

# TRUFFLE FARMS EUROPE

#### **Forestry for fine foods**

**Profit whilst helping our environment** 

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#### AGENDA

- 1. The history and background of Truffle Farms Europe Ltd
- 2. What is a truffle?
- **3.** The market for truffles
- 4. Our investment proposition









FRESH BLACK WINTER TRUFFLES 10Z ( TUBER MELANOSPORUM VITT )

★ ★ ★ ★ (12)

\$89.99



+ + + + + (12)

\$174.99



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\$319.99



FRESH BLACK WINTER TRUFFLES 60Z ( TUBER MELANOSPORUM VITT ) + + + + + (12) \$449.99



\$599.99



\$999.99



### THE HISTORY AND BACKGROUND OF TRUFFLE FARMS EUROPE





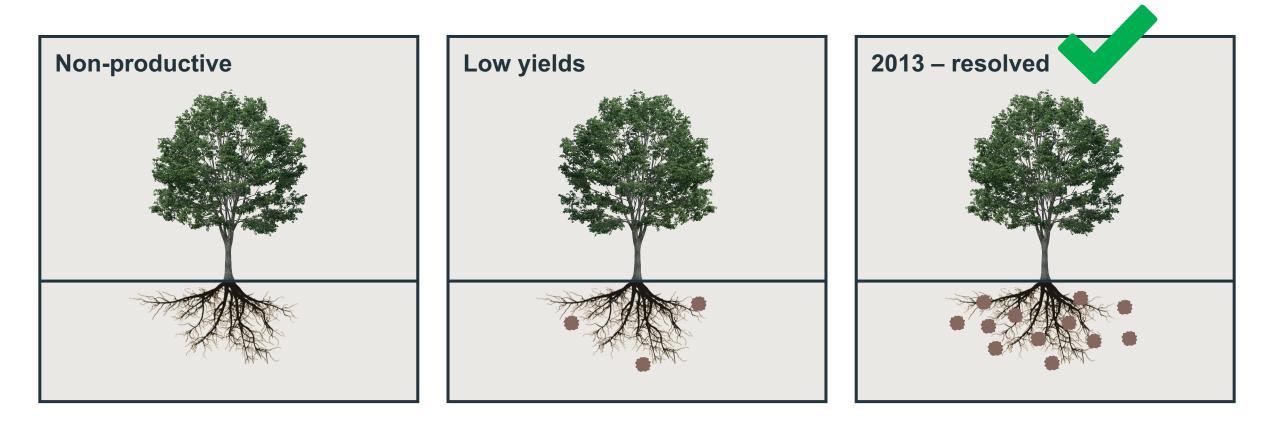
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#### IS IT POSSIBLE TO SUCCESSFULLY CULTIVATE TRUFFLES?





