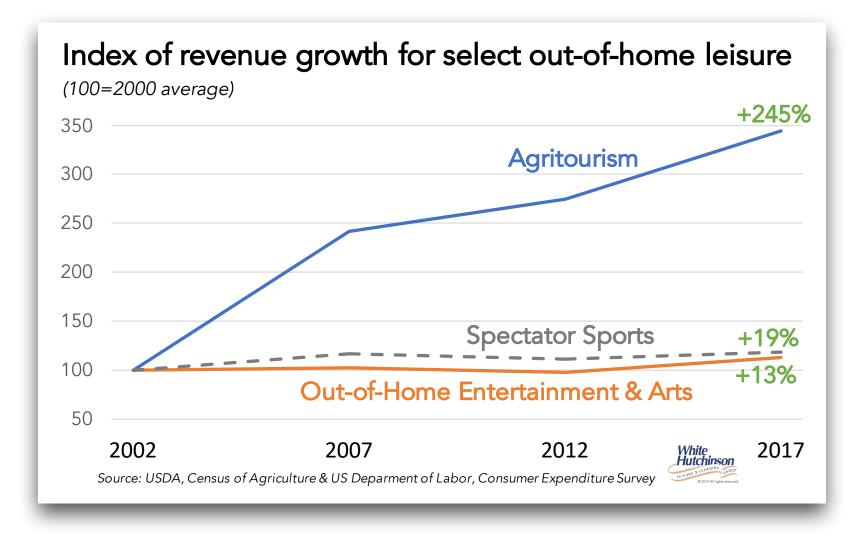




A few of our agritourism clients



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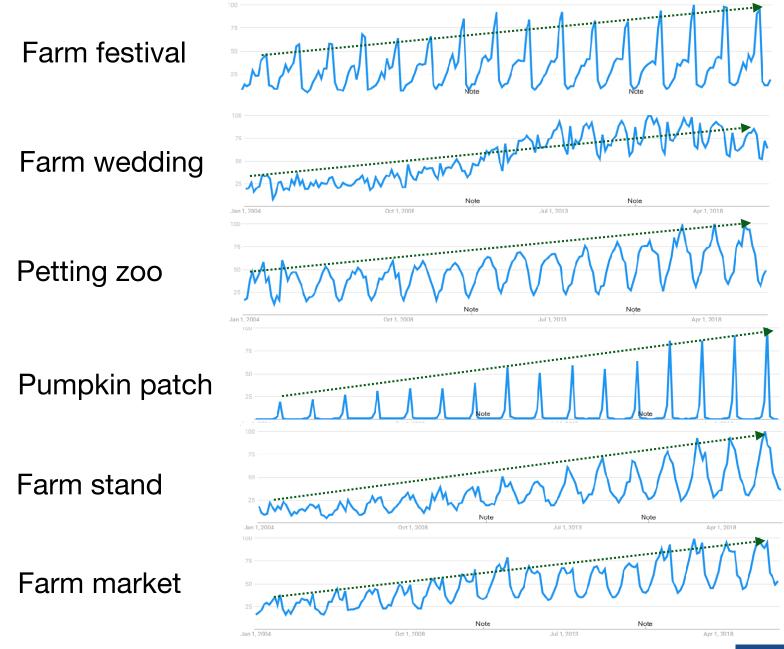






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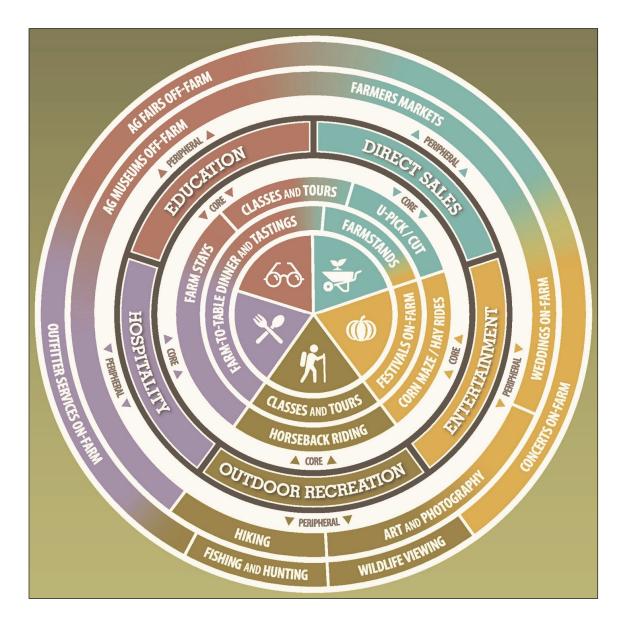
Google search trends Jan 1, 2004 to March 3, 2020





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Agritourism is a farm that is a consumer destination for the purchase of goods, services and/or experiences







Types of agritourism

- Direct sales of fresh or value-added products
- Overnight accommodations
- For-fee recreation
- Demonstrations & displays
- Classes
- Hands-on experiences
- U-pick/cut
- Tours
- Dining & culinary experiences
- Festivals & events
- Passive entertainment
- Interactive entertainment
- Facility rental & coordination





Types of agritourism activities

Direct sales of fresh or valueadded products

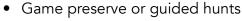
- Roadside farm stand
- Nursery
- Sale of handcrafted products
- Sale of value-added food products
- Sale of farm/ranch promotional itemsshirts, aprons, mugs, etc.

