



# JACOB ORAZI

## PERSONAL PROFILE:

Results-driven professional with a proven track record in Ag-science, Agro-ecology, and project management. A proactive leader skilled in effective communication and collaboration, driving teams towards shared goals. Proficient in leveraging innovation and identifying opportunities to promote economic and environmental sustainability. Adept at managing concurrent objectives to optimize efficiency and achieve positive outcomes.

## PROFESSIONAL SKILLS:

- Leadership and Communication.
- Project Management and efficient collaborative approach.
- Implement and manage operational plans.
- Creative and Critical Thinking.
- Strategic communication and stakeholders engagement.

## CONTACTS

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## EMPLOYMENT HISTORY:

### AGRO ECOLOGIST/ DIRECTOR

*Radice Soil Solution June 2023*

- Established a Agribusiness consultancy firm in Gisborne
- focus is placed on soil health and environmentally sustainable primary production.
- Agribusiness Environmental compliance and Farm environmental plans.
- Agroforestry and innovative land use.

### AGRIBUSINESS CONSULTANT (ENVIRONMENT)

*MyImprint Gisborne 2022- 2023*

- Prepare Carbon footprint reports and emission reduction recommendations for farms, vineyards, orchards and primary product manufacturers.
- Support Farmers and Growers by creating sustainability strategies spanning from Regenerative farm practice, ecosystem restoration to carbon accounting and land use diversification.
- Advice on preparation for upcoming environmental regulation and He Waka Eke Noa.
- Combine Farming advice with sustainable forestry, green energy, carbon accounting and product marketing.

### CUCURBITS CROP MANAGER

*Leaderbrand Gisborne 2021/2022*

- Coordinate and engage with multiple stakeholders to efficiently achieve desired outcomes.
- Responsible for all aspect of the crop production program from seed to supermarket/export.
- Keeps records of operations, research, budgets and staff.
- Draft outcome reports and data presentation.

### SENIOR HORTICULTURIST

*Waireka Properties Taranaki June 2018/June 2020*

- Managed all the operation of "Waireka properties" a 90 hectares indigenous flora park, that combine a large New Zealand native plant collection, a Maori Pa and an old settlers stockade plus a extensive collection orchard.
- My role included resource and staff management, administration, conservation, and establishment of existing and new native forest blocks.
- Effective communication skills and liaison with public and Conservation groups (Wild for Taranaki, Taranaki regional council) and contractors were mandatory in my role.

### HORTICULTURIST

*Taranaki Regional Council  
June 2017/June 2018*

- Managed holistic care program for trees, turf and attractive vegetation.
- Engaged visitors and tourist, facilitated tours and workshops to groups of up to 15 people during the Taranaki garden festivals.

## KEY SKILLS:

- **Ag-science Expertise:** Extensive knowledge and understanding of agricultural principles, practices. Apply scientific research to address challenges in sustainable food production and drive improvements.
- **Agro-ecology Proficiency:** Strong background in agro-ecological systems and their impact on environmental sustainability. Skilled in integrating ecological principles into agricultural practices to enhance productivity and conservation.
- **Effective Communication:** Excellent verbal and written communication skills. Proficient in conveying complex concepts and technical information to diverse stakeholders. Experienced in delivering engaging presentations and facilitating productive discussions.
- **Collaborative Approach:** Foster collaborative relationships with farmers, researchers, and industry professionals. Skilled in building consensus, promoting teamwork, and aligning efforts towards shared objectives.
- **Innovation and Opportunity Identification:** Proactive in identifying innovative solutions and leveraging emerging opportunities to drive sustainable practices and advancements in the agricultural industry.

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### FARM MANAGER

*Chris and Mary Young Ltd June 2015 / June 2017*

- Maintained and implemented high-quality operations and identified and responded to environmental and nutritional requirements of the herds in combination with economic outcomes.

### SCIENTIFIC TRIAL TECHNICIAN

*Mtt Agrifood research Finland May 2013 / May 2014*

- Planning, implementing, and managing horticultural scientific trials, collecting data, and reporting results. Liaison regularly with senior scientists through written or face-to-face reports.

## ACADEMIC BACKGROUND:

### CERTIFIED SUSTAINABLE NUTRIENT MANAGEMENT ADVISOR

*Massey University 2023*

### CERTIFIED SOILFOODWEB PROFESSIONAL

*Soil food web school 2023*

### PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATE IN ECOSYSTEM RESTORATION

*professional certificate in ecosystem restoration UNDP MOOC 2022*

### CERTIFICATE IN MICROBIAL ANALYSIS FOR GROWERS

*Applied Microbiology Uдеми 2020*

### CERTIFICATE IN SUSTAINABLE LAND MANAGEMENT.

*Land management University of Florida. 2021.*

### PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATE IN STRATEGIC COMMUNICATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE.

*Science communication University of Maryland.*

### BSC IN TECHNOLOGY FOR AGRI/HORTICULTURE.

*Polytechnic University Of Marche, Italy Sept 2014*

## PERSONAL ACHIEVEMENTS:

### WINNER OF START UP WEEKEND TAIRAWHITI 2022

*1st prize to Team "Turaku" give Nz native tree a voice tech/land regeneration startup idea.*

### PART OF THE MENTORS TEAM FOR START UP WEEKEND TAIRAWITHI 2023

*Successfully mentored the team "Slash for Cash" (slash to Biochar) start up idea. 2th prize.*

### ESTABLISH AND COORDINATE BEACH LITTER CLEAN UP EVENT

*Surfrider foundation europe 2011/ 2012/2013*