

Vegetarian
In
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This Month's
Specials

Product:



Recipe:



"The time will come when men such as I will look upon the murder of animals as they now look upon the murder of men."

Leonardo da Vinci

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What is Confinement Agriculture?

Think that long flight was difficult? Imagine living your life in an airplane seat.

That's the equivalent of confinement agriculture.

Each year millions of pregnant sows are kept in cages so small they cannot turn around or have room to scratch. These crates are a cost cutting measure that keeps the pregnant pigs immobilized.



Shortly after giving birth the new mothers are then moved to what is referred to as "farrowing crates," where pigs are kept to nurse their young. The crate has a metal frame which severely restricts her movements and in which she is completely unable to turn around, can scarcely take a step forward or backward and frequently rubs against the bars when standing up and lying down.



Beside her cage is a area for her piglets. The piglets are free to suckle but she is prevented from moving close to them and cleaning them by the bars of the cage. Her piglets will be taken away when they are 3 - 4 weeks old and she will never see them again.

She will normally be re-impregnated a week later and the whole sad cycle begins again. She will be returned to the farrowing crate a week before giving birth.

A sow's pregnancy lasts around four months. This means they are forced into the farrowing crate for 28-35 days every five months until, usually at around five years old, they are no longer commercially productive and are sent for slaughter. Her babies will be slaughtered at 6 months of age or sometimes younger. Pigs can naturally live for 15 years.

What you can do: Try jackfruit as a substitute for pulled pork and Morningstar bacon as a substitute for bacon. (See side bar)

Please buy only cage-free eggs & pass this email to your mailing list.

Thank you! Lois

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