Overnight accommodations & event venues

- Bed and breakfast
- Cabins
- Camping sites
- Farm stay/farm vacation
- Full-service farm vacation with activities and meals
- Dude Ranch
- Farm to table dinners
- Wedding/Events/Catering

For-fee recreation

- Archery
- Bicycle trails and rentals
- Bird-watching
- Boating, canoeing, kayaking, tubing or rafting
- Fee fishing
- Fee Hunting



- Horse stables
- Horseback trail riding
- Mountain biking
- Off-road vehicle driving area
- Shooting range
- Trap and skeet shotting
- Wildlife viewing
- Equipment rentals associated with these activities

Demonstrations, displays and classes

- Animal husbandry
- Antique tools and equipment demonstrations
- Barn raising
- Beekeeping, homeopathy
- Break-making, flour milling
- Cattle roundup and branding demonstration
- Cider pressing
- Conservation technology
- Demonstrations related to agricultural enterprise-sheep shearing, pruning, etc
- Display gardens
- Food preparations-cheese-making, canning, etc.
- Farm Tours
- Harvest demonstrations

- Historic museum or display
- Traditional crafts: wool spinning, quilting, wreath making, soap-making, weaving, etc.

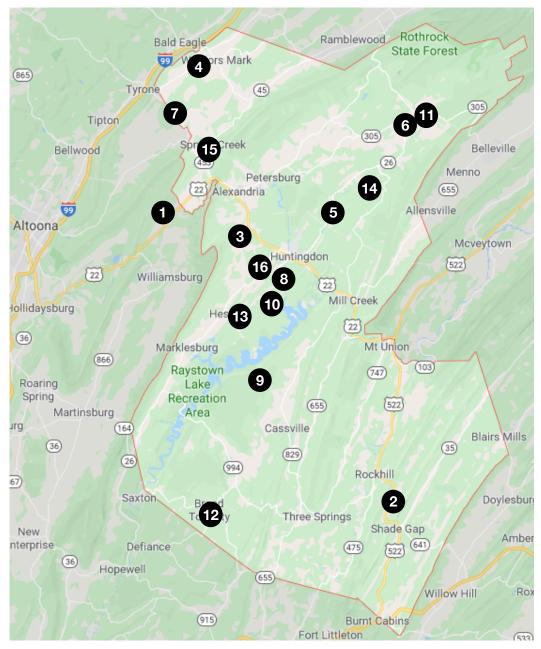
Hands-on experiences and classes

- Animal birthing
- Candle-making with local beeswax
- Caring for animals, help with feeding, herding, milking, egg collecting etc.
- Children's camps
- Classes in farming or ranch skills, including cooking, planting, harvesting
- Classes in recreation activities (fishing, hunting, wildlife viewing)
- Classes on crafts, especially traditional
- Classes on medicinal herbs and honeybased homeopathy
- Crafting herbal remedies
- Cutting flowers, flower arranging
- Cutting own Christmas tree
- Educational camps for adults
- Cooking classes
- Wine/Cider/Cheese Tasting
- Wine Classes
- Clam digging
- Seed saving
- Mushroom foraging/identifying/cooking
- Vermiculture





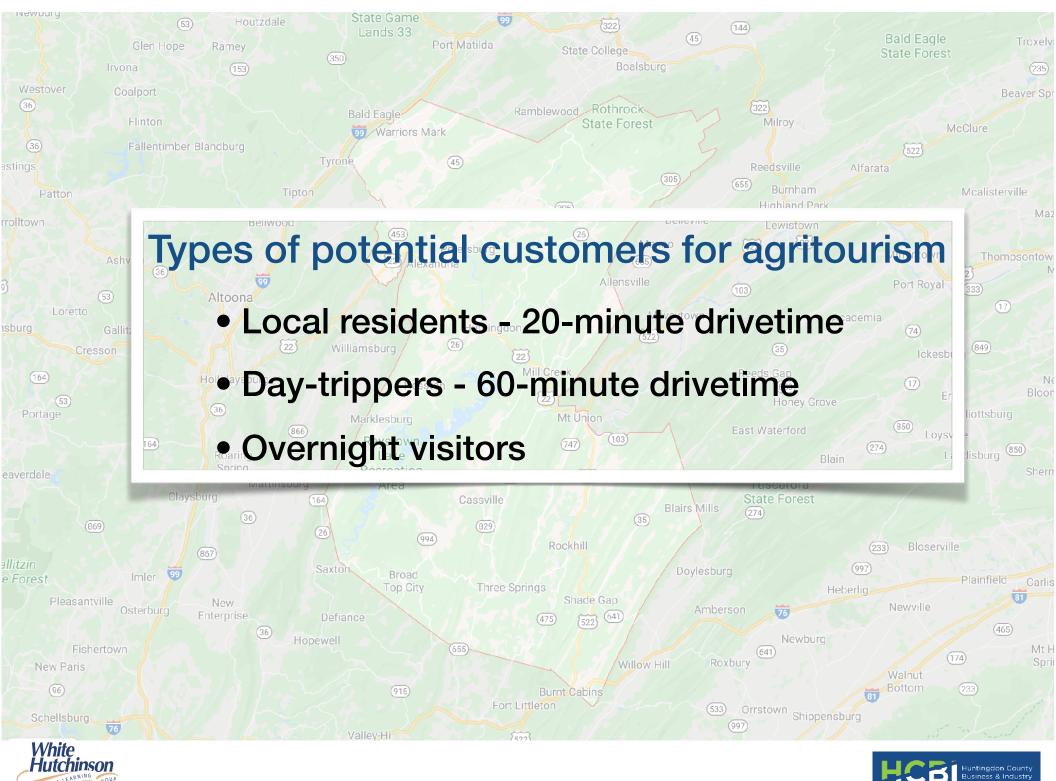
Huntingdon Country agritourism farms



#	Name	Offerings
1	JB Tree Farm	U-Pick, Fall activities (Corn Maze, Hayrides, Pumpkins), Christmas tree farm
2	Minestream Farm	Farm Stand, Pumpkin Patch, U-Pick
3	Donnelly Orchard	Orchards with Farm Store
4	Gillbrook Farms	Wedding/Event Venue
5	Horsepower Farrm	Horseback Riding Classes, Camps and Horse Therapy
6	Plow Share Produce	CSA with farm pick up and opportunity to visit farm and to trade work at farm for produce
7	B&D Acres	Event Venue, Pumpkin Patch, Corn Maze, Farm to Table Dinners
8	Reklaimed Vines	vineyard, Winery, Tasting Room
9	Terrace Mountain Alpacas	Sell Alpacas, offer farm tours, Farm Market selling wool items
10	Steele Farm/ Garden Harvest	CSA, Farm to Fork food truck, Wedding/ Event Venue
11	Tug Hollow Honey	Sells Honey at Farmers Market also does beekeeping classes at Farm
12	Union Grove	Wedding/Event Venue
13	Parks Orchard	Farm Stand
14	Stone Valley Estates	Wedding Venue
15	Spruce Creek Overlook	Bed and Breakfast on Dairy Farm
16	Griffith Brothers Whitetail Ridge	Deer Hunting Excursions & Lodge

