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Sheep Shearing Day at Petaluma Adobe

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How does the wool come off of sheep? Come out to the Petaluma Adobe State Historic Park between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Saturday, April 8th, and find out! The famous Adobe sheep will be losing their winter coats under the expert guidance of shearer John Sanchez. Sanchez will demonstrate past and present methods of cutting wool off sheep. The Petaluma Adobe served as the headquarters for General Mariano Guadalupe Vallejo's 66,000 acre cattle *rancho* from 1836 to 1846. Sheep Shearing was a necessary part of *rancho* life. The wool was turned in to blankets and rugs and sent out to the trade ships. Have fun trying to card and drop spin wool as they would have in the 1830's.

Admission fee: \$3.00 for adults 18 and older, children 6 to 17 are \$2.00, 5 and under are free.

California State Parks, in cooperation with the Sonoma-Petaluma Parks Association, presents Sheep Shearing Day.

Petaluma Adobe State Historic Park is located at 3325 Adobe Road, Petaluma, 94954

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