

# Performance and Support Build Solid Commitment to MF Tractors

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## Contractor's fleet of nine Massey Ferguson tractors crucial to versatile business.

Victoria contractor Wayne Marshall loves his Massey Ferguson tractors for their engines, their economy and the uniformity of their cabs.

Wayne has a fleet of nine Massey Fergusons, including three 15-year-old tractors that he just can't bear to part with.

Wayne and his wife Judy operate Bundy Ag from their home in Maffra, Gippsland, Victoria. They offer a range of services including bulk silage, hay cutting and baling, full cultivation and transport.

Silage is the primary focus of the business, which was formed 15 years ago when Wayne left the family business to start out on his own.

His most recent Massey Ferguson purchases include an MF 6614, an MF 7622 and an MF 8680.

"We've had Masseys for 15 years and what I like about them is their accessibility of service, their economy, and I'm happy with the AGCOpower engine," says Wayne.

The Marshalls bought their MF 6614 last September for hay and silage production and for operating their round baler.

"It pulls the baler beautifully and it also does drilling. It's fitted with a loader and does a variety of loader work and earthworks," Wayne says.

"It's the first time I've gone back to a four-cylinder engine for a long time. The economy was a big part of that decision and it's very cheap to run. It's also very manoeuvrable and has a good turning circle. It's just a good basic tractor that's cheap to run."

Wayne bought the 215hp MF 7622 about 18 months ago and uses it to pull his loader wagon during the silage season. He particularly likes it for the Dyna-VT variable transmission.

"It's very good and it's also economical. We use it for a lot of cultivation work, mainly discing and ripping. With both those tractors we are using AdBlue because it's going to be law soon with our diesel rebates. That was a big consideration," he says.

"The other thing is the whole range of Massey Ferguson tractors have the same cabin layouts. It's very easy with staff as they're familiar with the controls and can go from one tractor to another."

The third new tractor in the Marshalls' fleet is the six-cylinder 320hp MF 8680, which was purchased six months ago. It is mainly used for loader wagon silage and earthmoving.

"It also runs on a laser bucket for irrigation layouts and it is very good. I am very happy with it. It has high horsepower and very quick road speed. We are running it with a Topcon GPS guidance system."

Their full fleet of tractors includes two MF 7495s, which are also used on the loader wagons, an MF 6475, which is used on a round baler and for loader work, two old MF 4270s, which are Wayne's original tractors and have 12,000 hours on the clock each, and an MF 6255, which is also 15 years old and is used for ripping and discing.

"I can't get rid of them," Wayne says about the older machines. "They have sentimental value. I've also got a Valtra 202 with a butterfly mower conditioner, which is four years old. It's running the AGCOpower engine as well and is from the same stable as Massey Ferguson, but I chose that tractor for its long wheel base."

Wayne is impressed with the advances in technology Massey Ferguson has made in recent years.

"The tractors have come a long way. I've seen big changes in the last six or seven years with what we can do with them and the time and fuel savings," he says.

"They're a pleasure to drive and the operators can hop out of them at the end of the day and still feel ok.

Wayne and Judy buy their Massey Fergusons through Donalds Motor Service in Maffra. He says a big consideration for sticking with Massey Ferguson is the fantastic support they get from them and from AGCO.

"They're very good with their backup. They go beyond the call of duty. They've been very good to me since I started off in business.

"AGCO is based in Melbourne and we're very happy with their technical support. If we have any problems they never put a foot wrong. That's the reason I've stuck with them."

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