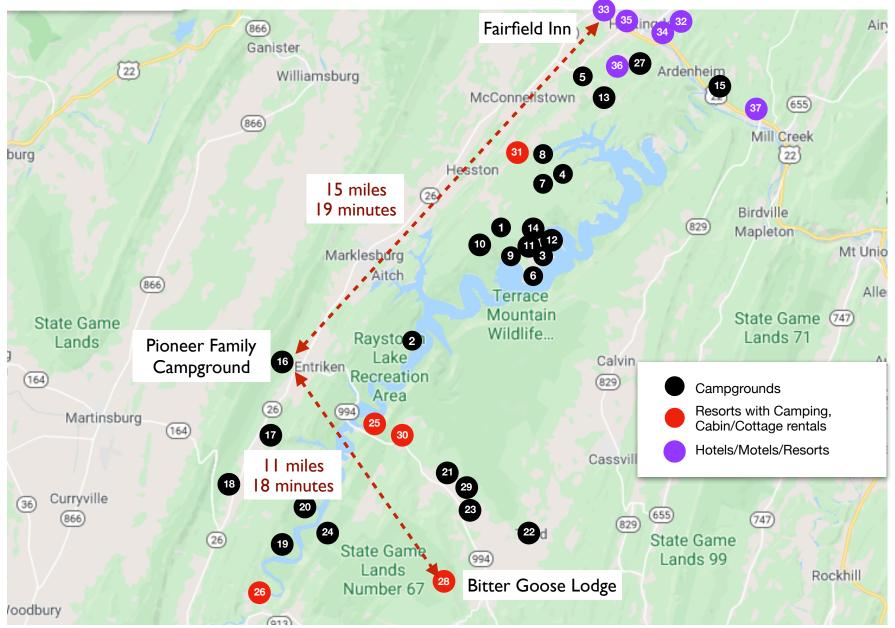






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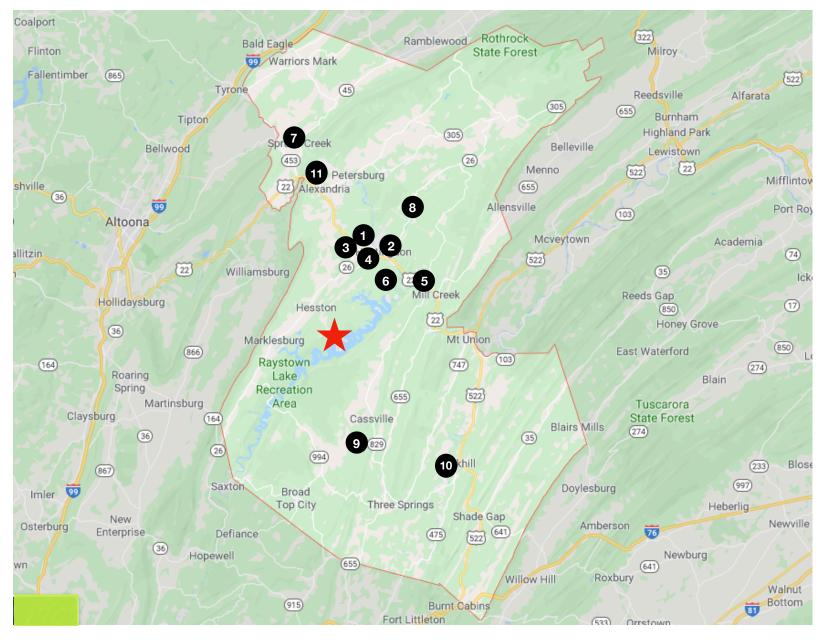
Raystown Lake area overnight accommodations







Other Huntingdon County overnight accommodations







Total Huntingdon County overnight accommodations

3,500 - campsites

303 - hotel rooms on 6 properties

200 - vacation rentals

36 - B&B rooms on 7 properties

33 - AirBnBs

15 - houseboats

4,087 - total overnight accommodations

@ 90% peak season occupancy

10,800± on-site visitors

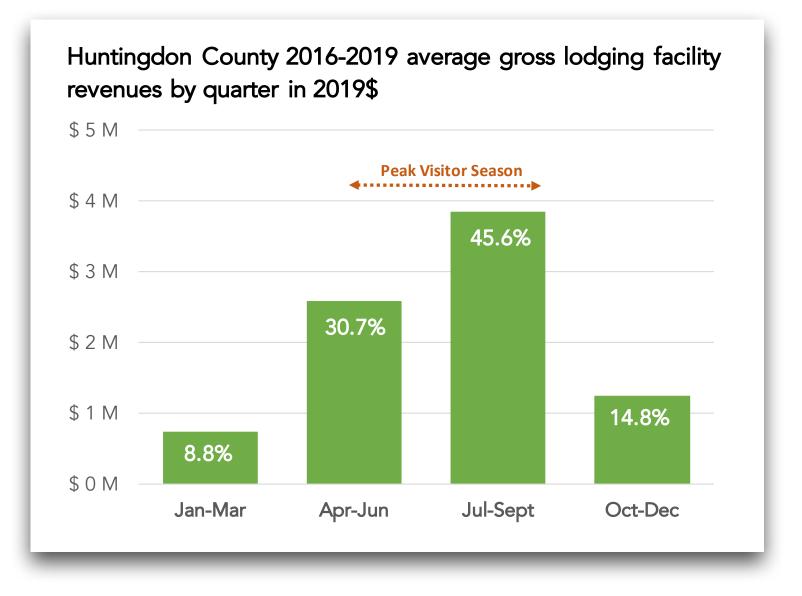
Estimated 600,000 annual overnight visitors

