JON KOHLER
and Associates
Protecting History and Land in the South
Plantations were an important part of the American South’s history during the pre-civil war era. However, the plantations we talk about today are wild quail plantations, founded two decades after the war by Yankees. The same mild subtropical climate, plentiful rainfall and fertile soils of the Southeast allowed expansive plantations to flourish and as a result helped quails flourish as well. It was an economic boom that also resulted in some of the finest examples of Antebellum architecture in the country.
Jon Kohler and Associates, a real estate brokerage and marketing firm based between Thomasville and Tallahassee has established themselves as the leading authority on plantations, ranches and high-value properties in all seven plantation belts across Georgia, Florida, South Carolina and Alabama.

Every deal the firm makes shares the common thread of historic and environmental conservation as well as land stewardship. “Sometimes we represent the seller, sometimes we represent the buyer, but we always represent the land,” he adds with a philosophical tone.

In the past seven years alone, Jon Kohler and Associates have closed nearly 200,000 acres and $400 million in sales including the 4,000-acre Greenwood Plantation in Thomasville, Georgia which sold to historic conservationist Emily “Paddy” Vanderbilt Wade for more than $22 million. Completed in 1844, the original Greek Revival mansion on the property was inhabited by Thomas and Lavinia Jones. “If there could be one plantation that serves as a flagship in the southeast, it would most likely be Greenwood,” Kohler says proudly.
My entire career has been devoted to finding and showing that owning high quality plantations and recreational properties is not only a great financial investment but that they also have intrinsic, hidden values.

- Jon Kohler, Founder of Jon Kohler and Associates in 1991
Kohler, who first obtained his salesman’s license 27 years ago, fully embraces his passion for environmentally sensitive land and high-quality recreational properties. He even went on to earn his law degree to provide the highest level of representation to landowners and investors. Today, Kohler is regarded as one of the most experienced high-value land brokers the South.

The firm currently has a dizzying amount of stunning plantations and investment properties on the market including the Southern Cattle Company in Jackson County, Florida. With 3,300 head of cattle and over 13,000 acres of land, the Southern Cattle Company is one of the finest cattle ranch operations in the South and boasts one of the most respected herds in the country.

In 2013, Kohler launched the innovative Social Storm Properties program to work with those seeking a safe haven from external threats such as economic collapse or mass conflict. A Social Storm property is one that exemplifies self-sufficient, independent living through geographic seclusion, good on-site water, strong natural resources, great soil and exceptional wildlife.

As a firm, Jon Kohler and Associates prioritizes not only land stewardship and conservationism but also investment potential and personal safety and well-being. The way in which Kohler expertly walks the line between protecting the past and preparing for the future, has truly made him and his firm one-of-a-kind in the South.