



Scott County

Maybe you thought you were seeing things. Surely that wasn't a pink trailer you passed on the highway. But it very well could have been the Spotz Gelato trailer making its way to another festival, party or private event.

"When we first started, we wanted the trucks to look like we were having a good time. Anything that we can paint pink and put spots on, we do it," says Beth Richardson, who owns Spotz Gelato with her husband, Philip Enlow. The couple also runs Tarleton Tavern Farm in Georgetown, where they produce everything from homegrown vegetables to poultry and meat products.

Born of Beth and Philip's desire to retire early, Spotz Gelato is made from as many local products as the pair can use.

"We like to vacation in South and Central America, and the best part of the vacation was the gelato. That's when a light bulb went off because this would be a great product using our friends' great ingredients," Beth says. "[Now], anything we can source from local farmers, we do. The milk comes from Kentucky cows. We use things such as pecans, maple syrup—anything that we can find from Kentuckians, we use."

At any given time, a Spotz Gelato truck may have Kentucky-themed gelato (with pecans, sorghum, chocolate and bourbon), blueberry muffin gelato, or even a key lime pie gelato. Beth says the truck carries eight different flavors at each event, rotating them depending on what's in season or "what sounds interesting." In addition, Spotz offers sorbet, also with Kentucky-sourced products, including blackberry sorbet, champagne sorbet made with

strawberries, and even a piña colada sorbet.

Beth says the business has expanded to two pink trailers, plus individual products for sale at Liquor Barn stores in Lexington and Louisville. The couple handles all this while still maintaining full-time jobs—Philip is in the medical field, and Beth is a paralegal—and running their farm.

"This is supposed to be our retirement business," Beth says, "and this has a life of its own, which is a good thing."

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