Unknown - # 2nd vacation homes





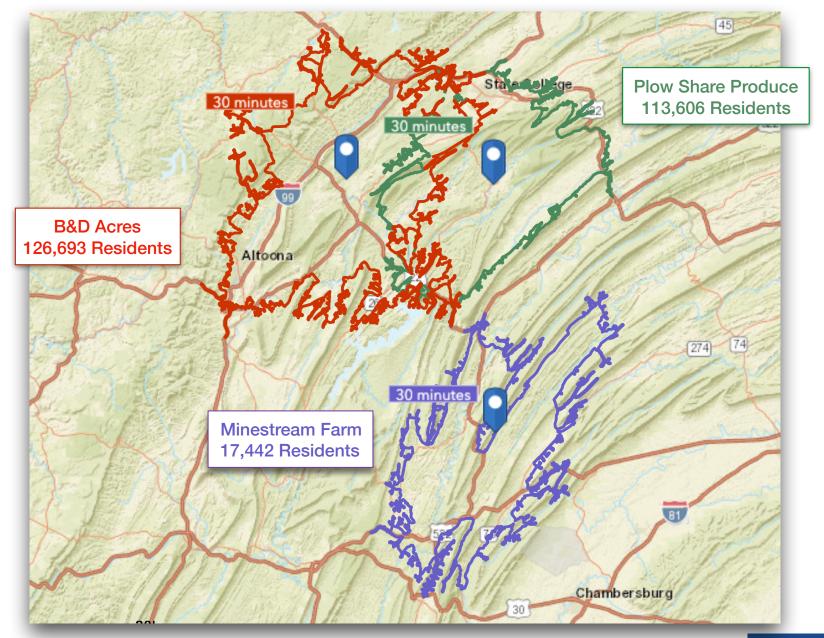
Overnight accommodations seasonality







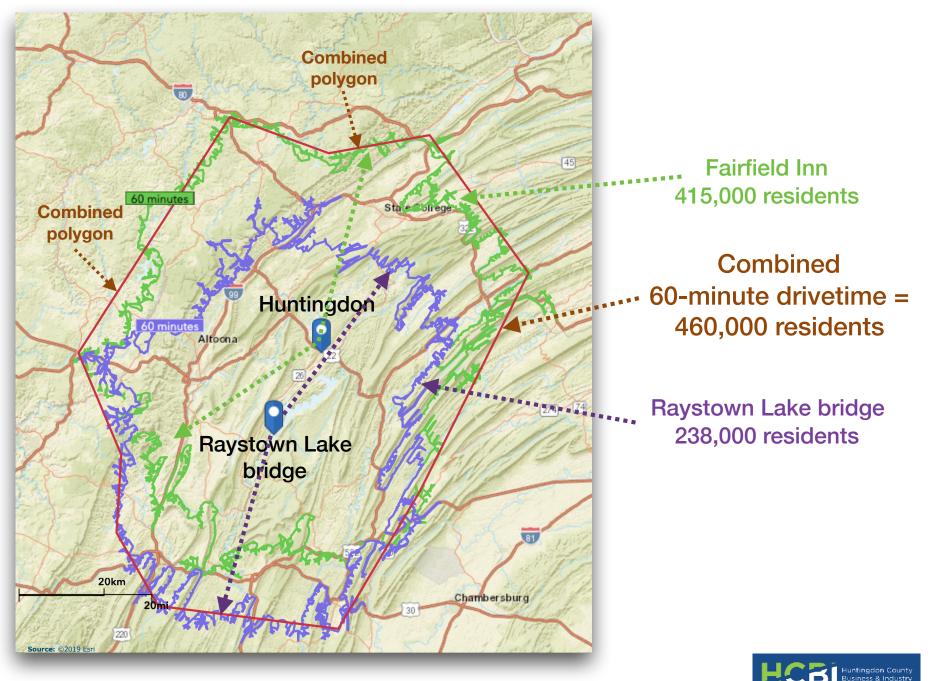
30-minute drivetime resident markets







Day-trippers - 60-minute drivetime





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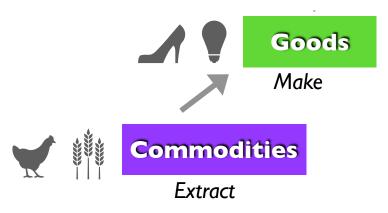














