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Selecting a Breed

Whether you are just getting started or are an experienced poultry enthusiast, selecting the right breed is the first step towards successfully raising your birds. To help you select your perfect flock, we have added helpful icons by each of our breeds. You can use them to easily shop by egg color, hardiness, utility, and more. See below for the meaning of each icon:

Now you can shop by EGG COLOR and complete your rainbow basket! Look for this icon next to each breed to see what color eggs hens will lay.

Interested in raising your own poultry to feed your family? Breeds with this icon are outstanding for MEAT PRODUCTION.

Live in a warmer climate? Look for the sun icon to find HEAT TOLERANT BREEDS that will thrive in higher temperatures.

Live in an area with long or extreme winters? The snowflake icon identifies COLD HARDY BREEDS that will weather the cold well.

Want to raise backyard chickens in a more urban setting? These breeds have a nice, quiet temperament and are GOOD FOR FAMILIES.

These breeds are recognized in the American Poultry Association Standard of Perfection and are considered to be a HERITAGE BREED.

Breeds with a diamond icon are RARE OR EXOTIC. Many are listed by the Livestock Conservancy as 'Critical' or 'Threatened'.

Interested in what other customers are buying? The star icon indicates our BEST-SELLING BREEDS.

LOW MINIMUM ORDERS — NO PER-BREED-PER-SEX MINIMUM ON BABY CHICKS

Minimum order just 6* standard-sized baby chicks; 3 ducklings; or 2 goslings. Select as few as one of any breed/sex when you order baby chicks, ducklings, or goslings.

*Not valid on Bantam chicks. See page 128, or call 800.456.3280, for information on minimums on other types of poultry.



There are no board rooms here. Like many farms, our board room is as likely our dining room table as anywhere. A second hand table I refinished while my wife was out of town to surprise her. Now, the Hatch office does have a meeting room we use sometimes, but most of the time, it's the break room. It holds a treadmill and a fridge and a microwave. It's my favorite place at the Hatchery. That's where the coffee pot is. It's kinda important to me.

I don't believe that anything innovative can come from a board room. No, real innovation happens where the work is done. When the work is being done. It's a question of why's and how's. How do we make this better? Why do we do it this way and can we try something new? Unless you are part of the work, the depth of understanding is shallow. A water strider held on surface tension. It takes time to see the whole picture.

These last few years have tested our team. There are so many changes we have had to adapt to. Some of us (me) are as flexible as a rock. But the good thing about rocks is that, with more rocks, and mortar, and careful stacking, together we can be molded into any shape. I like to think of a hearth: warm, inviting, persistent. Or maybe a wall: strong base, purposeful, persistent.

While chickens and fowl haven't changed much, our processes have. Last year, the post office switched flight times, so we had to switch hatching times. We now work nights more than days. Not the end of the world, but it was big changes for our families. New dynamics to work within. We learned so much last year and are ready to adapt to those changes for our 109th season. Being enduring, but not static, is important.

We are a small crew. A very dedicated crew. Our dedication is to our team, our birds, our community, and our customers. Raising Heritage chickens, like we have for the last century, with perseverance in mind. Breeding is not a "this year" mindset. We are finishing up selecting breeders for our 2026 season as I write this. It is, hands down, the most important thing we do and what I think continues to set us apart. What we keep affects this year and every year after. Few chickens are perfect but every one must be correct. This scrutiny has left us short many times, but compromises here mean the next year is comprised. My hands are so swollen I can't interlace my fingers currently. You see, catching every single one of our chickens is done by eight people (or less) on our team. It's been a few years since I helped, but it was important for me to be part of that process again this year.

We had two babies this year at the Hatch. Human babies. One was born yesterday. While most of us really do love what we do, it's our job. A job that provides for us and our families. Not extravagant, but sustainable. I feel that it's easy to lose sight of what is important if you think in numbers instead of names, or quantity over quality, instead of how people really are. That they get enough sleep and time with their friends and family.

It's the same as breeding poultry. Cultivate attitudes you want to see going forward. But mostly, be mindful that we are more than getting through the day. The day is the point. Each day is wondrous. Not just birth days but especially birth days. That each hatch day is still exciting though stressful, a new life to share with you. To share our fortunes, in beautiful, hand selected, Heritage chickens. Honestly, I am the wealthiest man to ever live.

That's important to me.





ameraucana



BEST SELLER

AMERAUCANA (SHIPS FEBRUARY - SEPTEMBER) ★

The Ameraucana is one of the most popular breeds among backyard chicken keepers across the U.S. and Canada, and is a must-have for all types of flock owners. Known for their beautiful blue colored eggs, the Ameraucana is a hardy, family-friendly, and easy-going bird that fits well in any flock and readily adapts to both urban and rural settings. Ameraucanas can be identified by their pea combs, muffs and/or beards, and their greenish legs.

The Ameraucana was originally developed in the 1970s, derived from Araucanas. They were developed to retain the blue-egg laying gene while eliminating some of the issues associated with the Araucana breed. The Ameraucana was admitted into the American Standard of Perfection in 1984. Our flock of Ameraucanas dates back to the early 1980s.

Our Ameraucanas have been selectively bred for egg color, and most hens will lay a beautiful blue egg. However, some eggs may have a greenish-blue tint as well. Our main flock of Ameraucanas is sold as a mixed-feather flock only. Each chick and adult bird will display unique colors and patterns, making them a fun addition to any backyard or homestead. Our birds have muffs, but not all will have beards.

Photos courtesy of Rebecca Reynolds, Nina Mullins, Bun Luft, Shelby Lascelles, Cassandra Harding, and Jordan Lengel.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25-50	51-99	100+
ARAP	Female	\$7.15	\$6.44	\$5.79	\$5.21	\$4.69	\$4.22
ARAC	Male	\$3.85	\$3.47	\$3.12	\$2.81	\$2.53	\$2.27
ARAS	Unsexed	\$4.95	\$4.46	\$4.01	\$3.61	\$3.25	\$2.92

Class: All Other Standard	Mature Weight (LB): Male 7.0 / Female 4.0
TLC Conservation Priority: Not Listed	Egg Production: Good
Comb Type: Pea	
Feet & Legs: Clean / Green	

BEST BREED FOR BEGINNERS Ordering your first flock of chickens? Ameraucanas are perfect for new chicken keepers. Other great breeds to try are Cochins (pg. 16-17), Orpingtons (pg. 38-39), and Plymouth Rocks (pg. 40-41).

ANCONA

(SHIPS FEBRUARY - EARLY JULY)

Originally bred in the Marche region of Italy, this breed is named for the seaport city of Ancona, and was admitted into the American Poultry Association Standard of Perfection in 1898. These quick, alert, and active birds are a lustrous black with the occasional feather tipped in white. Anconas are excellent foragers, preferring to free-range over wide areas. Their dark, mottled feather pattern makes them an excellent choice for areas where hawks, owls, and other predators are a concern. Anconas have a good disposition when given ample space to forage and roam. Hens lay a good number of medium-sized white eggs and are generally non-setters. Anconas are known to be hardy birds. However, care should be given to protect their single combs during extreme cold temperatures to prevent frostbite.

Photos courtesy of Teddi Yaeger, and Nina and Wes Mullins.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25+
ANCP	Female	\$12.00	\$10.80	\$9.72	\$8.75
ANCC	Male	\$6.00	\$5.40	\$4.86	\$4.37
ANCS	Unsexed	\$8.00	\$7.20	\$6.48	\$5.83

Class: Mediterranean	Mature Weight (LB): Male 6.0 / Female 4.5
TLC Conservation Priority: Watch	Egg Production: Good
Comb Type: Single	
Feet & Legs: Clean / Yellow	



BLUE ANDALUSIAN (SHIPS FEBRUARY - SEPTEMBER)

This stunning breed originated in Andalusia, a province of Spain, and has long been kept in both England and the U.S. With their graceful and stately carriage, delicate slate-blue feathering and lacing, lead-blue shanks and toes, and bright red combs and wattles, Blue Andalusians are a popular breed for exhibition.

Andalusians are active birds that thrive in a free-range setting. Hens are good white egg layers and have very little tendency toward broodiness.

Chicks from blue feathered breeds can be blue, black, white, or splash. To read more about breeding for the color blue, see below.

Photos courtesy of Jessica Szachury, Amber Filan, Lindsey McKibben, Lindsey Sibbett, Holly Callahan-Kasmala and Chrissy DiCarlo of Coffee with the Chicken Ladies, and Jessica Sowards of Roots and Refuge farm.

Class: Mediterranean	Mature Weight (LB): Male 7.0 / Female 5.5
TLC Conservation Priority: Watch	Egg Production: Good
Comb Type: Single	
Feet & Legs: Clean / Slate Blue	

Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25+
ANDP	Female	\$12.00	\$10.80	\$9.72	\$8.75
ANDC	Male	\$6.00	\$5.40	\$4.86	\$4.37
ANDS	Unsexed	\$8.00	\$7.20	\$6.48	\$5.83

Breeding Blue-Feathered Poultry

When breeding for the color blue in poultry, parent stock is carefully selected for the best blue feathering and lacing. An interesting fact about blue feathering genetics in poultry is that only 50% of the chicks from blue parents will also be all blue. The remaining half of the chicks will be a mix of black, white, and splash colorings. All of the chicks, regardless of color, will carry the blue gene. This means that mating black with blue, or with splash, will produce many blue offspring.



BLACK AUSTRALORP (SHIPS FEBRUARY – SEPTEMBER)

The Australorp is a dual-purpose Heritage breed hailing from Australia. As the name suggests, the breed was originally referred to as the "Australian Orpington." By the 1920s, the Australorp was identified as its own breed, and it was admitted into the American Poultry Association Standard of Perfection in 1929. In recent years, the Australorp was considered rare and endangered. Today, the Australorp is a conservation success, having graduated from The Livestock Conservancy Priority List in 2023.

Australorps have become a top choice for both eggs and meat among homesteaders and hobby farmers looking for a sustainable and dual-purpose Heritage breed flock. Australorp hens are known for being reliable layers — in fact, one set a record for laying 364 eggs in 365 days in the early 1900s. Today's hens average about five medium-to-large brown eggs per week.

These beautiful, glossy black chickens have an iridescent greenish-purple sheen and large bright red combs. They are quiet, gentle, hardy birds that bear confinement well. However, care should be given in extreme temperatures to protect their large single combs from frostbite.

Photos courtesy of Nina Mullins, James Johns, Samantha Frazier, and Cade McCollough.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25-49	50-99	100+
BLAP	Female	\$715	\$6.44	\$5.79	\$5.21	\$4.69	\$4.22
BLAC	Male	\$3.85	\$3.47	\$3.12	\$2.81	\$2.53	\$2.27
BLAS	Unsexed	\$4.95	\$4.46	\$4.01	\$3.61	\$3.25	\$2.92

Class: English	Mature Weight (LB): Male 8.0 / Female 5.5
TLC Conservation Priority: GRADUATED 2023	Egg Production: Best
Comb Type: Single	
Feet & Legs: Clean / Black	



BARNEVELDER

(SHIPS FEBRUARY – SEPTEMBER)

The Barnevelder is one of the newest large and heavy breeds to land here at McMurray Hatchery. Hailing from Holland, this Dutch breed was developed about 200 years ago and is known for its hardiness and consistent rate of lay.

Barnevelders are highly sought after by backyard chicken keepers, poultry enthusiasts, and homesteaders alike. Hens are considered to be consistent brown egg layers, but are slow to mature and can take a bit longer to lay than other Heritage hens. As a slow-maturing breed, their feather pattern can also take a bit of time to fully develop.

These birds are prized for their stunning feathering. Barnevelders have orange eyes and a bright red single comb and wattles. They are well-known for their rich black double-lacing overtop reddish-brown feathering.

Barnevelders are known for their quiet and gentle yet independent dispositions. They are content in a small backyard flock but thrive when allowed to forage, even in a small garden.

Photos courtesy of Nina Mullins, James Johns, Samantha Frazier, and Cade McCollough.

Unsexed. BVDS \$10.00 ea.

Class: Continental	Mature Weight (LB): Male 7.0 / Female 6.0
TLC Conservation Priority: Not Listed	Egg Production: Better
Comb Type: Single	
Feet & Legs: Clean / Yellow	

SHOP MORE NEW BREEDS: Don't miss our new Russian Orloff, pg. 37, and many new and returning Bantam breeds, pg. 53-57. Even more coming this spring to McMurrayHatchery.com.



English Class Chickens

HERITAGE BREED POULTRY | ENGLISH BREEDS



Have you ever wondered what people mean when they talk about 'classes' of chickens? These designations are about 150 years old and were created by the American Poultry Association (APA) to classify breeds. When the APA printed the first Standard of Perfection in 1874, they used geography as the primary way to categorize these groups because chicken breeds from the same locale tend to have similar traits and characteristics.

If you're new to chicken keeping, or you're looking for some laid-back birds that are good layers, we'd like to direct your attention to the English class. The APA's English class of chickens is made up of six excellent breeds, and we're going to include a seventh breed that has not yet made it into the APA's Standard of Perfection. (*Hint, they lay blue/green eggs!*)

All of the breeds in this class have great temperaments, are wonderful family birds, and do well in a variety of climates. We like to think of them as both pretty and practical. They're all Heritage breeds with interesting histories and something great to offer everyone.

The two oldest breeds in this class are the **Dorking** and the **Derbyshire Redcap**. Dorkings are lovely birds with beautiful, soft feathers in earthy colors. They have deep chests and long, graceful backs, balanced nicely



Coffee with the Chicken Ladies is a weekly podcast hosted by Chrisie DiCarlo and Holly Callahan-Kasmala. The podcast covers all things Pet Chicken. Each episode includes a breed spotlight, a relevant chicken keeping topic, a recipe using fresh eggs, and some retail therapy! The *Chicken Ladies* also feature interviews with expert guests who span the chicken keeping world. **SCAN THE CODE TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THEM!**

on short, strong legs. They also sport a fifth toe. Redcaps, an extremely endangered breed, are known for their spectacular rose combs. Unusually, both the Dorkings and Redcaps have red earlobes, but hens lay white eggs.

If you like the look of spotted chickens, we recommend the **Speckled Sussex**. This bird is beloved in her native England, and has been a favorite here in the states for many years. These friendly hens are good layers of large brown eggs, they do well in a mixed breed flock, and they make great farm birds. And they're beautiful, so get ready to share them on your Instagram feed!

A unique member of the English class is the **Cornish**. The Dark Cornish, specifically, has served as a foundation breed for many of our favorite modern breeds. They are known as table birds, but because of their gorgeous laced feathers, and also make great show birds. They're known to have pleasant personalities, do well in a free-range setting, and the hens are good mothers.

Our next two breeds barely need an introduction. The **Orpington** and **Australorp** (*Australian Utility Orpington*) have been popular from their very beginnings. Bred in the town of Orpington in England, the Orpington chicken is one of the biggest and fluffiest of all chicken breeds. They come in a wide variety of colors, and their sweet personalities make them firm favorites among backyard keepers. Though they're gentle enough to be kept by children, the Orpington also makes a great well-rounded homestead chicken.

With their fantastic rate of lay, natural mothering instincts, and laid-back personality, the Black Australorp is another excellent breed for farmers, homesteaders, and families, but the green sheen of their feathers elevates them to fancy status. Hens are among some of the best Heritage breed egg producers in the world. The Orpington was a primary foundation breed for the Australorp, so they share the same gentle personality and both can become much loved pets.

Our final English class highlight is one of our absolute favorite chickens. They have only been around since they were developed at Cambridge University during the 1950s, and fanciers are still working to have them accepted by the APA. The **Crested Cream Legbar** is an adorable yet versatile chicken that would make a great addition to a rural, suburban, or even an urban backyard flock. They are auto-sexing — meaning they can be sexed by color at hatch— making them one of the few Heritage breed options for folks who absolutely cannot keep roosters. Legbars are very good layers, and their eggs come in stunning shades of turquoise and blue. These friendly little birds have engaging personalities and a quirky appearance due to their swept-back crests.

The chickens that make up the English class are some of the hardest and most reliable breeds that you can find. Each of these breeds combine practicality with beauty and personality. If you're trying to decide what your next breeds will be, try some of the English chickens— they may become your new favorites!

NEW! *The Chicken Ladies' Guide to Life with Chickens* — coming soon to McMurrayHatchery.com!





bielefelder



BIELEFELDER

(SHIPS FEBRUARY – SEPTEMBER)

The Bielefelder has skyrocketed in popularity since arriving in the U.S. With one of the best personalities of any breed we carry, they are easy to raise and have a quiet, friendly temperament. Bielefelders are a hit with both homesteading and urban families.

Originally from Germany, these gentle giants are beautiful, hardy, and robust. Developed as a true dual-purpose bird, Bielefelders are a wise choice when raising a sustainable flock for both meat and eggs. Their large, round bodies put other heavy breeds to shame. Males have an abundance of thin, barred feathers and are easily 10-12 lbs. Hens aren't much smaller and lay large brown eggs.

As an auto-sexing breed, male and female baby chicks can be easily identified at hatch, and this trait will pass down to future generations. Male chicks are soft brown and have a white spot on their head, while female chicks are darker in coloring with a chipmunk pattern and a distinct black mark across their eyes.

Photos courtesy of Lindsey McKibben, Nina Mullins, Shelby Lascelles, Cassandra Haring, Thomas Metcalf, Lena Shell, and Kathy Mormino aka The Chicken Chick.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25+
BIFP	Female	\$13.00	\$11.70	\$10.53	\$9.48
BIFC	Male	\$7.00	\$6.30	\$5.67	\$5.10
BIFS	Unsexed	\$9.00	\$8.10	\$7.29	\$6.56

Class: All Other Standard	Mature Weight (LB): Male 12.0 / Female 9.5
TLC Conservation Priority: Not Listed	Egg Production: Better
Comb Type: Single	
Feet & Legs: Clean / Yellow	



Shop more auto-sexing breeds and sex link breeds at McMurrayHatchery.com: Crested Cream Legbars (auto-sexing, pg. 19); or our Amber, Black, or Red Star (sex links, pg. 45)

BEST-SELLING ASSORTMENTS

hand-packed with care from our family to yours



SHOP CHICK ASSORTMENTS

Photo courtesy of Giselle Smith.

BROWN EGG LAYERS (SHIPS FEBRUARY – SEPTEMBER)

This is one of our most popular **ALL FEMALE** assortments. Each order includes a mix of colorful, productive breeds that will fill your baskets with beautiful eggs ranging from light cream to dark brown.

Item #	Sex	15	25	50	100
BELP	Female	\$85.50	\$135.50	\$257.00	\$489.00

FEATHER-FOOTED FANCIES (SHIPS FEBRUARY – EARLY JULY)

This **STRAIGHT RUN** (unsexed) collection includes an assortment of standard-sized feather-footed breeds. Includes our choice of breeds from our Brahmas, Cochins, Faverolles, and Langshans.

Item #	Sex	15	25	50	100
FFFS	Unsexed	\$73.50	\$116.50	\$221.00	\$420.00

TOP HAT SPECIAL (SHIPS FEBRUARY – EARLY JULY)

This **STRAIGHT RUN** (unsexed) mix of crested breeds will certainly put a smile on anyone's face! This fun assortment includes our choice of varieties from our Crevecoeur, Houdan, Polish, and Sultan breeds.

Item #	Sex	15	25	50	100
TOHS	Unsexed	\$105.00	\$166.25	\$316.00	\$600.00

HEAVY ASSORTED (SHIPS FEBRUARY – SEPTEMBER)

This **STRAIGHT RUN** (unsexed) assortment offers an instant dual-purpose flock for both meat and large brown eggs. Includes our choice of breeds.

Item #	Sex	15	25	50	100
HASS	Unsexed	\$65.25	\$103.25	\$196.50	\$373.00

COLLECTION COCKERELS (SHIPS FEBRUARY – SEPTEMBER)

This **ALL MALE** assortment includes a collection of roosters from our rare and top hat collections, giving you a stunning and varied flock with smooth hackles, flowing saddle feathers, crests, feathered feet, and more.

Item #	Sex	15	25	50	100
OCCC	Male	\$46.50	\$73.75	\$140.00	\$266.00

FLY TYER'S SPECIAL (SHIPS FEBRUARY – EARLY JULY)

Bring home this **ALL MALE** assortment and make your own unique Grizzlies, Duns, Badgers, and more. These breeds will give you the hackle, saddle, and tail feathers you're looking for as you explore the art of fly-tying.

Item #	Sex	15	25	50	100
FTSC	Male	\$46.50	\$73.75	\$140.00	\$266.00

MURRAY'S CHOICE LAYERS (SHIPS FEBRUARY – SEPTEMBER)

This best-selling **ALL FEMALE** assortment features an array of our favorite breeds that will lay a variety of different colored eggs. Includes our choice of breeds from our best layers, heavy breeds, and rare and exotic varieties.

Item #	Sex	15	25	50	100
RALP	Female	\$85.50	\$135.50	\$257.00	\$489.00

ORNAMENTAL LAYERS (SHIPS FEBRUARY – EARLY JULY)

Let our team hand-select a varied, unique, and eye-catching flock for you! This **ALL FEMALE** assortment includes our choice of rare and top hat breeds. *Quantities are limited.*

Item #	Sex	15	25	50	100
OLCP	Female	\$105.00	\$166.25	\$316.00	\$600.00

RARE BREED SPECIAL (SHIPS FEBRUARY – EARLY JULY)

Rare breeds are our passion, and this **STRAIGHT RUN** (unsexed) assortment is one of our favorites. We know you'll enjoy this hand-selected mix featuring our most exotic and rare Heritage varieties.

Item #	Sex	15	25	50	100
RBSS	Unsexed	\$85.50	\$135.50	\$257.00	\$489.00

SPECIAL ASSORTED BARGAIN (SHIPS FEBRUARY – SEPTEMBER)

This **STRAIGHT RUN** (unsexed) assortment is our most varied and discounted. With dozens of breeds hatching each week, this value mix is always a surprise!

Item #	Sex	15	25	50	100
SPAS	Unsexed	\$66.75	\$105.75	\$201.00	\$382.00

ALL HEAVIES (SHIPS FEBRUARY – SEPTEMBER)

Our All Heavies **ALL MALE** chick assortment is a great selection of heavy breeds to raise for meat. Butcher them young for fryers or hold them a little longer for a delicious roasting bird. Includes our choice of at least five different heavy breeds.

Item #	Sex	15	25	50	100
ALHC	Male	\$46.50	\$73.75	\$140.00	\$266.00

SUPER DUPER (SHIPS FEBRUARY – EARLY JULY)

McMurray's Super Duper is an **ALL MALE** mixture of plain and fancy breeds in all colors and types – at a really low price! Anything goes in this cockerel chick assortment, including our choice of heavy, light, rare, and common breeds.

Item #	Sex	15	25	50	100
SUDC	Male	\$46.50	\$73.75	\$140.00	\$266.00



DARK BRAHMA (SHIPS FEBRUARY – EARLY JULY)

The Dark Brahma is one of two Brahma varieties listed in the first edition of the 1874 American Standard of Perfection, and it is the only variety that was developed in England rather than America. Dark Brahmas were developed after Light Brahmas, and they tend to be slightly smaller than their predecessors.

Of the three varieties of Brahmas — Buff, Dark, and Light — the Dark Brahma is perhaps the most stunning. Baby chicks have brown on their heads and back, and dark mottled faces with lining around their eyes. Hens have the same pattern and coloring on their head and neck as the Light Brahma, but their bodies are a show-stopping dark gray with silver-white penciling. Roosters have silver-white and black hackle and saddle feathers contrasted with dark black body and legs.

Photos courtesy of Toni Walley, Lauren Perry, Erica Zaworski, Claudia Hebert, and Anna Christian.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25-50	51-99	100+
DABP	Female	\$9.90	\$8.91	\$8.02	\$7.22	\$6.50	\$5.85
DABC	Male	\$4.95	\$4.46	\$4.01	\$3.61	\$3.25	\$2.92
DABS	Unsexed	\$6.05	\$5.45	\$4.90	\$4.41	\$3.97	\$3.57



The Brahma is an old feather-footed Heritage breed developed from fowl brought to America by Chinese clipper ships in the 1800s. The Brahma, along with the Cochin, was so popular upon arrival that they are credited with sparking 'hen fever,' a national obsession in poultry during the 1850s. Both the Light and Dark varieties were included in the first printing of the American Standard of Perfection in 1874.

Brahmas are a large, hardy feather-footed breed. Their small pea comb, immense size, and heavy feathering make them almost immune to cold weather. They are quiet, gentle, and easy to handle. Brahmas are known for their relatively slow growth. Though they may reach sexual maturity around 20 weeks, it can take up to nine months for them to fully feather out, and up to two years for a male to fully mature. With their gorgeous feathering and calm demeanor, they are certainly worth the wait!

Class: Asiatic	Mature Weight (LB): Male 12.0 / Female 9.5
TLC Conservation Priority: GRADUATED 2023	Egg Production: Fair
Comb Type: Pea	
Feet & Legs: Feathered / Yellow	

If you love these gorgeous birds, be sure to check out our **BRAHMA BANTAMS** on pg. 53, and our **ASSORTED BRAHMA BANTAMS** on pg. 57, for all of the fluff in a pint-sized package!



BUFF BRAHMA (SHIPS FEBRUARY – EARLY JULY)

The Buff Brahma was developed later than the other two varieties, and was admitted into the American Standard of Perfection in 1924 — about 50 years after the Light and Dark Brahma. Today, these birds are prized by families and hobbyists for their gentle personalities. With their beautiful golden coloring and large size, they make for a truly regal and impressive flock.

Baby Buff Brahma chicks are dark gray with a light golden-buff colored face. Adults are a large golden-buff colored fowl with black hackle feathers edged in buff, a black tail, and feathered legs and feet. Compared to the other varieties, Buff Brahma hens average the fewest number of eggs per year.

Photos courtesy of Judi Hillis, Alyssa Stanley, Amelia O'Connor, Destiny LaPointe, Amanda Kitzmiller, Andrea Jacobs, and Ashley Bickell.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25-50	51-99	100+
BUBP	Female	\$9.90	\$8.91	\$8.02	\$7.22	\$6.50	\$5.85
BUBC	Male	\$4.95	\$4.46	\$4.01	\$3.61	\$3.25	\$2.92
BUBS	Unsexed	\$6.05	\$5.45	\$4.90	\$4.41	\$3.97	\$3.57

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LIGHT BRAHMA (SHIPS FEBRUARY – EARLY JULY)

The Light Brahma was the first variety of Brahma to be developed. They were originally known for being a true dual-purpose bird that could easily feed a family. Celebrated for their winter laying abilities, these sizable table birds were bred to be both hardy and dependable. The Brahma reigned as a leading meat bird until the development of the modern hybrid broiler. Today, Light Brahmas are frequently kept by families and hobbyists as a friendly and cold-hardy breed.

Light Brahma adults have a silver-white head with black hackle feathers edged in white, a black tail, and feathered legs and feet. Baby chicks are light gray with a light face that often has a slightly yellow tint. Like all Brahmas, their size and a tight pea combs make them ideal for colder climates. Of the three varieties, Light Brahma hens are the best layers, averaging 220 eggs per year.

Photos courtesy of Susie Dearsley, Brandy Miller, Rachel Swamidass, Erica Zaworski, Cassandra Haring, and Madison Riley.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25-50	51-99	100+
LIBP	Female	\$9.90	\$8.91	\$8.02	\$7.22	\$6.50	\$5.85
LIBC	Male	\$4.95	\$4.46	\$4.01	\$3.61	\$3.25	\$2.92
LIBS	Unsexed	\$6.05	\$5.45	\$4.90	\$4.41	\$3.97	\$3.57



BUTTERCUP

(SHIPS FEBRUARY – EARLY JULY)

The Buttercup is a Mediterranean breed that was imported from Italy in the late 1800s. Sometimes referred to as the Sicilian Buttercup, this breed gets its name from its golden color and unique cup-shaped comb that resembles a crown. The Buttercup is a very rare Heritage breed, listed as 'Threatened' by The Livestock Conservancy.

Females are buff colored with parallel rows of black spangles on each feather, resulting in a beautiful spotted pattern. Males are a brilliant red-orange with a lustrous greenish-black tail. Both sexes have white earlobes, reddish bay eyes, and willow-green legs.

Buttercup chickens are very heat-tolerant, like many other Mediterranean breeds. They are active birds that prefer to free-range and forage. Hens are non-setters and lay a good number of small-to-medium white eggs.

