A Proposal for the Sustainable Production of Goat Food Products in Kagoshima

—Looking at the Example of a Goat Milk Farm in Perth—

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Purpose

I stayed in Perth for five weeks as a part of the Global Education Program at Kagoshima University. I worked on the theme of investigating things related to Kagoshima.

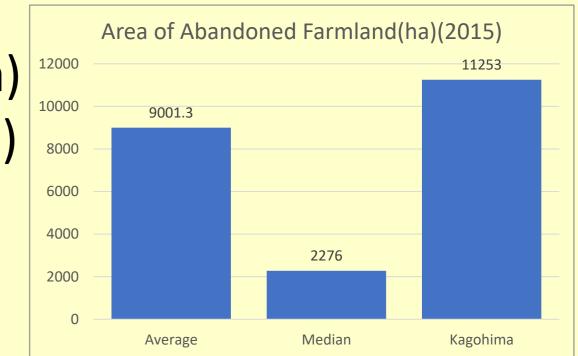
Why Focus on Goat Milk?

- Sustainable
- Rare
- From a small scale

Current Problems

- Increase in marginal settlements (Kagoshima)
- Increase in abandoned farmland (Kagoshima)
- 60% of food is imported (Japan)





Goats can walk small area with steep slope \rightarrow Good at living in village and islands

Interview at a Perth Goat Farm

- <Caprino Farm in Herne Hill>
- Permaculture
- No chemicals
- Feed
- Small scale
- \rightarrow Grass that grows = Amount of grass goats eat
- Processing into Yogurt
- \rightarrow Only 15% of milk turns into Cheese, 100% turns into Yogurt





- Influenced by foreign countries (Japan)
- \rightarrow Cheap yen, War, Corona Virus

Field Work in Perth

- ~At Farmers' Market~
- Many Products of All Ingredients WA
- Many organic products
- Returning empty jars
- Sustainable





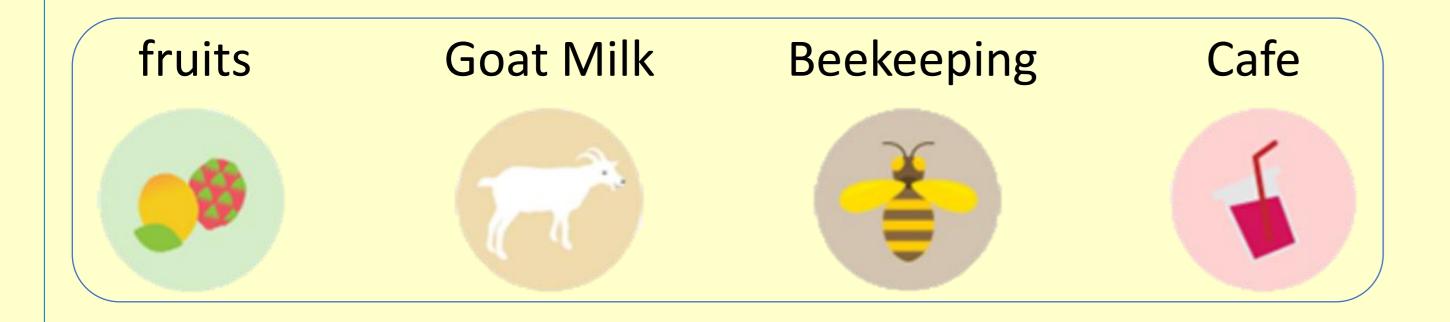






Goat Milk Production in Kagoshima

<Soleilfarm in Amami O-Shima Island> The Only Goat Milk Farm in Kagoshima (From 2012)



Feed: Hay(Alfalfa, Oats), Pasture, Brown Sugar Shochu Sake Lees→Only in Amami Island Processing: Milk, Yogurt, Cheese, Ice cream, Doughnuts, etc.

~Sustainable~ Composting goat manure \rightarrow Use in Orchard $Grazing \rightarrow No$ herbicide Build a good relationship in the region \rightarrow Working with goat farmers for meat



Why it is Better to Use the Perth Method

- Food production that can be completed domestically on a small scale
- Create a new brand of all ingredients Kagoshima
- Stabilize food production in Kagoshima

Proposals and Challenges

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- Local production for local consumption
- Using Goats to utilize abandoned farmland
- Using dairy products to process yogurt
 - \rightarrow Contributing to waste reduction

< Challenges >

- No vast land area like Australia
- Higher cost of Production