

# How to start your own pig farm business

Pig farming business gives faster returns since Boers become ready at 18 months and sows have a gestation period that does not exceed 115 days. Pork is widely consumed.

Additionally pigs are sensitive hence need high level of care and management. Factors for pig farming are land, capital and market. There are two pig farming methods and these are intensive and free range method, furthermore pig manure is the best manure for horticulture farmers and also provides feeds for fish growth.

## Procedure to start up

Start by selecting the method of pig farming, where to keep them, number of pigs to keep and target market, thereafter carry out a market research, cost benefit analysis and write a business plan.

Establish structures since dry environments pose a challenge to pig farmers

Furthermore, ensure bio security measures to effectively minimize and control disease spread from outside environments and feed pigs on nutritious feeds fermented for 3 days with trace minerals.

Always ensure to ferment pig feeds as it is more healthy than dry feed.

Establish cooling facilities to regulate body temperature since pigs do not have sweat glands and properly dispose off manure to hinder development of disease.

Ensure proper housing with a good ventilation to keep pigs

from adverse weather conditions and allow pigs to browse in pasture and feed them separately.

Also avoid mixing pigs of different age groups to minimize bullying among animals and promote proper animals growth.

Lastly, contact a veterinary incase of disease symptoms in order to apply faster medication.