Photos courtesy of Tia Shelton, Nina Mullins, Vanessa Sokic, and Joanne Wolff.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25+
BUTP	Female	\$12.00	\$10.80	\$9.72	\$8.75
BUTC	Male	\$6.00	\$5.40	\$4.86	\$4.37
BUTS	Unsexed	\$8.00	\$7.20	\$6.48	\$5.83

Class: Mediterranean	Mature Weight (LB): Male 6.5 / Female 5.0
TLC Conservation Priority: Threatened	Egg Production: Good
Comb Type: Buttercup	
Feet & Legs: Clean / Green	 



GOLDEN CAMPINE

(SHIPS FEBRUARY – EARLY JULY)

Golden Campines are small, active birds that are known to be good foragers. They have a distinctive black barring over golden bay feathers, bright red single combs, white earlobes, and slate colored legs. Baby Campine chicks are some of the most distinct and colorful chicks we hatch, with black, brown, and white zig-zag stripes.

This historic breed is said to date back to the time when Julius Caesar looted Belgium. Interestingly, the Campine was admitted into the American Poultry Association Standard of Perfection not just once, but twice. In the late 1800s, the breed was imported into North America, but was dropped from the Standard in 1898. Eventually, both the Golden and the Silver varieties of Campine chickens were recognized by the APA and were admitted back into the Standard in 1914. Today, the Campine is very rare and is listed as 'Threatened' by The Livestock Conservancy.

Campines tolerate heat well, are fairly flighty, and prefer to forage in a free-range setting. Hens are non-setters and lay a good number of medium-sized white eggs.

Photos courtesy of Nina Mullins, Christy Roberts, and Tonja Phillips.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25+
GOCP	Female	\$13.00	\$11.70	\$10.53	\$9.48
GOCC	Male	\$7.00	\$6.30	\$5.67	\$5.10
GOCS	Unsexed	\$9.00	\$8.10	\$7.29	\$6.56

Class: Continental	Mature Weight (LB): Male 6.0 / Female 4.0
TLC Conservation Priority: Threatened	Egg Production: Good
Comb Type: Single	
Feet & Legs: Clean / Slate, Blue	 



CINNAMON HYBRID LAYER

(SHIPS FEBRUARY – SEPTEMBER)

The Cinnamon Hybrid Layer from McMurray Hatchery is a reliable brown egg layer. Much like our popular Whiting True Blues and Greens, this cross was developed to produce efficient production layers. Cinnamon Hybrid Layers are slender, active birds with reddish feathering and white flecking.

As with any cross, the Cinnamon Hybrid Layer will not breed true in successive generations. These birds are a great choice for those looking for an affordable and hardy flock.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25-50	51-99	100+
CHLP	Female	\$7.15	\$6.44	\$5.79	\$5.21	\$4.69	\$4.22
CHLC	Male	\$3.85	\$3.47	\$3.12	\$2.81	\$2.53	\$2.27
CHLS	Unsexed	\$4.95	\$4.46	\$4.01	\$3.61	\$3.25	\$2.92

Class: Not a Standard Breed	Mature Weight (LB): Male 8.0 / Female 6.0
TLC Conservation Priority: Not Listed	Egg Production: Better
Comb Type: Single	
Feet & Legs: Clean / Yellow	




Dedicated to Preserving Rare Heritage Breeds



For over a century, McMurray Hatchery has prioritized efforts to preserve rare and endangered breeds of poultry. The birds that we raise, hatch, and ship throughout America play a key role in the survival of many endangered breeds on The Livestock Conservancy's Conservation Priority List.

“Murray McMurray Hatchery is a proud and longtime supporter of The Livestock Conservancy. For over a century, we have remained dedicated to preserving rare and exotic poultry breeds. It is our hope that by raising awareness and increasing collaborative efforts across the country alongside The Livestock Conservancy, Heritage poultry breeds will continue to strengthen and increase in numbers. As always, we urge others to support The Livestock Conservancy's vital programs.”

—Tom Watkins, McMurray Hatchery President and Owner

WHAT CAN YOU DO?
In addition to supporting our collaborative preservation efforts with The Livestock Conservancy, we encourage all backyard keepers, homesteaders, and enthusiasts to get involved with Heritage breed conservation by simply keeping flocks of their own.

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Below is an updated list of the most critically rare and threatened Heritage breed flocks McMurray Hatchery carries that appear on The Livestock Conservancy's Conservation Priority List. In all, McMurray carries 32 of the 49 rare Heritage chicken breeds on the current Priority List.

CRITICAL — Fewer than 200 annual registrations in the United States and estimated global population less than 2,000.

Red Cap	White Faced Black Spanish
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THREATENED — Fewer than 1,000 annual registrations in the United States and estimated global population less than 5,000.

Buttercup	Lakenvelder	Sultan
Campine	Langshan	Sumatra
Dorking	Modern Game	Yokohama
Hamburg	New Hampshire	
Houdan	Russian Orloff	

 McMurray Hatchery is a proud supporter of The Livestock Conservancy, the Conservation Poultry Census, and other key programs helping to preserve rare breeds of poultry. To learn more about the Conservancy and their efforts, visit their website at TheLivestockConservancy.org.



cochin

The standard-sized Cochin breed is one of our family favorites — especially the Buff Cochin. These large Asiatic fowl are said to have been brought from China in the 1800s by clipper ships. Cochins are large birds, and they look even bigger due to their extraordinary abundance of soft, fluffy feathers from head to toe.

Cochins have a quiet and friendly disposition. These gentle birds are a perfect fit for families and backyard settings. Hens lay medium-sized light brown eggs. Though they are good layers, they are also likely to go broody. Cochins are excellent mothers, and these hens are a fantastic choice for anyone wanting to hatch chicks without an incubator. While their downy feathering might help them in colder weather, care should be taken to protect their large combs and wattles from frostbite.

Class: Asiatic	Mature Weight (LB): Male 11.0 / Female 8.5
TLC Conservation Priority: Watch	Egg Production: Good
Comb Type: Single	
Feet & Legs: Feathered / Yellow	

Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25-50	51-99	100+
Female	\$9.90	\$8.91	\$8.02	\$7.22	\$6.50	\$5.85
Male	\$4.95	\$4.46	\$4.01	\$3.61	\$3.25	\$2.92
Unsexed	\$6.05	\$5.45	\$4.90	\$4.41	\$3.97	\$3.57

BUFF COCHIN

This variety is one of our family's all-time favorites. Buff Cochins are immense, soft, fluffy birds that are gold from head to toe with bright red combs and wattles. Like our other Cochin varieties, these quiet and gentle birds are perfect for first-time chicken owners and families.

Females, BUCP. Males, BUCC. Unsexed, BUCS.
Photos courtesy of Nina Mullins, Teddi Yaeger, Erica Zaworski, Alisa Thayne, and Donna Kelley.



PARTRIDGE COCHIN

The Partridge Cochin is a truly stunning bird. Males are a mix of iridescent greenish-black and deep burgundy. Females are a deep burgundy-red color with the typical double-laced partridge feather pattern. Like other Cochin varieties, Partridge Cochins are large, beautiful, easy-to-raise birds with a calm and docile temperament.

Females, PACP. Males, PACC. Unsexed, PACS.
Photos courtesy of Misty Mack, Alysia Corbett, Nina Mullins, and Brandy Miller.



BLACK COCHIN

One of the first varieties of this breed, Black Cochins have a striking appearance. They have beautiful iridescent black feathering from head to toe offset by bright red combs and wattles. These quiet, gentle birds have an almost greenish sheen in the sunlight. As their name suggests, Black Cochins have an abundance of black down, giving them a very large, round appearance.

Females, BLCP. Males, BLCC. Unsexed, BLCS.
Photos courtesy of Kristin McGuire, Elisha Nightingale, Matthew Arnett, and Kate and Mark Brencher.



BLUE COCHIN

The Blue Cochin is a stately and gentle bird, and one of the most popular color varieties of Cochins. Approximately half of these birds will be blue with darker blue lacing, while the other half will be black, white, or splash due to their blue genetics. Order several for a beautiful mixed flock. *To read more about breeding for the color blue in poultry, see pg. 7.*

Females, BECP. Males, BECC. Unsexed, BECS.
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SILVER LACED COCHIN

Silver Laced Cochins are a more rare variety of Cochin. Often kept for exhibition, these silver-white birds have black lacing on each feather. This patterning is similar to the Silver Laced Wyandotte, but Cochins have feathered legs and feet, and a single comb.

Females, SLCP. Males, SLCC. Unsexed, SLCS.
Photos by Nina Mullins, Linda Lundberg, and Teddi Yaeger.



WHITE COCHIN

The White Cochin is one of the oldest APA recognized varieties of the Cochin breed. These massive birds are like giant snowballs with their soft, white, downy feathers. White Cochins are popular with fanciers and poultry enthusiasts alike.

Females, WHCP. Males, WHCC. Unsexed, WHCS.
Photo courtesy of Libby Liukkonen.



Cornish

Many look to Heritage breeds such as the Cornish when they begin raising a sustainable flock. The Cornish (formerly known as the Indian Game) is one of the foundation breeds of the modern Cornish Cross broiler. The Heritage Cornish is a rare breed that originated in Cornwall, England, developed from Red Aseels and Black Breasted Red Games. Bred for a wide, game-like body with a muscular breast area, they are an excellent choice for meat production. While they are much slower to mature than modern hybrid broilers — taking an average of 20 weeks to grow out — they are sought after by homesteaders and hobbyists as a sustainable, active breed that will breed true for generations. Adult birds will reach 8-10 lbs. live weight, and young birds are often processed as small and tender Cornish Game Hens.

Class: English	Mature Weight (LB): Male 10.0 / Female 8.0
TLC Conservation Priority: Watch	Egg Production: Fair
Comb Type: Pea	    
Feet & Legs: Clean / Yellow	



DARK CORNISH

(SHIPPED FEBRUARY – SEPTEMBER)

Dark Cornish are hardy, excellent foragers that delight in free-range settings. Hens make good setters and mothers. Baby chicks can vary in color from a light reddish-buff to a darker reddish-brown with dark markings on the head, and sometimes on the outer edge of the back. Dark Cornish are often kept for eggs and exhibition, but they are also an excellent choice for sustainable meat production.

Photos courtesy of Tera Bergeson, Michael Krupecki, Amanda Kitzmiller, and Joshua Ott.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25+
DACP	Female	\$12.00	\$10.80	\$9.72	\$8.75
DACC	Male	\$6.00	\$5.40	\$4.86	\$4.37
DACS	Unsexed	\$8.00	\$7.20	\$6.48	\$5.83

WHITE LACED RED CORNISH

(SHIPPED FEBRUARY – EARLY JULY)

White Laced Red Cornish have rich, dark red feathers laced with white. As with other Heritage Cornish varieties, they have a square, muscular physique with tight feathering. White Laced Red Cornish are good foragers, and hens are fair brown egg layers. Baby chicks will be varying shades of reddish buff with long legs, and they are fairly small.

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CRESTED CREAM LEGBAR

(SHIPS FEBRUARY – EARLY JULY)

Cream Legbars are one of the most popular auto-sexing chicken breeds in the world, sought after for their beautiful and consistent blue eggs. An auto-sexing breed means that males and females can visually be identified at hatch — a beneficial trait that is carried through to successive generations when breeding. This relatively new breed was developed in England, and while it has yet to be recognized as a standard breed in the U.S., many enthusiasts follow the British standard when breeding.

Cream Legbars are medium-sized birds that are efficient and active foragers. They are better adapted to temperate and warmer climates. As chicks, males are a soft white and brown color, while females are darker brown with a chipmunk pattern. Females sport a small crest and are silver-grey with a salmon colored breast. Hens are fair layers that rarely go broody. Males are cream-colored with grey barring on their saddle and hackle feathers, and they make excellent flock protectors.

Photos courtesy of Nina Mullins, Teddi Yaeger, Martha Skierka, and Cassandra Haring.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25+
CRLP	Female	\$13.00	\$11.70	\$10.53	\$9.48
CRLC	Male	\$7.00	\$6.30	\$5.67	\$5.10
CRLS	Unsexed	\$9.00	\$8.10	\$7.29	\$6.56

Class: All Other Production	Mature Weight (LB): Male 7.5 / Female 5.5
TLC Conservation Priority: Not Listed	Egg Production: Fair
Comb Type: Single	 
Feet & Legs: Clean / Yellow	



CREVECOEUR

(SHIPS FEBRUARY – SEPTEMBER)

The Crevecoeur is one of the oldest French breeds. Its name comes from the village of Crèvecœur en Auge in Normandy, which translates 'broken heart' in English. Little is known about the origin of the breed, but they have been documented as far back as the 12th century. The Crevecoeur was popular until WWII, when populations were decimated and left critically endangered. Thankfully, recent efforts were made to rebuild and preserve these special birds. After much collaboration, the Crevecoeur has successfully moved from 'Critical' to 'Watch' on The Livestock Conservancy Priority List.

This tall bird sports a crest, slate-colored legs, reddish eyes, and a bright red v-comb offset by black feathers from head to toe. They are similar to but larger than the Polish, and are comparable in size to the Houdan. Males average around 8 lbs., while females are slightly smaller. Hens are fair layers of medium-sized white eggs and are moderately broody. Crevecoeurs are gentle birds, but can be timid due to limited sight caused by their crests. They bear confinement well and are a fun choice for families in backyard settings, as well as fanciers looking for a rare breed with unique conformation.

Photos courtesy of Teddi Yaeger, Adam Grace, and Tessa Stickel.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25+
CREP	Female	\$13.00	\$11.70	\$10.53	\$9.48
CREC	Male	\$7.00	\$6.30	\$5.67	\$5.10
CRES	Unsexed	\$9.00	\$8.10	\$7.29	\$6.56

Class: Continental	Mature Weight (LB): Male 8.0 / Female 6.5
TLC Conservation Priority: Watch	Egg Production: Fair
Comb Type: V	    
Feet & Legs: Clean / Black	





DELAWARE (SHIPS FEBRUARY – SEPTEMBER)

The Delaware is a true all-American breed. Though it is now an established Heritage breed recognized by the American Poultry Association, its origin stems from the broiler industry in the state of Delaware during the mid-1900s. The breed was derived by crossing Plymouth Barred Rock males with New Hampshire females in an effort to create a dual-purpose bird that was a good layer with a relatively fast growth rate and light white feathering for easy processing. The result was a heavy breed bird with mostly white feathers and slight barring on both the hackles and tail. The Delaware reigned as an extremely popular commercial bird for two decades, until the development of the modern Cornish Cross broiler caused a decline in popularity. Today, this breed is making a comeback as more poultry keepers and homesteaders choose to raise sustainable flocks of hardy, dual-purpose Heritage breeds. The Delaware is a nice, easy-to-raise bird when cared for properly. Hens are good layers and are not overly broody. Having been developed in the northeast region of the United States, these birds are naturally cold-hardy, and hens are solid winter layers.

Photos courtesy of Cassandra Haring, Holly Callahan-Kasmala, and Chrissi DiCarlo.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25-50	51-99	100+
DLWP	Female	\$9.90	\$8.91	\$8.02	\$7.22	\$6.50	\$5.85
DLWC	Male	\$4.95	\$4.46	\$4.01	\$3.61	\$3.25	\$2.92
DLWS	Unsexed	\$6.05	\$5.45	\$4.90	\$4.41	\$3.97	\$3.57

Class: American	Mature Weight (LB): Male 8.5 / Female 6.5
TLC Conservation Priority: Recovering	Egg Production: Good
Comb Type: Single	
Feet & Legs: Clean / Yellow	



Learn more about the Delaware Heritage breed in the Breed Spotlight series from Holly Callahan-Kasmala and Chrissi DiCarlo from *Coffee from the Chicken Ladies* – on the McMurray Hatchery blog. [SCAN TO READ THE BLOG >](#)



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McMurray Hatchery has a 109-year-old legacy of breeding Heritage breeds, with many of our Historic lines date back to our founding in 1917. In keeping with our dedication to breeding high quality poultry, eight of our breeds are now APA Certified Breeds. These APA Certified flocks include the Dominique (pg. 21), Lakenvelder (pg. 25), White Langshan (pg. 26), White Naked Neck (pg. 36), Buff Plymouth Rock (pg. 40), Partridge Plymouth Rock (pg. 41), Silver Penciled Plymouth Rock (pg. 41), and White Polish (pg. 43).

SILVER GRAY DORKING

(SHIPS FEBRUARY – EARLY JULY)

The Dorking is a British breed named for the town of Dorking in southern England. This is considered one of the oldest breeds of domesticated poultry, included in the first edition of the Standard of Perfection in 1874. Today, this breed is endangered, and has recently been listed as 'Threatened' on The Livestock Conservancy Priority List.

The Dorking is a unique breed with a long body on disproportionately short legs and a distinctive fifth toe. Silver Gray Dorking males are a combination of silvery-white and black. Females are an ashy-gray with a light golden-brown chest. The Dorking is one of the few poultry breeds with red earlobes that lays a medium-sized cream-colored egg. Hens are somewhat likely to go broody and make great mothers. While they are content in a confined setting, these quiet and docile birds like to forage, but don't wander far.

Photos courtesy of Neely Anderson, Michael Krupecki, Jessica Moore, and Emily Holm.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25+
SGDP	Female	\$12.00	\$10.80	\$9.72	\$8.75
SGDC	Male	\$6.00	\$5.40	\$4.86	\$4.37
SGDS	Unsexed	\$8.00	\$7.20	\$6.48	\$5.83

Class: English	Mature Weight (LB): Male 9.0 / Female 7.0
TLC Conservation Priority: Threatened	Egg Production: Good
Comb Type: Single	
Feet & Legs: Clean / White	



DOMINIQUE (SHIPS FEBRUARY – EARLY JULY)

APA CERTIFIED FLOCK

Dating back to the early days of settlement in New England, the Dominique is a distinctly American Heritage breed. Pioneers brought these birds west with them when, at the time, any black and white barred feathered chicken was referred to as a "Dominiker." The Dominique predates the Plymouth Rock, as it is one of the foundation breeds used to develop the Plymouth Barred Rock

The Dominique has a rose comb, medium-sized body, prominent tail, and black and white barred plumage. Hens are non-setters and are good layers of large brown eggs. While the Dominique is considered to be dual-purpose bird, its use is primarily as an egg laying breed. These are friendly birds, and they thrive in a free range setting.

Today, the Dominique is considered a rare breed. However, their numbers have stabilized, earning them a 'Watch' status from The Livestock Conservancy.

Photos courtesy of Hazel Schwent, Brandy Miller, and Nina Mullins.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25-50	51-99	100+
DOMP	Female	\$9.90	\$8.91	\$8.02	\$7.22	\$6.50	\$5.85
DOMC	Male	\$4.95	\$4.46	\$4.01	\$3.61	\$3.25	\$2.92
DOMS	Unsexed	\$6.05	\$5.45	\$4.90	\$4.41	\$3.97	\$3.57

Class: American	Mature Weight (LB): Male 7.0 / Female 5.0
TLC Conservation Priority: Watch	Egg Production: Good
Comb Type: Rose	
Feet & Legs: Clean / Yellow	



SALMON FAVEROLLES

(SHIPS FEBRUARY – EARLY JULY)

Originally bred in France as a good-sized fowl for winter eggs, Salmon Faverolles were admitted into the American Standard of Perfection in 1914. Today, Faverolles fairly rare and are raised primarily for exhibition and novelty.

With beards, muffs, feathered shanks, and a fifth toe, Faverolles are the total package! These birds have distinctive and beautiful coloring. Males are the darker of the two, with a mix of cream, reddish-brown, and black feathers. Females are much lighter, with creamy white and salmon-brown feathering. Baby chicks are easily identified, as they are fluffy and bright yellow with a small bit of black on their backs and wings. Hens lay medium-sized cream-colored eggs, and they have a high tendency towards broodiness.

These birds are generally cold hardy and have a gentle disposition. They are an ideal choice for confined or backyard settings, as they bear confinement well. Their calm, quiet demeanor makes them a good option for families with small children, too.

Photos courtesy of Rhiannon Barreda, Tawnie Freeland, Toni Walley, Chrissie DiCarlo, and Holly Callahan-Kasmala.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25+
SAFP	Female	\$13.00	\$11.70	\$10.53	\$9.48
SAFC	Male	\$7.00	\$6.30	\$5.67	\$5.10
SAFS	Unsexed	\$9.00	\$8.10	\$7.29	\$6.56

Class: Continental	Mature Weight (LB): Male 8.0 / Female 6.5
TLC Conservation Priority: Watch	Egg Production: Good
Comb Type: Single	    
Feet & Legs: Feathered / White	



EGYPTIAN FAYOUMIS

(SHIPS FEBRUARY – EARLY JULY)

This small, active breed has been raised along the Nile in Egypt for centuries. While they are common overseas and meet all the qualifications of a Heritage breed, they are very rare in the U.S. and are not yet recognized by the APA or The Livestock Conservancy. Fayoumis mature more quickly than other breeds. Pullets can start laying their medium-sized, creamy white eggs at just 4 to 4-1/2 months, and cockerels can start to crow at just 5 to 6 weeks.

Fayoumis are marked with silver-white hackles, and their bodies have white barring on black feathers. Baby chicks are very colorful and easily identified. They are a warm brown with a hint of burgundy or purple coloring overall and have black and white markings on their backs.

Photos courtesy Toni Walley, Madison Fratzke, Kathy Mormino aka The Chicken Chick, and Nina Mullins.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25+
EGFP	Female	\$12.00	\$10.80	\$9.72	\$8.75
EGFC	Male	\$6.00	\$5.40	\$4.86	\$4.37
EGFS	Unsexed	\$8.00	\$7.20	\$6.48	\$5.83

Class: All Other Standard	Mature Weight (LB): Male 5.0 / Female 4.0
TLC Conservation Priority: Not Listed	Egg Production: Good
Comb Type: Single	  
Feet & Legs: Clean / Slate, Green	



hamburg

The Hamburg is a very rare Heritage breed and is listed as "Threatened" on The Livestock Conservancy Priority List. All varieties of Hamburg chickens were first recognized by the APA Standard of Perfection in 1874. Hamburgs are small birds, with males reaching 5lbs. and hens averaging about 4lbs. at maturity. They are very alert, love foraging, and thrive in a free-range setting. Hamburgs are known to be such prolific white egg layers that they have been referred to as the "Dutch Everyday Layer." These bird generally tolerate both heat and cold temperatures well.

Class: Continental	Mature Weight (LB): Male 5.0 / Female 4.0
TLC Conservation Priority: Threatened	Egg Production: Good
Comb Type: Rose	   
Feet & Legs: Clean / Gray, Blue	

GOLDEN PENCILED HAMBURG

(SHIPS FEBRUARY – EARLY JULY)

The Golden Penciled Hamburg is one of the original color varieties of the breed. These elegant birds have reddish-gold feathering with finely-penciled black barring, lead blue shanks and toes, and a rose comb. Hens are reliable layers of white eggs and tend to be non-setters. They make wonderful additions to free-ranging flocks.

Photos courtesy of Meghan James, Matt Reagan, Beth Gagnon, Kate and Mark Brencher, and Kathy Mormino aka The Chicken Chick.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25+
GPHP		\$12.00	\$10.80	\$9.72	\$8.75
GPHC		\$6.00	\$5.40	\$4.86	\$4.01
GPHS		\$8.00	\$7.20	\$6.48	\$4.74



SILVER SPANGLED HAMBURG

(SHIPS FEBRUARY – SEPTEMBER)

The Silver Spangled Hamburg is the most common of the two varieties we offer. Interestingly, the Silver Spangled coloration is unique to the Hamburg breed. These birds are silver-white with contrasting black spangles on each feather tip. Hamburgs are small and elegant birds, consistent layers, and have a bright, cheerful attitude when allowed to forage in a free-range setting.

Photos courtesy of Giselle Smith, Jordan Huerta, Tatiana Makavic, Brandy Miller, Lindsey McKibben, Jessica Andolino, and Kirsi Ingram.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25-50	51-99	100+
SSHP	Female	\$9.90	\$8.91	\$8.02	\$7.22	\$6.50	\$5.85
SSHC	Male	\$4.95	\$4.46	\$4.01	\$3.61	\$3.25	\$2.92
SSHS	Unsexed	\$6.05	\$5.45	\$4.90	\$4.41	\$3.97	\$3.57





houdan

MOTTLED HOUDAN (SHIPS FEBRUARY - EARLY JULY)

The Houdan originated near the village of Houdan in Normandy, France. Like the Crevecoeur, this breed was originally raised as a table bird. Houdans were imported to the U.S. in the mid-1800s and were admitted into the American Standard of Perfection in 1874. This rare breed is improving in status, as it was recently moved from 'Critical' to 'Threatened' on The Livestock Conservancy Priority List.

The Mottled Houdan has black feathers tipped with white mottling. The breed is known for its flowing crest, reddish eyes, red v-comb, large nostrils, beard, and fifth toe. Houdans are decent white egg layers. As their origin suggests, these lovely crested birds are larger than a standard Polish. They thrive in warm climates and have a good disposition.

Photos courtesy of Nina Mullins and Giselle Smith.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25+
MOHP	Female	\$13.00	\$11.70	\$10.53	\$9.48
MOHC	Male	\$7.00	\$6.30	\$5.67	\$5.10
MOHS	Unsexed	\$9.00	\$8.10	\$7.29	\$6.56

Class: Continental	Mature Weight (LB): Male 8.0 / Female 6.5
TLC Conservation Priority: Threatened	Egg Production: Better
Comb Type: V	
Feet & Legs: Clean / Pinkish White	



Jersey Giants

(SHIPS FEBRUARY - SEPTEMBER)

The Jersey Giant is an American breed that originated, as the name suggests, in New Jersey in the late 1800s. Aptly named, this immense, heavy dual-purpose breed is used for both egg and meat production. Giants are a large cold hardy breed, but care should be given to protect their combs and wattles in extreme temperatures. They do not do well in hotter climates. While they are considered a dual-purpose bird, they are slow to reach their full size. Hens are good layers of large brown eggs and are often persistent through colder weather. Giants have a pleasant disposition and are a good option in a free-range setting.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25-50	51-99	100+
BLGP	Female	\$9.90	\$8.91	\$8.02	\$7.22	\$6.50	\$5.85
BLGC	Male	\$4.95	\$4.46	\$4.01	\$3.61	\$3.25	\$2.92
BLGS	Unsexed	\$6.05	\$5.45	\$4.90	\$4.41	\$3.97	\$3.57

Class: American	Mature Weight (LB): Male 13.0 / Female 10.0
TLC Conservation Priority: Recovering	Egg Production: Good
Comb Type: Single	
Feet & Legs: Clean / Black	

BLACK JERSEY GIANT

The Black Giant is the original Jersey Giant, developed by crossing several large, dark Asiatic breeds. This handsome breed has black feathers with a green sheen, dark brown eyes, black shanks and toes, and a straight red comb. The Black Giant was accepted into the Standard of Perfection in 1922.

Females, BLGP. Males, BLGC. Unsexed, BLGS.

Photos courtesy of Shaylah McVay, Rachel Arthur, Holly Callahan-Kasmala, Chrisie DiCarlo, Michael Krupecki, and Eric Heberling.



WHITE JERSEY GIANT

The White Jersey Giant is an immense dual-purpose chicken. It was developed later than the Black, and was admitted into the American Standard of Perfection in 1947. White Giants tend to weigh about one pound less than the Black. Baby chicks are varying shades of smoky gray, and adults are pure white.

Females, WLGP. Males, WLGC. Unsexed, WLGS.

Photo courtesy of Elizabeth Miciunas, Shaylah McVay, Rosemary Johnson, Brandon Horvat, Cat Jalet, Ellie Bowman, and Angel Bailey.



LAKENVELDER (SHIPS FEBRUARY - EARLY JULY)

APA CERTIFIED FLOCK

In Dutch, the word Lakenvelder means "a shadow on a sheet" — a perfect name for this small white breed, which is draped in black on the neck, wings, and tail. Lakenvelders are quite small when mature, weighing just 4-5 lbs. They are very quick and active, and will forage widely if allowed to roam. Hens lay white eggs and are non-setters. Baby chicks are mostly cream and white with a half-collar of black on their neck, a sprinkling of black on their head and back, and a dark tipped beak.

