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Sheep breeder shows how to start a cottage industry at home

In *Among the Sheep*, Marlene Bell reveals how she began her successful sheep business

SHAFTER, Calif.—*Among the Sheep* by Marlene Bell is a self-help guide for people who want to work for themselves. Full of personal anecdotes and helpful tips, *Among the Sheep* aims to show how to turn a passion into a profit.

Artist, photographer and city girl Marlene Bell fell in love with the sheep business about the same time she fell in love with the man who was to become her husband. In *Among the Sheep*, Bell chronicles how she entered into country life, began raising Horned Dorset sheep, and used her artistic talents to start a successful mail order business with her husband in 1985, which combined livestock operations with sheep-related retail gifts. Bell provides basic knowledge on raising sheep and running an enterprise, and also provides tips on how readers can start their own home-based companies.

Part memoir and part guidebook, *Among the Sheep* works to show how to establish a strong mail order and Web site presence, gives guidance in caring for and breeding sheep, and crafts a personal portrait of a woman who combined her love for livestock and the arts to create a booming business.

For more information or to request a free review copy, members of the press can contact the author at ewephoric@bak.rr.com. *Among the Sheep* is available for sale online at Amazon.com, BookSurge.com, and through additional wholesale and retail channels worldwide.

About the Author

Marlene Bell has been involved in the sheep industry since 1979 and has raised 60 head of registered Horned Dorset sheep on 14 acres in Shafter.

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