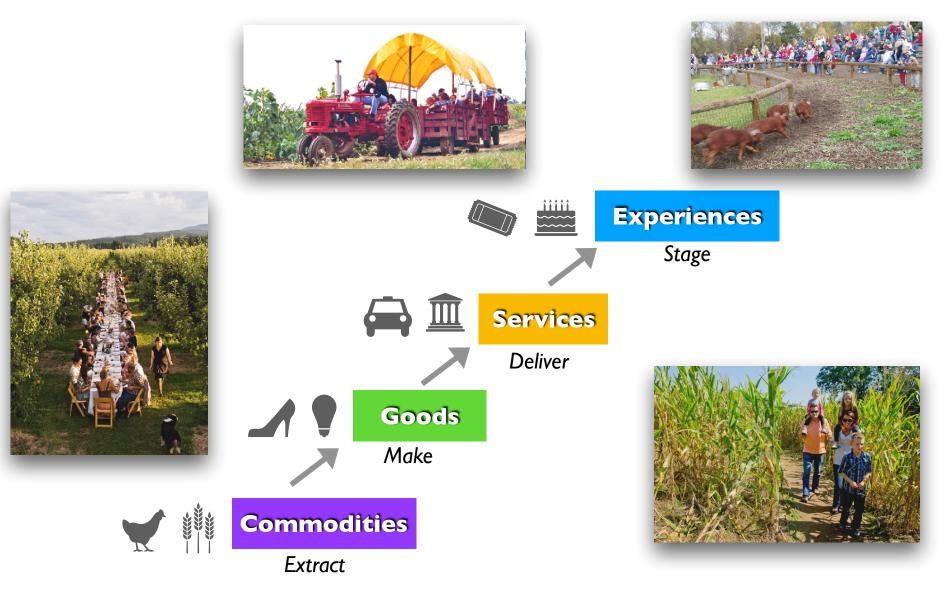






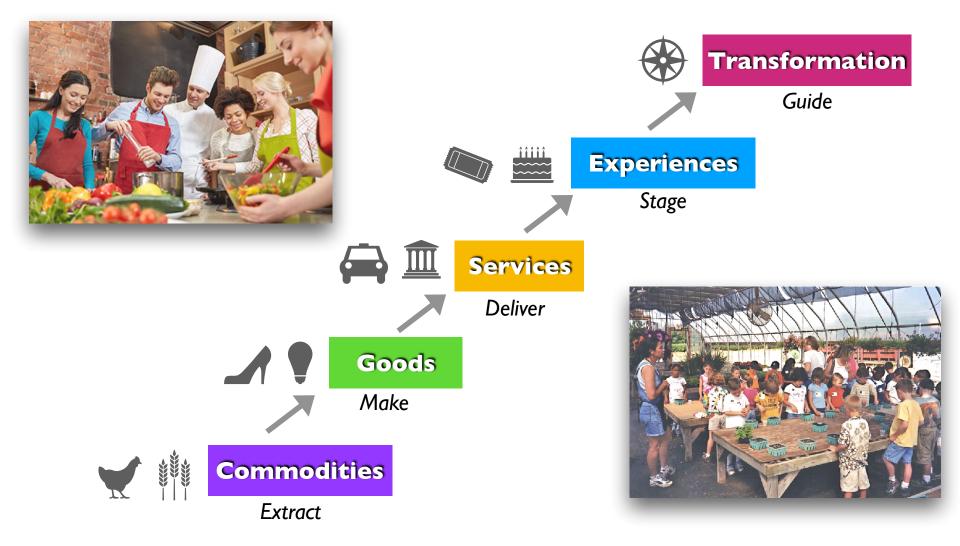












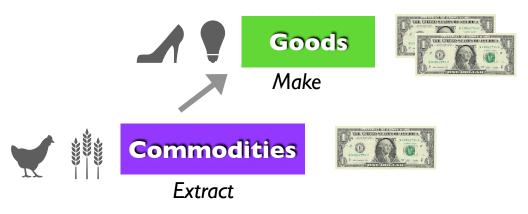






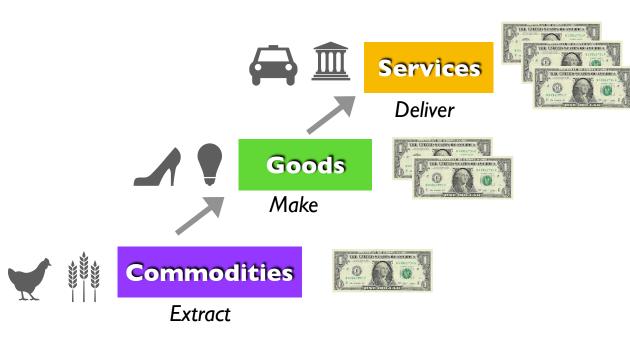






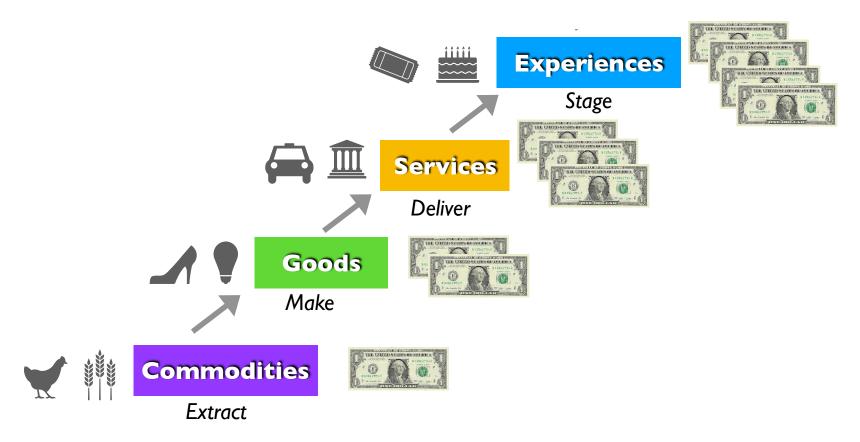






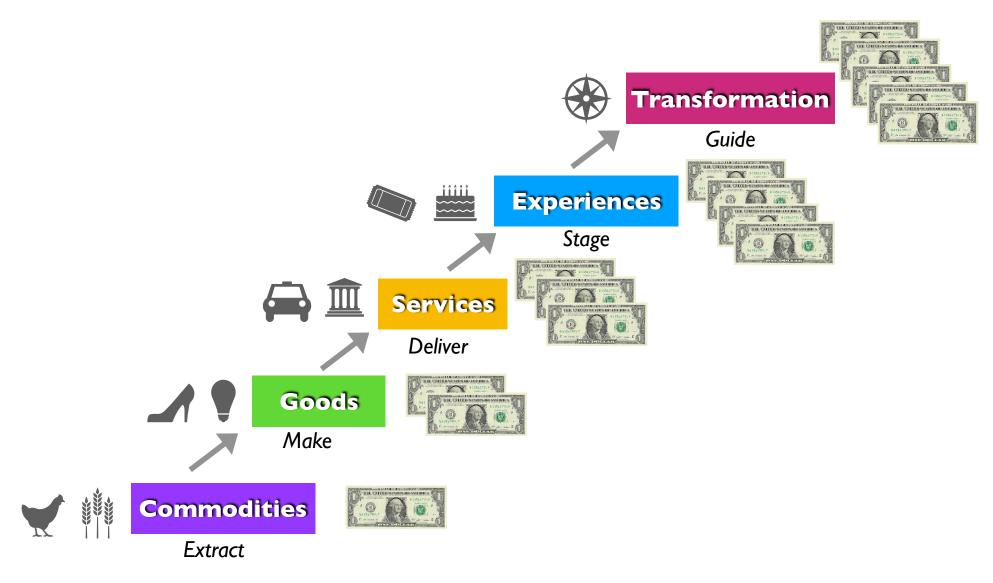






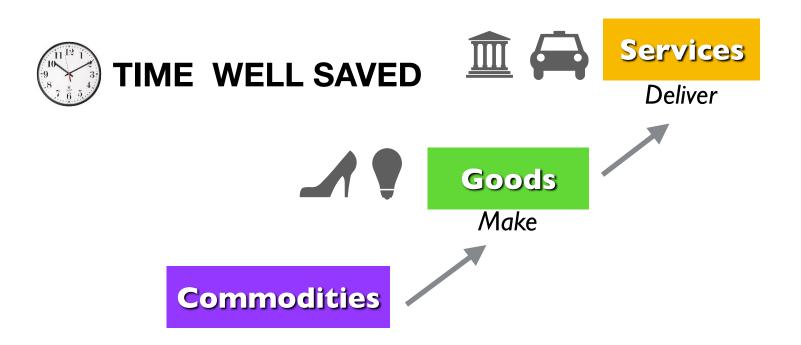






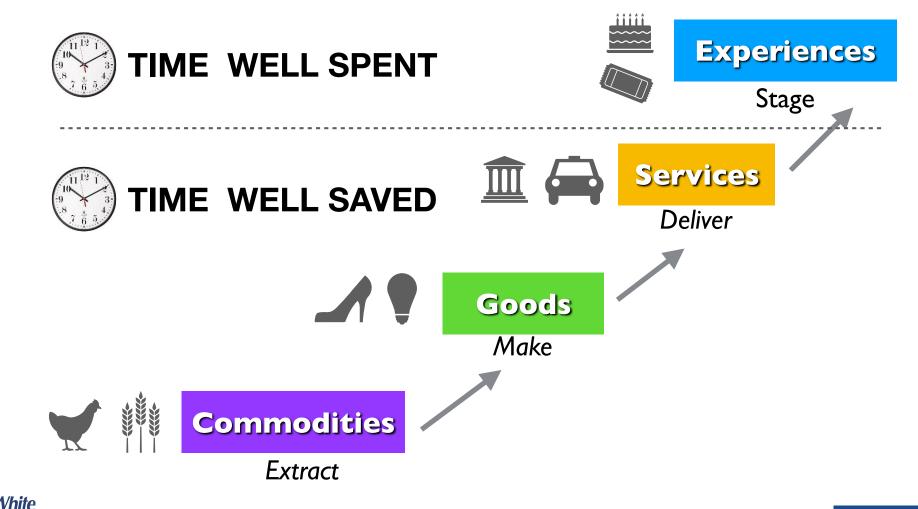




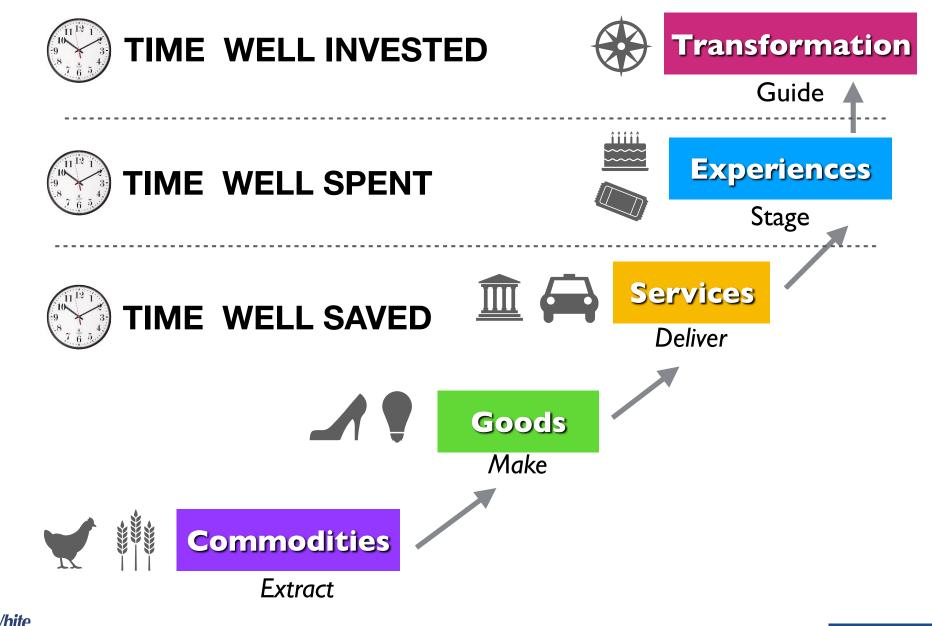










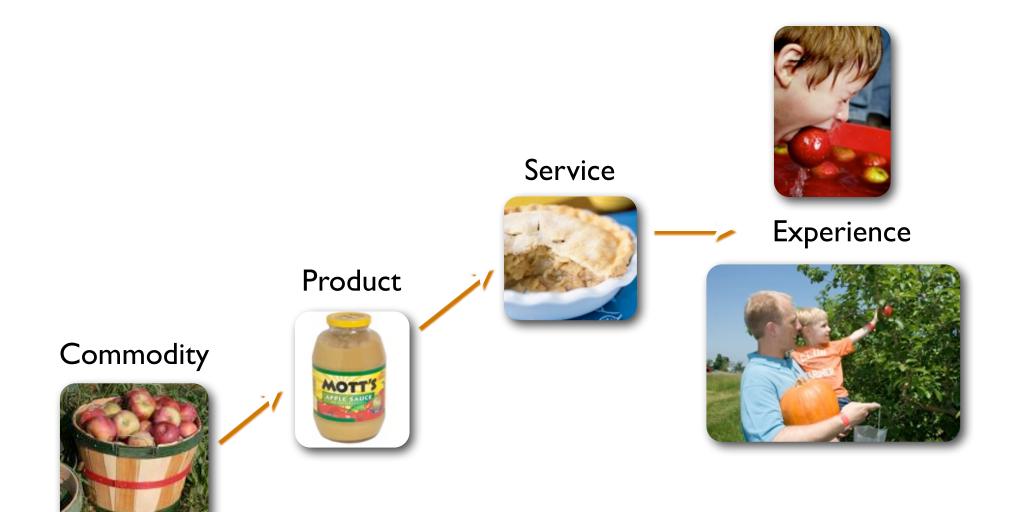








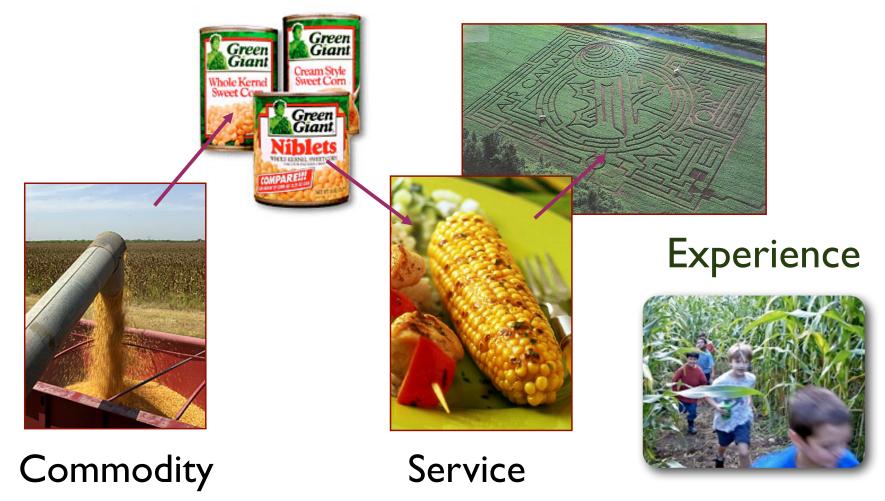








