

# A Devon Dairy Farm saved over £30,000 per year with a multi Papa Pump System

The Maristow Estate on the edge of Dartmoor was heavily reliant on mains supply to water their herd of 450 Holstein Friesian Dairy Cows which produce 4 million litres of milk per year.

The farm had plenty of water in the Tavy Valley below, but needed it up at the farm on top of the hill. They decided to put in a 6 pump system using the zero energy Papa Pump pumping water from the natural springs on their farm. The pumps used the natural power of flowing water to pressurise a portion of the flow which can then be pushed over a large distance and up to impressive heights. They used 2 pump chambers in the valley with 3 pumps in each, delivering water up to the farm. The 6 pumps were able to deliver 14,400 cubic metres per year and save the farm over £30,000 on their annual mains water bill, which paid for the full installation within 3 years.

The farm also used solar powered pumps to push the water through UV filters to kill any bugs - again at no extra running cost.

You would expect the local water company to be disappointed with the loss in revenue, but in fact South West Water positively encourage it with their 'Upstream Thinking' programme. If they can encourage farmers to keep livestock out of watercourse, the quality of water will improve and they will spend less on treating the water for human consumption and it also helps the environment.

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# the pump that uses no fuel!



There are 450 Holstein Friesian Dairy Cows on the Maristow Estate



The large water tank at the farm is constantly supplied by the Papa Pumps.



Water is captured high on the hill where there are natural springs.



Installing the supply pipe from the supply tank to the pump chamber.



3 Papa Pumps with delivery ports connected to one delivery pipe.

### The Farmer's View...

Dairy Farming consumes a huge amount of water in milk production and it represents a very big saving for us if we can use our natural resources to reduce our reliance on mains water.

I think that in the future, there will be greater demands on water supplies in the country and if we can use our natural resources on the estate, it's got to be good for the environment and our business.

John Allen - Maristow Farm Manager



## **Multi Pump Systems**

If your supply flow is large and you need more water delivered, you can use a multi pump system. To estimate your delivery flow, use the chart opposite and multiply the stated delivery flows by the number of pumps in your system.

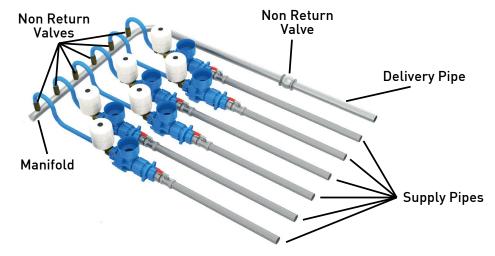
Therefore if you have a 6 pump system, the following examples can be calculated:

For a **2 metre Supply Head** and a required **Delivery Head of 31 metres** the **Delivery Amount** can be calculated as 2592 x 6 = **15,552 litres per day**.

For a **9 metre Supply Head** and a required **Delivery Head of 62 metres** the **Delivery Amount** can be calculated as 9072 x 6 = **54,432 litres per day**.

#### **Papa Pump Performance Chart** Water Powered Technologies Delivery Flow (litres/day) (based on 60 litres/min through the Papa Pump) 75 Figures shown are amount 17280 of water delivered in litres/day 40 35 30 25 20 15 10 6 5 2592 1728 4 1728 1296 75 100

Delivery Head (Lift)





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