



A Discovery as Pure as Gold









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## The NORTHERN GOLD™ Experience

## Ranching Families

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As part of this commitment, selection faithfully begins with only the highest quality of breeds, raised under attentive animal care, in open spaces, blessed with fresh air, clear water and a cooler climate.



The final ingredient is nourishment. Each animal is fed with precision, natural grazing and converting only the finest quality grains for which Canada is internationally praised.







# The NORTHERN GOLD™ Experience

## Products

A premium brand that offers a uniquely Canadian story and experience of pride in supporting rural farming communities.

Founded on a 100% Canadian identity to ensure consumers have complete confidence in meeting an overwhelming expectation for local origin.

A more diverse selection of beef choices. A coveted competitive advantage in providing a discerning and quality conscious consumer with trusted options.

Attention to every detail, preserving the most memorable and trusted experience. Overall Northern Gold provides exceptional flavour, tenderness and consistency.







# The NORTHERN GOLD™ Experience World Class

Northern Gold will not take advantage of the environment or entrusted resources in any manner.

While the purity of Northern Gold begins with local ranching families, the ambassadors of the brand are the very employees whom have all committed daily excellence and ethical decisions towards animal care, feeding, production and sustained stewardship.



Finally, Northern Gold is verified by internationally respected Canadian Government oversight. Preserving global confidence and integrity in this premium brand.

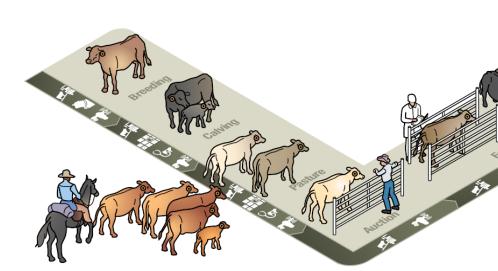












The Canadian Cattle **Production System utilizes** internationally recognized livestock genetics and Canada's mandatory national cattle identification program.

#### Organizations



HEALTH CANADA establishes Canada's national standards for food safety and authorizes veterinary drugs for use in cattle production.

CANADIAN FOOD INSPECTION AGENCY enforces federal laws relating to animal health and the safety of Canadian beef.

CANADIAN CATTLE IDENTIFICATION AGENCY implements technologies and services supporting Canada's mandatory national cattle identification program.

#### Programs and Attributes

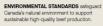


CATTLE PRODUCTION KNOWLEDGE has been accumulated from Canada's long

history of cattle ranching. ANIMAL WELFARE STANDARDS protect

cattle and are a shared responsibility of the government and the Canadian industry.

ANIMAL GENETICS IMPORT CONTROLS include point-of-entry inspection and quarantine as well as foreign animal disease testing.





FEED INGREDIENT APPROVALS

are required for cattle feed and are enforced by the Canadian Food Inspection Agency.

HACCP FEED PRODUCTION SYSTEMS are designed to analyze and control potential hazards related to cattle feed.

BSE FEED CONTROLS are defined in Canadian federal law and prohibit inclusion of specified risk materials in animal feed.

#### CANADIAN LIVESTOCK TRACKING

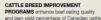
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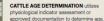


ANIMAL HEALTH PRODUCT APPROVALS are determined by the Government of Canada before use in cattle is permitted.

#### NATIONAL ANIMAL DISEASE

SURVEILLANCE supports Canada's ability to recognize and respond to any emerging animal disease.







ANIMAL HEALTH MONITORING is conducted by beef producers and

veterinarians throughout the production

GRAIN FEEDING promotes well marbled, tender and flavourful beef with firm, white fet

#### CATTLE TRANSPORT BEST PRACTICES

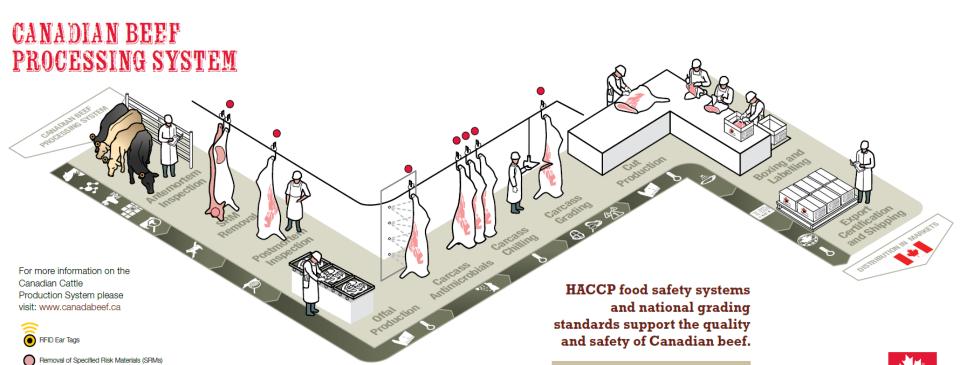
are designed to protect cattle during transport and reduce quality defects.