Photo courtesy of Nina Mullins, Heather Cagle, and Andrea Nolan.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25-50	51-99	100+
LAKP	Female	\$9.90	\$8.91	\$8.02	\$7.22	\$6.50	\$5.85
LAKC	Male	\$4.95	\$4.46	\$4.01	\$3.61	\$3.25	\$2.92
LAKS	Unsexed	\$6.05	\$5.45	\$4.90	\$4.41	\$3.97	\$3.57

Class: Continental	Mature Weight (LB): Male 5.0 / Female 4.0
TLC Conservation Priority: Threatened	Egg Production: Good
Comb Type: Single	
Feet & Legs: Clean / Slate, Blue	



MURRAY'S ONE STOP COOP SHOP

Coop Essentials

Murray's One Stop Coop Shop has everything you need to raise your flock from hatch to lay (and beyond!) All of the essentials we carry are tried-and-true recommendations from our family to yours. See pages 96-105, or visit McMurrayHatchery.com, for the full line of our poultry care and coop necessities.





langshan

Langshans are a feather-legged Heritage breed that originated in China. This gentle breed has an excellent disposition, and is smaller and more active than other Asiatic breeds. Sometimes referred to as a Croad Langshan, they were imported into the U.S. in the 1870s. These stunning birds are one of our oldest breeds, with records showing our flock dating back as early as 1919. Today, the breed is very rare and listed as 'Threatened' by The Livestock Conservancy. Langshans have a pronounced upright appearance and are not as heavily feathered down the legs and toes as Cochins. Hens are good brown egg layers and are very likely to set. Males are tall and stately with swooping tails and a quiet disposition.

Class: Asiatic	Mature Weight (LB): Male 9.5 / Female 7.5
TLC Conservation Priority: Threatened	Egg Production: Good
Comb Type: Single	
Feet & Legs: Feathered / Blue, Black	



4 Unexpected Lessons

FROM KEEPING CHICKENS



BLACK LANGSHAN (SHIPS FEBRUARY - EARLY JULY)

Black Langshans are one of our family favorites, and one of our oldest breeds — dating back to our first catalogs! These large, stunning feather-legged birds are a pure glossy black that has an iridescent green sheen. They have dark eyes and black shanks with contrasting bright red combs and wattles. Chicks are black with some white on their underside.

Photos courtesy of Nina Mullins, C. Liang, Christy Roberts, and Rebecca Peshek.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25+
BLLP	Female	\$12.00	\$10.80	\$9.72	\$8.75
BLLC	Male	\$6.00	\$5.40	\$4.86	\$4.37
BLLS	Unsexed	\$8.00	\$7.20	\$6.48	\$5.83



WHITE LANGSHAN (SHIPS FEBRUARY - EARLY JULY)

APA CERTIFIED FLOCK

White Langshans were admitted into the Standard of Perfection in 1893. These birds are stately and graceful with their pure white feathering, dark eyes, and light feathering on their shanks and feet. Baby chicks range from dark gray to smoky-white. Our flock of White Langshans is APA Certified. APA Certified flocks make ideal foundation lines for both breeding and exhibition.

Photos courtesy of Susan Sandifer, Erica Zaworski, and Teddi Yaeger.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25+
WHLP	Female	\$12.00	\$10.80	\$9.72	\$8.75
WHLC	Male	\$6.00	\$5.40	\$4.86	\$4.37
WHLS	Unsexed	\$8.00	\$7.20	\$6.48	\$5.83



It's funny how something so simple as caring for poultry can teach a family about bigger things and bring you closer together.

If you would have told me years ago that raising a few laying hens, growing out meat birds, turkeys, and having ducks around our family homestead would be beneficial to our growth and learning, I would have laughed at you and called you crazy. But, it truly has been a positive opportunity to learn beside one another as we have cared for poultry and grown food for our family.

Here are some unexpected things we have learned along the way:

LESSON 1: PATIENCE

Picture this: mom is collecting beautifully colored, clean eggs from the nest boxes while letting our toddler's tiny fingers grab each egg and put them delicately into the basket. Little do you know that in the background, mom and dad are desperately trying to avoid eggs from breaking. You see, teaching kids how to collect eggs (or hold a baby chick, or help with chores ...) takes patience. Patience with a skill to be developed for the little one and patience when things don't go just as planned for the adult. (*Hello, eggs dropped by tiny little toddler hands!*) Developing patience as we teach our children how to care for poultry has been pure gold when it comes to helping them gain a new skill in our household. And it all simply started with letting them help collect eggs.

LESSON 2: HARD WORK

Caring for the animals that feed our family day in and day out has taught us to take pride in what we do, and pushes us to do it well. We have a little saying in our household. Maybe you do too. Ours is: "We work hard and we play hard." Hard work

has taught us that we don't give up when things seem difficult. We press forward and push through the tough spots. We figure out the problem and fix it. Raising poultry builds grit, teamwork, and trust with each other. And, once the hard work is finished, we play and relax.

LESSON 3: FORGIVENESS

You must be forgiving when you're working together as a family. We have found that kids will be kids and there's always room for improvement. They won't do things perfectly every time. Neither will you. And that's ok. From dropping eggs to forgetting to close the coop door at night, everyone will make a mistake at some point, but it's all a learning process. So, we suggest that you be forgiving in all the tough moments because you'll come closer as a family if you do.

LESSON 4: HAVE FUN!

Please don't forget to have fun! Make your chicken chores into a game. Have a race. Count the eggs when you collect them. Name your poultry silly names. (*We have a Mr. Pantaloons!*) Give rewards for a job well done. Walk beside your littles and tell dad jokes. It's all in the time you spend together and how you keep things fun, alive, and lighthearted that creates the memories.

So remember, it's not just about raising poultry. You're raising and nurturing relationships alongside your birds. While we have cared for poultry together as a family, we can look back and see the beauty in the moments of stretching and growing in patience, hard work, forgiveness, and fun. We feel thankful for the opportunities that helped us learn, grow together, and in a way have molded us into a stronger family while raising our own food. And we wouldn't change a thing!



5 KIDS & A FARM — as their name implies — is a family of 7 living on a 5-acre homestead and flower farm in Northern California. For the past 7 years, they have focused on organic and regenerative farming practices. Together they work to create a more self-sufficient lifestyle, connect with the land, and grow responsibly raised food for themselves and the community around them.



PEARL WHITE LEGHORN (SHIPS FEBRUARY – SEPTEMBER)

Over half a century of scientific breeding and research have gone into the development of these high-production Leghorns. This is, by far, our best white egg laying breed. Pearl White Leghorn pullets weigh about 4 lbs. at maturity and will start laying at just 4.5-5 months, and will continue laying for 10 to 12 weeks longer than most good layers. These hens lay the most uniform and highest quality white eggs while requiring the least amount of feed and space. Their livability and resistance to disease are very high, and their feed-to-egg conversion ratio is excellent, holding down the cost of egg production. Pearl White Leghorns are active and thrive when they have ample space to forage and free-range. These birds are alert, independent, quick on their feet, and non-broody.

Photos courtesy of Caitlin Foley, Tawnie Freeland, Lizzy Diaz, and Amanda Penn.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25-50	51-99	100+
PEAP	Female	\$715	\$6.44	\$5.79	\$5.21	\$4.69	\$4.22
PEAC	Male	\$3.85	\$3.47	\$3.12	\$2.81	\$2.53	\$2.27
PEAS	Unsexed	\$4.95	\$4.46	\$4.01	\$3.61	\$3.25	\$2.92

Class: Production	Mature Weight (LB): Male 6.0 / Female 4.5
TLC Conservation Priority: Not Listed	Egg Production: Best
Comb Type: Single	
Feet & Legs: Clean / Yellow	



RED LEGHORN (SHIPS FEBRUARY – SEPTEMBER)

The Red Leghorn is a rare Heritage variety. The Single Comb Red Leghorn was accepted into the American Standard of Perfection in 1929. With industrial Leghorns dominating the market today, non-industrial Heritage Leghorns have struggled in numbers and have been on the Priority List of The Livestock Conservancy. While Heritage Leghorns as a whole are considered recovering, the Red Leghorn is still considered endangered.

Aptly named, the Red Leghorn is a rich, brilliant red color combined with a graceful carriage, white ear lobes, and yellow shanks and toes. Hens are excellent white egg layers and are non-setters. They do well in free-range settings and warmer climates.

Photos courtesy of Emery Acree.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25-50	51-99	100+
RELP	Female	\$9.90	\$8.91	\$8.02	\$7.22	\$6.50	\$5.85
RELC	Male	\$4.95	\$4.46	\$4.01	\$3.61	\$3.25	\$2.92
RELS	Unsexed	\$6.05	\$5.45	\$4.90	\$4.41	\$3.97	\$3.57

Class: Mediterranean	Mature Weight (LB): Male 6.0 / Female 4.5
TLC Conservation Priority: Recovering	Egg Production: Good
Comb Type: Single	
Feet & Legs: Clean / Yellow	



ROSE COMB BROWN LEGHORN

(SHIPS FEBRUARY – EARLY JULY)

The Heritage Rose Comb Brown Leghorn was admitted to the Standard in 1883. Their tight rose combs make them hardier in cold climates. Both varieties of Brown Leghorn males have orange hackle and saddle feathers with black stripes in the center of each. Females are medium-brown with delicate penciling, darker wings, and a salmon-colored breast. Their dark color and quick actions make them ideal for free-range areas where there is a risk of predators.

Photos courtesy of Kathy Romeo and Nancy Williams.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25-50	51-99	100+
RCBP	Female	\$9.90	\$8.91	\$8.02	\$7.22	\$6.50	\$5.85
RCBC	Male	\$4.95	\$4.46	\$4.01	\$3.61	\$3.25	\$2.92
RCBS	Unsexed	\$6.05	\$5.45	\$4.90	\$4.41	\$3.97	\$3.57

Class: Mediterranean	Mature Weight (LB): Male 6.0 / Female 4.5
TLC Conservation Priority: Recovering	Egg Production: Good
Comb Type: Rose	
Feet & Legs: Clean / Yellow	



SILVER LEGHORN (SHIPS FEBRUARY – SEPTEMBER)

The Silver Leghorn is a rare and beautiful variety, admitted into the Standard of Perfection in 1894. Males are silver-white and lustrous greenish-black. Females have a salmon colored breast and silver-gray neck, back, and wings. This breed is vigorous, quick, and alert. Our Heritage line is carefully selected for correct color and type, making a great option for those interested in exhibition or looking for foundation stock.

Photos courtesy of Sarah Davies, Theresa Ahlgren, Robin Glover, Amy Davies, Alyssa Stanley, and Andrea Jacobs.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25-50	51-99	100+
SILP	Female	\$9.90	\$8.91	\$8.02	\$7.22	\$6.50	\$5.85
SILC	Male	\$4.95	\$4.46	\$4.01	\$3.61	\$3.25	\$2.92
SILS	Unsexed	\$6.05	\$5.45	\$4.90	\$4.41	\$3.97	\$3.57

Class: Mediterranean	Mature Weight (LB): Male 6.0 / Female 4.0
TLC Conservation Priority: Recovering	Egg Production: Good
Comb Type: Single	
Feet & Legs: Clean / Yellow	



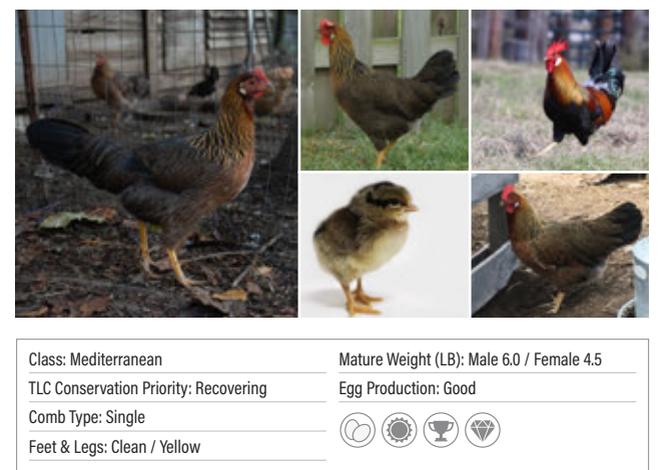
SINGLE COMB BROWN LEGHORN

(SHIPS FEBRUARY – EARLY JULY)

This was the first variety of Leghorn to be admitted into the American Standard of Perfection in 1874. Along with the Rose Comb Brown (above), this is generally considered to be the most colorful variety within the Heritage Leghorn family. Like all Leghorns, they are active foragers. Hens are good layers and are non-setters. Our line has been improved over the years by the introduction of the world-famous Danish strain. The Single Comb Brown Leghorn has the exact same feather color and pattern as the Rose Comb Brown Leghorn (above). The only difference is that this variety has a straight blade single comb.

Photos courtesy of Marilyn Mason, Maggi Dix-Caruso, Patty Adler, and Brittany Arquette.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25-50	51-99	100+
SCBP	Female	\$9.90	\$8.91	\$8.02	\$7.22	\$6.50	\$5.85
SCBC	Male	\$4.95	\$4.46	\$4.01	\$3.61	\$3.25	\$2.92
SCBS	Unsexed	\$6.05	\$5.45	\$4.90	\$4.41	\$3.97	\$3.57



Class: Mediterranean	Mature Weight (LB): Male 6.0 / Female 4.5
TLC Conservation Priority: Recovering	Egg Production: Good
Comb Type: Single	
Feet & Legs: Clean / Yellow	



marans

The Marans breed originated in the town of Marans, France. Marans are one of the most sought-after breeds today, highly desired for their beautiful dark brown eggs. Their egg color is a defining characteristic that should always take precedence when breeding. The French Black Copper Marans is a Heritage breed recognized by the American Poultry Association. They were accepted into the Standard of Perfection



in 2011. French Black Copper Marans are easily recognized by their feathered shanks and feet, while the English Marans have clean legs. Marans overall tend to be fairly hardy – thriving in most climates. They are generally quiet, docile, and easy to keep, but they are also active and enjoy the opportunity to free-range.

FRENCH BLACK COPPER MARANS

(SHIPS FEBRUARY – EARLY JULY)

When you're chasing that perfect egg rainbow, the French Black Copper Marans' dark chocolate-brown eggs are a must-have. French Black Copper Marans are said to have been brought to England, and then America, by soldiers returning home after WWII. While Marans were developed as a dual-purpose breed, their characteristic egg color is what drives the demand for these hens.

Marans are calm, quiet feather-legged chickens that bear confinement well. Although popular with backyard keepers and families, they are often higher in the pecking order than other breeds. Hens are deep black with copper flecks around their head and neck. Roosters are the show-stoppers with blue-black feathers set against bright copper hackles. Baby chicks are mostly black with white on their faces, wing tips, and underside. French Black Copper Marans are considered a hardy breed, but care should be taken in colder climates, as their large combs are prone to frostbite.

Photos courtesy of Destiny LaPointe, Jessica Sowards, Brice Yocum, Tawnie Freeland, and Jamie Lynn Fletcher.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25+
BCMP	Female	\$13.00	\$11.70	\$10.53	\$9.48
BCMC	Male	\$7.00	\$6.30	\$5.67	\$5.10
BCMS	Unsexed	\$9.00	\$8.10	\$7.29	\$6.56

Class: Continental	Mature Weight (LB): Male 75 / Female 4.5
TLC Conservation Priority: Not Listed	Egg Production: Good
Comb Type: Single	    
Feet & Legs: Feathered / Slate	

ON THE BLOG: Building Your Flock of Dark Brown Layers
If you have a chicken lover in your life, rest assured that we have all of your eye candy and chocolate-colored egg layers covered in this article.



CUCKOO MARANS (SHIPS FEBRUARY – SEPTEMBER)

The Cuckoo Marans is quite different from the other Marans variety listed here. Unlike the French Black Copper Marans, which have feathered legs, the Cuckoo Marans is clean legged and was developed in England. While the Cuckoo Marans has all the characteristics of a Heritage breed, including a slower growth trajectory and the ability to mate naturally, it is not currently recognized by the American Poultry Association.

As a layer, this is variety known for large, dark brown eggs. These birds resemble the Barred Rock with their black feathers crossed with irregular dark and light slate-colored bars, but with pinkish white shanks and legs. This is a good hardy breed that is both heat and cold tolerant. These friendly birds thrive in a free-range setting.

Photos courtesy of Regina Quinn, Maryann Silva, Susie Dearsley, Destiny LaPointe, Lindsey Howll, and Corey Leird.



Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25+
CKMP	Female	\$12.00	\$10.80	\$9.72	\$8.75
CKMC	Male	\$6.00	\$5.40	\$4.86	\$4.37
CKMS	Unsexed	\$8.00	\$7.20	\$6.48	\$5.83

Class: Not A Standard Breed	Mature Weight (LB): Male 70 / Female 6.0
TLC Conservation Priority: Not Listed	Egg Production: Better
Comb Type: Single	    
Feet & Legs: Clean / Pinkish White	



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Coop Style

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Here in the heartland, we're known for growing food. From the Missouri to the Mississippi, the Iowa landscape is lined with farms and fields. From farmers, to homesteaders, to backyard gardeners, the food we grow brings families together, nourishes our hearts, and feeds our souls.

We are proud to call the Zimmermans friends, and neighbors. Because here in Iowa it's not unheard of to drive an hour just 'stop over' to a friend's house. There is nothing better than taking a sunny afternoon drive to drop off the Zimmerman's spring chicks, and watch as their young sons set up the brooder.

Special thanks to RuthAnn for allowing us to include a select egg-related recipe from her new book, *The Heart of the Homestead*, in our catalog. For more recipes, and to learn more about cultivating a simple life through homemaking, cooking, and family, visit our website or scan the QR code below to order a copy of her book.

THE HEART OF THE HOMESTEAD

RuthAnn Zimmerman's debut book, *The Heart of the Homestead*, has captivated readers across the country. Focusing on family, hard work, and serving others, RuthAnn invites you to slow down, focus quietly, and listen closely to the heartbeat of the homestead. She offers insights on working together as a family, enjoying food and fellowship, growing and preserving food, and appreciating what you have. Along the way, you'll enjoy tasty recipes and heartwarming glimpses into RuthAnn's everyday life as a homesteading wife and mother of seven children.



Recipe and photos provided courtesy of RuthAnn Zimmerman and Harvest House Publishing.

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RUTHANN ZIMMERMAN

Egg Noodles

Homemade Noodles

SERVES 6-8

INGREDIENTS

- 1 ½ cups all-purpose flour
- 1 tsp salt
- 3-4 large egg yolks, or two whole eggs
- 3 T water
- 1 tsp fat (melted butter, lard, tallow, or cooking oil)

DIRECTIONS

- Mix flour and salt, then add egg yolks or eggs, water, and fat.
- Mix by hand until dough comes together in a nice ball, adding more water or another egg yolk if necessary. Continue to knead for 8-10 minutes until the dough is soft and a bit stretchy. Wrap it in plastic wrap and let it rest at room temperature for 2 hours, or in the refrigerator for 4-8 hours.
- Roll dough as thin as you can, let it dry for 30-60 minutes, and then roll it up, jelly roll style, and cut thin strips off the end (or use a pasta machine).
- Cook the strips in broth or water for 8-15 minutes (depending on how thick or thin you rolled your pasta) until pasta is tender to your liking.
- Alternately, when pasta is cut, you can let it dry until it is crisp and breaks easily, then store for up to 6 months in your pantry.

ABOUT RUTHANN ZIMMERMAN Living on their 22-acre property Northeast Iowa with her husband, Elvin, and their beautiful children, RuthAnn is a seasoned mother, wife, homesteader, gardener, and home cook. Drawing from her upbringing as an Old Order Mennonite, RuthAnn is a wealth of multi-generational knowledge that she imparts with her own experience, down-to-earth attitude, and gracious heart.



“When the chickens were laying eggs with abandon and the yolks were as yellow as the sun, then it was time to stock the pantry with egg noodles. I cut this recipe down from the twelve dozen eggs in the original recipe from my grandma to make it a one-meal recipe and to save you from having pasta invade every flat surface of your home, like it did in the days of my childhood.”

— RuthAnn Zimmerman





Minorcas are the largest, and heaviest, of the Mediterranean breeds. These heat-tolerant birds have long bodies, large combs and wattles, large white earlobes, and compact feathering. Minorca hens lay large white eggs and are generally non-setters. This is a very active breed that prefers to free-range and forage as much as possible.

Class: Mediterranean	Mature Weight (LB): Male 9.0 / Female 7.5
TLC Conservation Priority: Watch	Egg Production: Good
Comb Type: Single	
Feet & Legs: Clean / Slate	

BLACK MINORCA (SHIPS FEBRUARY - EARLY JULY)

This is one of our favorite varieties here at the Hatchery! The Black Minorca was one of the first breeds shown by our founder, Murray McMurray. In his first poultry exhibition at the 1917 Iowa State Fair, he won a blue ribbon for his prize Black Minorca rooster, and the rest is history.

The Black Minorca — originally called the 'Red Faced Black Spanish' — was admitted to the Standard in 1888. While this breed is considered rare, its numbers are improving as it is listed as 'Watch' by The Livestock Conservancy. The Black Minorca is a relatively large Heritage breed with glossy black feathers and a swooping tail, white earlobes, a large red single comb, and long red wattles. Minorcas are active foragers and prefer to free-range in warmer climates. Hens are good layers of white eggs and are non-setters.

Photos courtesy of Cassandra Haring, Pepper McCarty, and Tessa Stickle.



BUFF MINORCA (SHIPS FEBRUARY - EARLY JULY)

The Buff Minorca was developed later than the Black Minorca and was admitted into the Standard in 1913. Like the Black, the Buff has a long, strong body and firm, muscular legs. Large red combs are very typical, and the hens' combs can often fall to one side, almost covering one eye. Hens lay good-sized white eggs and are non-setters. As their name implies, this variety is a rich golden-buff color with tight feathering.

These agile birds are always on the move, and they thrive when allowed to free-range. The Minorca is a Mediterranean breed that is heat tolerant and ideal for warmer climates.

Photos courtesy of Cassandra Haring.



Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25-50	51-99	100+
BUMP	Female	\$9.90	\$8.91	\$8.02	\$7.22	\$6.50	\$5.85
BUMC	Male	\$4.95	\$4.46	\$4.01	\$3.61	\$3.25	\$2.92
BUMS	Unsexed	\$6.05	\$5.45	\$4.90	\$4.41	\$3.97	\$3.57

MODERN BB RED GAME

(SHIPS FEBRUARY - EARLY JULY)

The Modern Game was initially bred for exhibition in the mid-1800s. The breed was developed from Old English Game fowl and Malays and was added to the American Poultry Association's Standard of Perfection in 1874. Games are an ornamental breed, bred to be tall and sleek with tight feathering and long legs. However, as a strictly ornamental breed, their popularity and numbers have decreased over time. Today, the Modern Game is listed as 'Threatened' by The Livestock Conservancy.

Limited numbers are available this season. Modern Games come in many varieties, but our flock is a Black Breasted Red, or BB Red, which was added to the Standard in 1939. Games are slow to mature and are very active, which helps them to maintain muscle tone. Hens are decent layers of white eggs, are fairly broody, and make good mothers. Games are a somewhat noisy breed, and they prefer warm climates. While they can be tamed and make nice pets for adults, they tend to be more independent when kept in a mixed flock. This is an excellent breed choice for fanciers and exhibitionists who are interested in breeding, genetics, and conservation.

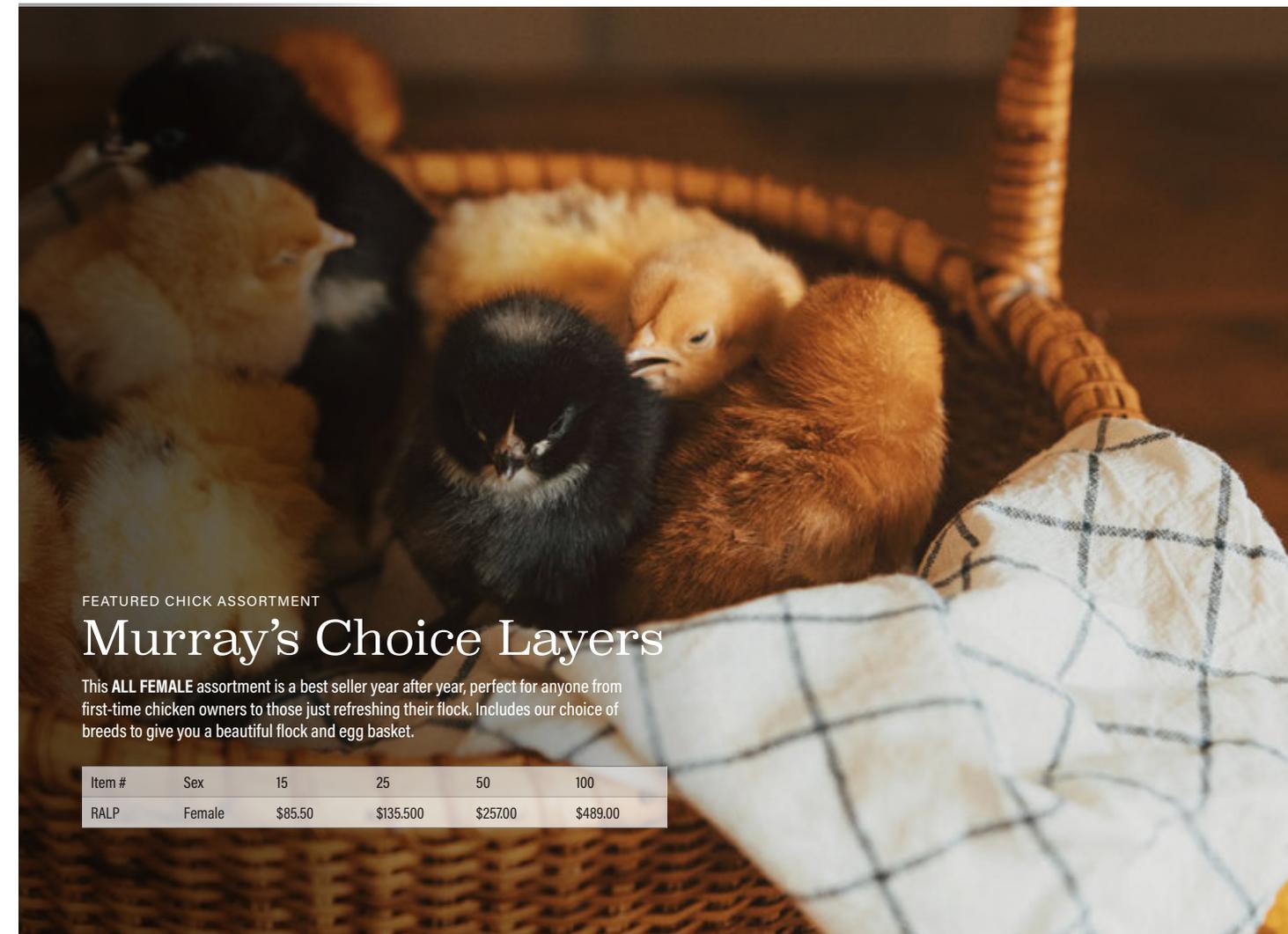
Photos by McMurray Hatchery staff.

Unsexed. GAMS \$10.00 ea.

Class: All Other Standard	Mature Weight (LB): Male 6.0 / Female 4.5
TLC Conservation Priority: Threatened	Egg Production: Better
Comb Type: Single	
Feet & Legs: Clean / Blue, Black	



Photo courtesy of Emily Perry.



FEATURED CHICK ASSORTMENT

Murray's Choice Layers

This ALL FEMALE assortment is a best seller year after year, perfect for anyone from first-time chicken owners to those just refreshing their flock. Includes our choice of breeds to give you a beautiful flock and egg basket.

Item #	Sex	15	25	50	100
RALP	Female	\$85.50	\$135.500	\$257.00	\$489.00



This unusual Heritage breed gets its name from the lack of feathers on its neck. Naked Necks — sometimes called Turkens — are unique birds with sparse feathering around their neck, breast, vent, and under their wings. In spite of this feather shortage, Naked Necks are surprisingly hardy and withstand cold weather very well.

Class: All Other Standard	Mature Weight (LB): Male 8.5 / Female 6.5
TLC Conservation Priority: Not Listed	Egg Production: Better
Comb Type: Single	
Feet & Legs: Clean / Yellow	

NAKED NECK [TURKEN]

(SHIPS FEBRUARY – SEPTEMBER)

The Naked Neck, or Turken, is a unique breed that will add a bit of flair to any flock. Our main flock is not separated by feather color, so chicks will come in a variety of colors and patterns. Naked Neck hens are excellent brown egg layers. In fact, our flock lays the most double yolk eggs of any breed we carry! Hens tend to be broody, and they make great mothers to their chicks. These calm, friendly birds enjoy foraging and fit in well with any mixed flock.

