



Can multi-cropping work for you?



This workshop will explore multi-cropping opportunities and impacts in the UK

Multi-cropping describes farming approaches that grow several species or varieties of crop in one place.

It is commonplace in developing countries where farmers claim benefits in terms of **nutrients, water, pest and disease control**, as well as helping **reduce erosion and improve soil structure**.

But does it work here? This workshop aims to explore whether multi-cropping can work for productive UK farms, and to look at its impact on soil structure and function.



The day will feature:

- Practical multi-cropping options - Prof. Martin Wolfe (Wakelyns Agroforestry)
- Multi-cropping impacts on the soil - Dr Matthew Shepherd (Natural England).
- A workshop session – would multi-cropping work on your farm? Led by Jurgen Ehrmann and Prof. Karl Ritz (Cranfield University)
- A farm walk – see multi-cropping in action at Wakelyns.



Details:-

Tuesday 10th July 2012
10:00 am – 3:30 pm

Wakelyns Farm
Fressingfield
Suffolk
IP21 5SD
UK

Lunch provided

The event includes a farm walk, so please bring outdoor clothing.

To book a place please call 0300 0601695 or email
farmevents@naturalengland.org.uk
quoting event reference **EWS80**

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Getting there:

From the east - from the A12 follow the sign to Halesworth B1123 and then continue on the B1123 to Metfield. As you come into Metfield, take the left fork signposted Fressingfield. Follow this for 1-2 miles until the road takes a sharp bend to the left at Lawn Farm (Landquip). Turn right here, marked 'No Through Road'. Follow this through the Landquip (Lawn Farm) yard. Continue along the No Through Road, when you can go no further you are at Wakelyns Farm!

From the west – past Diss, continue on the A143 Gt Yarmouth road towards Harleston. There is a roundabout at the Harleston turning - continue as if to Gt Yarmouth for about 3-400 yards then take the slip road to the right signposted Fressingfield, and right at the T junction again signposted Fressingfield. Entering Fressingfield (about 3-4 miles) turn left at the War memorial (bottom of the dip), signposted 'Metfield'. Continue for 1 mile and take the second turning left, at a red brick house signposted 'Metfield'. Continue along this road for 1 mile, turn left on the bend along the 'No Through Road', and past 'Landquip'. When you can go no further you are at Wakelyns Farm!

Public transport - The nearest railway stations are Halesworth (direct trains from Ipswich and

Lowestoft) or Diss (trains from London and Norwich) from where taxis to Wakelyns would cost £16-£20. By bus from Diss, take the 580 to Harleston and the 40 to Fressingfield. From Halesworth, take the 588 to Bungay, the 580 to Harleston and the 40 to Fressingfield. You'll need to arrange a lift from Fressingfield to Wakelyns.



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