

The Natural Way Sheep Dog Training (Advanced)



At a glance...

Customised Provision

Delivery Method:	Online
Prerequisites:	The Natural Way (Intermediate); The Natural Way (Introduction)

Introduction

The course aims to develop participants' knowledge, understanding and practice of The Natural Way.

The finer details

Module 1

How the Foundation links to Advanced level work.

Summary of the Foundation theory and practice.

Masterclass Video

Arc, feel, eyes on sheep, balance and holding the heavy side, pressure-release; the 'out' command; Natural fetch, natural drive; Introducing command; Off balance flanks, inside flanks; Introducing precision; Driving in a square; Bigger picture – moving sheep on a braise -pressure-release at a distance; Penning using the 'out'; Moving sheep across water .



Module 2

Sheep welfare



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Masterclass Video:

Holding sheep to catch one to treat

Putting sheep in the fank

Working in the pens

Module 3

Masterclass Video:

Starting to work with more than one dog

Shedding with one and more dogs

Module 4

Masterclass Video:

Re-direction on open ground

Teaching the look-back

Out of sight work

Counting sheep with one or more dogs

Module 5

Masterclass Video:

Lambing scenarios: catching ewe and getting her in a small trailer; use of multiple dogs at lambing; moving ewes and lambs (in detail); shedding at lambing time

Who should attend?

Those who have attended both the Introduction and the Intermediate levels of the course



What will be covered?



Objectives

- builds on Introduction and Intermediate Levels and begins with a review and revision of concepts and assesses participants' ability to put them into practice at the Intermediate level
- how to analyse a dog's progression and development and assess the limits of its ability
- how to assess whether a dog has natural ability or whether it is well handled
- explains how to work with more than one dog