Photos courtesy of Pepper McCarty, Susan Sandifer, Regina Sheffer, Karen Dixon, and Nina Mullins.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25-50	51-99	100+
TURP	Female	\$715	\$6.44	\$5.79	\$5.21	\$4.69	\$4.22
TURC	Male	\$3.85	\$3.47	\$3.12	\$2.81	\$2.53	\$2.27
TURS	Unsexed	\$4.95	\$4.46	\$4.01	\$3.61	\$3.25	\$2.92



WHITE NAKED NECK

(SHIPS FEBRUARY – EARLY JULY)

APA CERTIFIED FLOCK

The White Naked Neck is our newest variety of the breed. The Naked Neck was accepted into the APA Standard in 1965. Our staff worked diligently on this flock, and all of the hard work certainly paid off! The White Naked Neck is one of our original APA Certified flocks. With their snow-white feathering, tidy bow ties, and bright red combs, these stunning birds will certainly delight fanciers looking for quality foundation stock. *Quantities are limited.*

Photos courtesy of Mike Baker, Nina Mullins, and Pepper McCarty.

Unsexed. WNNS \$10.00 ea.



NEW HAMPSHIRE

(SHIPS FEBRUARY – SEPTEMBER)

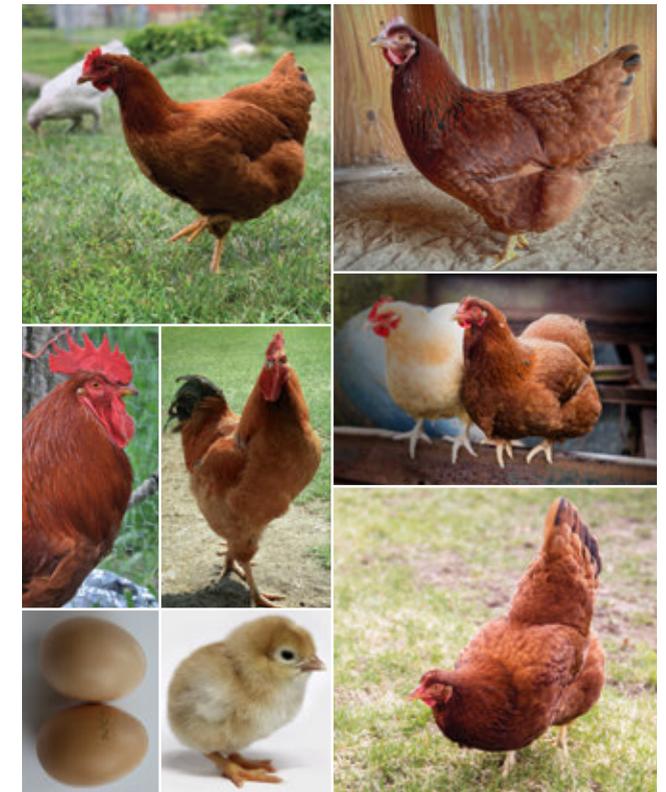
The New Hampshire was derived from the Rhode Island Red by continuous selective breeding for fast maturation, rapid feathering, strength, vigor, and large brown eggs. The New Hampshire was eventually recognized as a separate breed from the Rhode Island and was accepted into the Standard of Perfection in 1935. Just a few years later, the New Hampshire played a critical role in the development of the modern broiler when a cross between a New Hampshire and a Red Cornish won the national Chicken of Tomorrow contest for economy of production, feed efficiency, and live weight. Ironically, the breed is considered rare today, and it is listed as 'Threatened' by The Livestock Conservancy.

New Hampshires are a hardy breed. Though they make an ideal choice for most areas of the U.S., they are especially well-suited to the northeastern states. Hens are consistent layers of large brown eggs. This truly dual-purpose breed is the perfect choice for those who wish to free-range a sustainable flock for both meat and egg production.

Photos courtesy of Rebecca Reynolds, Jennifer Gabriel, Dallas Edwards, Tatum Timm, and Tessa Stickel.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25-50	51-99	100+
NEHP	Female	\$715	\$6.44	\$5.79	\$5.21	\$4.69	\$4.22
NEHC	Male	\$3.85	\$3.47	\$3.12	\$2.81	\$2.53	\$2.27
NEHS	Unsexed	\$4.95	\$4.46	\$4.01	\$3.61	\$3.25	\$2.92

Class: American	Mature Weight (LB): Male 8.5 / Female 6.5
TLC Conservation Priority: Threatened	Egg Production: Better
Comb Type: Single	
Feet & Legs: Clean / Yellow	



RUSSIAN ORLOFF

(SHIPS FEBRUARY – EARLY JULY)

This breed is believed to have originated in Persia, then brought to Russia developed by Count Alexi Orloff in the 19th century. The Orloff was originally included in the American Poultry Association's Standard of Perfection from 1875-1894, but is currently not recognized. They are listed as 'Threatened' on The Livestock Conservancy's Priority List.

Orloffs are known to be easy going birds that fit well in a variety of flocks. They bear confinement well, but do enjoy the opportunity to free-range when possible. The Orloff's calm nature makes it a great choice for all types of chicken tenders.

Though there are several color varieties, the Spangled is the most common here in the U.S. With their beards, muffs, thickly feathered necks, and tight cushion combs, these birds are known for extreme cold hardiness. They have an exceptional ability to thrive in harsh climates that are considered taxing on other breeds. Hens are average layers of light brown eggs and are not generally prone to broodiness. However, Orloffs do grow out to a decent size for a table bird, and are therefore a viable option for farmers and homesteaders that want to raise a sustainable dual-purpose flock, especially in harsh, cold climates.

Photos courtesy Nina Mullins and Bun Luft.

Unsexed. RUOS \$10.00 ea.

Class: All Other Standard	Mature Weight (LB): Male 8.5 / Female 6.5
TLC Conservation Priority: Threatened	Egg Production: Better
Comb Type: Strawberry / Cushion	
Feet & Legs: Clean / Yellow	

ALSO NEW IN 2026: *Barnevelders*, pg. 9, added by popular demand





orpington

The Orpington is a Heritage breed that was developed in England in the late 1800s, and multiple varieties were accepted into the Standard of Perfection here in the U.S. in the early 1900s. Orpingtons quickly became popular when they were introduced, and the breed has remained a best-seller to this day. Orpingtons have

a gentle temperament and thrive in both urban and backyard settings, making them a perfect breed for first-time chicken keepers and families. They are a great dual-purpose choice for homesteaders and farmers who are interested in raising a sustainable flock for both meat and eggs.



BUFF ORPINGTON (SHIPS FEBRUARY - SEPTEMBER) ♥

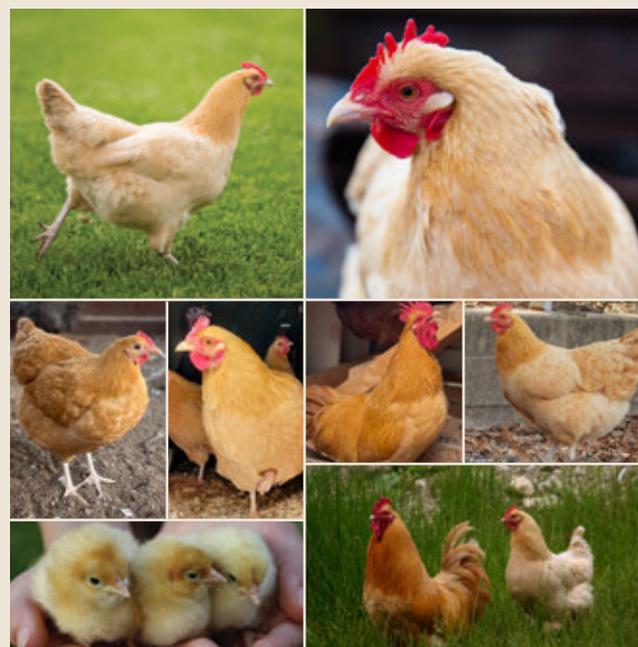
Buff Orpingtons are consistently one of our most popular breeds. This best-selling Heritage bird is pure gold with gorgeous buff feathering and a wonderfully quiet disposition. Their loose, fluffy feathers keep them warm in cold climates.

Orpington hens lay large brown eggs and will often continue right through colder weather. They also make excellent setters and mothers to their baby chicks. Broody Buff Orpington hens are often willing to hatch others' eggs or accept other baby chicks as their own. This gentle breed is perfect for first-time chicken keepers, families wanting backyard chickens, or anyone wanting fresh eggs in an urban setting.

Photos courtesy of Danielle Hattori, Cambria Moon, Ksenia Belanger, Melany Seman, Amanda Penn, Holly Callahan-Kasmala and Chrissie DiCarlo of Coffee with the Chicken Ladies, Reba Reynolds, Zamira Farhat, Ashley Liniarski, Chris Paraliza, Meghan James, and Karen Lesure.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25-50	51-99	100+
BUOP	Female	\$715	\$6.44	\$5.79	\$5.21	\$4.69	\$4.22
BUOC	Male	\$3.85	\$3.47	\$3.12	\$2.81	\$2.53	\$2.27
BUOS	Unsexed	\$4.95	\$4.46	\$4.01	\$3.61	\$3.25	\$2.92

Class: English	Mature Weight (LB): Male 10.0 / Female 8.0
TLC Conservation Priority: Not Listed	Egg Production: Good
Comb Type: Single	
Feet & Legs: Clean / Pinkish White	



LAVENDER ORPINGTON (SHIPS FEBRUARY - SEPTEMBER)

Lavender Orpingtons are a truly stunning breed. Though this variety is not a recognized color for exhibition, these birds are making a splash in the poultry world, as their color is so unique and trendy. Because they are self-blue, they will breed true for color in subsequent generations. Best of all, they have the classic Orpington disposition, making this friendly breed an excellent choice for families with small children as well.

Photos courtesy of Victoria Cox, Alissa Savitz, Patricia Clarkson, and Teddi Yaeger.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25+
LAOP	Female	\$13.00	\$11.70	\$10.53	\$9.48
LAOC	Male	\$7.00	\$6.30	\$5.67	\$5.10
LAOS	Unsexed	\$9.00	\$8.10	\$7.29	\$6.56

Class: English	Mature Weight (LB): Male 10.0 / Female 8.0
TLC Conservation Priority: Not Listed	Egg Production: Good
Comb Type: Single	
Feet & Legs: Clean / Pinkish White	



WHITE ORPINGTON (SHIPS FEBRUARY - EARLY JULY)

The White Orpington is a big, docile, and gentle breed. These pure white birds are similar to the Buff version with heavy frames and pinkish-white skin. Initially called the Albion, this variety is said to have been developed by William Cook in 1889. White Orpington hens are especially sweet, are good winter layers, and also make excellent setters and mothers to their baby chicks.

Photos courtesy of Megan Kyle, Anna Chaffin, Julie Helms, Linda Lundberg, and Avery Roth.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25-50	51-99	100+
WHOP	Female	\$9.90	\$8.91	\$8.02	\$7.22	\$6.50	\$5.85
WHOC	Male	\$4.95	\$4.46	\$4.01	\$3.61	\$3.25	\$2.92
WHOS	Unsexed	\$6.05	\$5.45	\$4.90	\$4.41	\$3.97	\$3.57

Class: English	Mature Weight (LB): Male 10.0 / Female 8.0
TLC Conservation Priority: Not Listed	Egg Production: Good
Comb Type: Single	
Feet & Legs: Clean / Pinkish White	



SILVER PHOENIX (SHIPS FEBRUARY - EARLY JULY)

The Phoenix was developed from the Onagadori — long-tailed Japanese birds that were kept in Imperial gardens. The Phoenix was first recognized in the American Poultry Association Standard of Perfection in 1965. Today, this breed is rare and is listed as 'Watch' by The Livestock Conservancy. These small ornamental birds are generally kept for show. Males are white with black, iridescent blue, and silver shades and a long, swooping dark tail and require ample space and care to maintain their impressive tails. Hens lay small white eggs and are non-setters.

Photos courtesy of Jodi Kotsko, Cassandra Miller, Erin Moll, Megan Garrett, and James Holland.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25+
PHOP	Female	\$13.00	\$11.70	\$10.53	\$9.48
PHOC	Male	\$7.00	\$6.30	\$5.67	\$5.10
PHOS	Unsexed	\$9.00	\$8.10	\$7.29	\$6.56

Class: All Other Standard	Mature Weight (LB): Male 5.5 / Female 4.0
TLC Conservation Priority: Watch	Egg Production: Good
Comb Type: Single	
Feet & Legs: Clean / Blue	





plymouth rock

The Plymouth Rock is an American Heritage breed developed in the 1800s and was first accepted into the Standard of Perfection in 1874. The Plymouth Rock was considered rare in recent years, but due to conservation efforts, the breed successfully graduated from The Livestock Conservancy Priority List in 2023. Today, the Plymouth Rock is a top choice as a sustainable Heritage breed for backyard keepers and farmers alike.

Class: American	Mature Weight (LB): Male 9.5 / Female 7.5
TLC Conservation Priority: GRADUATED 2023	Egg Production: Better
Comb Type: Single	
Feet & Legs: Clean / Yellow	

BARRED PLYMOUTH ROCK

(SHIPS FEBRUARY – SEPTEMBER)

The Barred Plymouth Rock is one of the all-time most popular Heritage breeds in the U.S. This all-American chicken is the original variety of the breed, developed— as their name implies — in New England in the mid-1800s. As with other American breeds, the Rock is an ideal choice for all regions of the U.S.

Our Barred Rocks are bred for strength, vitality, and a beautiful temperament. Whether you are a family just getting started raising chickens in your backyard or you're already an experienced farmer, the Barred Rock is a perfect choice!

Barred Rocks have narrow, clean barring and long, broad, deep bodies. They are some of the hardiest and most reliable chickens that we keep. Hens are prolific brown egg layers and are not discouraged by cold weather. Males tend to be lighter in shade than females at maturity and are known to be alert flock protectors. Baby chicks are dark gray to black with some white patches on the head and body.

Photos courtesy of Ashley Granger, Nina Mullins, Kara Scott, Lisa McMichael, Emily Perry, and Eric Heberling.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25-50	51-99	100+
BARP	Female	\$715	\$6.44	\$5.79	\$5.21	\$4.69	\$4.22
BARC	Male	\$3.85	\$3.47	\$3.12	\$2.81	\$2.53	\$2.27
BARS	Unsexed	\$4.95	\$4.46	\$4.01	\$3.61	\$3.25	\$2.92



BUFF PLYMOUTH ROCK

(SHIPS FEBRUARY – EARLY JULY)

APA CERTIFIED FLOCK

Searching for beautiful Standard-bred stock? Our **APA Certified Buff Plymouth Rocks** are a gorgeous golden-buff color. This Heritage variety was admitted to the Standard in 1894. Their brilliant yellow legs and beak, bright red comb and wattles, and gorgeous golden plumage make these truly remarkable birds stand out wherever they are. Order your foundation flock early, as these beautiful birds are in high demand!

Photos courtesy of Laura Becker, Rachel Heap, and Nina Mullins.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25-50	51-99	100+
BURP	Female	\$9.90	\$8.91	\$8.02	\$7.22	\$6.50	\$5.85
BURC	Male	\$4.95	\$4.46	\$4.01	\$3.61	\$3.25	\$2.92
BURS	Unsexed	\$6.05	\$5.45	\$4.90	\$4.41	\$3.97	\$3.57



PARTRIDGE PLYMOUTH ROCK

(SHIPS FEBRUARY – EARLY JULY)

APA CERTIFIED FLOCK

Partridge Plymouth Rocks were a later developed variety of the breed, added to the Standard of Perfection in 1910. They were developed by crossing the Plymouth Rock with a variety of breeds including Dark Cornish, Wyandottes, and Brown Leghorns.

Partridge Rocks are truly stunning birds, and our line is no exception as one of our eight **APA Certified** flocks. Both sexes have a predominance of deep reddish-bay feathering. Females have intricate black penciling on each feather. Males have rich red hackles with black shafts and flowing, lustrous greenish-black tails. Baby chicks are a soft burgundy color with a slightly darker head and stripes on their backs.

Partridge Rocks carry the same desirable traits as other Plymouth Rocks. They are hardy, even tempered, and hens are good brown egg layers — even in colder weather.

Photos courtesy of Kathy Mormino aka The Chicken Chick, Meghan James, Devi Allison, Wendy Weinacker, and Mary Kennett.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25-50	51-99	100+
PARP	Female	\$9.90	\$8.91	\$8.02	\$7.22	\$6.50	\$5.85
PARC	Male	\$4.95	\$4.46	\$4.01	\$3.61	\$3.25	\$2.92
PARS	Unsexed	\$6.05	\$5.45	\$4.90	\$4.41	\$3.97	\$3.57



SILVER PENCILED PLYMOUTH ROCK

(SHIPS FEBRUARY – EARLY JULY)

APA CERTIFIED FLOCK

These stunning birds are the perfect combination of elegance and practicality. Silver Penciled Rocks are one of the more rare, and arguably one of the most beautiful, Rock varieties. These birds are highly prized for exhibition purposes, and our APA Certified flock makes for excellent foundation stock. Silver Penciled Rocks are also known for their valuable feathers, which are ideal for fly-tying and crafting. As a dual purpose Heritage breed, these birds bring both meat and eggs to the table. Males have a silvery neck and back with a black breast. In contrast, females are covered with distinct silver-gray and black penciling. These friendly birds have something to offer all types of chicken keepers!

Photos courtesy of Carly Norris and Madison Kirchmann.

Unsexed. SPRS \$10.00 ea.



WHITE PLYMOUTH ROCK

(SHIPS FEBRUARY – SEPTEMBER)

The White Plymouth Rock was admitted into the Standard of Perfection in 1888 and is one of the foundation breeds of today's modern broilers. Today, the White Rock is highly desired as a dual-purpose breed. These hardy birds are outstanding year-round layers, especially during the cold weather. Their large bodies make for an excellent table bird, and their white feathers are easier to dress out than other varieties.

Photos courtesy of Roberta Hunter, Regina Quinn, Jessica Kenenske, and Alissa Savitz.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25-50	51-99	100+
WHRP	Female	\$9.90	\$8.91	\$8.02	\$7.22	\$6.50	\$5.85
WHRC	Male	\$4.95	\$4.46	\$4.01	\$3.61	\$3.25	\$2.92
WHRS	Unsexed	\$6.05	\$5.45	\$4.90	\$4.41	\$3.97	\$3.57





polish

(SHIPS FEBRUARY - EARLY JULY)

The Polish is a European breed known for their distinctive crests, or top hats, and their large cavernous nostrils. Their upright head crests are attributed to what is called a vaulted skull. Polish are gentle and docile birds, but their crests limit their vision, which can cause them to be timid and easily startled. Polish hens are decent white egg layers and rarely go broody. They are frequently kept by families, hobbyists, and for exhibition.

Class: Continental	Mature Weight (LB): Male 6.0 / Female 4.5
TLC Conservation Priority: Recovering	Egg Production: Good
Comb Type: V	
Feet & Legs: Clean / Slate, Blue	

BUFF LACED POLISH

As their name indicates, this variety is a rich golden-buff with each feather neatly laced in white. They have slate-blue shanks and toes, and their flowing crests and sprightly carriage make them one of the most prized Polish varieties. Baby chicks are creamy buff with a dark tan mark over each eye. Buff Laced Polish have friendly dispositions and are easy to handle. Hens lay white eggs and are non-setters.

Photos courtesy of Holly Callahan-Kasmala and Chrisie DiCarlo of Coffee with the Chicken Ladies, Kathy Mormino aka The Chicken Chick, Lynn Mey, and Kim Peters.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25+
BLPP	Female	\$12.00	\$10.80	\$9.72	\$8.75
BLPC	Male	\$6.00	\$5.40	\$4.86	\$4.37
BLPS	Unsexed	\$8.00	\$7.20	\$6.48	\$5.83



More About Crested Chickens

Top hat chickens, also known as crested chickens, are among the most interesting and quirky breeds of poultry. With their full, feathery crests, they certainly have a unique and dramatic appearance. Baby chicks' crests show up as little top knots right from the start, making them some of the cutest and most unique baby chicks that we carry. In fact, whenever we bring baby Polish chicks to a festival, they steal the show! These breeds are very quiet, gentle, and don't stray too far. For more crested breeds, look for our Crevecoeurs (pg. 19), Houdans (pg. 24), and Sultans (pg. 46).

SILVER POLISH

The Silver Polish is similar to our other laced Polish varieties, with each feather delicately edged in a contrasting color. The Silver Polish, or Silver Laced, is just as their name implies. Each feather is a beautiful silvery-white laced with a lustrous black. Baby chicks are a dark gray with a lighter gray chest.

Photos courtesy of Jamie Lynn Fletcher, Nikki Dissing, Matt Reagan, and Susan Rehman.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25+
SIPP	Female	\$12.00	\$10.80	\$9.72	\$8.75
SIPC	Male	\$6.00	\$5.40	\$4.86	\$4.37
SIPS	Unsexed	\$8.00	\$7.20	\$6.48	\$5.83



GOLDEN POLISH

The Golden Polish, also called Gold Laced Polish, has the richest appearance of all Polish varieties. Each reddish-gold feather is laced in black, and birds are topped off with a bright red V-comb, wattles, and a dramatic crest. Golden Polish hens are decent white egg layers and are generally non-setters. Baby chicks are dark and golden brown.

Photos courtesy of Elizabeth Frank, Meta Langrock, Leilani Heng, and Kathy Mormino aka The Chicken Chick.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25+
GOPP	Female	\$12.00	\$10.80	\$9.72	\$8.75
GOPC	Male	\$6.00	\$5.40	\$4.86	\$4.37
GOPS	Unsexed	\$8.00	\$7.20	\$6.48	\$5.83



WHITE POLISH APA CERTIFIED FLOCK

With their snow-white crests and round, pure white bodies, these small birds look like snowballs. This is, by far, one of the daintiest prettiest of the Polish varieties. Baby chicks are creamy white. Our White Polish flock is **APA Certified**, making them an ideal choice for foundation stock.

Photo courtesy of Julie Blow and Heather Salamone.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25+
WHPP	Female	\$12.00	\$10.80	\$9.72	\$8.75
WHPC	Male	\$6.00	\$5.40	\$4.86	\$4.37
WHPS	Unsexed	\$8.00	\$7.20	\$6.48	\$5.83



WHITE CRESTED BLACK POLISH

The White Crested Black Polish has a striking and dramatic appearance for such a tiny bird. They have lustrous black bodies topped with white crests, which sometimes include a few black feathers. These little birds are fun and quirky chickens. Hens are good white egg layers and are non-setters.

Photos courtesy of Bjorn Kristie Anderson, Maria Watkins, Vanessa Sokic, Kim Davis, and Deanna Marie Johnson.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25+
BKPP	Female	\$12.00	\$10.80	\$9.72	\$8.75
BKPC	Male	\$6.00	\$5.40	\$4.86	\$4.37
BKPS	Unsexed	\$8.00	\$7.20	\$6.48	\$5.83





RHODE ISLAND RED (SHIPS FEBRUARY - SEPTEMBER)

One of the most famous and all-time favorite American chicken breeds, the Rhode Island Red was developed in the late 1800s in the states of Rhode Island and Massachusetts. The single comb variety was recognized by the American Poultry Association in 1904, and a lesser known rose comb variety was recognized in 1906. Today, the Rhode Island Red is the official state bird of Rhode Island, and it remains the only breed of chicken recognized as a state bird in the United States.

The Rhode Island Red was developed as a dual-purpose breed to lay a high number of eggs and dress out at a good size. Over the past century, the Rhode Island Red has been selectively bred for more efficient egg production and less broodiness. Our production strain is one of our best brown egg layers here at the Hatchery.

These hardy birds are a good choice for all areas across the United States, thriving under a variety of conditions. Hens are prolific brown egg layers and are easy to raise. Both hens and roosters are a rich mahogany color, and males have a lustrous black tail.

Photos courtesy of Molly Schooley, Shelby Lascelles, Sarah Lyn and Leslie Schmidt, Destiny LaPointe, Eleanor Durham, Christy Mairre, Jessica Pledger, and Michelle Richards.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25-50	51-99	100+
RIRP	Female	\$7.15	\$6.44	\$5.79	\$5.21	\$4.69	\$4.22
RIRC	Male	\$3.85	\$3.47	\$3.12	\$2.81	\$2.53	\$2.27
RIRS	Unsexed	\$4.95	\$4.46	\$4.01	\$3.61	\$3.25	\$2.92

Class: Production	Mature Weight (LB): Male 8.5 / Female 6.5
TLC Conservation Priority: Not Listed	Egg Production: Best
Comb Type: Single	
Feet & Legs: Clean / Yellow	



AMBER STAR (SHIPS FEBRUARY - SEPTEMBER)

The Amber Star — sometimes called an Amberlink — is a sex link chicken whose parent stock is the inverse of our Red Stars. Amber Stars are a great choice if you're looking for heavy layers. Hens are predominately white with some red flecking. These hardy birds will lay the same large brown eggs as the Red Star. As with all sex link chickens, Amber Stars are hardy yet docile heavy layers that will even lay in cold weather.

Females, AMSP. Males, AMSC. Unsexed, AMSS. Photos courtesy of Andrea Smith, Becky Williams, Tiffany Norred, and Stacy Chester.



sex link

A Sex Link is a hybrid cross chicken that can be sexed by its color at the time of hatch. This trait does not carry down to subsequent generations, however. Sex Links are bred specifically to be excellent layers, often producing 300+ eggs per year depending on the quality of care and feed.

Sex Links are a perfect choice for those selling farm fresh eggs. In fact, sex link hens are responsible for the same consistent, large brown eggs you find in grocery stores. Sex links are friendly and easy to raise, hardy in most climates, and have a good feed-conversion ratio. These hens will often keep laying right through warm or cold weather.

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Class: All Other Production	Mature Weight (LB): Male 8.0 / Female 6.0
TLC Conservation Priority: Not Listed	Egg Production: Best
Comb Type: Single	
Feet & Legs: Clean / Yellow	

Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25-50	51-99	100+
Female	\$7.15	\$6.44	\$5.79	\$5.21	\$4.69	\$4.22
Male	\$3.85	\$3.47	\$3.12	\$2.81	\$2.53	\$2.27
Unsexed	\$4.95	\$4.46	\$4.01	\$3.61	\$3.25	\$2.92



BLACK STAR (SHIPS FEBRUARY - SEPTEMBER)

Black Stars are hardy, heavy layers with wonderful personalities. These hens are prolific brown egg layers with a quiet disposition. We have two lines of Black Stars. In one, females are black with gold hackle and breast feathers, and males are black with white barring. In the other, females are barred with a gray chest. While baby chicks are almost all black, males have a white dot on their head.

Females, BLSP. Males, BLSC. Unsexed, BLSS. Photos courtesy of Michelle Richards, Brittney Knight, Shelby Lascelles, Anna Oliver, and Bun Luft.



RED STAR (SHIPS FEBRUARY - SEPTEMBER)

This is one of our favorites, and a best seller. Red Stars lay the most consistent-sized large brown eggs — and they keep on laying eggs right through hot or cold weather. Red Stars are quiet birds with an excellent disposition, and are non-setters. Males are white with reddish flecks, and often raised for meat production. Raise these hens on pasture and let them forage, or keep a few in your backyard flock.

Females, RESP. Males, RESC. Unsexed, RESS. Photos courtesy of Daniel Smith, Cassandra Haring, Micah Gilbert, Teddi Yaeger, Corey Leird, Talia Bazos, and Cedar Ledge Farm.



WHITE FACED BLACK SPANISH

(SHIPS FEBRUARY – EARLY JULY)

The White Faced Black Spanish is a graceful and stylish Heritage breed. They are thought to be the oldest breed in the Mediterranean class of poultry and fowl. This breed is considered critically endangered, and is listed as 'Critical' by The Livestock Conservancy. The White Faced Black Spanish was admitted to the American Poultry Association's Standard of Perfection in 1874.

