



**Dennenburg VOF**

**Rick Meulenbroeks**

**Lage Mierde**

### The herd

- 225 milking cows and 184 young stock
- 4,4 young stock per 10 milking cows
- Red Holsteins
- 8.783 liter per cow per year
- 4,37 fat and 3,64 protein
- Age at first calving: 23 months
- 42.661 liter per ha
- Calving year round
- Traditional cubicle stable
- Rotary milking parlour

### Innovations

Rick tries to work towards an optimization of his grazing system in order to improve grass utilisation. He is breeding with Red Holstein for exterior. This breed is robust with a good grass conversion for a high milk protein content.

On the other side he is expanding his farm activities by making his farm accessible to visitors from outside. Additional income is being generated by offering a location for congresses and meetings to companies. He also invites people who are interested and tourists to join his on farm guided tours.

### The farm

- Rick is a young farmer how is going to take over the farm
- 2 own people full time
- 1 part-time employee
- 46,51 ha total
- 37,52 ha production grass
- 8,99 ha maize

**Theme(s) of interest:**

Animal care