

MEET YOUR FARMER

Pete Metzler, Farmer/Mechanic/Contractor/Keeps the Beat

Introducing Pete Metzler, our Mr. Fix-It at the farm! Pete has been an official member of the Porter family since 2014 and since May has been working full time at the farm. While he didn't grow up in farming, his diverse background has taught him many skills that are applicable on the farm today.

Pete grew up in Batavia and was very active in music as a drummer. After high school he attended SUNY Purchase and majored in Studio Production. Much to his parents chagrin, he dropped out of college and moved to California with his band. His band Down to Earth Approach signed with a record label, made two records, and traveled on Warped Tour and played with Dashboard Confessional, Saves the Day, and Plain White T's. Check them out in Spotify or Pandora so he can make some pennies in his royalty check (haha). In 2007 the band split up, and Pete moved back to NY to continue with his bachelors degree. This time he enrolled at SUNY Brockport and completed his BS in Business Administration. After graduation, he worked at Kistner Concrete in sales and the fleet department. He also worked at a conventional farm in Byron where he learned a lot about agriculture.

On a day-to-day basis Pete can be found doing the following things: fixing equipment, fitting ground, planting, working with livestock, making deliveries, managing irrigation, and riding around the farm with his best pal Charlie. In his spare time, Pete enjoys mountain biking, drumming, being a dad to the three cutest girls, and mowing the lawn.

Q & A's with Pete:

Q: What is your favorite Movie? Waynes World or Spies Like Us

Q: What is your favorite Color? Dark Green

Q: What is your favorite type of Music? Good music. Not country music.

Q: What is your dream vehicle? 1990 Volvo 740 Turbo Wagon

Q: Are You a good Cook? I don't know. I suppose.

Q: What is something that you wish you were gifted at doing? Playing piano.

Q: Can you dance and sing? I can't really dance, I think I can sing.

Q: What is the best place you have ever traveled to and why? Vancouver Island because it's beautiful.

Q: If you could eat lunch with one famous person, who would it be? Ozzy Osbourne.

Q: If you had the opportunity to go to space would you? No, I like it on Earth.

Q: What is the best part of your job? Finishing a project that you've worked really hard on.

Q: What is your favorite vegetable? Right now, tomato berries because they're in season.

