



QUICK FACTS

Mendip Hills is a 6130 hectare property, 20 minutes north of Cheviot.

The rolling to high country property is supported by two irrigated blocks and the total operation winters nearly 40,000 sheep, deer and beef stock units.

The cattle operation includes 1150 breeding cows and 130 rising-one-year-old heifers. The herd is a mix of Hereford, Angus and crossbreds.

Mendip Hills station is owned by the Black family and managed by Simon Lee.



“THERE IS NO COMPROMISE FOR GOOD BREEDING. IT’S GOOD VALUE FOR MONEY. YOU NEED GOOD FEMALES, BECAUSE THEY’RE THE BACKBONE OF YOUR BUSINESS. I BELIEVE THERE’S VALUE IN GOOD GENETICS. BUT IS THERE? WE’LL FIND OUT.”

SIMON LEE, MENDIP HILLS STATION MANAGER

MENDIP HILLS STATION, NORTH CANTERBURY

Semen from a total of 11 Hereford bulls was used this year, and further bulls will be added next year. These were selected with input from the Hereford Society, property manager Simon Lee, Mendip Hills’s stock agent Graham Sidey and Hereford breeder Gray Pannett. Hereford bulls were selected to give a range of types, but making sure they fitted with Mendip Hills’ commercial goals. It also included bulls with high percent IMF EBVs, and both horned and polled Herefords.