These stately birds are often kept by hobbyists. The Spanish is similar to a Minorca, except these glossy black birds have a long, pendulous white face and ear lobes. Hens lay white eggs and are non-setters. Spanish chickens are quick and active birds bred for warmer climates. They have large single combs and wattles, so special care must be taken in colder climates to prevent frostbite. *The white face on the Spanish is slow to develop. Allow the birds to go through at least one molt if you plan on showing them.*

Photos courtesy of Jessica Szachury and Regina Sheffer.



Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25+
WFBP	Female	\$13.00	\$11.70	\$10.53	\$9.48
WFBC	Male	\$7.00	\$6.30	\$5.67	\$5.10
WFBS	Unsexed	\$9.00	\$8.10	\$7.29	\$6.56

Class: Mediterranean	Mature Weight (LB): Male 8.0 / Female 6.5
TLC Conservation Priority: Critical	Egg Production: Good
Comb Type: Single	
Feet & Legs: Clean / Slate	

SULTAN (SHIPS FEBRUARY – EARLY JULY)

Sultans are one of our rarest and most critically endangered breeds. This old ornamental breed was once favored by the rulers of Turkey. Sultans have a full list of distinguishing characteristics including a crest, muff, beard, vulture hocks, fully-feathered shanks and feet, and a fifth toe. They have a dramatic presence with their pure white coloring and contrasting bright red V-comb and wattles. Males sport a larger crest and tail, while females have a dainty, rounded crest and shorter tails. Sultans are docile birds and have a sweet disposition. Hens are white egg layers and are typically non-setters.

Photos courtesy of Cassandra Haring.

Unsexed. SULTS \$10.00 ea.



Sultans are available as STRAIGHT RUN (unsexed) only at this time.

Class: All Other Standard	Mature Weight (LB): Male 6.0 / Female 4.0
TLC Conservation Priority: Threatened	Egg Production: Fair
Comb Type: V	
Feet & Legs: Feathered / Slate, Blue	

SUMATRA (SHIPS FEBRUARY – EARLY JULY)

These rare and beautiful long-tailed chickens are a native to the island of Sumatra in Indonesia. The Sumatra is a lustrous greenish-black bird with a graceful, long tail and small pea comb. This breed is known for its pheasant-like behavior, and fares best when allowed to free-range and forage. Hens lay small white eggs. Sumatras are active, alert, and are said to be able to launch themselves vertically to escape danger.

Photos courtesy of Jamie Lynn Fletcher, Leilani Heng, Sue Loring, and Bernadette Woodworth.

Unsexed. SUMS \$10.00 ea.



Sumatras are available as STRAIGHT RUN (unsexed) only at this time.

Class: All Other Standard	Mature Weight (LB): Male 5.0 / Female 4.0
TLC Conservation Priority: Threatened	Egg Production: Fair
Comb Type: Pea	
Feet & Legs: Clean / Black	



The Sussex was bred and developed in Sussex County, England over a century ago for market purposes. Speckled Sussex are a rich mahogany color with some feathers tipped in white, and others with a black bar. This well-rounded Heritage breed combines looks, personality, and production. A flock of Speckled Sussex will easily keep a small farm or homestead in meat and eggs. The Speckled Sussex coloration will breed true in successive generations. Sussex are calm, friendly, and content to forage quietly. Roosters are gentle yet alert, and are a family favorite of our own.

Photos courtesy of Shahla Krueger, CR Fiske, Nina Mullins, Lauren Perry, Brandy Miller, and Lauren Clark.



Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25-50	51-99	100+
SPSP	Female	\$9.90	\$8.91	\$8.02	\$7.22	\$6.50	\$5.85
SPSC	Male	\$4.95	\$4.46	\$4.01	\$3.61	\$3.25	\$2.92
SPSS	Unsexed	\$6.05	\$5.45	\$4.90	\$4.41	\$3.97	\$3.57

Class: English	Mature Weight (LB): Male 9.0 / Female 7.0
TLC Conservation Priority: Recovering	Egg Production: Good
Comb Type: Single	
Feet & Legs: Clean / White	

WELSUMMER

(SHIPS FEBRUARY – SEPTEMBER)

The Welsummer is a single comb, clean legged breed that originated in Holland. Welsummers have a docile temperament, are cold hardy, and lay rich brown eggs. The feathering of the males is very different from that of the females. The male's saddle, head, and neck feathers are a rich golden brown, while the back, wing front, and wing bows are bright reddish-brown. Each feather on the back of the females is reddish-brown, stippled with black, and has a distinct lighter shaft.

Photos courtesy of Toni Walley, Teddi Yaeger, Leilani Heng, Kelly McMillion, and Susie Dearsley.



Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25+
WLSP	Female	\$12.00	\$10.80	\$9.72	\$8.75
WLSC	Male	\$6.00	\$5.40	\$4.86	\$4.37
WLSS	Unsexed	\$8.00	\$7.20	\$6.48	\$5.83

Class: Continental	Mature Weight (LB): Male 6.0 / Female 5.0
TLC Conservation Priority: Not Listed	Egg Production: Better
Comb Type: Single	
Feet & Legs: Clean / Yellow	



whiting's



Both the Whiting True Blue and the Whiting True Green have skyrocketed to the top of the list of must-have breeds for colored eggs in the past few years. These unique birds bear the name of Dr. Tom Whiting, the renowned poultry geneticist who developed them. Using his background in poultry genetics and selective breeding, these birds were developed to lay a large number of consistently-colored eggs. Both varieties are exclusive to McMurray Hatchery, and they are a staff favorite here!

These two Whiting varieties are excellent layers and will often start to lay well before Heritage breeds. From stunning blues to earthy greens, these birds will add gorgeous pops of color to your egg basket. These breeds are popular with our customers who raise chickens to sell eggs. Our Whiting breeds are friendly, easy going, and highly adaptable in backyard or farm settings, making them a fantastic addition to any flock.

WHITING TRUE GREEN

(SHIPS FEBRUARY – SEPTEMBER)

The Whiting True Green has rapidly gained notoriety for laying an abundance of large green eggs. These hardy and easy-to-raise hens are our best layers — giving even the White Leghorn a run for her money! Several of our customers who depend on income from egg sales swear by these birds. Whiting True Greens have a single comb and display two color variations: reddish birds with gold and black at the neck and black on the tail, or a lighter chestnut color with some white areas. Averaging just 4 lbs., hens have an astounding feed-to-egg conversion. Whiting True Greens are friendly and active foragers that free-range well.

Photos courtesy of Nina Mullins, Lacy Reth, Jessica Sowards, Lora Walker, Leeanna Howard, and Teddi Yaeger.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25-50	51-99	100+
WTGP	Female	\$9.90	\$8.91	\$8.02	\$7.22	\$6.50	\$5.85
WTGC	Male	\$4.95	\$4.46	\$4.01	\$3.61	\$3.25	\$2.92
WTGS	Unsexed	\$6.05	\$5.45	\$4.90	\$4.41	\$3.97	\$3.57

Class: Not A Standard Breed	Mature Weight (LB): Male 7.0 / Female 4.0
TLC Conservation Priority: Not Listed	Egg Production: Best
Comb Type: Single	  
Feet & Legs: Clean / Yellow	



McMurray Hatchery's **EGG STAMP GIFT BASKET** is perfect for the chicken keeper on your gift list. Each basket is packaged for presentation in our popular Amish Egg Basket (small, pg. 114). Includes one 'Farm Fresh' egg carton stamp, one 'Farm Fresh' egg stamp, one bottle of food marking ink and small ink pad for marking eggs, a larger ink stamp pad for marking cartons, Murray's Best Egg Wash, and our best egg scrubber. Visit McMurrayHatchery.com for details and to order.

WHITING TRUE BLUE

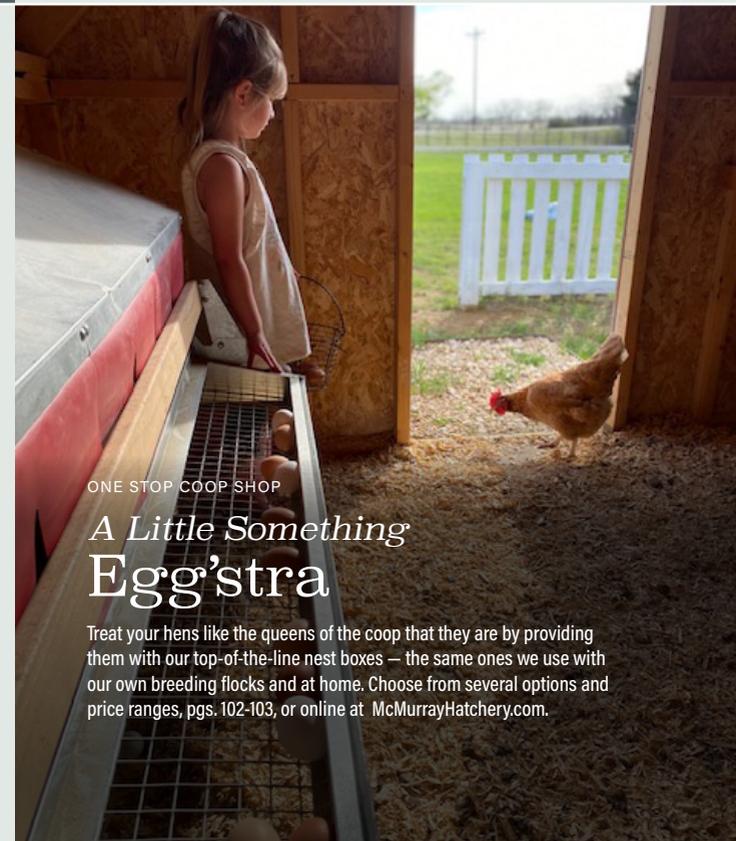
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Whiting True Blues, as their name indicates, were developed to lay a consistent light blue egg. While they bear some resemblance to an Ameraucana, they are their own breed. This breed is selected primarily for egg color, so they come in a myriad of feather colors, patterns, and leg colors. Whiting True Blues have a tight pea comb, and many of them will have beards and muffs. Hens are medium-sized birds that are excellent layers, and they rarely go broody. Pullets will start out laying medium-sized eggs and progress to large eggs given adequate nutrition. They are heat-tolerant, free-range well, and have a good temperament.

Photos courtesy of Micah Gilbert, Destiny LaPointe, Leeanna Howard, and Jessica Sowards of Roots and Refuge Farm.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25-50	51-99	100+
WTBP	Female	\$9.90	\$8.91	\$8.02	\$7.22	\$6.50	\$5.85
WTBC	Male	\$4.95	\$4.46	\$4.01	\$3.61	\$3.25	\$2.92
WTBS	Unsexed	\$6.05	\$5.45	\$4.90	\$4.41	\$3.97	\$3.57

Class: Not A Standard Breed	Mature Weight (LB): Male 7.0 / Female 5.5
TLC Conservation Priority: Not Listed	Egg Production: Best
Comb Type: Pea	  
Feet & Legs: Clean / Mixed	



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wyandotte

The Wyandotte (first named the American Sebright) is a Heritage breed that was admitted into the APA Standard of Perfection in 1883. Most commonly known for the varieties with colorful feathering and contrasting lacing, these large, quiet, cold-hardy birds come in a variety of colors and feather patterns, making them a fun addition to any backyard flock.

This breed is a truly classic dual-purpose chicken. Hens are good layers of lovely brown eggs. They are known to go broody somewhat often, and they are typically excellent mothers to their baby chicks. Spent hens can be used in soups and stews, while extra males can be grown out as fryers.

The Wyandotte is a well-rounded bird that speaks to nearly every type of chicken enthusiast. Backyard keepers and families with small children will appreciate their calm nature and quiet demeanor. Homesteaders and farmers can add these birds to the list of sustainable dual-purpose breeds that can easily keep a family in both meat and eggs. Fanciers delight in their many feather and color patterns, which provide pops of color and gorgeous lacing to any flock.

Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25-50	51-99	100+
Female	\$9.90	\$8.91	\$8.02	\$7.22	\$6.50	\$5.85
Male	\$4.95	\$4.46	\$4.01	\$3.61	\$3.25	\$2.92
Unsexed	\$6.05	\$5.45	\$4.90	\$4.41	\$3.97	\$3.57

Class: American	Mature Weight (LB): Male 8.5 / Female 6.5
TLC Conservation Priority: Not Listed	Egg Production: Good
Comb Type: Rose	
Feet & Legs: Clean / Yellow	

GOLDEN LACED WYANDOTTE

(SHIPS FEBRUARY – EARLY JULY)

The Golden Laced Wyandotte originated in Wisconsin and was originally called the Winnebago. This variety has the traditional laced feather pattern of other Wyandottes, but its coloring is a beautiful combination of rich golden-bay laced with lustrous greenish-black.

Females, GOWP. Males, GOWC. Unsexed, GOWS. Photos courtesy of Nina Mullins, Kim Peters, Tracy Anderson, Rachel Schlosser, Ryan Scovell, and Shaylah McVay.



COLUMBIAN WYANDOTTE

(SHIPS FEBRUARY – EARLY JULY)

Columbian Wyandottes were named after the Columbian Exposition in Chicago, where they first were exhibited in 1893. They have the classic deep, well-rounded Wyandotte body and close set comb. However, this variety has a solid white body, and silver lacing only on its black neck, tail, and wing feathers.

Females, COWP. Males, COWC. Unsexed, COWS. Photos courtesy of Teddi Yeager and Caitlin Caserta.



SILVER LACED WYANDOTTE

(SHIPS FEBRUARY – SEPTEMBER)

The Silver Laced is the original Wyandotte variety. Their smooth, silver-white plumage is sharply marked with lustrous greenish-black edging. Their close-fitting rose comb and good body size are valuable assets for colder weather and winter laying. Hens lay a good-sized brown egg and will sometimes set. Wyandottes have good dispositions and are an excellent option for families and urban flocks.

Females, SLWP. Males, SLWC. Unsexed, SLWS. Photos courtesy of Cassandra Haring, Leilani Heng, Sarah Haggas, Kathleen Romeo, Caron Forsberg, Emily Waddell, and Diane May.



WHITE WYANDOTTE

(SHIPS FEBRUARY – EARLY JULY)

White Wyandottes are snow-white from their outer feathers to their fluffy down, and they do not display the traditional lacing of other Wyandottes. Developed from the Silver Laced Wyandotte, it was admitted into the APA Standard of Perfection in 1888. These broad-bodied birds are quiet but active foragers. Their tight rose combs allow them to withstand cold weather, making them an excellent choice for northern climates.

Females, WHWP. Males, WHWC. Unsexed, WHWS. Photos courtesy of Michael Krupecki, Tad Taylor, Ruth Hansen, Melissa Brodeur, Christy Mairet, and Cassandra Haring.



BLUE LACED RED WYANDOTTE

(SHIPS FEBRUARY – EARLY JULY)

The Blue Laced Red Wyandotte has been one of our best-selling varieties for several years, as they are arguably one of the most beautiful birds we carry. Due to the genetics of the color blue, their lacing can range from blue to white. The Blue Laced Red Wyandotte has a great disposition, does well in cold climates, and is an excellent forager. Hens are good brown egg layers and may set.

Blue Laced Red Wyandottes will come in a mix of blue, black, white, and splash lacing. See pg. 7 for more information on breeding for the color blue in poultry.

Females, BRWP. Males, BRWC. Unsexed, BRWS.

Photos courtesy of Nina Mullins, Jessica Sowards, Aletha Thornton, Ashley Stratton, Michael Krupecki, and Lena Shell.



More About Lacing in Poultry Feather Patterns

The lacing feather pattern is a favorite of poultry keepers. Lacing is when each feather appears to be outlined in a contrasting color. Lacing may be broad or narrow in width, and it can be single or double — a second band of color nested inside the first. The Silver Laced and the Gold Laced are two of the most common colorings — seen in Wyandottes, Cochins, and Polish. The Blue Laced, pictured here, adds further dimension as the blue feathering in poultry will produce offspring with lacing in an array of blue, white, black, or splash outlines around a chestnut red feather. For more laced breeds, see the Silver Laced Cochins (pg. 16-17), and the Golden or Silver Polish (pg. 43).



RED SHOULDERED YOKOHAMA

(SHIPS FEBRUARY – EARLY JULY)

This exotic and rare bird was first developed in Europe from Japanese breeds. Yokohamas are quiet, gentle, and friendly. Primarily kept for show and exhibition, these stunning birds have a striking white body that's offset by reddish-bay coloring on the shoulders and saddle.

Males are known for their impressive tails, which can grow to be several feet long if properly cared for. Females lay a good number of cream colored eggs.

Unsexed. RSYS \$10.00 ea.

Class: Asiatic	Mature Weight (LB): Male 4.5 / Female 3.5
TLC Conservation Priority: Threatened	Egg Production: Fair
Comb Type: Walnut	
Feet & Legs: Clean / Yellow	

NOTE: When purchasing for show or as a foundation flock, we recommend ordering multiples to allow ample numbers for selection.

Photos courtesy of Tatum Timm, Anna Ingram, Linda Lundberg, Jennifer Bryant, Jennifer Prisco, and Rosetta Latham.



BANTAM

Ameraucana

(SHIPS APRIL – EARLY AUGUST)

The Ameraucana is one of the more recent additions to the bantam world, and they are the full package. With their small stature and docile temperament, Ameraucanas are ideal for backyard settings and families with small children. Best of all, these hens lay beautiful baby-blue eggs. Like their standard-size counterparts (pg. 6), our Ameraucana Bantams come in a variety of colors and feather patterns.

Unsexed. ARBS \$9.00 ea.

Photos courtesy of Jennifer Benson, Reba Reynolds, and The Spry Farm.

Class: American, AOCCL	Mature Weight (LB): Male 1.9 / Female 1.8
TLC Conservation Priority: Not Listed	Egg Production: Good
Comb Type: Pea	
Feet & Legs: Clean / Green	

BANTAM

Buff Brahma

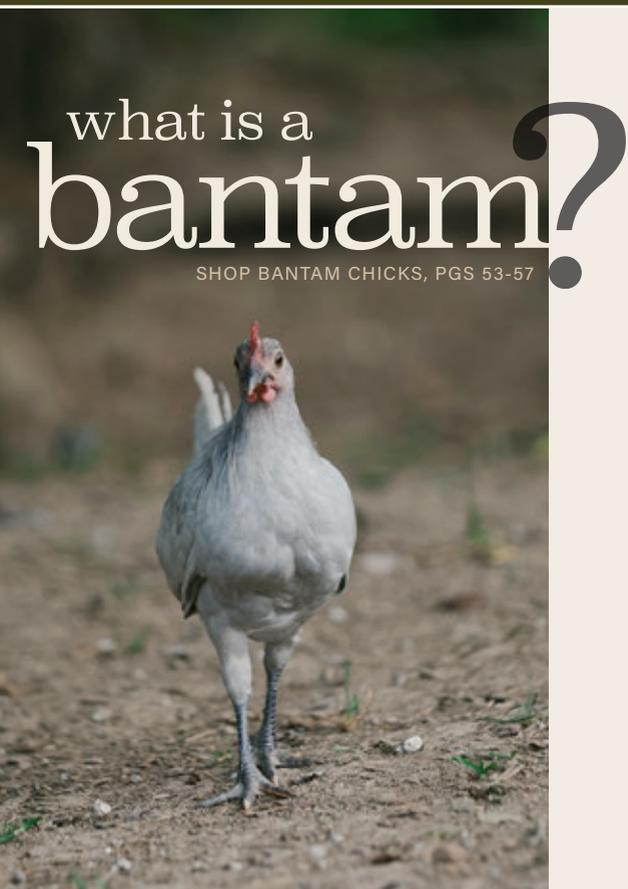
(SHIPS APRIL – EARLY AUGUST)

The Buff Brahma is a smaller version of it's standard-sized counterpart. These small feather-footed birds are quiet and docile in nature. Their wonderful personalities and excellent conformation make them a perfect choice for 4-H prospects. Buff Brahma Bantams are a golden-buff color with black tails and gold-laced hackles. They are cold-hardy and do well in a mixed flock. Hens are productive setters that lay small brown eggs.

Unsexed. BBBS \$9.00 ea.

Photos courtesy of Nina Mullins, Mike Zimmerman, Melissa Brodeur, and Hannah Forget.

Class: Feather-Legged Bantam	Mature Weight (LB): Male 2.5 / Female 2.0
TLC Conservation Priority: Not Listed	Egg Production: Fair
Comb Type: Pea	
Feet & Legs: Feathered / Yellow	



Bantams are small breed chickens that are typically one half the size (or a touch smaller!) than standard sized chickens. Hens generally lay about 3-5 tiny eggs per week.

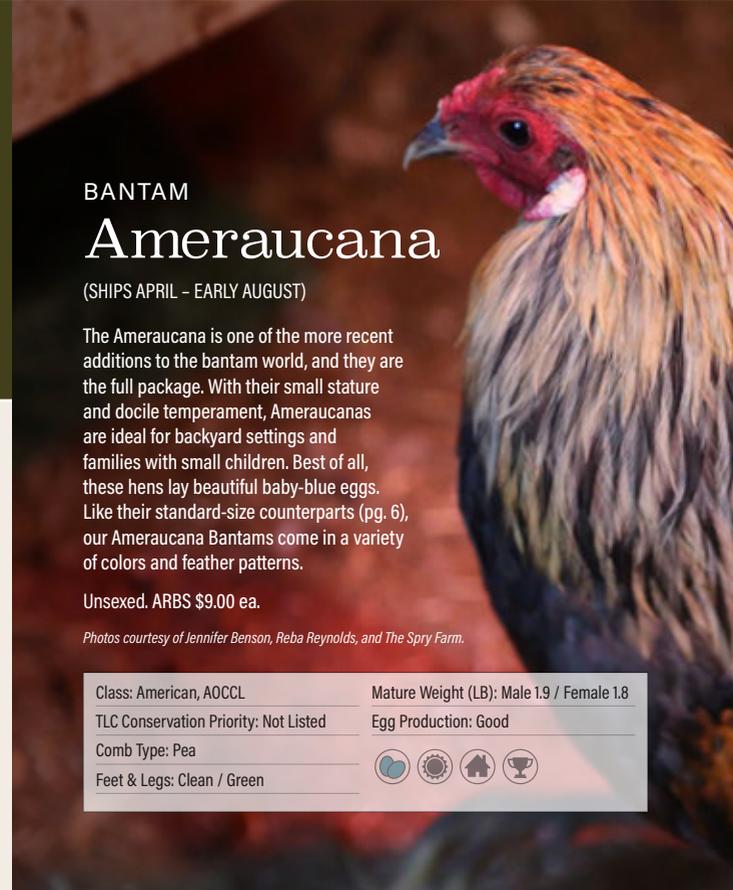
True Bantams are breeds that do not have a standard-sized counterpart. Some examples are Silkies, Sebrights, and Seramas.

However, some bantams are selectively bred to create miniature versions of standard-sized breeds, including Ameraucana Bantams, Buff Brahma Bantams, and Plymouth Barred Rock Bantams.

The APA classifies bantams according to physical appearance, such as comb type and leg feathering. Their categories include: Modern Game, Game, Single Comb Clean-Legged, Rose Comb Clean-Legged, Feather-Legged, and All Other Comb Clean-Legged.

Bantams chickens are beloved among chicken enthusiasts across the country. Backyard keepers, especially those short on space, appreciate that they require smaller spaces and coops than their standard-sized counterparts. Hobbyists enjoy their unique qualities and appearances, as many are show-stoppers in the world of poultry exhibition. Families, particularly those with small children, love bantam flocks for their gentle nature and calm, friendly personalities. Their adorable eggs also offer a fun contrast in egg baskets!

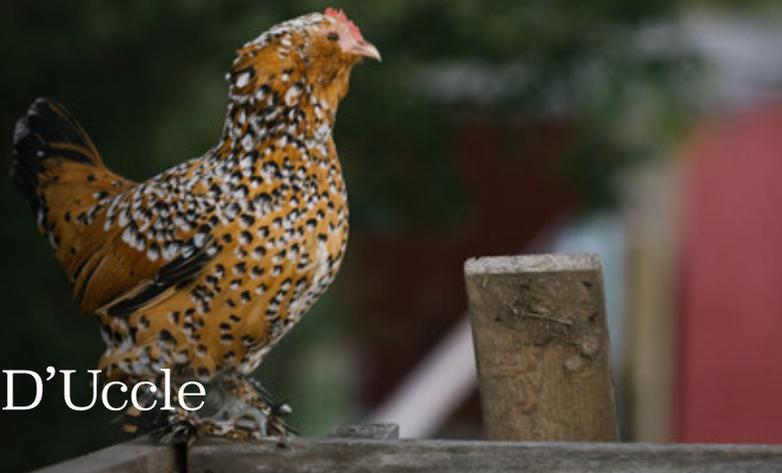
Photos courtesy of Nina Mullins and Lisa McMichael.





BANTAM

Belgian Bearded D'Uccle



These beautiful birds came to Europe from Japan in the 17th century and can be seen in the paintings of many early Dutch artists. Today, they are highly prized by backyard flock owners and poultry enthusiasts for their beauty, tiny size, and large personalities. They are considered rare and are listed as 'Watch' on the The Livestock Conservancy Conservation Priority List. Known for their puffy beards, vulture hocks, heavy leg feathering, and wide-set tails, these little birds are a delight to keep.

Class: Feather-Legged Bantam	Mature Weight (LB): Male 1.8 / Female 1.5
TLC Conservation Priority: Watch	Egg Production: Good
Comb Type: Single	
Feet & Legs: Feathered / Yellow	

LAVENDER BELGIAN BEARDED D'UCCLE

(SHIPS APRIL - EARLY AUGUST)

This stunning little bird is a true bantam, meaning it has no standard-sized counterpart. The Lavender is our the newest D'Uccle variety, and it's sure to be a favorite. These bantams are a gorgeous pale grayish-blue. Because they are self-blue, all offspring will breed true for color.

Photos courtesy of Nina Mullins.

Unsexed. LDBS \$9.00 ea.



MILLE FLEUR BELGIAN BEARDED D'UCCLE

(SHIPS APRIL - EARLY AUGUST)

The Mille Fleur is one of the most colorful and interesting varieties of the Bantam breeds. With their reddish-bay feathers tipped in white and black, muffed faces, and booted legs, these little birds are true show-stoppers. Their unique coloration will change as they age. The Mille Fleur has a sweet disposition and lays small white eggs.

Photos courtesy of Jordan Lengel, Bonnie Morgan, and Nina Mullins.

Unsexed. MFBS \$9.00 ea.



PORCELAIN BELGIAN BEARDED D'UCCLE

(SHIPS APRIL - EARLY AUGUST)

The Porcelain has many of the same characteristics of the Mille Fleur, except that these birds are a very pale blueish-white. All feathers are tipped in white, making them one of the prettiest chicks offered at the Hatchery. These petite birds lay small white eggs and have a very gentle, docile nature.

Photos courtesy of Nina Mullins, Tiffany Felder, and Sophie Cain.

Unsexed. PBBS \$9.00 ea.



BANTAM

Cochins & Frizzles

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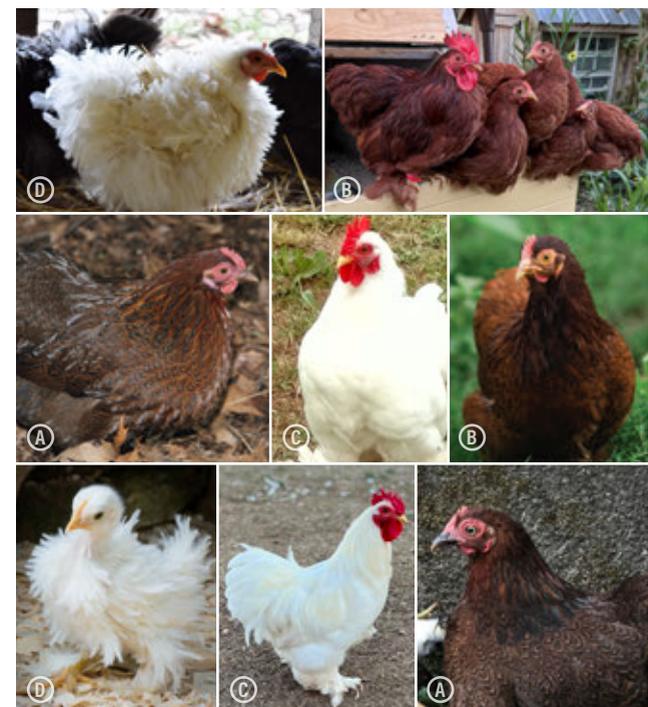
Cochins are one of the most popular of our feather-legged Bantam breeds. Like their standard counterparts, Cochins are heavily feathered down their legs and toes, making them appear much larger than they actually are. Hens are excellent setters and fantastic mothers. Cochins are gentle, quiet, and are a perfect choice for families and backyard coops. Cochin varieties available include Partridge, Red, and White.