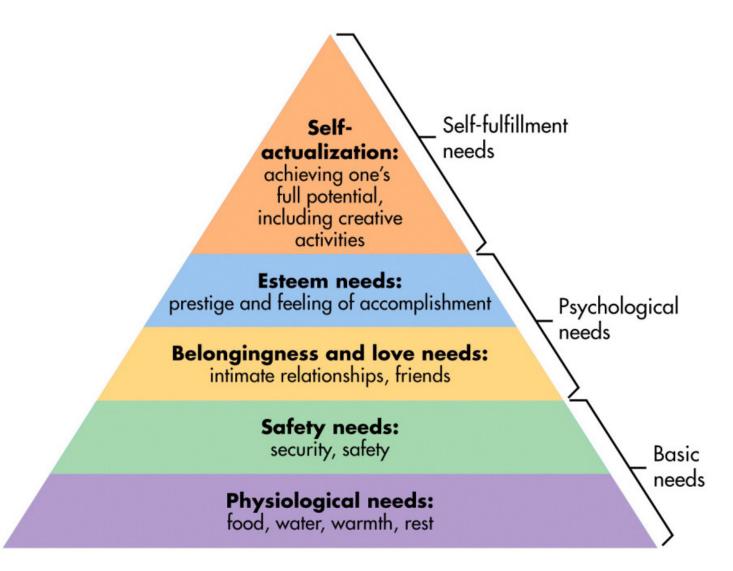
Product







Maslow's hierarchy of needs







Transformational experiences

Permanently change people in some way, offering them more than just the memory of an experience that may fade in time

- Self-actualization
- Mersonal transformation & growth
- Mew knowledge
- Self-improvement
- **Markov** Improved well-being
- Personal fulfillment
- Empowers people to make meaningful, lasting changes in their lives

Have the highest value and profit margins





