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## Our Story

**The Harris family** grew up in the heart of Cheviot, 100km north of Christchurch. The Harris family first arrived in this sleepy town in 1956 when Clare Harris, at only 21 years of age, was encouraged by her father to purchase the local butcher shop on the main road. Clare took little convincing, having worked in her grandfather's, then father's Kaikoura butcher shop growing up.

With the promise of teaching him everything he would need to know, Clare had her husband Dennis on board. A proud fourth generation butcher, Clare could be found working the shop floor with Dennis, running the accounts and hosting employees in her home. All of this, with 6 children in tow. Harris Meats quickly became an iconic country butcher not only for locals but also for many other customers stopping on their way through.

The Harris family found themselves packed to the rafters in their two bedroom home in town. Before long the family shifted to a small farm in Domett, 9km south of Cheviot. The farm was only modest but the Harris family made the most of it, farming sheep, beef and pigs, then building an abattoir to expand Harris Meats' operations.



Clare and Dennis Harris with Harris Meats staff at the Harris Meats' Domett site

While Clare and Dennis focused on serving prime cuts of meat to the local community, the last of their children left pony riding and rural life behind and headed off to boarding school in Christchurch.

Having observed their parents' entrepreneurial spirit and hard work, four of the Harris children, Anne, Bryan, Nick and Richard, returned to Cheviot and joined Harris Meats at various times. Nick and Bryan in particular had shared a vision for Harris Meats to become a completely integrated meat production company that controlled the entire production process.

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This move saw Harris Meats expand into the South Island wholesale market whilst ensuring the quality standards that the business had been built on were maintained. Harris Meats now supplies award-winning meat to butchers, supermarkets, restaurants, cafes, hotels and other accommodation businesses throughout the South Island.



Nick, Clare and Bryan Harris at the 2010 North Canterbury Business Awards

The Harris family's vision didn't stop there. The foundation was laid on the small Domett farm all those years ago, but the Harris' knew they could do more to deliver on Harris Meats' pasture to plate ethos. They set about acquiring and developing the farms surrounding Harris Meats' Domett site. Now, the 1000 hectares of land running from the foothills of Cheviot to the Hurunui River in North Canterbury are Harris sheep and beef farms that supply to Harris Meats.

The Harris family takes their responsibility for animals and sustainable farming seriously. They take immense pride in fulfilling their obligations with respect to the Hurunui River which borders their farms and preserving animal welfare. They have gone to such meticulous lengths because they know that the right feed, combined with removing the transportation of animals, has a greater effect on quality and flavour than any other part of the Harris Meats production process. And ethically, it feels right too.

While, the scale of Harris Meats' delivery of top quality cuts of meat from its own pasture to plate is unrivalled in New Zealand, Harris Meats is focused on sharing its unique offering with more New Zealanders. Nick's son, Cameron, has been the driving force behind the logistics of how that is done. Cameron has revolutionised Harris Meats' production process by installing state-of-the-art software that connects Harris Meats' inventory, distribution and logistics systems.

Harris Meats' systems aren't the only thing that have had a refresh. The company has also recently rebranded and introduced a new range of packaging that maximises the shelf-life of Harris Meats products. Check it out for yourself at your local supermarket.

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## Our Store

We would love for you to pay us a visit whether you're a local or just passing through!

### LOCATION

23 Hall Street  
Cheviot 7310

### SHOP HOURS

Mon - Fri: 8:00am - 5:00pm  
Sat: 9:00am - 12:00pm (Christmas period only)

Located on the main road of the sleepy town of Cheviot, the gateway to the Kaikōura Coast, our butchery store is the place where Harris Meats was born in 1956. It's where Clare and Dennis Harris built an iconic country butcher not only for locals but also for many other customers stopping on their way through.

With our Harris sheep and beef farms and Harris Meats factory just down the road in Domett, you can be sure you will receive the freshest cuts of meat. You will find a full range of products in store to meet your needs. From our signature sausage range to the finest free farmed pork.

You will be greeted by Linda, the friendly face who runs our butchery store with the same pride and passion as the rest of Harris Meats family who bring you the finest meat. Rest assured she'll look after you, so ask Linda and her team for help whenever you're in store.



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## Frequently Asked Questions

### Where does our meat come from?

Our beef and lamb is predominately sourced from our 1000 hectare Harris sheep and beef farm in Domett. We also use suppliers from farms around the North Canterbury region. Our free farmed pork is exclusively supplied by Patoa Farm in Hawarden. You can find out more about Patoa on their website here.

### How long do our products last?

Please refer to the individual best before dates on each of our products. All of our products should be kept refrigerated.

### Who can we contact after office hours?

You can send us a private message on our Facebook here.

### Do we offer private processing?

We have discontinued our private processing practice. However, we still offer service kill and are happy to make arrangements with other butcheries for further processing if you require.

### Do we deliver?

At this stage we do not deliver to individual consumers. This option could become available in the future though - so stay tuned!

### Do we supply to local businesses?

We sure do! If you are a local business and you would like to order some of our products we would be thrilled to set up an account for you. Please get in touch with us at [info@harrismeats.co.nz](mailto:info@harrismeats.co.nz)

### Do we export?

No we are not a registered export supplier. Our products are exclusive to the slice of paradise that is New Zealand.