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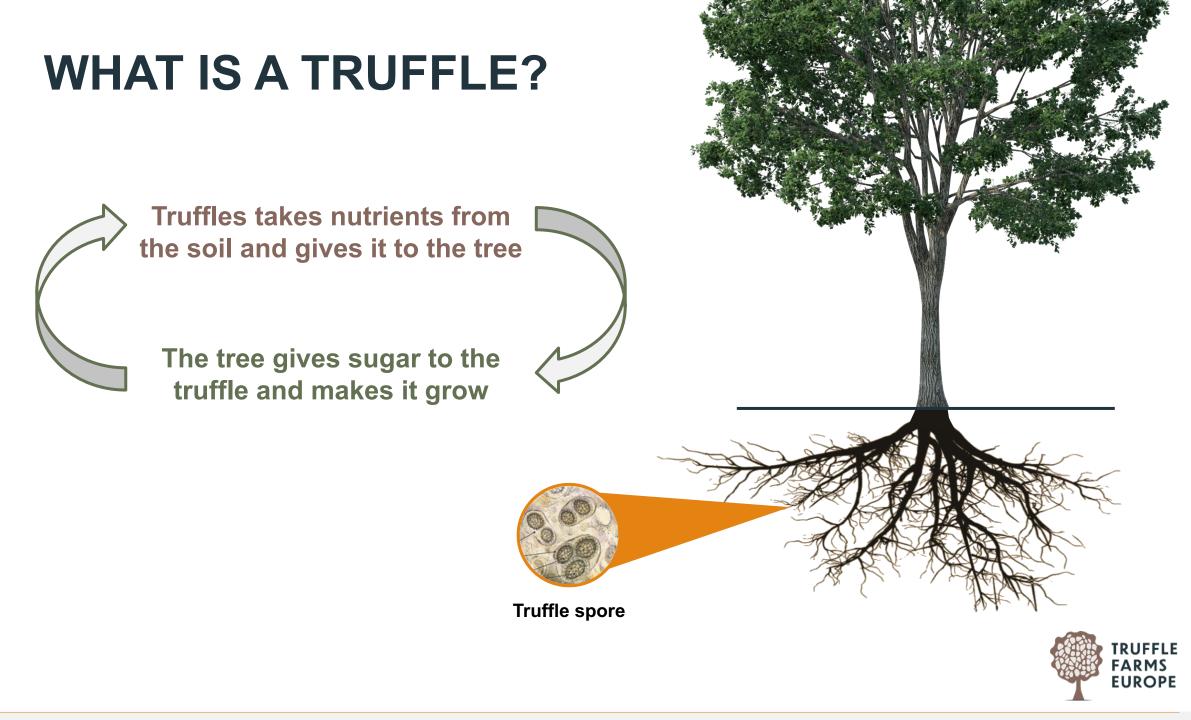
### WHAT IS A TRUFFLE?



**A truffle is the fruiting body of an unde**rground **mushroom** or tuber.

> They can be cultivated, but only by using nature's processes.





### THE MARKET FOR TRUFFLES

The market for truffles is the world's fine dining restaurants and food connoisseurs throughout the world.



# **Price of truffles mushrooms** to about \$2,500 per pound

The cost of the white type of the fungus, which is considered a delicacy, is two or three times higher than it was last year.

The Wall Street Journal The cost of health care, tuition and housing is soaring. But is America ready for a \$112 dollar plate of pasta? The price of white truffles - October and early December.

January, but U.S. chefs try to serve their supply before the holiday season begins. Many offer special dinners

featuring truffles between late

annual truffle dinners this fall White Truffle Festival USA,

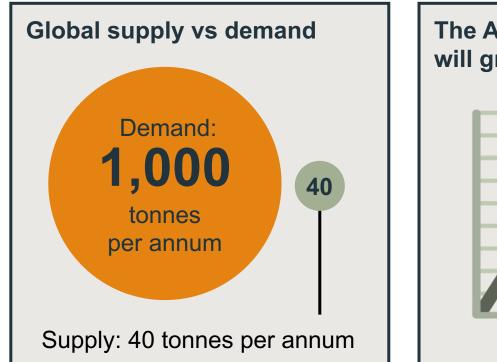
a marketing effort that promotes the use of white truffles in restaurants, has canceled many of its scheduled events. Other restaurants are simply passing the astronomical cost along to customers.

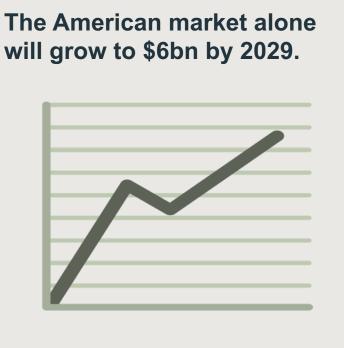
Adding insult to injury, chefs are saving it's tougher than ever

The Reading Eagle



#### THE MARKET





California's largest farm has 2,600 trees. Truffle Farms Europe has **231,200** 





### HOW WE CULTIVATE TRUFFLES

You cannot just build a bigger factory and produce more.

You cannot pick large areas of land and start growing truffles at high volumes using fertilisers.

