

BOWBRIDGE ALPACAS SCOTLAND

SUSTAINABLE TOURISM STATEMENT

At Bowbridge Alpacas Scotland, sustainable tourism is at the heart of everything we do. For us, sustainable tourism means welcoming visitors in a way that supports the local economy, strengthens our community, and protects our environment—both now and for future generations. It is tourism that uses resources wisely, respects the land and its ecosystems, and honours the culture and character of rural Scotland.

Caring for the Environment

Alpacas are naturally gentle on the land. Their soft, padded feet protect soil structure, and their selective grazing preserves plant diversity and reduces pasture damage. They require minimal inputs, making them one of the most eco-friendly forms of livestock.

We also operate with a strong no-waste ethic, ensuring that every part of what our alpacas produce is used responsibly. Their fleece is carefully graded into different qualities so that it can be transformed into a wide range of sustainable products:

- Fine fleece is spun into luxurious yarns and wool goods.
- Medium grades are used for felting, crafting, and handmade textiles.
- Coarser fibre becomes natural nesting materials for wildlife or is used in garden applications.
- Short fibre and thirds are composted to enrich the soil.

Nothing goes to waste.

Additionally, alpaca manure is an excellent natural fertiliser, rich in nutrients yet gentle enough to be applied directly to plants. By using it across our land and offering it to local growers, we support natural soil health and reduce the need for chemical alternatives.



Supporting the Local Economy

We are proud to contribute to our local economy by working with nearby artisans, suppliers, and small businesses. Our alpaca products are crafted locally wherever possible, helping to sustain traditional skills and rural employment. Visitors who come to Bowbridge Alpacas also support other local businesses—from cafés and accommodation providers to craft shops and community attractions—helping to keep our region economically vibrant.

Strengthening Community Connections

Bowbridge Alpacas Scotland is deeply rooted in our community. We offer educational visits, workshops, and opportunities for local groups to connect with nature and learn about responsible farming. We collaborate with community organisations and support local events, ensuring that our farm is not just a destination but a positive and active part of community life.

Our Commitment

We are committed to ensuring that tourism at Bowbridge Alpacas Scotland remains sustainable, meaningful, and responsible. By caring for our animals, our land, our community, and our local economy, we aim to create an experience that visitors can enjoy today—while safeguarding the environment and culture that make this place special for the future.

Sustainable tourism is not just part of our mission—it is woven into everything we do.

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