

Dear Tumble Drum,

Just wanted to let you know how pleased I have been with the 110 gallon single-action mixer. Both the ease of operation and the versatility of the mixer have far exceeded my expectations.

The mixer was purchased primarily to manufacture small batch TMRs for feeding trials of sheep, goats and cattle. I am so pleased with the ability of the mixer to effectively mix feeds of widely varying particle size and moisture into a very consistent TMR. I have very successfully mixed wet gluten, soy hulls, mineral, ground corn, liquid molasses, low inclusion feed additives and ground hay within one batch. The ability to simply "dump" water directly into the mixer in order to maintain a consistent level of dry matter from batch to batch when forage dry matter varies has been a very pleasant surprise.

I remove the finished TMR from the mixer into a small feeder wagon and have experienced no problems removing the ration from the mixer or with a build-up of excess material within the mixer. I really enjoy the ease of access to the mixer and the ability to always visually confirm that the mixer is 100% clean.

My initial plan was to purchase another different mixer for the operation in order to manufacture ground type rations and grain mixes. However, the versatility of the Tumble Drum has eliminated this need. I have mixed minerals and small inclusion vitamins as well as antibiotics in the mixer. Grain mixers are very easily manufactured in the mixer and I have even manufactured sweet type creep and starter feeds with high levels of liquid molasses for the lambs and calves.

The Tumble Drum mixer has been an excellent investment for my operation in three main areas. First, it allows me to utilize lower cost feeds such as by-products. Secondly, it is a very cost-effective alternative to other mixing options I explored. Thirdly, one machine manufactures all of the mineral, protein and complete feeds required by my operations.

Thanks for manufacturing a quality product. I hope to return to purchase a larger unit in the future.

Sincerely,

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