



OGI Internship in Organic Horticulture

Host farm profile

GREEN EARTH ORGANICS

Corrandulla, Co. Galway



FARM DETAILS

Owner/ Manager Name	Kenneth Keavney
Company Name	Green Earth Organics
Address	Caherlea, Corrandulla, Co. Galway
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ABOUT THE FARM

The farm went into organic conversion in 2004, and we currently farm on 20 acres of organically certified land, of which 10 acres is under organic vegetable production any given year while the rest consists of a wildlife biodiversity area, native woodland forestry (7000 trees).

We grow 20 different types of crops, both in field scale and under cover. The farm has two tractors, one state of the art, with GPS, and an array of specialized machinery.

We grow protected crops in 7 polytunnels, planting over 1000 tomato plants each season. We grow to sell in our online delivery service, which is the largest in the country, and in our farm shop.

APPROXIMATE AREA UNDER CULTIVATION

Field Vegetables: 10 acres

Protected Cropping: 7 polytunnels. 1000m2.

ACTIVITIES

Propagation

Soft Fruit - small amount

Top Fruit

Poultry

Livestock

Other

ROUTES TO MARKET

Box Scheme

Farm Shop

Catering

Market Stall

Wholesale

Other: Online sales.

INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS

Do applicants need to have a full driving license?

Yes No

Yes, transport to the farm is required. We are in a rural area, so personal transport is a benefit as there is no regular public transport.

Will the role involve the use of machinery?

Yes No

How many hours work a week are involved and what is the payment you are offering?

40-48 hours per week. €14 per hour. Can be adjusted for the right applicant.

There may be the opportunity to continue on after the internship finishes for the right candidate.

Will weekend work be required?

Yes No

Will the role involve direct sales at markets or shops?

Yes No

Is accommodation on-farm an option?

Yes No

Galway, Headford and Tuam are close by for shared accommodation options.

Are there volunteers on the holding?

Yes No

What are the ideal start and finish dates?

Mid-March to end of November, dates are flexible to a degree.

APPLICANT PROFILE

What are the most important attributes you are looking for?

Work ethic and ability to be trusted are the two key attributes sought. Experience in working with protected crops and/or general use of farm machinery would be considered an advantage.

LOCATION



Approximate location of farm.