So, You Want to be a Goatherd?

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1. Introduction- “In order to be irreplaceable, one must always be different” Coco Chanel, 1971
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5. Goatherd History

A.10,000 years-National Geographic, 2011

B. Egypt

C. Domesticated about the time of the horse and camel

1. Inspiration
2. Trader Joe’s cheese
3. Love baby goats
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13. Who? What? Where? When? How? Why?

In 1971, Coco Chanel said (as cited in Haedrich, 1979) “In order to be irreplaceable, one must always be different”. Being a goatherd is about as far different from being a teacher as one can probably get. However, one cannot resist the cute and cuddly kids, and the idea of being able to connect with one of the most ancient forms of animal husbandry is simply irresistible. I don’t know anything about raising goats, but I am willing to learn in order to have a quiet, peaceful, pastoral life.

“Herding developed about 10,000 years ago, as prehistoric hunters domesticated wild animals such as sheep and goats.” (Dunn, 2011, par.1).

Serenity Farms’ Dana Gibney says, “Goats will get into and hurt themselves on anything” (personal interview, 2 February 2022) and I believe it.

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