

# Top milk yield

## Learning from the best

What is behind the highest milk yields in Switzerland? Top farms show how expertise, presence in the barn and consistent management lead to success.

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the most productive herds are managed by their farm managers.

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These days, breeding associations publish the best performances of their affiliated dairy herds. Special attention is paid to the highest farm averages in milk yield. This dossier is dedicated to precisely this topic. The top 10 farms from Braunvieh Schweiz and Swissherdbook/Holstein Switzerland are listed on the following two pages. What they all have in common is that they are managed by farm managers who work with professionalism, intuition and passion, and who often cite economic considerations as the motivation for their farm strategy. The list is headed by an operations manager who was already close to the top in previous years: Philipp Furrer from Kleinwangen LU. He runs the the business together with his wife Michelle and around 50 Holstein cows. Around 50 Holstein cows. While the farm average in 2024 was still 14,464 kilograms of milk per standard lactation, this increased to an impressive 15,277 kilograms in 2025. The author got to know Furrer as someone who is constantly optimising and is open to learning from professionals, colleagues and consultants. A portrait of the Furrer family appeared in "Schweizer Bauer" newspaper, 8 November 2025. In it, he explains, among other things, why he relies on Concept Dairy Pro from the feed company Hokovit.



The Furrer family from Kleinwangen LU leads the way in terms of performance with their Holstein herd. Last year, 43 cows completed their standard lactation with 15,277 kilograms of milk. IMAGE: ADRIAN HALDIMANN



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