NATIONAL CHEMICAL RESIDUE MONITORING Program tests beef for residues of chemicals to protect human health. For more information on the Canadian Cattle Production System please visit: www.canadabeef.ca











Carcass Tracking System



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gained from Canada's experience as a supplier of high quality beef to more than 100 countries.



GRAIN FEEDING promotes well marbled, tender and flavourful beef with firm, white fat



HACCP BEEF SAFETY SYSTEM must be fully implemented at all Canadian processing plants exporting beef.



#### MICROBIAL TESTING PROGRAMS

are implemented by all Canadian beef processors to monitor sanitation and food safety.



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#### NATIONAL CHEMICAL RESIDUE

MONITORING Program tests beef for residues of chemicals to protect human health.



#### CATTLE AGE DETERMINATION utilizes physiological indicator assessment or approved documentation to determine age.



#### ANTEMORTEM INSPECTION is performed to monitor the health of live cattle prior





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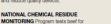


TEMPERATURE MONITORING is conducted throughout the beef production process as required by the HACCP food safety system.



#### CATTLE TRANSPORT BEST PRACTICES are designed to protect cattle during transport and reduce quality defects.

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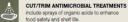




BEEF QUALITY GRADE is used to describe the eating quality of beef and includes Canada's high-quality Prime, AAA, AA



BEEF YIELD GRADE is a classification system related to the amount of lean or muscle in the carcass.



include sprays of organic acids to enhance food safety and shelf life.



**BOX LABEL INFORMATION** contains product weight and specification along with food safety and traceability information.



Inspection Agency assures that all export requirements are satisfied.



MATERIALS (SRMS) are designed to analyze and control potential hazards related to cattle feed.





### Canadian Beef Marbling Standards

CANADA	Marbling Score	UNITED STATES
Canada Prime	Abundant	USDA Prime
	Moderately Abundant	
	Slightly Abundant	
Canada AAA	Moderate	USDA Choice
	Modest	
	Small	
Canada AA	Slight	USDA Select
Canada A -	Trace	<ul> <li>USDA Standard</li> </ul>
	Practically Devoid	









The Canadian Standards for beef marbling are harmonized with those utilized in the United States.



To assess marbling, the exposed cross-section of the rib-eye muscle is evaluated for the amount, size and distribution of intramuscular fat deposits. The marbling standards used to define USDA Prime (slightly abundant), Choice (small) and Select (slight) are the same standards used in Canada to segregate youthful quality carcasses into Canada Prime, AAA and AA grades respectively.

Canadian Beef Quality that inspires confidence

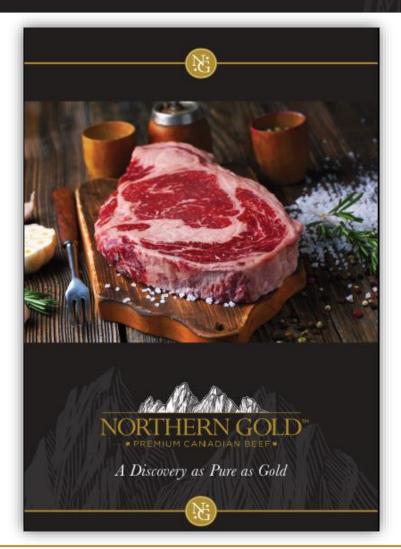




- √ 100% local origin from Est. 38 Brooks, Alberta Canada (confirmed)
- √ Finest in breed and genetic selection (confirmed)
- √ Grade certified (confirmed)
- ✓ Premium selection AAA upper 2/3<sup>rd</sup> (confirmed)
- ✓ Grass fed & finished with the highest quality of grain (confirmed)
- ✓ Maturity is youthful & no dark cutters permitted (confirmed)
- ✓ Carcass weight target 1050lbs. or less on average (confirmed)
- ✓ Marbling will be modest to moderate (confirmed)
- ✓ Marbling texture will be firm only (confirmed)
- ✓ Fat colour white only no yellow permitted (confirmed)







With uncompromising quality standards, Northern Gold is reserved for discerning chefs and fine grocers who have a passion and respect for the attention to detail required to provide a memorable experience – every time.