Transformative experiences



Cooking class



Tour with story



Sampling with story



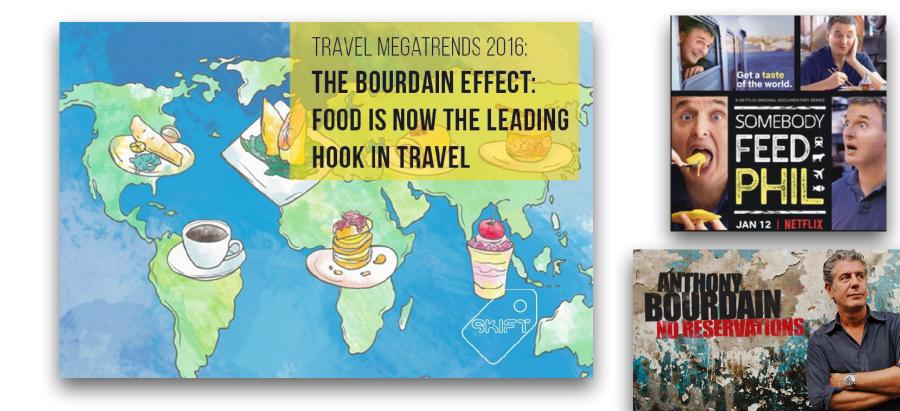
Hands-on demonstration





Travel trend

67% of Millennials say eating is what they want to do when traveling. Topdeck Travel Food is now the leading hook on travel. Skifts







Travel trend







Food & beverage

Major culinary evolution - People are eating in new ways, craving new things and engaging with food in ways that have never been seen before.