#### THE CONDITIONS HAVE TO BE ABSOLUTELY RIGHT, OR THE TRUFFLES DON'T GROW.

FACTOR	POTENTIAL TRIGGER	POSSIBLE EFFECT ON YIELD	INTERACT WITH FACTORS
1 Soil temperature	•		2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 16, 17
2 Soil moisture and irrigation	•	•	1, 3, 4, 7, <sub>10,</sub> 13,15
3 Pruning	•		1, 2, 4, 6, 8, 9 <sub>10,</sub> 13, 15
4 Plant density, spacing, orientation, and amount of sunlight striking the ground	•	•	1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 9, 10, 13, 14, 15
5 Presence of beneficial organisms	•	•	8, 9, 15
6 Carbohydrate flow to roots	•	•	5, 8, 9, 14, 15
7 Mulches and weeds	•	•	1, 2, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 15, 16, 17
8 Amount of truffle mycelium in the soil	•	•	5,9
9 Competing fungi	•	•	5, 8
0 Soil aeration	•	•	1, 2, 5, 8, 9, 15
1 Major and minor nutrients	•	•	5, 8, 9, 13, 15



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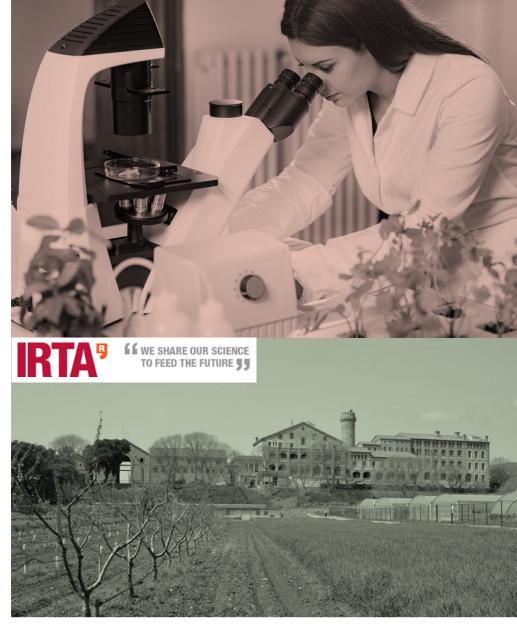
### **OUR SCIENCE**

#### Observe root development

#### Reject suboptimal acorns

#### 1 in 5 acorns are planted

#### IRTA – Barcelona





### HOW WE ENHANCE YIELDS, ETHICALLY

Every few years is dig up around the roots of the trees and introduce fresh soil, that contains lots of truffle spores as well as 4 bacteria that we know aids inoculation and growth.

This is what we do to ensure continued production of truffles from our trees.

NO CHEMICALS USED, SIMPLY KNOWING WHAT NATURE NEEDS TO HAPPEN, AND GIVING IT A HELPING HAND.





### OUR CURRENT PLANTATION: El Pozuelo, Yecla, Spain

#### Close to Alicante Airport.





### THE PERFECT ENVIRONMENT



Soil type and structure; there can't be too much clay or too much sand, with the right pH.

The climate has to be right, taking into account maximum temperatures and minimum temperatures.

The altitude and the land orientation are important.

Vital - The availability of a water supply for the long term.



# **OUR PROPOSITION**

- 1. Turnkey Agricultural Investment
- 2. Ethical and Environmentally conscious Investment
- 3. Each year up to 10% of trees sold
- 4. Right to the crop for 30 yrs
- 5. 80% of the value of the crop returned to investor

There are certain assumptions made. All these assumptions are exactly the same as the assumptions made in my own business plan.

Your business plan is *identical* to mine.