### Do we have any job vacancies?

If you'd like join our team of over 40 people passionate about what they do, we'd love to hear from you. Please get in touch with us at [office@harrismeats.co.nz](mailto:office@harrismeats.co.nz)

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# Stockists

## PAK'N SAVE

Harris Meats is at selected Pak'N Save stores  
[www.paknsave.co.nz](http://www.paknsave.co.nz)

## NEW WORLD

Harris Meats is at selected New Worl stores  
[www.newworld.co.nz](http://www.newworld.co.nz)

## FOUR SQUARE

Harris Meats is at selected Four Square stores  
[www.foursquare.co.nz](http://www.foursquare.co.nz)

## FRESH CHOICE

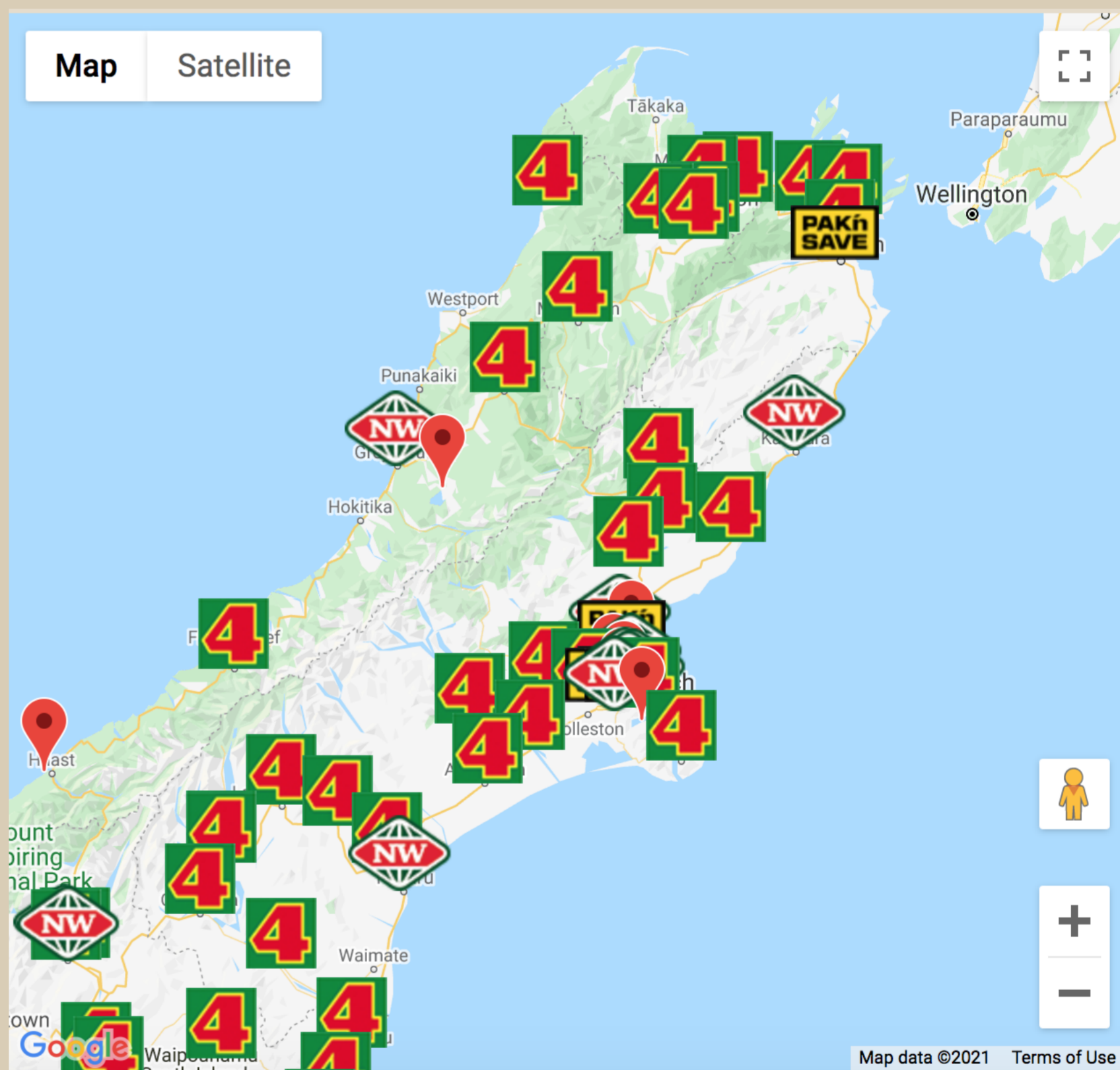
Harris Meats is at selected Fresh Choice stores  
[www.freshchoice.co.nz](http://www.freshchoice.co.nz)

## ON THE SPOT

Harris Meats is at selected On The Spot stores  
[www.newworld.co.nz](http://www.newworld.co.nz)

## RAEWARD FRESH

Harris Meats is at selected Raeward Fresh stores  
[www.raewardfresh.co.nz](http://www.raewardfresh.co.nz)



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## Contact Us

Contact Harris Meats for any enquiries and our helpful team will get back to you as soon as possible.

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### Harris Meats Office/Factory

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Cheviot 7383

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Mon - Fri: 8:30am - 4:00pm

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