Frizzled Cochins are unique miniature chickens with feathers that curve outward and forward. Frizzle Cochin Bantams are available in white. **IMPORTANT: The frizzle feathering does not show as baby chicks. Approximately two thirds of baby frizzle chicks will be frizzled, while the other third will develop normal Cochin feathering.**

Photos courtesy of Lisa Gilmore, Jessica Szachury, Carl Provencher, Teddi Yaeger, Micah Gilbert, and Cindy Hill.

- A. PARTRIDGE COCHIN** Unsexed PCBS \$9.00 ea.
- B. RED COCHIN** Unsexed RDDBS \$9.00 ea.
- C. WHITE COCHIN** Unsexed WHCS \$9.00 ea.
- D. WHITE FRIZZLE** Unsexed WFCS \$9.00 ea.

Class: Feather-Legged Bantam	Mature Weight (LB): Male 2.0 / Female 1.8
TLC Conservation Priority: Not Listed	Egg Production: Fair
Comb Type: Single	
Feet & Legs: Feathered / Yellow	



BANTAM

Old English Game

(SHIPS APRIL - EARLY AUGUST)

Old English Games considered very rare and are currently listed as 'Watch' on The Livestock Conservancy Priority List. These curious birds are often kept for showing and exhibition, as they truly stand out in a crowd. This is one of the smallest breeds we raise, generally weighing in at just under 2 lbs. However, despite their small stature, these miniature birds have big personalities!

Old English Game Bantams are active, alert, and have a confident disposition. These tiny birds have a compact, upright appearance and come in a variety of colors.

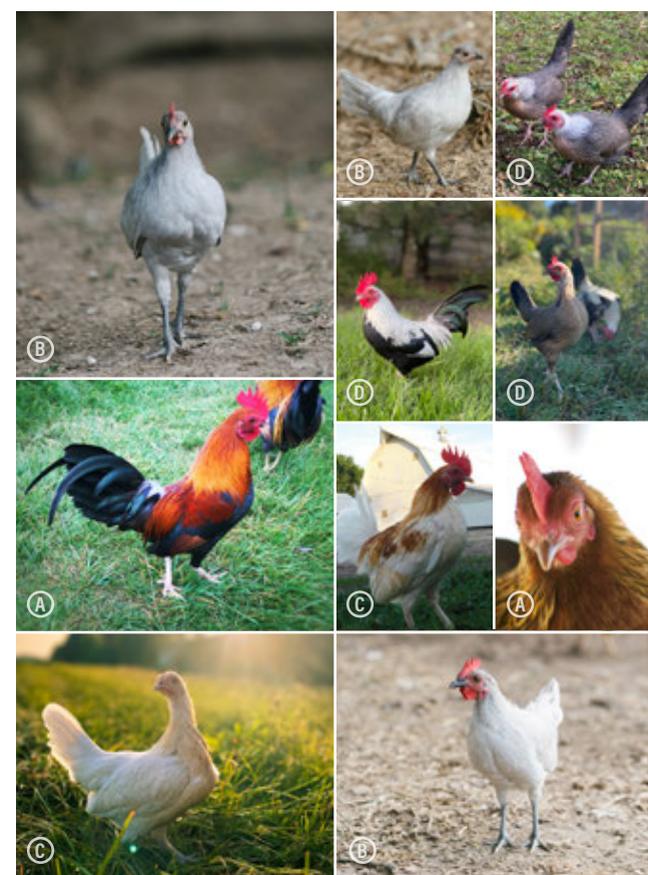
Please note that the comb on Old English Games should be dubbed when raising birds for show and exhibition.

Photos courtesy of Cindy Hill, Valerie Downey, Megan Titus, and Nadia Wilkins.

- A. B.B. RED OEG** Unsexed PCBS \$9.00 ea.
- B. LAVENDER OEG** Unsexed RDDBS \$9.00 ea.
- C. RED PYLE OEG** Unsexed WHCS \$9.00 ea.
- D. SILVER DUCKWING OEG** Unsexed WFCS \$9.00 ea.

Class: Game Bantam	Mature Weight (LB): Male 1.5 / Female 1.5
TLC Conservation Priority: Watch	Egg Production: Fair
Comb Type: Single	
Feet & Legs: Clean / Pinkish White	

Looking for a great mix of Bantam chicks? Try one of our best-selling assortment! Choose from clean-legged, feather-footed, frizzles, Japanese, Brahmas, and more! See pg. 57.



BARRED PLYMOUTH ROCK BANTAM

(SHIPS APRIL – EARLY AUGUST)

The Barred Plymouth Rock is a miniaturized version of one of the world's most beloved chicken breeds. These hardy little birds are both heat and cold tolerant, bear confinement well, and have excellent dispositions, making them a wonderful option for urban keepers, backyard flocks, and families with small children. In fact, roosters are known to have some of the most easygoing personalities of all the bantam breeds.

Unsexed. ROBS \$9.00 ea.

Photos courtesy of Kerri Irwin, Michael Drake, Courtney, Macejewski, Laura Specht, and Nina Mullins.



Class: Single Comb Clean-Legged Bantam	Mature Weight (LB): Male 3.0 / Female 2.0
TLC Conservation Priority: Not Listed	Egg Production: Fair
Comb Type: Single	  
Feet & Legs: Clean / Yellow	

WHITE FACED BLACK SPANISH BANTAM

(SHIPS APRIL – EARLY AUGUST)

The White Faced Black Spanish Bantam is a developed miniature version of its standard-sized counterpart, meaning they were selectively bred for their small stature. These birds have a lustrous black coloring set against their striking white face and bright red comb. They are prized for exhibition due to their stunning appearance.

The white on the Spanish Bantam is slow to develop. Allow the birds to go through at least one molt if you plan on showing them.

Unsexed. BHBS \$9.00 ea.



Class: Single Comb Clean-Legged Bantam	Mature Weight (LB): Male 1.8 / Female 1.6
TLC Conservation Priority: Not Listed	Egg Production: Better
Comb Type: Single	  
Feet & Legs: Clean / Slate	

RHODE ISLAND RED BANTAM

(SHIPS APRIL – EARLY AUGUST)

Rhode Island Red Bantams are a developed breed, meaning they have a standard-sized counterpart (see pg. 44 for our standard Rhode Island Reds). Bantam Rhode Island Reds are a deep mahogany color and have the old-fashioned single comb appearance. These docile birds lay small brown eggs and are a great alternative to their larger counterparts for backyard settings and urban flocks where space is limited.

Unsexed. RIBS \$9.00 ea.

Photos courtesy of Nina Mullins.



Class: Single Comb Clean-Legged Bantam	Mature Weight (LB): Male 2.2 / Female 1.9
TLC Conservation Priority: Not Listed	Egg Production: Fair
Comb Type: Single	  
Feet & Legs: Clean / Yellow	

BANTAM

Sebright (SHIPS APRIL – EARLY AUGUST)

The Sebright is an ornamental bantam breed, and one of the few true bantam breeds with no standard counterpart. Sebrights are also the only breed of chicken that is "henfeathered," meaning that males have no pointed sex feathers in the hackle, saddle, or tail. Sebrights are rare, but their numbers are improving and they have moved up to 'Watch' on The Livestock Conservancy Conservation Priority List. They are easy to raise, have nice personalities, and are well-suited to urban flocks, backyards, and coops with enclosed runs. These birds stand out in any flock, as each feather is strikingly outlined in black.

Photos courtesy of Emilee Wilcox, Amber Fillan, Jennifer Kroll, Susan Koch, Lisa Taylor, Meghan Nicole Brawdy, and Kathy Mormino aka The Chicken Chick.

GOLDEN SEBRIGHT Unsexed GSBS \$9.00 ea.

SILVER SEBRIGHT Unsexed SSBS \$9.00 ea.



Class: Rose Comb Clean-Legged Bantam	Mature Weight (LB): Male 1.5 / Female 1.5
TLC Conservation Priority: Watch	Egg Production: Good
Comb Type: Rose	    
Feet & Legs: Clean / Slate, Blue	



(SHIPS APRIL – EARLY AUGUST) 

Silkies are the quintessential pet chicken. Their small size, gentle personality, and quiet demeanor are just a few reasons they top the list of popular breeds for families and backyard flock owners. These unique chickens have soft hair-like feathers from head to toe, a top crest, a mulberry comb, black skin, and five toes. Silkies are available in several color varieties — both bearded and non-bearded. Hens lay small white eggs, and they are well-known as tremendous setters and fantastic mothers. In fact, Silkies will often readily hatch almost any egg they are given.

Photo courtesy of Destiny LaPointe, Lisa Murano, and Amy Warrell of Pine & Poppy.

BLACK SILKIE Unsexed BSBS \$9.00 ea.

BLUE SILKIE Unsexed BXBS \$9.00 ea.

BUFF SILKIE Unsexed BFBS \$9.00 ea.

WHITE SILKIE Unsexed WSBS \$9.00 ea.

Class: Feather-Legged Bantam	Mature Weight (LB): Male 2.5 / Female 2.0
TLC Conservation Priority: Not Listed	Egg Production: Fair
Comb Type: Walnut	    
Feet & Legs: Feathered / Black	

Bantam Assortments

(SHIPS APRIL – EARLY AUGUST)

These miniature birds come in a variety of breeds and colors. Because of their small size and fun personalities, bantams are very popular with families and urban backyard flock owners. They easily adapt to confined areas, such as small coops and runs. Bantams are also popular for showing and are a top choice for 4-H kids across the U.S.

Choose from our four Bantam Assortments to start your own backyard flock. Or, if you're already an experienced Bantam keeper, add variety to your existing flock with any of our assortments. Bantams are sold as **STRAIGHT RUN ONLY** (unsexed) and require a minimum order of 15 bantam chicks per order to ship safely.

ASSORTED BRAHMA BANTAMS

Includes a **STRAIGHT RUN** mix of our choice of Buff, Dark, and Light Bantams. — *Unsexed, ABBS*

ASSORTED CLEAN-LEGGED BANTAMS

Includes a **STRAIGHT RUN** mix of our choice of Easter Egger, Cornish, Japanese, Old English Game, Polish, Sebright, and Wyandotte Bantams. — *Unsexed, CLBS*

ASSORTED FEATHER-FOOTED BANTAMS

A wonderful **STRAIGHT RUN** assortment of our choice of Brahma, Cochin, Frizzle Cochin, D'Uccle, Silkie, and Sultan Bantams. — *Unsexed, FFBS*

ASSORTED FRIZZLE COCHIN BANTAMS

Includes a **STRAIGHT RUN** mix of our choice of Black, Red, and White Frizzle Cochin Bantams. — *Unsexed, FCBS*

ASSORTED JAPANESE BANTAMS

Includes a **STRAIGHT RUN** mix of our choice of varieties of Japanese Bantams. — *Unsexed, AIBS*

Sex	15	25	50
Unsexed	\$120.00	\$187.50	\$350.00



Raising Broiler Chickens on Pasture

TIPS FOR HEALTHY BIRDS & TASTY MEAT *BY JOHN SUSCOVICH*



“Start small, stay curious, and grow something that matters.”

There's no gimmick here. Just grass, grit, and a system that works. Raising broiler chickens on pasture isn't a trend. It's how we take back control of our food, and it might just be the best decision you make this year.

In just eight short weeks, you can raise all the chicken your family will eat for an entire year. No barns. No mystery meat. Just clean, honest food. Raised by you.

Why Raise Broilers on Pasture?

Pastured broilers are healthier, more active, and produce better-tasting meat. They benefit from:

- Sunlight and clean air
- A natural diet of feed, bugs, and greens
- Daily moves that reduce smell and improve hygiene

The good news is you don't need a large farm to raise broilers — just a bit of grass, a simple shelter, and a good routine.

Core Principles for Raising Healthy, Happy Broilers

Like most living things, chickens thrive when their basic needs are met. Focus on these essentials:

A Clean, Safe Place to Live

Chicken tractors are mobile shelters that offer protection from predators and weather. Daily moves get your birds off of yesterday's toilet and onto tomorrow's salad bar.

Clean Water

Broilers drink a surprising amount, especially in the heat. Check waterers morning and night to keep hydration up and stress down. As livestock nutrition expert Jeff Mattocks says, "If you wouldn't drink out of the waterer, it's not clean enough for your chickens." (*Pastured Poultry Feeding and Management, 4th Edition, 2017.*)

Nutritious Feed

Fast growth requires consistent, high-quality feed. Keep feeders full, raise feeder height as birds grow, and supplement with grit to aid digestion.

FRESH AIR & VENTILATION

Stale air and ammonia from manure lead to respiratory issues. Ensure your chicken tractor has good airflow and shade for hot days.

BREED SELECTION

Cornish Cross are efficient and fast. Heritage or slower-growing breeds may offer better flavor and a more forgiving timeline. No matter what you choose, McMurray Hatchery has you covered. *See page 115 for an overview of broiler breeds.*

About My Chicken Tractor Design

Designed with movement in mind, my chicken tractor is lightweight, weather-resistant, and easy for one person to move across uneven terrain. It gives your birds access to clean pasture daily and keeps them safe from weather and predators.



Build the Stress-Free Chicken Tractor (aka the 'Suscovich Chicken Tractor'), by John Suscovich. Purchase John's book and plans at FarmMarketingSolutions.com, or scan the QR code.



Ready to Raise Better Birds?

With the right tools and mindset, raising broilers on pasture can become second nature. Start small, move daily, and give your birds what they need to thrive. You'll be surprised how much value—and food—can come from your backyard.



JOHN SUSCOVICH is a pastured poultry farmer and marketing professional from western Connecticut. Creator of the *Suscovich Chicken Tractor*, he runs *Farm Marketing Solutions* to inspire and educate the next generation of farmers and homesteaders.





meat birds

Cornish Cross photo courtesy of Jill Martin.



cornish cross

Our prize-winning Cornish Cross is the most remarkable meat bird we carry — our family raises them to fill our own freezers each year. These best-sellers are fast-growing with outstanding feed efficiency, and they are known for an abundance of tender breast meat. For best results, raise your Cornish Cross on pasture, moving them to fresh grass daily. They should also have access to a quality commercial feed and ample clean water. Choose from our popular Jumbo Cornish Cross or our Cornish Game Hens.

CORNISH GAME HENS

(SHIPS FEBRUARY – SEPTEMBER)

Cornish Game Hens are a highly sought after small, tender, restaurant-quality bird. A Cornish Game hen should be processed young, weighing no more than two pounds (900 g) when ready to cook. Chefs and food connoisseurs prefer them for their tender meat, which absorbs marinades and seasonings readily. Cornish Game Hens are sold as **FEMALE CHICKS** only.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25-50	51-99	100+
CGHP	Female	\$5.00	\$4.75	\$4.51	\$4.29	\$4.07	\$3.87

JUMBO CORNISH CROSS

(SHIPS FEBRUARY – SEPTEMBER)

Our best-selling and fastest-growing meat birds with outstanding feed efficiency. No other meat bird offers the same quality of breast meat in the same amount of time as the Cornish Cross. Males will dress out at an average of 4-6 pounds in just 8 weeks. Grow out females for 1-2 weeks longer to reach the same weight, or process them sooner for a tender and delicious Cornish Roaster.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25-50	51-99	100+
CXRP	Female	\$5.00	\$4.75	\$4.51	\$4.29	\$4.07	\$3.87
CXRC	Male	\$5.50	\$5.23	\$4.96	\$4.72	\$4.48	\$4.26
CXRS	Unsexed	\$5.25	\$4.99	\$4.74	\$4.50	\$4.28	\$4.06

Visit our website for price breaks and discounts for higher quantities of Jumbo Cornish Cross. Not recommended for altitudes above 5,000 ft. Jumbo Cornish Cross and Cornish Game Hens are hybrid birds and breeding is not recommended. Hybrids do not produce the same results in subsequent generations, and their rapid growth rate prevents them from breeding naturally.

Photos courtesy of Anna Christian, Cassidy Cornell, Mandy Davis, Crystal Brown, Cedar Ledge Farm, Mikel Hunt, and Jill Martin.





delaware

big red

Photos courtesy of Mike Dickson, The Fit Farmer, and McMurray Hatchery Staff.

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DELAWARE ENHANCED HERITAGE BROILER

(SHIPS MARCH - SEPTEMBER)

In recent years, raising poultry for meat has increased in popularity thanks to the rise of the homesteader movement. With this self-sufficient mindset often comes the question, "How can I raise a sustainable flock on my own?" McMurray Hatchery's exclusive Delaware Enhanced Heritage Broiler was developed as an answer to that question. The Delaware Broiler is an enhanced version of the traditional Heritage Delaware, and is a **true dual-purpose** bird. Raise them on pasture for meat, or keep a flock for eggs and

process for meat as needed. The Delaware Broiler is just as easy to raise as any Heritage chicken, and the growth rate for these birds will be similar to a traditional poultry breed, with maturity **around 20 weeks**. The Delaware Broiler **will breed true**, and you should make sure to select for size in order to retain their broiler qualities. We recommend keeping ample numbers when breeding to ensure you can adequately select from the best stock within each generation and ensure genetic diversity.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25-50	51-99	100+
DBES	Unsexed	\$5.65	\$5.37	\$5.10	\$4.84	\$4.60	\$4.37

MURRAY'S BIG RED BROILER

(SHIPS FEBRUARY - SEPTEMBER)

This meat bird is our take on the infamous Red Ranger, also known as the Freedom Ranger. Murray's Big Red Broiler is a favorite among homesteaders and hobby farmers wanting to raise chickens for meat. These birds are known to be more **active foragers** than Cornish Cross, and they thrive when raised on pasture.

Murray's Big Red Broilers are medium-growth birds that reach maturity in about **10-12 weeks**. While they take a few weeks longer than a Cornish Cross to raise, they produce a good-sized carcass. They are also a good choice for those who prefer to eat **dark meat**. Hens are also reliable layers of extra large brown eggs. We always suggest keeping a few hens back to add into your flock of layers.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25-50	51-99	100+
RXRP	Female	\$6.50	\$6.18	\$5.87	\$5.57	\$5.29	\$5.03
RXRC	Male	\$7.00	\$6.65	\$6.32	\$6.00	\$5.70	\$5.42
RXRS	Unsexed	\$6.75	\$6.41	\$6.09	\$5.79	\$5.50	\$5.22

meat bird assortments

ALL HEAVIES

Our All Heavies **ALL MALE** chick assortment is a great selection of heavy breeds to raise for meat. Butcher them young for fryers, or hold them a little longer for a delicious roasting bird. Includes our choice of at least five different heavy breeds.

Item #	Sex	15	25	50	100
ALHC	Male	\$46.50	\$73.75	\$140.00	\$266.00

BBQ SPECIAL

An assortment of fast-growing chicks that will make delicious, broad-breasted table birds. This best-selling broiler assortment includes a mix of our popular Jumbo Cornish Cross and Cornish Game Hens.

Item #	Sex	15	25	50	100
BBQS	Unsexed	\$60.00	\$95.00	\$180.50	\$343.00

FRYING PAN SPECIAL

These are smaller, white feathered, yellow skinned, light breed **ALL MALE** White Leghorn chicks. They will take 16-20 weeks to reach butchering size for fryers. *NOTE: Leghorns do not finish out as large as Cornish Cross.*

Item #	Sex	15	25	50	100
FRPC	Male	\$44.25	\$70.00	\$133.00	\$253.00

MEAT-N-EGG COMBO

Looking for both meat and eggs? This popular assortment includes a mix of our Cornish Cross and assorted female chicks from our Murray's Choice Layers or Brown Egg Layers assortments.

Item #	Sex	15	25	50	100
MECS	Mixed	\$75.00	\$118.75	\$225.50	\$429.00

MURRAY'S GINGER BROILER

(SHIPS MARCH - SEPTEMBER)

Ginger Broilers are a unique hybrid broiler exclusive to McMurray Hatchery. The Ginger Broiler is built like a Cornish Cross, but without many of the health issues. Developed high in the Rocky Mountains, the Ginger Broiler is ascites-resistant, making them **ideal for higher altitudes**.

The Ginger Broiler also has a slower, more natural growth rate, so they can be kept longer and processed as needed. They are known for their overall incredible health and wonderful dispositions.

Photos courtesy of Anna Christian.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6-15	16-24	25-50	51-99	100+
GBBS	Unsexed	\$5.65	\$5.37	\$5.10	\$4.84	\$4.60	\$4.37

Get Started Raising Broilers, Learn From the Experts

New to raising meat birds? Get better outcomes with proper preparation and advice from reliable experts. Nutrition is key when raising poultry, and livestock nutrition expert **Jeff Mattocks** outlines best practices for feed and nutrition on pages 106-107. Then, learn how to get the most out of your broilers when you raise them on pasture with **John Suscovich** on pages 58-59.





BY CASSIDY CORNELL

Years ago, in the living room at our first home in Western Washington, my husband told me he had a movie for us to watch that he thought I'd love. As usual, he was right. I watched "The Biggest Little Farm" with rapt attention. As a lifelong animal lover, I was fully captivated by the idea of a family growing together alongside their animals. Most of all, though, I was charmed by the chickens. That night, when the movie was over and I was tucked into bed, I started a secret Pinterest board about keeping chickens and held a quiet dream in my heart to one day have a small flock of my own.

My chicken keeping journey began in a quiet suburban backyard at our first house in Eastern Washington. In 2021, my husband and I moved our family across the state. I had just left my job as a middle school teacher to stay home with our two young children, and my life shrunk peacefully to fit inside the four walls of our home while I tended to our babies during those important years. I held them at naptime, toted them to the garden to water and count tomato blossoms, and grew increasingly interested in where the food that I fed them came from.

I joke around and say that I began homesteading for the food, but that's the honest truth. At that time in my life, I began to realize that any food that I could make or produce, even in my very small backyard, would be a vital part of our growing family's health. And when I looked out to our beautiful backyard, shielded by white fencing and maple trees, I knew it was time to bring chickens into our life. I returned to my Pinterest board, pored over coops, and began researching chicken breeds in earnest before convincing my husband to let me order some baby chicks. He agreed to a small, modest flock of four chickens in the backyard, and before we knew it, we had a dozen chicks on their way to us.

Those first chicks completely changed my relationship with food. When we got our first egg, I nearly cried. It was pale blue and still warm, straight from the nest box and into my hand. From that moment on, I felt the true importance of having a connection to the food that I fed my family.

As they are for so many, chickens were my gateway animal into homesteading. What started as a small flock in the backyard of our 1/3 of an acre backyard has grown beyond our wildest dreams. Now, we live on an acre, and my husband and I are amazed every day at what we can grow, raise, and produce in a space that's considered so small by many homesteading standards. We keep a large laying flock of chickens, cycling our batches of chicks so that we have fresh eggs year round. I also raise Coturnix quail, geese, turkeys, and Muscovy ducks for eggs (and fun!) Our herd of dairy goats supplies us with milk, ice cream, pudding, cheese, and so much more. Each season, we grow out about 40 Cornish Cross in our backyard pasture, filling our freezers with truly free-range chicken meat. Our modest garden yields fresh fruit, vegetables, herbs, and flowers for us and our garden rabbits during the growing season.

We might not be able to raise or grow all of our family's food here in our backyard, but the food that we do produce is far above anything I could ever find at a grocery store. Eggs collected by my own two hands, milk from goats that trail my children around the pasture and into the forest, meat from birds that lived life as chickens should. More than food, this lifestyle offers us the opportunity to connect with nature, to work hard for things that are important to us, and to do what we love. To me, there is nothing more profound than a life well-lived and well-fed with my family, working alongside the animals that have become such an important part of us. All this bounty, all this beauty right in our backyard, thanks to that first box of twelve tiny chicks.

Because we are working with a modest and finite amount of pasture space, I've really had to streamline what types of animals we keep. Here are a few of my favorite breeds of poultry to raise on our one acre homestead:

HERITAGE CHICKENS: Two of my favorite Heritage breeds are Brahmas and Faverolles. Both breeds are calm and docile around our children, and they handle our cold winters with ease. My Brahmas are also excellent mothers, raising chicks for me each season.

PRODUCTION LAYERS: Because eggs are the ultimate goal for us when it comes to keeping chickens, I try to make sure that about half my flock is made up of production layers. Red Stars are far and away my favorite production breed. They're hardy, friendly egg laying machines that really thrive in our backyard pasture. I also love Whiting True Greens for their fantastic rate of lay, beautiful green eggs, and excellent foraging abilities.

MEAT BIRDS: Cornish Cross have a bad reputation across the board, and though I've heard all the arguments, I respectfully disagree. There is no other breed that's going to put more meat on the table faster than these birds. Because we have a small space and a busy schedule, I need meat birds that aren't going to be around for months and months at a time. By raising Cornish Cross, I'm able to fit two rounds of them into our season with ease. I soak their feed in goat milk, allow them to free-range with our flock, and encourage them to forage from a young age. The result is tender, flavorful meat that our family loves.

DUAL-PURPOSE BIRDS: I started raising Coturnix quail over ten years ago, and these hardy little birds still earn their keep in our backyard. They are quick to mature, gracing us with meat and eggs by 8 weeks of age. They're also extremely easy to process, especially for people who are new to raising meat. Muscovy ducks are another dual purpose bird that I've recently fallen in love with. They're great layers, and I love using their eggs in baked goods. Hens are also phenomenal mothers and because Muscovy are excellent foragers, I can let my hens raise out ducklings to maturity with very little input from me.

The One Acre Homestead

By Cassidy Cornell

The One Acre Homestead provides an in-depth look at starting a small-scale homestead in your own backyard. This comprehensive guide encourages people to start raising their own food no matter the size of their property. With an emphasis on basic animal husbandry and working systems for a variety of small livestock, author Cassidy Cornell draws from her personal experience in becoming more intimately involved with raising, growing, and cooking her family's food. From eggs, milk, and meat to gardening ideas and kitchen skills, this book has everything you need to begin homesteading in the backyard.



Order *The One Acre Homestead* today by scanning the QR code or visiting McMurrayHatchery.com.



“ This book is the next step in Cassidy's teaching career. Exchanging fluorescent lights for the sun and a desk for a patch of dirt. But this time, it encompasses all classes. A teacher is someone who never stops learning and has the special mix of patience and grace to bring us along. In this book, Cassidy opens a world where bigger isn't better. I can't wait to see her teachings have lasting ripples through backyards and people everywhere. ”

— Tom Watkins, President of McMurray Hatchery



CASSIDY CORNELL is a devoted wife, mama, and backyard farmer. Her lifelong love of cooking and eating led her to overhaul her family's lifestyle and relationship with food. After many years of planning and dreaming, Cassidy now raises chickens, ducks, quail, geese, turkeys, dairy goats, and meat birds on her family's one-acre suburban homestead in beautiful Eastern Washington. Cassidy encourages others to get familiar with their food on a more intimate level, whether that's cooking from scratch, sourcing locally, or keeping chickens in the backyard. Above all else, she is passionate about motivating others to take part in raising their own food, regardless of the size of their property. Her "start where you are" mentality was inspired by her own journey to small-scale homesteading and domestic animal husbandry. Cassidy is the face behind *The Halftime Homestead*, an Instagram account she started when she began keeping quail while working as a part-time middle school teacher. Today, she uses her platform in the hopes of educating and inspiring people to start homesteading in their own backyards.



waterfowl

Add a splash of fun to your flock with ducks and geese from McMurray Hatchery. Choose as few as three ducklings or two goslings — available in a wide range of Heritage and production breeds — or let us surprise you with one of our best-selling assortments.



Photo courtesy of Shelby Lascelles.

ducklings

IMPORTANT: Leg tape MUST BE REMOVED upon receiving your birds. When ordering sexed ducklings, males have leg tape on the right leg, and females have leg tape on the left leg.

Photo above of assorted duck breeds courtesy of Shelby Lascelles.

BUFF

Buff ducks, also called Buff Orpingtons, originated in the famous Orpington Farms in England — also the home of the Orpington chicken. Buffs are a rare Heritage duck breed. Drakes and hens have the same soft buff coloring, with the exception of the drake's seal-brown head. Hens are good layers and are rarely broody. Mature Buff ducks weigh between 5-6.25 lbs.

Photos courtesy of Tiffany Johnson, Alice Keim, and Shelby Lascelles.

