

FRANCHISE DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT

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The name of the franchisor is Country Visions, Inc. ("COUNTRY VISIONS"). The franchise is for a retail specialty store selling, fashion apparel and accessories, bath and body products, gifts, wall decor and other merchandise. Your store will operate under the mark "APRICOT LANE."

The total investment necessary to begin operation of your first COUNTRY VISIONS store is \$132,550 to \$329,800 for a start-up store. This includes \$37,500 to \$44,300 that must be paid to the franchisor or its affiliate. The total investment necessary to begin operation of your second and each subsequent COUNTRY VISIONS store is \$113,050 to \$310,300 for a start-up store. This includes \$18,000 to \$24,800 that must be paid to the franchisor or its affiliate.

This disclosure document summarizes certain provisions of your franchise agreement and other information in plain English. Read this disclosure document and all accompanying agreements carefully. You must receive this disclosure document at least 14 calendar-days before you sign a binding agreement with, or make any payment to, the franchisor or an affiliate in connection with the proposed franchise sale. Note, however, that no governmental agency has verified the information contained in this document.

You may wish to receive your disclosure document in another format that is more convenient for you. To discuss the availability of disclosures in different formats, contact Terry Odneal at Country Visions, Inc., 3333 Vaca Valley Parkway, Suite 700, Vacaville, California 95688, (707) 451-6890 x 106.

The terms of your contract will govern your franchise relationship. Don't rely on the disclosure document alone to understand your contract. Read your entire contract carefully. Show your contract and this disclosure document to an advisor, like a lawyer or an accountant.

Buying a franchise is a complex investment. The information in this disclosure document can help you make up your mind. More information on franchising, such as "A Consumer's Guide to Buying a Franchise," which can help you understand how to use this disclosure document, is available from the Federal Trade Commission. You can contact the FTC at 1-877-FTC-HELP or by writing to the FTC at 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20580. You can also visit the FTC's home page at www.ftc.gov for additional information. Call your state agency or visit your public library for other sources of information on franchising.

There may also be laws on franchising in your state. Ask your state agencies about them.

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STATE COVER PAGE

Your state may have a franchise law that requires a franchisor to register or file with a state franchise administrator before offering or selling in your state. REGISTRATION OF A FRANCHISE BY A STATE DOES NOT MEAN THAT THE STATE RECOMMENDS THE FRANCHISE OR HAS VERIFIED THE INFORMATION IN THIS DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT.

Call the state administrators listed in Exhibit D for information about the franchisor, or about franchising in your state.

MANY FRANCHISE AGREEMENTS DO NOT ALLOW YOU TO RENEW UNCONDITIONALLY AFTER THE INITIAL TERM EXPIRES. YOU MAY HAVE TO SIGN A NEW AGREEMENT WITH DIFFERENT TERMS AND CONDITIONS IN ORDER TO CONTINUE TO OPERATE YOUR BUSINESS. BEFORE YOU BUY, CONSIDER WHAT RIGHTS YOU HAVE TO RENEW YOUR FRANCHISE, IF ANY, AND WHAT TERMS YOU MIGHT HAVE TO ACCEPT IN ORDER TO RENEW.

Please consider the following RISK FACTORS before you buy this franchise:

- 1. THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT REQUIRES YOU TO RESOLVE DISPUTES WITH COUNTRY VISIONS BY ARBITRATION AND LITIGATION ONLY IN CALIFORNIA. OUT OF STATE ARBITRATION AND LITIGATION MAY FORCE YOU TO ACCEPT A LESS FAVORABLE SETTLEMENT FOR DISPUTES. IT MAY ALSO COST MORE TO ARBITRATE AND LITIGATE WITH COUNTRY VISIONS IN CALIFORNIA THAN IN YOUR HOME STATE.
- 2. YOUR SPOUSE MUST SIGN A DOCUMENT, SUCH AS A GUARANTEE, THAT MAKES YOUR SPOUSE LIABLE FOR YOUR FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS UNDER THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT EVEN IF YOUR SPOUSE DOES NOT OWN ANY PART OF THE FRANCHISE BUSINESS. IF YOU LIVE IN A COMMUNITY PROPERTY STATE, YOUR SPOUSE MAY BE LIABLE IF HE OR SHE HAS NOT SIGNED ANYTHING. IN EITHER CASE, BOTH YOU AND YOUR SPOUSE'S MARITAL AND PERSONAL ASSETS, INCLUDING YOUR HOUSE, COULD BE LOST IF YOUR FRANCHISE FAILS.
- 3. THE TERRITORY IS NOT EXCLUSIVE. YOU MAY FACE COMPETITION FROM OTHER FRANCHISEES, FROM FRANCHISOR OWNED OUTLETS, OR FROM OTHER CHANNELS OF DISTRIBUTION OR COMPETITIVE BRANDS FRANCHISOR CONTROLS.
- 4. DURING THE LAST TWO YEARS, A HIGH PERCENTAGE OF FRANCHISED OUTLETS WERE TRANSFERRED OR CEASED OPERATIONS FOR OTHER REASONS. THIS FRANCHISE COULD BE A HIGHER RISK INVESTMENT THAN A FRANCHISE IN A SYSTEM WITH A LOWER TURNOVER RATE.

THERE MAY BE OTHER RISKS CONCERNING THIS FRANCHISE.

Effective Date: See the next page for state effective dates.



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STATE EFFECTIVE DATES

The following states require that the Franchise Disclosure Document be registered or filed with the state or be exempt from registration: California, Hawaii, Illinois, Indiana, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, New York, North Dakota, Rhode Island, South Dakota, Virginia, Washington, and Wisconsin.

This Franchise Disclosure Document is registered, on file, or exempt from registration in the following states having franchise registration and disclosure laws, with the following effective dates:

California	, 2019
Hawaii	, 2019
Illinois	, 2019
Indiana	, 2019
Maryland	, 2019
Michigan	, 2019
Minnesota	, 2019
New York	, 2019
North Dakota	, 2019
Rhode Island	, 2019
South Dakota	, 2019
Virginia	, 2019
Washington	, 2019
Wisconsin	, 2019

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