Land Area Number of Trees		1/4 Acre	1/2 Acre	1/3 Hectare	Acre	2/3 Hectare	Hectare
		50	100	165	200	335	500
Yr1	Kg's/H	\$34,585	\$58,173	\$87,960	\$105,138	\$152,364	\$220,000
Yr2	0	0	0	0	0	0	C
Yr3	3	138	276	455	552	924	1,379
Yr4	8	368	736	1,214	1,471	2,464	3,67
Yr5	19	874	1,747	2,883	3,494	5,853	8,73
Yr6	37	1,701	3,402	5,614	6,805	11,398	17,01
Yr7	78	3,586	7,172	11,834	14,345	24,028	35,86
Yr8	94	3,803	7,606	12,551	15,213	25,482	38,03
Yr9	178	7,202	14,404	23,766	28,807	48,252	72,01
Yr10	288	11,652	23,305	38,453	46,610	78,071	116,52
Yr11	335	11,994	24,378	40,546	49,146	82,973	129,69
Yr12	393	14,341	29,071	48,290	58,533	98,696	153,15
Yr13	417	15,312	31,013	51,494	62,417	105,202	162,86
Yr14	436	16,080	32,551	54,031	65,492	110,352	170,55
Yr15	453	16,768	33,927	56,301	68,243	114,960	177,43
Yr16	453	16,768	33,927	56,301	68,243	114,960	177,43
Yr17	453	16,768	33,927	56,301	68,243	114,960	177,43
Yr18	453	16,768	33,927	56,301	68,243	114,960	177,43
Yr19	453	16,768	33,927	56,301	68,243	114,960	177,43
Yr20	453	16,768	33,927	56,301	68,243	114,960	177,43
Yr21	453	16,768	33,927	56,301	68,243	114,960	177,43
Yr22	453	16,768	33,927	56,301	68,243	114,960	177,43
Yr23	453	16,768	33,927	56,301	68,243	114,960	177,43
Yr24	453	16,768	33,927	56,301	68,243	114,960	177,43
Yr25	453	16,768	33,927	56,301	68,243	114,960	177,43
Yr26	453	16,768	33,927	56,301	68,243	114,960	177,43
Yr27	453	16,768	33,927	56,301	68,243	114,960	177,43
Yr28	453	16,768	33,927	56,301	68,243	114,960	177,43
Yr29	453	16,768	33,927	56,301	68,243	114,960	177,43
Yr30	453	16,768	33,927	56,301	68,243	114,960	177,43
Total Harvest		\$355,344	\$718,487	\$1,191,938	\$1,444,774	\$2,433,061	\$3,748,43
Tree Sale		\$16,768	\$33,927	\$56,301	\$68,243	\$114,960	\$177,43
Total Return		\$372,112	\$752,414	\$1,248,239	\$1,513,017	\$2,548,022	\$3,925,86
IRR		16%	17%	18%	18%	20%	20%
	ROI	976%	1193%	1319%	1339%	1572%	1684%



and Area		Acre		
umber of Trees		200		
Yr1	Kg's/H	PURCHASE PRICE - \$105,138		
Yr2	0	0		
Yr3	3	552		
Yr4	8	1,471		
Yr5	19	3,494		
Yr6	37	6,805		
Yr7	78	14,345		
Yr8	94	15,213		
Yr9	178	28,807		
Yr10	288	46,610		
Yr11	335	49,146		
Yr12	393	58,533		
Yr13	417	62,417		
Yr14	436	65,492		
Yr15	453	68,243		
Yr16	453	68,243		
Yr17	453	68,243		
Yr18	453	68,243		
Yr19	453	68,243		
Yr20	453	68,243		
Yr21	453	68,243		
Yr22	453	68,243		
Yr23	453	68,243		
Yr24	453	68,243		
Yr25	453	68,243		
Yr26	453	68,243		
Yr27	453	68,243		
Yr28	453	68,243		
Yr29	453	68,243		
Yr30	453	68,243		
Total Harvest		\$1,444,774		
Tree Sale at end		\$68,243		
Total Return		\$1,513,017		
	IRR	18%		
	ROI	1339%		



#### CONFERENCE DISCOUNT – COMPLETE BY $18^{TH}$ DECEMBER

LAND SIZE	TREES	TOTAL COST	DISCOUNT	CONFERENCE PRICE
HECTARE	500	\$220,000	\$10,000	\$210,000
2/3 HECTARE	335	\$152,364	\$8,000	\$144,364
ACRE	200	\$105,138	\$6,000	\$99,138
1/3 HECTARE	165	\$87,960	\$5,000	\$82,960
1/2 ACRE	100	\$58,173	£4,000	\$54,173
1/4 ACRE	50	\$34,585	\$2,000	\$32,585



#### **SUMMARY**

**Turnkey Agricultural Investment** 

#### **Ethical Investment**

Non Commoditised Crop

TFE have 'skin in the game'

Accessible, passionate owners

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