Item #	Sex	1-4	5-24	25+
BUDP	Female	\$17.50	\$15.75	\$14.96
BUDC	Male	\$12.00	\$11.40	\$10.83
BUDS	Unsexed	\$14.00	\$13.30	\$12.64



KHAKI CAMPBELL

Khakis are one of the most popular general-purpose ducks we carry, and they are one of the best layers of all domestic breeds. As a meat fowl, their light feathering makes them easy to dress when processing. Females are seal-brown, while males have touches of darker brown, resembling Mallard drakes. Khaki Campbells are excellent foragers and withstand cool climates very well.

Photo courtesy of Rhonda Lynch, Mike Dickson of YouTube's The Fit Farmer, and Toni Walley Photography.

Item #	Sex	1-4	5-24	25+
KCDP	Female	\$19.50	\$17.55	\$16.67
KCDC	Male	\$11.00	\$10.45	\$9.93
KCDS	Unsexed	\$15.00	\$14.25	\$13.54



Egg Laying Duck Assortment

Stock up on duck eggs when you order this new layer assortment. Includes our choice of **FEMALE** Gold Star Hybrid, White Star Hybrid, and Khaki Campbell ducklings. This mix is based on availability and does not guarantee a number of ducks per breed.

Item #	Sex	10 Birds	20 Birds
ELDS	Female	\$150.00	\$280.00





FIVE REASONS TO RAISE Muscovy

Muscovy ducks are rising in popularity as people continue to seek out options for sustainable dual-purpose flocks. These beautiful birds are highly intelligent, known for their incredible foraging skills and curious nature. Below are some of the top reasons we think Muscovy ducks should be on your list this year.

MUSCOVY DUCKS ARE QUIET.

Though Muscovys do make some gentle vocalizations, they are considered a “quackless” duck. Compared to their Mallard-derived counterparts, these birds make very little noise. This means they’re a perfect option for folks living close to neighbors who don’t appreciate a lot of loud quaking.

THEY CAN BE RAISED FOR MEAT.

Though Muscovy ducks take longer to grow out than other duck breeds, they make up for it with their flavorful meat, which is said to be less gamey than other breeds of duck, often being compared to veal.

DUCK EGGS ARE DELICIOUS.

Muscovy eggs have all the highly-desired benefits of a traditional duck egg, making them perfect for home bakers. Hens are great layers and will provide you with lots of eggs during the laying season.

MUSCOVYS ARE A TRULY SUSTAINABLE AND DUAL-PURPOSE BREED.

Muscovy ducks are a homesteader’s dream. A flock will provide your family with both meat and eggs without a lot of work on your end. Because hens are such good mothers, and because Muscovys are foraging machines, they’ll raise ducklings to butcher size for you each season. Simply make sure they have clean water, ample feed, a bit of room to roam, and a safe place to sleep at night, and they’ll handle the rest!

MUSCOVYS ARE EXCELLENT PARENTS.

Muscovy hens are known to be wonderful mothers, often hatching and raising large clutches at a time. Drakes are typically very gentle with their brood, keeping a watchful eye over hens and ducklings as they forage during the day.

SHOP MUSCOVY AT MCMURRAYHATCHERY.COM



Photos courtesy of Selah Dickson and Tawnie Freeland.



CAYUGA

The Cayuga is one of the few duck breeds developed in America, taking its name from Lake Cayuga, New York. Best known for their brilliant “beetle” green coloring, this rare Heritage breed of duck is quiet and very hardy. Hens lay a light grey to charcoal egg. Cayugas will often display lighter colored feathers as they age, a process which is referred to as graying. Mature ducks weigh between 4.75-6 lbs.

Photos courtesy of Ashley Stratton Kayla Alpe, Angela Napiwocki, and Toni Walley Photography.

Item #	Sex	1-4	5-24	25+
CADP	Female	\$17.50	\$15.75	\$14.96
CADC	Male	\$12.00	\$11.40	\$10.83
CADS	Unsexed	\$14.00	\$13.30	\$12.64



New to raising ducks? Best-selling author and poultry expert Gail Damerow's new book, *An Absolute Beginner's Guide to Raising Backyard Ducks*, is a must-have for anyone getting started with waterfowl. Order today at McMurrayHatchery.com.



Photos courtesy of Toni Walley, Laura Holmes, and Ashley Stratton.

IMPORTANT: Leg tape **MUST BE REMOVED** upon receiving your birds. When ordering sexed ducklings, males have leg tape on the right leg, and females have leg tape on the left leg.

DUCLAIR

The Duclair is a French breed that was developed for its rich and earthy-tasting meat, which is celebrated by chefs. Duclairs are fast-growing ducks that look like a small Pekin. For best results, process them at 7-12 weeks, or around 5-6 lbs. Duclair hens are also very good layers, laying 80-100+ large green eggs per year. These ducks are great for any size farm and do well in backyard flocks.

Item #	Sex	1+
DUCP	Female	\$28.50
DUCC	Male	\$15.00
DUCS	Unsexed	\$18.00



Photos (left / top center) courtesy of Missy Irish.

GOLD STAR & WHITE STAR HYBRID LAYERS

The Gold Star and the White Star are both high-producing hybrid layers. These ducks were bred to lay even more large eggs than the Khaki Campbell, which is an impressive feat! With their high fertility rates and calm temperaments, both the Gold and White Star top our charts in more ways than one.

Gold Star males are shades of black, while females are shades of brown. However, their coloring can vary, as they are hybrids. Gold Star ducklings are also color sexable at hatch, but this trait will not pass down to subsequent generations. As their name implies, White Stars are a striking pure-white, and they will lay slightly fewer blue tinted eggs than Gold Stars. Mature ducks will weigh between 4.5-5.75 lbs.

GOLD STAR HYBRID — Females, GSDP. Males, GSDC. Unsexed, GSDS.

WHITE STAR HYBRID — Females, WSHR. Males, WSHC. Unsexed, WSHS.

Sex	1-4	5-24	25+
Female	\$19.00	\$17.10	\$16.25
Male	\$12.50	\$11.88	\$11.28
Unsexed	\$15.00	\$14.25	\$13.54



Photos courtesy of Selah Dickson of YouTube's The Fit Farmer, and Toni Walley Photography.

MAGPIE

The Magpie is a British duck breed that was imported to the United States in the 1960s. Magpies were accepted into the Standard of Perfection in 1977. The Magpie is very rare, and is listed as 'Threatened' on The Livestock Conservancy Priority List. The Magpie is a light and long-bodied duck, known for their striking markings. Magpies are white with dark coloring on top of their heads with a large dark colored patch along the back from the shoulders down. Interestingly, Magpie duckling coloration will not change as they mature. However, as the Magpie ages, they can display graying, with white flecks appearing in their cap. Their yellow beaks will also change as they age. Hens' will turn a grey-green color, while drakes' will turn a green-spotted yellow color. Hens are good layers, and their eggs have been known to hatch earlier than other breeds. Magpies are active foragers and thrive in a free range setting.

Unsexed. MAGS \$22.00 ea.



FLYING MALLARD

If you're looking for ducks that fly, these are the ones! All domestic ducks — except the Muscovy — are derived from the Mallard. While they may look similar to a Rouen, these ducks are much smaller and are excellent flyers. As a meat bird, they have a distinctive gamey taste not found in other domestic duck breeds. Mature ducks weigh between 2.25-2.5 lbs. *NOTE: Mallards are restricted in some states. Before ordering, please check with the Regulatory Agency in your state that controls wildlife management.*

Item #	Sex	1-4	5-24	25+
FMDP	Female	\$17.50	\$15.75	\$14.96
FMDC	Male	\$12.00	\$11.40	\$10.83
FMDS	Unsexed	\$14.00	\$13.30	\$12.64



MUSCOVY

The Muscovy has risen to popularity in recent years as a dual-purpose duck breed. Though they take a bit longer to mature than other meat ducks, their meat is said to be tender, juicy, and delicious. Muscovy meat is also 98% fat free, so it isn't greasy or heavy. Because they are active foragers, these birds can make themselves useful on a farm or homestead as natural insect control. The Muscovy is the one domestic duck breed that isn't derived from the Mallard. These birds are actually a large perching waterfowl, so they need access to a roost at night.

Muscovys are quiet and calm ducks. Hens are average layers, but make excellent mothers to their young. Interestingly, Muscovy eggs take longer to hatch than other duck breeds, requiring a full 35 days rather than the usual 28.

MUSCOVY DUCKS ARE AVAILABLE IN BOTH BLACK AND WHITE VARIETIES.

Our White Muscovy are mostly white with the occasional dark spots on the head or body. Black is the original Muscovy coloration. Our Black Muscovy are mostly black with some white on the head and neck.

WHITE MUSCOVY Unsexed. EDOS \$18.00 ea.

BLACK MUSCOVY Unsexed. BMDS \$25.00 ea.



Photos courtesy of Tawnie Freeland, Krista Wadekamper, and Mike and Selah Dickson of YouTube's The Fit Farmer.

Muscovy Duo Assortment

Save when you order this **STRAIGHT RUN** (unsexed) assortment of Muscovy ducklings. Includes a mix of White and Black varieties.

Item #	Sex	10 Birds	20 Birds
MUDS	Unsexed	\$150.00	\$280.00

PEKIN

Originating in China, Pekins were brought to the western world in the mid 1800s. Their fine meat quality and excellent laying ability quickly made them a top choice among American duck keepers. Both sexes are creamy white with yellow skin and have very large breasts. Mature Pekins weigh between 8-12.25 lbs.

Jumbo Pekins are generally raised as a meat duck, averaging at about 9-13.5 lbs., which is approximately 15-18% larger than the standard Pekin. The Jumbo Pekin is a fast-growth breed, and they can be table ready as early as 6-8 weeks. However, they can also be kept longer without major health issues. These hardy birds are great foragers and thrive when raised on pasture.

WHITE PEKINS

Item #	Sex	1-4	5-24	25+
PEDP	Female	\$19.50	\$17.55	\$16.67
PEDC	Male	\$11.00	\$10.45	\$9.93
PEDS	Unsexed	\$15.00	\$14.25	\$13.54

JUMBO PEKINS

Item #	Sex	1-4	5-24	25+
JPDP	Female	\$18.00	\$16.20	\$15.39
JPDC	Male	\$13.00	\$12.35	\$11.73
JPDS	Unsexed	\$12.00	\$11.40	\$10.83



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White Pekin photos courtesy of Cedar Ledge Farm, and Ashley Stratton, and Meghan Hill.



Jumbo Pekin photos courtesy of Mike Dickson and Susan Pedersen.

IMPORTANT: Leg tape **MUST BE REMOVED** upon receiving your birds. When ordering sexed ducklings, males have leg tape on the right leg, and females have leg tape on the left leg.

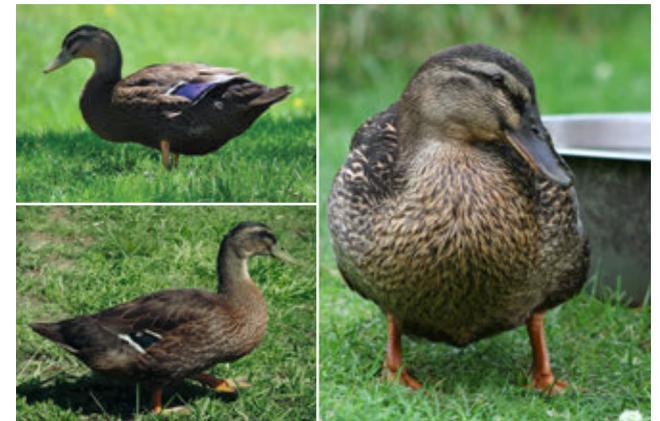
ROUEN

These attractive ducks bear the name of the famous French city where they originated. Rouens have the same coloring as Mallards, but they are nearly double the size. Mature ducks weigh between 5-7.25 lbs., making them a popular choice for meat production. Hens are good layers of light greenish tinted eggs.

Males have a lustrous green head and neck, a rich purplish-brown chest, and steel gray penciling on the upper body. Females are mahogany brown with fine greenish-black or brown penciling, and a blue chevron on the wing.

Photos courtesy of Casey Rehse, Rhonda Silva, Lisa Borgen, Hannah and Holly Nelson, and Sarah Lawrence.

Item #	Sex	1-4	5-24	25+
RODP	Female	\$19.50	\$17.55	\$16.67
RODC	Male	\$11.00	\$10.45	\$9.93
RODS	Unsexed	\$15.00	\$14.25	\$13.54



Ducks Deluxe Mix

This is a great option for beginners, or if you just want to add a few new breeds to your exiting flock. This **STRAIGHT RUN** (unsexed) duck assortment includes at least three different breeds for each order of 10 birds.

Item #	Sex	10 Birds	20 Birds
DDMS	Unsexed	\$121.40	\$218.80



RUNNER ★ 🌱 🍷 🍷

Runner ducks are long, slender waterfowl that were developed in Scotland around the beginning of the 20th century from stock that came from the East Indies. These unique ducks have tall bodies with a vertical posture, earning them the nicknames "Penguin Ducks" and "Bottle Necks." Runners are sold in four color varieties: black, blue, chocolate, and fawn/white. These ducks don't waddle like other breeds, but move with a quick step, often running together as a group. They are good foragers, lay blue-white eggs, and are a very fun addition to any farmstead. Runners are a lighter weight waterfowl, weighing just 3.25-4 lbs. at maturity.

BLACK RUNNERS – Females, BRDCP. Males, BRDC. Unsexed, BRDS.

BLUE RUNNERS – Females, BLDP. Males, BLDC. Unsexed, BLDS.

CHOCOLATE RUNNERS – Females, CRDP. Males, CRDC. Unsexed, CRDS.

FAWN/WHITE RUNNERS – Females, FWDP. Males, FWDC. Unsexed, FWDS.

SILVER RUNNERS – Females, SRDP. Males, SRDC. Unsexed, SRDS.

Sex	1-4	5-24	25+
Female	\$20.00	\$18.00	\$17.00
Male	\$15.00	\$14.25	\$13.54
Unsexed	\$16.00	\$15.20	\$14.44

Runner Duck Assortment

With their unusual upright appearance, Runner ducks are a delight to watch. This **STRAIGHT RUN** (unsexed) assortment includes our choice of at least two of our Runner color varieties, including black, blue, chocolate, fawn/white, and silver.

Item #	Sex	10 Birds	20 Birds
RDAS	Unsexed	\$120.00	\$220.0



Photos courtesy Nina Mullins, Brittany Macdermott, Rhonda Silva, and Toni Walley Photography.

Photo (below left) courtesy of Elizabeth Stahn.

SILVER APLEYARD 🌱 🍷 🍷 🍷

Silver Appleyards are said to be one of the best egg layers among the heavy weight breeds, and they are one of the most flavorful ducks when raised for meat. Silver Appleyards are very rare, listed as 'Watch' on The Livestock Conservancy Priority List. These large ducks are active foragers – similar to the Saxony – with calm temperaments. Mature ducks weigh between 7-9 lbs.

Item #	Sex	1+
SIAP	Female	\$28.50
SIAC	Male	\$15.00
SIAS	Unsexed	\$18.00



did you know that **duck eggs** are exceptional for baking?

Duck eggs have large yolks with a high fat content, which makes baked goods more moist and rich.

 Follow us for more tips and fun facts on Instagram at [@mcmurray_hatchery](https://www.instagram.com/mcmurray_hatchery).
Cake and photo by @theninamullins.

SAXONY 🌱 🍷 🍷 🍷

The Saxony was developed in Germany in the 1930s. Saxony ducks are excellent dual-purpose birds. Hens are buff colored and have creamy white neck ring, underbody, and facial stripes. Drakes have a blue-gray head, back, and wing markings with a rich chestnut-burgundy breast, cream underbody and flanks, and a white neck ring. Mature ducks weigh approximately 6.5-8.5 lbs.

Item #	Sex	1+
SAXP	Female	\$28.50
SAXC	Male	\$15.00
SAXS	Unsexed	\$18.00



SWEDISH ★ 🌱 🍷 🍷

Swedish ducks are known for their black and blue coloration. They have a white 'bib' that runs from under the bill to halfway down their breast, with a touch of white on their wings. Swedish are very hardy ducks and are also good foragers. Drakes will weigh up to 8 lbs. The hens will weigh up to 7 lbs. and will lay mostly white eggs, with the occasional blue or gray tint. *When ordering and raising Blue Swedish, see pg. 6 for information on breeding for the color blue in poultry.*

BLACK SWEDISH – Females, SBDR. Males, SPBC. Unsexed, SPDS.

BLUE SWEDISH – Females, BSDP. Males, BSDC. Unsexed, BSCS.

Sex	1-4	5-24	25+
Female	\$17.50	\$15.75	\$14.96
Male	\$12.00	\$11.40	\$10.83
Unsexed	\$15.00	\$14.25	\$13.54

Photos courtesy of Shelby Lascelles, Toni Walley, Amy Warrell, and Teddi Yaeger.



WELSH HARLEQUIN

The Welsh Harlequin is a fairly rare Heritage breed. Developed in Wales, they were brought to the U.S. in the 1960s and were accepted into the American Poultry Association in 2001 in the Light Duck class. Females are excellent layers, good setters, and great mothers to their ducklings. They are calm, inquisitive, and love to forage. Interestingly, they can be sexed just after hatching with 90% accuracy by their bill color. Males have darker bills, while lighter bills ending in a dark spot are females. Mature ducks will weigh between 4.5-5.5 lbs.

Photos courtesy of Michelle Richards, Cherstin Sparks, Nina Mullins, Sean Munley, Kayla Alpe, and Selah Dickson of YouTube's The Fit Farmer.



Item #	Sex	1+
WHDP	Female	\$24.00
WHDC	Male	\$16.00
WHDS	Unsexed	\$18.00

WHITE CRESTED

The White Crested is one of our more unique duck breeds. Once considered a dual-purpose utility breed, these docile, all-white, crested ducks have gained notoriety with photographers and backyard flock owners in recent years. Historically, this breed has caught the eye of artists dating back to the 1600s, including Jan Steen and Pieter Casteels III, among others. They certainly stand out in a flock with their puffed crests! Baby ducklings also have large crests at hatch. White Crested ducks grow rapidly and hens are reliable layers. Mature ducks weigh between 6-7.25 lbs.

Photos courtesy of Amanda Vanessa Churchill, Amy Warrell, Ksenia Belanger, Adrianna Louise Attwood, and Elizabeth Stahn.

Item #	Sex	1+
WCDP	Female	\$28.50
WCDC	Male	\$15.00
WCDS	Unsexed	\$18.00

Let our team select a mix for you! Shop duck assortments, pg. 75.



BEST-SELLING ASSORTMENTS waterfowl & turkeys



DUCKS DELUXE MIX

This **STRAIGHT RUN** (unsexed) duck assortment includes at least three different breeds in each order of ten birds. This is a great option for those just getting started with ducks, and for people who want to add a few new breeds to existing flocks.

Item #	Sex	10 Birds	20 Birds
DDMS	Unsexed	\$121.40	\$218.80

ASSORTED EGG LAYING DUCKS

Stock up on duck eggs with this new layer assortment. Includes our choice of **FEMALE** ducklings from our Gold Star Hybrid, White Star Hybrid, and Khaki Campbell breeds. While we'll do our best to provide you with a mix, this assortment is based on availability and does not guarantee number of ducks per breed.

Item #	Sex	10 Birds	20 Birds
ELDP	Female	\$150.00	\$280.00

GREAT GOOSE GROUP

Let our team hand-select a grouping of **STRAIGHT RUN** (unsexed) goslings for your homestead or farm. Includes our choice of at least three different varieties. Order this discounted mix today and save on your new flock!

Item #	Sex	10 Birds	20 Birds
GGGS	Unsexed	\$246.20	\$492.40

BARNYARD COMBINATIONS

(SHIPS MARCH - JUNE)

Looking for a variety of ducks, geese, or turkeys? Just getting started on a new farm or homestead? These combinations are a great way to dip your toes into adding more types of poultry to your property. Choose from these two combinations below:

Barnyard Combination: Mixed

Includes: 9 Ducklings and 6 Turkeys

Our choice of breeds and varieties. Unsexed.

BCCS \$249.75

Barnyard Combination: Waterfowl

Includes: 6 Goslings and 6 Ducklings

Our choice of breeds and varieties. Unsexed.

BCDS \$205.00

MUSCOVY DUO ASSORTMENT

Save when you order this **STRAIGHT RUN** (unsexed) assortment of Muscovy ducklings. Includes our choice of White and Black Muscovy. *This assortment is based on availability and does not guarantee a number of ducks per variety.*

Item #	Sex	10 Birds	20 Birds
MUDS	Unsexed	\$150.00	\$280.00

RUNNER DUCK ASSORTMENT

With their unusual upright appearance, Runner ducks are a delight to watch. This **STRAIGHT RUN** (unsexed) assortment includes our choice of at least two of our Runner color varieties, including black, blue, chocolate, silver and fawn/white. Individual varieties sold separately, pg. 72.

Item #	Sex	10 Birds	20 Birds
RDAS	Unsexed	\$120.00	\$220.00

FANCY GOOSE PACKAGE

The Fancy Goose Package is a **STRAIGHT RUN** (unsexed) mix of our rare and exotic varieties of geese. Includes our choice of breeds. Sold in lots of 10 goslings.

Item #	Sex	10 Birds
FGPS	Unsexed	\$390.00

HERITAGE TURKEY ASSORTMENT

(SHIPS APRIL - AUGUST)

Whether it's your first time raising poulters or you're interested in adding some new varieties to your flock, try our popular **STRAIGHT RUN** Heritage Turkey Assortment. Includes our choice of varieties based on availability.

Item #	Sex	15 Birds	30 Birds
TASS	Unsexed	\$285.00	\$570.00

HOMESTEADER'S DELIGHT

(SHIPS MARCH - JUNE)

Get started raising a variety of poultry with our Homesteader's Delight package! This mix includes our choice of 10 brown egg laying chickens (female), 2 ducklings (unsexed), 2 goslings (unsexed), and 2 turkeys (unsexed).

Item #	Number of Birds	Price
QGHS	16	\$160.00



Photo courtesy of Nisha Coker

IMPORTANT: Leg tape **MUST BE REMOVED** upon receiving your birds. When ordering sexed goslings, males have leg tape on the right leg, and females have leg tape on the left leg.

AFRICAN

Contrary to their name, African geese actually originated in China. This rare Heritage breed is listed as 'Watch' on The Livestock Conservancy's Priority List. They are similar in appearance to the Brown Chinese, with a large black knob and a dark stripe down the back of the neck. However, the African is a mid-sized breed, averaging 12.5-15.5 lbs. — not as heavy as a Toulouse or Embden. Like the Chinese, African geese are a noisy breed. They are very active foragers, mature early, and are good layers with above-average fertility.

Photos courtesy of Mike and Selah Dickson, Angela Greenroy, and Jennifer Pinto.

Item #	Sex	1-4	5-24	25+
AFGP	Female	\$49.70	\$47.22	\$44.85
AFGC	Male	\$26.18	\$24.87	\$23.63
AFGS	Unsexed	\$30.24	\$28.73	\$27.29



BUFF GEESE

Buff geese are very calm and have a wonderful disposition. While most breeds of geese originated in other countries, the Buff (also known as the American Buff) is a rare Heritage breed that was uniquely developed in the United States. With their light-colored feathers, Buff geese were once used as a commercial meat bird, as they are much easier to dress out than some other breeds of geese. Today, the Buff is listed as 'Watch' on The Livestock Conservancy's Priority List. Buff geese will average 14-16 lbs. at maturity and are good layers.

Photos courtesy of Nisha Coker, Cassidy Cornell, Shelby Lascelles, and Diana Hutson.

Item #	Sex	1-5
BFGP	Female	\$68.23
BFGC	Male	\$42.13
BFGS	Unsexed	\$51.00



CHINESE

The Chinese goose is an old breed derived from the wild Asiatic Swan goose. The earliest record of these geese in the U.S. is from 1788, when George Washington received a pair from Governor Morris. These birds have a prominent raised knob above the beak and are available in either white or brown. The Brown Chinese averages 9-10 lbs., while the White weighs 10-15 lbs. Chinese geese are excellent foragers. As one of the noisiest goose breeds, they are a great alarm system when intruders are near. White Chinese can lay 40-55 eggs per season, making them one of the most prolific layers in the goose world.

Photos courtesy of Amy Fewell, Leigh Ann Shifflett, Edely Hammond, Teddi Yaeger, and Bailey Ann Franklin.

BROWN CHINESE

Item #	Sex	1-4	5-24	25+
BCGP	Female	\$68.23	\$64.82	\$61.58
BCGC	Male	\$42.13	\$40.02	\$38.02
BCGS	Unsexed	\$51.00	\$48.45	\$46.03

WHITE CHINESE

Item #	Sex	1-4	5-24	25+
WCGP	Female	\$49.70	\$47.22	\$44.85
WCGC	Male	\$26.18	\$24.87	\$23.63
WCGS	Unsexed	\$30.24	\$28.73	\$27.29

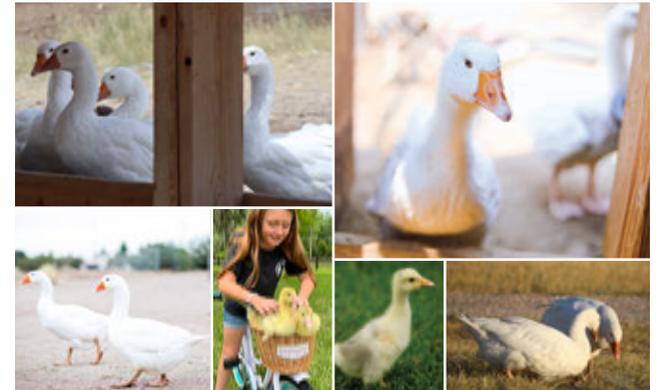


WHITE EMBDEN

White Embden geese originated near the Em River in Germany and were first brought to the U.S. in 1821. Embden geese are the most common breed used for commercial meat production due to their fast growth rate, large size, and soft, white feathers. Mature males weigh in around 20 lbs., while females are closer to 13 lbs. Embdens are very calm, heavy birds. They are good layers of large eggs and have high fertility rates. Our line makes excellent show birds.

Photos courtesy of Regina Quinn, Teddi Yaeger, Brittany Knight, Jordan Haggard, and Chersten Sparks.

Item #	Sex	1-4	5-24	25+
WEGP	Female	\$49.70	\$47.22	\$44.85
WEGC	Male	\$26.18	\$24.87	\$23.63
WEGS	Unsexed	\$30.24	\$28.73	\$27.29



PILGRIM

The Pilgrim Goose is the only domestic breed wherein males and females can easily be differentiated at all ages. This Heritage breed is very rare and is listed as 'Threatened' on The Livestock Conservancy Priority List. Day-old males are yellow and light gray with lighter colored bills, while females are a deeper gray-green with a darker bill. Adult males are white with a touch of gray on the rump or wings. Mature females are gray like a Toulouse, and they often have white on their head. These calm, quiet geese are excellent foragers and make wonderful parents. Their egg fertility is lower than other breeds, averaging around 55% over the season.

Photos courtesy of Michelle Armogida, Charlotte Fields, Stephanie Lesperance, and Mahlon Hunt.

Item #	Sex	1-5
PGGP	Female	\$86.00
PGGC	Male	\$41.00
PGGS	Unsexed	\$52.00





SEBASTOPOL

Thought to have originated in southeastern Europe, these flightless geese are fair layers and are smaller in size than many other breeds, weighing just 10-14 lbs. These calm, gentle birds are often kept as pets. Good specimens of Sebastopol geese will have long, curly white feathers on the back and front that nearly touch the ground, with much shorter and smoother neck feathers.

The Sebastopol is one of our most sought-after breeds of geese, desired for their flowing, spiraled white feathers. Despite their current popularity, the Sebastopol is an extremely rare Heritage breed that is listed as 'Threatened' on The Livestock Conservancy Priority List.

Item #	Sex	1-5
SEBP	Female	\$241.30
SEBC	Male	\$107.45
SEBS	Unsexed	\$175.29

LIMIT 6 (3 females) Sebastopol goslings per customer.

Photos courtesy of Melissa Kee and Caroline Scott.

TOULOUSE

Named for the famous city of Toulouse in France, these geese, along with White Embdens, are the most popular commercial geese in America. Toulouse produce excellent yields of both down and dark meat. Their varying shades of gray plumage emphasize their deep, rounded breasts and large bodies. Fall weights for these geese average 18-20 lbs. for males and 12-13 lbs. for females.