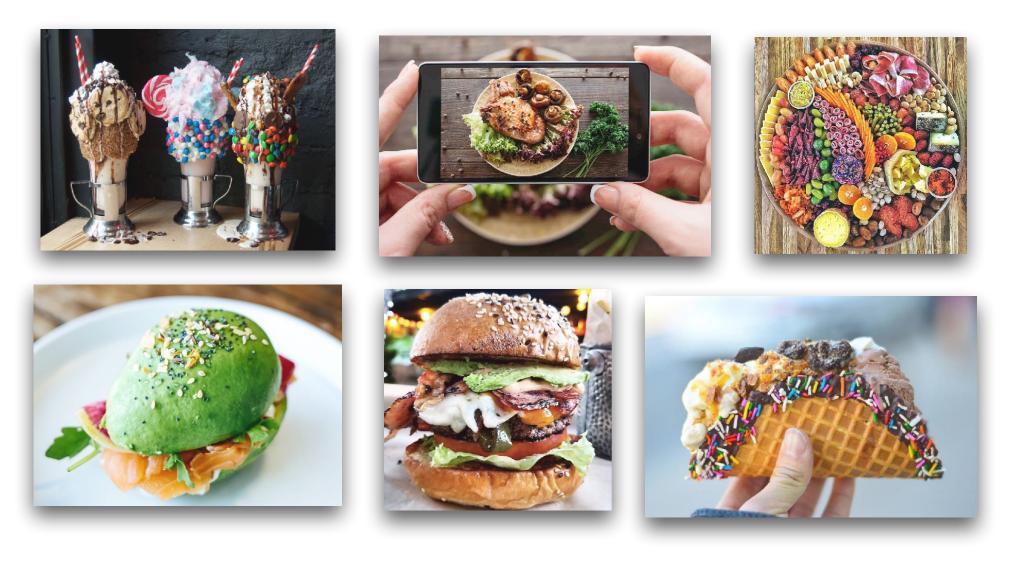








Adventure & discovery with food Foodie- & Instagrammable-worthy







Foodie culture

Culinary food & beverage:

- adventure & discovery
- unique & memorable food & drink experiences

Sharable experience:

- communal social
- on social media











Google search trends - 1/01/2007-2/07/2020



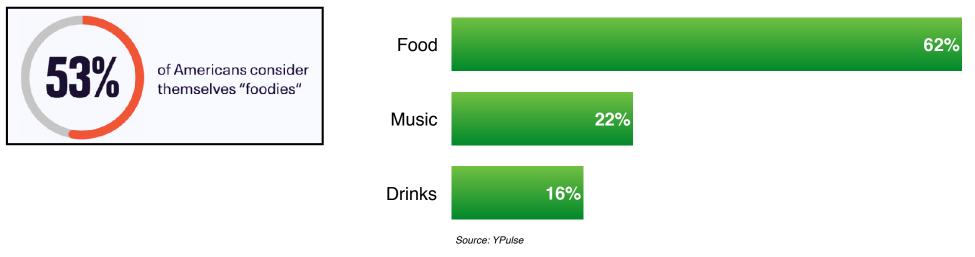


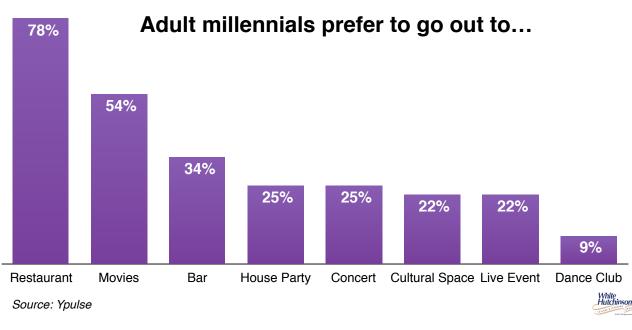
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Food & drink is now considered entertainment









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Transformative experiences

Experiential culinary agritourism

- Direct involvement in harvesting and preparation
- Participating in cooking demonstration, classes
- Dining with professional commentary
- Entry into behind-the scenes of farms, food-prep, restaurants
- Interpretative tours and stories













Farming people is a lot different than farming crops and raising animals.









Are your skills & attributes a good match for agritourism?

I have a good sense of humor and am not easily offended

I'm generally an even-keeled and cheerful person

Entrepreneur Attributes and Skills I am a self-starter I am prepared to invest substantial time in planning and operating a new enterprise I follow through on what I start I have a strong work ethic I am in good health and have plenty of energy I am comfortable making important decisions The idea of taking on more responsibility excites me I am creative in developing ideas and solving problems I adapt well to change I am comfortable with assessing and managing risk I am willing to risk losing an investment I will be able to survive financially if a new enterprise does not generate a profit for a few years My family is 100% committed to starting and operating an agritourism venture

Managerial Skills and Attributes

I have experience managing and operating a business
I can manage the additional business responsibilities associated with an agritourism operation
I am good at managing and organizing my home and business expenses and financial records
I enjoy learning new things
I am flexible in my approach to work, depending on what the circumstances call for
I have knowledge of basic business law
I have sales skills
I have supervisory skills
I am effective at setting and meeting deadlines to accomplish tasks
I am determined to succeed



Issues & considerations

- Hospitality
- Zoning
- Food & beverage
- Health department
- Parking
- Restrooms
- Marketing
- Point-of-sale
- Insurance
- Staffing
- Seasonality
- Cannibalization





The end Questions?



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Since 1994, Randy and his company has worked for many of the country's leading agritainment/agritourism farms including initial feasibility and concepts, full design, and consulting on growing their businesses, including original development and expansion design and food and beverage operations.

One of the company's edutainment projects was featured in the book The Experience Economy. Numerous national newspapers and magazines, including Time magazine, the Wall Street Journal, USA Today and The New York Times have interviewed and quoted Randy as an expert on entertainment, edutainment and eatertainment. He was featured on the Food Network's Unwrapped television show as an eatertainment expert and received recognition for family-friendly designs by Pizza Today magazine.

Over 100 of Randy's articles have been published in leading entertainment/leisure/ agritainment industry publications and he has been a featured keynoter and speaker at over 38 different leisure industry conventions around the world.

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