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The Raff Family are looking for a polite and energetic agriculturally minded single or individual with family.

Applicants must have a genuine interest in livestock production and an understanding of best pasture and grazing management systems. You must have attention to detail for performance collection and an eagerness to use software programs for performance systems. You must be accepting of wet winters and mild temperatures.

Applicants must be interested in living within a remote and pristine rural environment with unique lifestyle opportunities located on King Island, Tasmania.

We are a family owned and operated Angus Seedstock Beef Breeding business that was established in 1965.

A position is available for the 2027 year and beyond with the opportunity to relocate at the end of this 2026 year.

We are looking for a person who wants to work with us to be part of our daily workload and management practices within our stud beef cattle production program. This includes both property and pasture development and a mindset to improving best farming principals aimed at increasing soil microbial activity for better soils and improved animal health.

We moved from the western Darling Downs in Queensland in 2015 seeking seasonal security and a better lifestyle. Our farm is 1057 hectares in size and located in the higher rainfall and higher production area within King Island. It is a sandy loam to clay soil type with rye grass and clover the predominate pasture species. Next year we will join 750 Herd Book Registered females and calve 650 females Jan/Feb/March. Individual performance is collected and recorded throughout the animal's life including weights, scrotal size, frame size, carcase data through ultrasound and the collection of genomic information. We implement one round of whole herd Artificial Insemination at joining. We faecal age at pregnancy testing and draft accordingly at calving. At birth all calves have a DNA sample taken and are weighed and tagged. All cattle are constantly assessed.

The successful applicant must have a genuine interest in beef cattle with attention to detail. You must be self-motivated and trustworthy. You must have a general understanding in the management of rotational grazing and software platforms for record keeping. Applicants are preferred to have general mechanical and machinery experience. Attention to detail, patience, positivity and a zest for life are important and expected qualities.

Key farm workloads include –

- Year round rotational grazing practices
 - 163 paddocks
 - 20 kilometres of laneways

- Pasture management
 - Hay & Silage
 - Paddock maintenance – rolling, drain work, multispecies
- Grass Fed steer & surplus female management
 - Sell as 100% pasture raised, no antibiotic, no HGP, sustainable accredited prime yearling beef.
- Animal Health
 - Three monthly vaccination/supplement program
- Artificial Insemination programs
 - Join April
 - Whole herd
 - Both natural and fixed time programs used
- Eight week calving period Jan/Feb/March
 - Every calf is weighed, tagged & DNA collection
- Seedstock management
 - Replacement breeders
 - Seedstock Bulls
- Performance collection
 - Calving ease, birthweight, 200/400/600 day weights
 - Ultrasound scanning – EMA, Fat & IMF%
 - Mature cow weights – pre calving & post weaning.
 - Frame Score
 - Structure & docility assessment
- Stud sires
 - Bull management

Our business is progressive, intensive and diverse. While all cattle are registered only 25% are sold for seedstock production. An annual bull sale is held in Queensland. Steers and surplus females are pasture finished on farm and sold into grass-fed and sustainable branded beef programs. Carcase Feedback information allows for in depth analysis for improved genetic selection. We have a small flock of sheep for fat lamb production, and we have one house registered for Agritourism Farmstay Accommodation. This includes on farm bus and personalised tours.

The suitable applicant, single or family, will be accommodated on farm within an independent and very comfortable three-bedroom homestead. A door to door school bus service is offered for reception through to grade 10. The school is located 20 minutes west at Currie.

Annual salary is dependent on applicants experience and as such is well open to discussion. This will include business necessities and living benefits.

We encourage those who are willing to work within our business for a minimum of one year or are interested to work with a goal of working within a stable and progressive business for a long-term position to apply. We offer you the opportunity to grow with our business in a stable and family orientated environment living within a truly unique location.

If you are interested, please email your resume to - andrew@raffangus.com.au

If you would like to discuss this job opportunity prior to emailing, then call Andrew – 0429 691 975

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