



## CAGES AND BREEDING BOXES

**“All cages and breeding boxes look similar when you buy them. What’s important is how they look after years of use. The products manufactured by Jasopels are made from quality materials, and are easy to keep clean. Quality is always worth it.”** explain Jan and Loes Janssen from Janssen Farming Group.

*You run a family mink farm near Gorzów. How did it all begin?*

**Jan:** In my case it’s a really long story. More than 35 years ago I tried raising different kinds of animals, including pigs and cows. It was mink, however, that triggered my interest. My first farm consisted of just 100 animals. It was practically a hobby. Eighteen years ago I took up mink breeding seriously here in Poland, because it’s such a beautiful country with many opportunities.

**Loes:** It’s true that Poland is beautiful and I have always been fascinated by its nature, but I have to admit that I didn’t plan to work on a mink farm when I was younger. I attended an economics school, but I was always attracted to animals. As a child I helped my father on the farm when it was needed. In 2009 I went to Canada for a six-month course of studies. That was a real eye opener for me, because I learned that there was a lot more to explore outside the Netherlands. So the day after I graduated I practically moved to Poland together with my horses. And now, I’ve been here for nearly six years and it was the best decision I ever made.

*What makes Jasopels cages different from other companies’ products?*

**Jan:** All cages look very similar when you buy them. What’s important is how they look after a few, or even after a few dozen years. We’ve just built new sheds for breeding, and for us it’s very important that everything inside is of the best quality, built to last for years.

**Loes:** The first that comes to my mind is that it’s very easy to open and close the cages. It’s also no problem to clean them thoroughly. Incidentally, we’ve also installed an automatic watering system and a manure handling system from Jasopels.

*Was it a large investment?*

**Jan:** Oh yeah, very costly, but worth the price we paid. Whenever we had questions it was enough to call and we were able to work everything out. We always managed to find a solution.

**Loes:** Aftersales service is very important. Previously, when we bought cages from another manufacturer, the delivery person simply unloaded the goods and drove away. When something broke down, there was no one to help us. Lack of contact, in other words lack of a professional approach on the part of the manufacturer, is a serious problem. With Jasopels, it’s completely different.

*How long have you been using Jasopels machinery?*

**Jan:** For a long time. One of the first machines I bought when I began my adventure with mink was from Jasopels. I’ve always been satisfied with their products, that’s why now, during our modernisation of the farm, we’re buying more from them.