FRENCH TOULOUSE: You can now choose from our original Heritage Toulouse geese and our new French Toulouse flock. The French variety is not an exhibition line. This flock is slightly larger, lays nearly as many eggs as the Chinese, and are hardy birds.

Photos courtesy of Ann Accetta-Scott, Lindsay Jones, Amelie Boucher Otis, and Nina Mullins.

TOULOUSE

Item #	Sex	1-4	5-24	25+
GTGP	Female	\$49.70	\$47.22	\$44.85
GTGC	Male	\$26.18	\$24.87	\$23.63
GTGS	Unsexed	\$30.24	\$28.73	\$27.29

FRENCH TOULOUSE

Item #	Sex	1-15	16+
FTGP	Female	\$ 63.21	\$ 49.23
FTGC	Male	\$28.08	\$23.15
FTGS	Unsexed	\$ 36.32	\$ 29.67

TUFTED ROMAN

The Tufted Roman is the rarest breed of goose that we carry. Listed as 'Critical' on The Livestock Conservancy Priority List, the Roman is largely kept as an ornamental breed today. As their name suggests, this regal breed sports a tuft, which is much smaller than a full crest, atop their head. Tufted Romans are pure white, have a gentle temperament, and are moderate layers. These are not large geese, with males averaging around just 12 lbs.

Photos courtesy of Rebecca Hester, Michaela Scarsella, and Helga Romoser.

Item #	Sex	1-5
TRGP	Female	\$64.97
TRGC	Male	\$32.05
TRGS	Unsexed	\$46.76

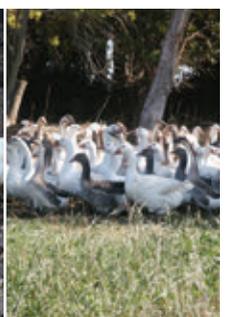


WEEDER GEESSE

You can turn your flock of weeder geese loose in your strawberries, corn, cotton, or garden and let them do the hard work for you! They will leave your crops alone and dine on pesky weeds. This assortment is filled with our choice of breeds based on availability. May include cross-breeds as well.

Photos courtesy of John Naugle.

Item #	Sex	1-4	5-24	25+
WRGS	Unsexed	\$24.14	\$22.93	\$21.79





turkeys

Whether you're raising them for your holiday table, breeding, or just like having them around, turkeys are a majestic addition to any homestead or farm. Choose as few as ten poults available in a wide range of Heritage and production breeds — or let us surprise you with one of our best-selling assortments.

Photo courtesy of Rebecca Welch.



production

Raising your own holiday turkeys is one of the most satisfying ventures you can undertake. Watching these majestic birds grow out on your homestead or farm and then presenting a homegrown feast to your family is a truly memorable experience. This season, choose from our four production turkey varieties.

In support of our homesteading and farming communities, we offer a low 10-poult minimum when selecting from our four exclusive Murray's Turkey lines. In an effort to better serve our local customers, Murray's Turkeys also have a low 6-poult minimum when you select local pick-up at our office in Webster City, IA.

MURRAY'S BROAD-BREADED BRONZE

As our take on the classic Broad-Breasted Bronze, this production variety has excellent conformation and high-quality meat. These lines have nearly a century of breeding excellence behind them. Their large size, excellent feed conversion, and natural fat layering make for a plump table bird.

Murray's Broad-Breasted Bronze Turkey has beautiful feathering. This is one of the largest and heaviest turkey varieties in North America, and they are known as a quintessential Thanksgiving turkey breed. Murray's Broad-Breasted Bronze turkeys are immense birds that can measure up to four feet in length with a six-foot wing span.

Mature males weigh 39-40 lbs. at 20 weeks, while females weigh around 23 lbs. at 18 weeks.

Photos Leah Stewart, George Belka, Jerry Brothill, and Jack Pollner of The Mindful Homestead.

Item #	1-5	6-15	16-24	25+
MBBS	\$21.00	\$19.95	\$18.95	\$18.00

IMPORTANT NOTES when ordering Murray's Turkeys: Vaccinations are NOT available for turkey poults. Customers may mix and match any of the Murray's Turkey's production breeds to meet the minimum order of 10 poults. Heritage turkeys are sold separately and cannot be combined with Murray's Turkeys to meet the minimum order. Murray's Turkeys are hybrids and are not intended for breeding.

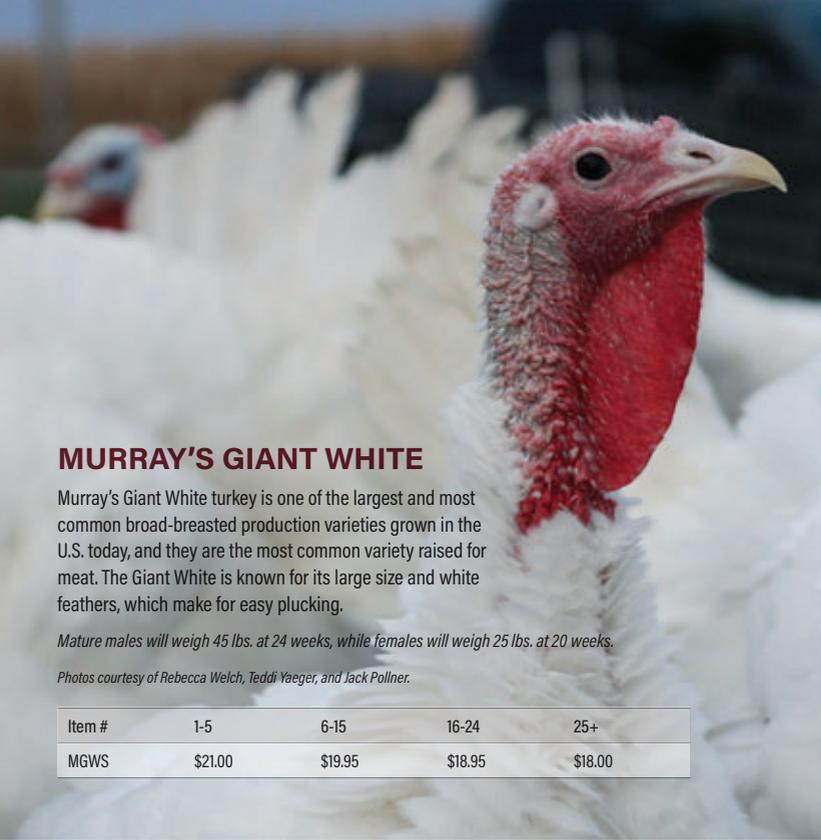


MURRAY'S ONE STOP COOP SHOP

Poult to Plate

McMurray Hatchery's One Stop Coop Shop makes raising your own holiday turkey is easy as pie. Simply log on to McMurrayHatchery.com and order everything you need all at once: turkey poults, brooder equipment, feeders, waterers, electric fencing, organic feed, and processing equipment. We've got you covered from poult to plate.





MURRAY'S GIANT WHITE

Murray's Giant White turkey is one of the largest and most common broad-breasted production varieties grown in the U.S. today, and they are the most common variety raised for meat. The Giant White is known for its large size and white feathers, which make for easy plucking.

Mature males will weigh 45 lbs. at 24 weeks, while females will weigh 25 lbs. at 20 weeks.

Photos courtesy of Rebecca Welch, Teddi Yaeger, and Jack Pollner.

Item #	1-5	6-15	16-24	25+
MGWS	\$21.00	\$19.95	\$18.95	\$18.00



MURRAY'S MIDGET WHITE

Slightly smaller than the Giant Whites, these birds are easier to manage when raising and processing. Their compact size makes for an excellent table bird. This production breed is similar to our Midget Whites, combining Heritage benefits with production qualities.

Males will weigh 26 lbs. at 18 weeks, and females will be 16 lbs. at 16 weeks.

Photos courtesy of Christa Wadekamper, Lisa Carter, Lydia Schoeck, and Mike and Selah Dickson.

Item #	1-5	6-15	16-24	25+
MMWS	\$21.00	\$19.95	\$18.95	\$18.00



MURRAY'S ARTISAN BLACK

Murray's Artisan Black is a slightly smaller production turkey variety that uniquely combines all of the best of both Heritage and production qualities. The Artisan Black offers a hearty flavor unlike any other broad-breasted turkey. These birds thrive on pasture and are good foragers. Their convenient size makes them a good option for those wanting to process their own birds.

Males will weigh 20 lbs. at 20 weeks, while females will come in at 11-12 lbs. at 16 weeks.

Photo courtesy of Stacey Layman, Amanda Skeen, Beth Couden, Mike Dickson, and Marc Norman.

Item #	1-5	6-15	16-24	25+
MBTS	\$21.00	\$19.95	\$18.95	\$18.00



New to brooding turkey poults? Scan the QR code to read the blog post, Raising Turkeys for Beginners with Stacy Benjamin of 5R Farm.



Butchering Kits (above left) pg. 108, Processing Tools (below left) pg. 109, Pluckers (above right) pg. 110, PoultryNet Electric Fencing (below right) pg. 105

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Turkey poults need a little extra care beyond what you may be used to providing when raising chicks. Here are five tips to help you give your poults a healthy start to life.

BROODER TEMPERATURE — The brooder temperature for poults should be kept five degrees higher than it is for chicks at all stages of development. Poults can become easily chilled, which can be detrimental to their health. Monitor the behavior of your poults to make certain the brooder is the correct temperature. If the poults are huddled under the heat source, they are cold and you should lower the heat source. If they are crowded in the corners away from the heat source, it is too hot, and you should raise the heat source. The brooder should be located in a draft-free area. If the brooder is outside you may need to raise or lower the height of the heating source throughout the day as the ambient temperature changes.

MINIMIZE STRESS — For their first week, add vitamins and electrolytes to the poults' water to give their immune system a boost. During this time frame, you should minimize handling your poults. As the poults become stronger and more active, you can spend more time handling them. Always supervise children when handling poults to be sure that they are not being too rough or stressing them.

KEEP IT CLEAN — Sterilize any equipment that has been previously used before introducing it into the brooder. Keep the brooder as clean as possible, cleaning up damp or dirty bedding promptly to minimize the risk of disease. For the first several days, put paper towels on top of the bedding to make it easier to keep clean. Elevate the feeder and waterer to keep them from getting contaminated as the poults scratch around and kick up shavings and waste. Be sure to raise the height of the feeder and waterer as they grow.

FEEDING AND WATERING — It is very important to feed your poults a specialized high-protein starter feed instead of chick starter, which does not contain the nutrition poults need to develop properly. Feed poults a turkey or game bird starter containing 28-30% protein. Adding a few colored marbles (large enough they cannot be swallowed) to their feeder and waterer will draw their attention and encourage them to eat and drink. You can also tap your finger in the feeder and waterer until they come to investigate.

IMMUNITY — Due to their delicate immune systems, poults should be kept off the ground until they are eight weeks old. This is especially important if other poultry have been using the same brooding area, as poults can easily contract soil-borne illnesses. To jump-start their immunity, place a chunk of sod and dirt from their future pasture into the brooder when poults are a week old. After the poults outgrow their brooder, transition them to indoor housing until they are old enough to be outside on pasture.



Stacy Benjamin is a poultry enthusiast, gardener, and beekeeper that credits her first five backyard chickens with her move from the city to the country. 5R Farm is named after Rhoda, Raquel, Rosie, Ruby and Ramona, and is where Stacy resides in St. Helens, Oregon with her husband and a flock of about four dozen very spoiled chickens and turkeys. Stacy began raising Heritage Narragansett turkeys in 2015 and quickly fell in love with their larger-than-life personalities. She enjoys teaching about the joys of turkey ownership and encouraging others to add these beautiful and charismatic birds to their flock. Stacy is a contributor to Backyard Poultry Magazine and Countryside Magazine, and is the author of An Absolute Beginner's Guide to Raising Backyard Turkeys. Stacy shares the antics of her turkeys on her Instagram account @5rfarmoregon, and she blogs on her website at www.5rfarm.com.



heritage turkeys

Heritage turkeys are becoming more and more popular with hobby farmers and homesteaders alike. These birds are an excellent option for people who want to raise their own sustainable flocks. Our Heritage turkey lines all have the ability to breed naturally and will retain their respective characteristics in successive generations. Besides the Chocolate, all of our Heritage turkey varieties are recognized in the APA

Standard of Perfection. All eight of the rare Heritage turkey varieties that we carry are on The Livestock Conservancy's Priority List. The White Holland is listed as 'Threatened'. In 2023, Black Spanish, Royal Palm, and Blue Slate populations improved due to the rise in popularity of pastured poultry. Thankfully, all three varieties moved from 'Threatened' to 'Watch' on the Priority List.

STANDARD BRONZE

Before the development of the Broad-Breasted Bronze in modern commercial production, there was the Standard Bronze. The Bronze is about three quarters of the size of its commercial counterpart, and this rare Heritage variety can breed naturally, requires less feed, and suffers fewer potential leg problems caused by very rapid growth. The Standard Bronze is known for its delicious, flavorful meat and beautiful feather coloring.

Unsexed. Mat. Wt.: Tom 36 lbs., Hen 20 lbs.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6+
SBTS	Unsexed	\$22.00	\$20.90



Photos courtesy of Maria Watkins, The Spry Farm, Tawnie Freeland, and Theresa Young.

BOURBON RED

The Bourbon Red variety is a rare Heritage turkey, with dark, rich chestnut feathers edged in black. These birds sport bright white on their wing tips and on half of their tails. Bourbon Reds are slower growing than the Bronze and White varieties.

Unsexed. Mat. Wt.: Tom 33 lbs., Hen 18 lbs.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6+
BOTS	Unsexed	\$22.00	\$20.90



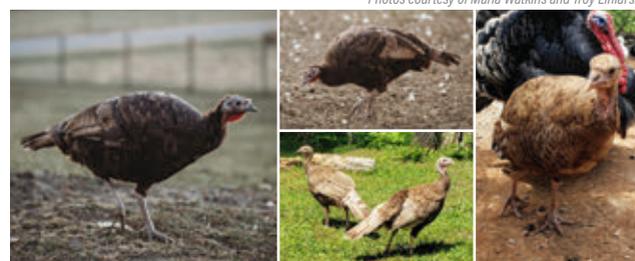
Photos courtesy of Maria Watkins, Taylor and Woody Priest, and Mike and Selah Dickson of The Fit Farmer.

CHOCOLATE

While the Chocolate variety is not recognized in the American Standard of Perfection, it is listed as 'Watch' by The Livestock Conservancy. In fact, this variety has struggled in numbers since the Civil War. As the name suggests, these quiet birds have chocolate-colored feathers, shanks, and feet. They are known to have a calm, friendly disposition.

Unsexed. Mat. Wt.: Tom 33 lbs., Hen 18 lbs.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6+
CHTS	Unsexed	\$22.00	\$20.90



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WHITE HOLLAND

The White Holland is a very old variety originally used as a commercial bird in the early part of the 20th century. Today, White Hollands are very rare and are currently listed as 'Threatened' by The Livestock Conservancy. These birds are typically kept for exhibition.

Unsexed. Mat. Wt.: Tom 36 lbs., Hen 20 lbs.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6+
WHTS	Unsexed	\$22.00	\$20.90



Photos courtesy of Troy Liniarski, and The Spry Farm.

NARRAGANSETT

The Narragansett is a rare Heritage turkey variety. They are mostly black with bands of steel gray. The tail is a dull black penciled in tan and edged in steel gray. These medium-sized turkeys are more calm than other breeds, and hens are good mothers.

Unsexed. Mat. Wt.: Tom 33 lbs., Hen 18 lbs.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6+
NATS	Unsexed	\$22.00	\$20.90



Photos courtesy of Maria Watkins and Erik Gordon.

ROYAL PALM

This small, remarkable turkey is one of the most stunning varieties that we carry. Royal Palms are mostly white with some feathers banded in metallic black. While rare, their numbers are improving. The Royal Palm is one of three varieties that moved up from 'Threatened' to 'Watch' on The Livestock Conservancy Priority List in 2023.

Unsexed. Mat. Wt.: Tom 22 lbs., Hen 12 lbs.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6+
RPTS	Unsexed	\$22.00	\$20.90



Photos courtesy of Maria Watkins, Madalene Anderson, and Jennifer McQueen.

BLUE SLATE

The Blue Slate originated in Mexico. Though this is a rare variety, their numbers are improving. As with all blue feathered poultry and fowl, poultts will come in blue, black, splash, and white. *Please see pg. 6 for more information on the color blue in poultry.*

Unsexed. Mat. Wt.: Tom 33 lbs., Hen 18 lbs.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6+
BLTS	Unsexed	\$22.00	\$20.90



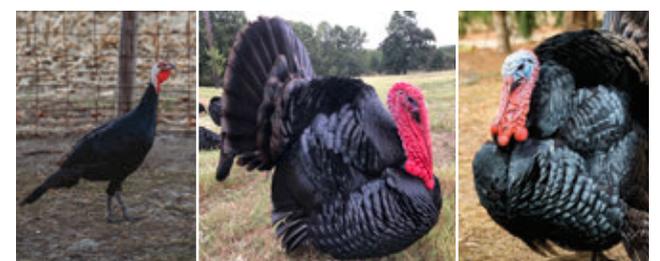
Photos courtesy of Maria Watkins, and Bud and Brenda Willis.

BLACK SPANISH

Spanish turkeys are a glistening, solid black with a greenish luster. This rare Heritage breed originated in Europe. Numbers are improving and the Black Spanish moved from 'Threatened' to 'Watch' on The Livestock Conservancy Priority List in 2023.

Unsexed. Mat. Wt.: Tom 33 lbs., Hen 18 lbs.

Item #	Sex	1-5	6+
BSTS	Unsexed	\$22.00	\$20.90



Photos courtesy of Maria Watkins, Charlotte Fields, and Sharon Spano.

Guineas (SHIPS MAY - SEPTEMBER)

Originally from Africa, guineas are active foragers that thrive on bugs, weeds, and seeds. They are adept at reducing tick populations, and are often used as alarms, calling attention to visitors, predators, and more. Guineas are also prized for their dark and uniquely flavored meat.

PEARL GUINEAS

These are the most common variety of guinea fowl. They are ideal for small farms or homesteads for pest control, as alarm systems, and for their delicious meat. They are easy to raise and are active foragers.

MINIMUM ORDER 30 KEETS

Item #	Sex	1-29	30-59	60-89	90+
PEGS	Unsexed	\$7.97	\$7.22	\$6.85	\$6.47

MINIMUM ORDER 6 KEETS

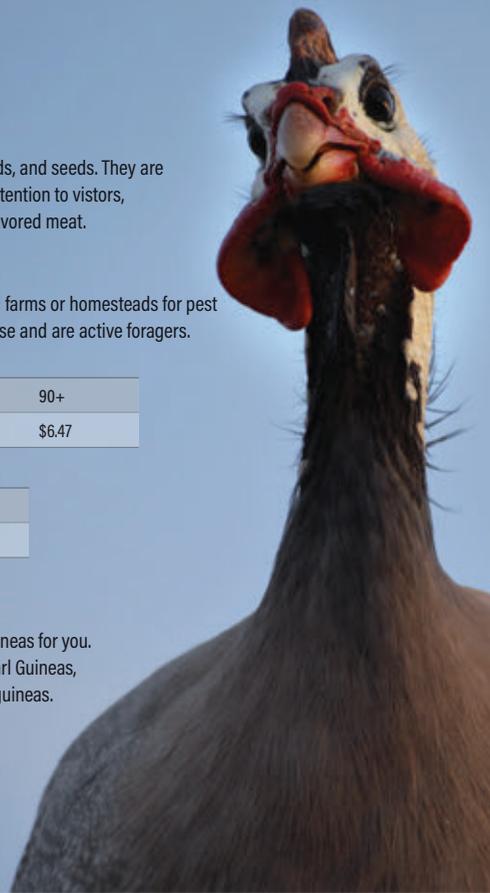
Item #	Sex	1-6	7-13	14+
PEG6S	Unsexed	\$12.00	\$11.00	\$9.38

GUINEA ASSORTMENTS

Add variety to your homestead and let our team select an assortment of guineas for you. Choose from the **Assorted Guinea Package (AGPS)**, which may include Pearl Guineas, or the **Fancy Guinea Assortment (FGAS)**, which offers a variety of colored guineas.

Item #	Sex	30	60
AGPS - Assorted Guinea Package	Unsexed	\$239.70	\$479.40
FGAS - Fancy Guinea Assortment	Unsexed	\$239.70	\$479.40

Sold in lots of 30 or 60 keets. Includes our choice of at least 3 varieties. Straight run (unsexed) only.



Pheasants (SHIPS APRIL - JULY)

RINGNECK PHEASANT

Originating in China, these beautiful wild birds are delicious to eat and make a colorful addition to your yard or farm. Jumbo Ringneck pheasants are similar in appearance to Chinese Ringnecks, but are larger, as their name implies. The Jumbo variety is raised primarily for meat production, taxidermy, and ornamental use. They will average about one pound more than the standard Chinese Ringneck. *Sold in quantities listed only.*

Ringneck hen photo courtesy of Cedar Ledge Farm.

CHINESE RINGNECK PHEASANTS

Item #	Sex	30	60	120
RIPS	Unsexed	\$118.50	\$225.15	\$427.79

JUMBO RINGNECK PHEASANTS

Item #	Sex	30	60	120
JRPS	Unsexed	\$148.50	\$282.15	\$536.09

PHEASANT ASSORTMENT

This beautiful variety includes our choice of at least three of the following breeds: Chinese Ringneck, Jumbo Ringneck, or Kansas pheasants. *Sold in quantities listed only.*

Item #	Sex	30	60
PHAS	Unsexed	\$210.00	\$399.00



MELANISTIC MUTANT PHEASANT

(SHIPS APRIL - JULY)

A favorite variety for release, this breed originated from feral stock in Europe over 100 years ago. These pheasants have a remarkable ability to survive and reproduce in the wild. Males are very dark, with glossy green and blue shades to them. Females are greenish-black. *Sold in quantities listed only.*

Item #	Sex	30	60	120
MMPS	Unsexed	\$148.50	\$282.15	\$536.09

Pheasant orders must total 30, 60, 90, or 120 birds per breed to ensure safe delivery. Pheasants are sold as straight run only. Check with your state wildlife regulatory agency regarding permit requirements. A physical address of the final destination is required for health papers that accompany the birds.



Peafowl Assortment (SHIPS JUNE - AUGUST)

From the pharaohs of Egypt to modern day hobbyists, peafowl have been prized for centuries. These magnificent birds are known for their beautifully fanned tails and unique, colorful feathers. Our Peafowl Assortment includes our choice of at least two of the following varieties: India Blue, Black Shouldered, White, Pied, Spalding, Cameo, Oaten, Purple, and Silver Pied. *Visit our website for a description of each color variety. Peafowl are sold in straight run (unsexed) assortments only. Check with your state wildlife regulatory agency regarding permit requirements. Minimum order of 8 pea chicks.*

PFAS 8 Peafowl - \$560.00

PEAFOWL & GUINEA COMBINATION

This beautiful combination includes 24 total birds - 4 pea chicks and 20 guinea keets. Guineas will include our choice of at least three different varieties. *Upon arrival, start the guineas and peafowl separately.*

PGBS Peafowl & Guineas - \$384.00

Photos courtesy of Regina Sheffer, Nicole Palmer, Susan Knob, Teddi Yaeger, Sam Lamont, Richard LeBlanc, and Sharon Thornton.



Chukar Partridge

(SHIPS APRIL - MID JULY)

These attractive little birds domesticate easily and also do well in the wild. Chukars are quick and small, averaging at about 2/3 the size of a pheasant. Their unique barred feathering and bright orange beak both make them a delight to see in the wild, but their delicious meat makes them a treat for the table, too.

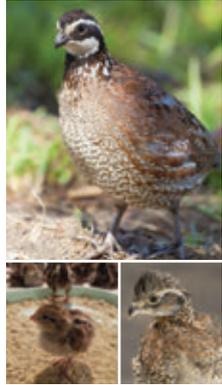
Sold in quantities listed only.

Item #	Sex	35	70
CHPS	Unsexed	\$140.00	\$252.00



Quail

Raising quail offers a bounty of benefits, from their highly-coveted miniature eggs to their delicious meat. Quail are easy to raise and keep, and these tiny birds mature quickly, too.



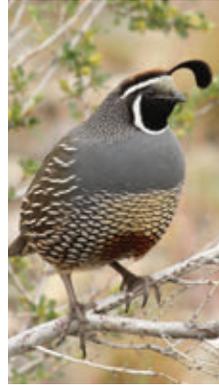
BOBWHITE

(SHIPS JUNE – SEPTEMBER)

Bobwhite Quail are great flyers and a fun addition for any backyard or homestead. Bobwhites are a delicious meat source, and typically ready for processing by 16 weeks, dressing out at 7-9oz. Hens will start laying eggs by 24 weeks and are prolific layers.

Minimum 100 Bobwhite Quail Chicks

Item #	Number of Birds	Price
BWQS	100	\$300.00



CALIFORNIA VALLEY

(SHIPS JUNE ONLY)

The official state bird of California, this breed is prized for its hardiness and adaptability. Their small, plump bodies sport a downward curving black plume on top of their head. Hens lay a creamy white egg that is thickly spotted with golden brown. *Limited supply.*

Minimum 100 California Valley Quail Chicks

Item #	Number of Birds	Price
CVQS	100	\$415.00



GAMBEL

(SHIPS JUNE ONLY)

Gambel Quail are tiny birds commonly found in the desert Southwest. These little birds are gray with a teardrop crest. Males have a black abdominal marking and black necks. Hens are good layers and mothers. *Limited supply.*

Minimum 100 Gambel Quail Chicks

Item #	Number of Birds	Price
GAQS	100	\$415.00



TENNESSEE RED

(SHIPS APRIL – SEPTEMBER)

Tennessee Reds look and whistle like a muted Bobwhite but are red in color with black dots. They are ideal for dog training and hunting preserves. These birds are VERY aggressive and cannot be raised with other quail or game birds. *Limited supply.*

Minimum 100 Tennessee Red Quail Chicks

Item #	Number of Birds	Price
TRQS	100	\$415.00

Quail orders must meet the minimum for each breed. Breeds cannot be mixed to meet the minimum. Minimums vary by breed. Check with your state wildlife regulatory agency regarding permit requirements.

Coturnix Quail

These little birds are the total package! With their small, distinctive spotted eggs, fast rate of growth, and quiet demeanor, Coturnix are easy to raise in a variety of settings. They may be one of our smallest birds, but their many benefits outweigh their stature. These tiny dual-purpose quail come in a beautiful variety of colors. Hens are prolific layers and will begin to lay around 8 weeks of age. As a meat bird, Coturnix average 3-6 oz. at maturity in just 8 weeks!

ASSORTED COTURNIX QUAIL

(SHIPS JANUARY – SEPTEMBER)

Get a jump-start on your covey of quail with our 2-1/2 week-old Assorted Coturnix Quail. **SOLD IN LOTS OF 10 — Choose from our sexed or Celadon packages.** Our sexed pack of Coturnix will include 8 females (reddish) and 2 males (brown). Celadon feather colors and patterns may vary. *Quail grow much more rapidly than chickens. Upon arrival, these Coturnix chicks will be starting to feather out and about twice the size of a baby chick.*

Item #	Sex	Number of Birds	Price
CXQS	8 Female, 2 Male	10	\$120.00
CBQS	10 Straight Run Celadon	10	\$166.00



Photos courtesy of Cassidy Cornell, Nina Mullins, and Bun Luft.

HATCH YOUR OWN! Don't miss our Celadon Coturnix blue hatching eggs, see pg. 90.

Exotic Juvenile Birds

McMurray Hatchery offers a wide selection of exotic juvenile birds. From the picturesque Wood Duck to the popular Red Golden Pheasant, or the regal East African Crowned Crane, our selection is unparalleled. Our array of ducks, pheasants, swans, cranes, and other rare finds will excite even the most discerning aficionado. For a complete list, visit McMurrayHatchery.com.

Prices are subject to change without notice. Shipping not included. For more information visit our website or call 800.456.3280.

JUVENILE DUCKS

Shop our extensive variety of exotic juvenile duck breeds year-round — including Mandarin, Wood, North American Pintail, Ring Teal, and more. Visit our website for a complete list of breeds, pricing, and availability.

Item #	Breed	1 Pair
MDKS	Mandarin Duck (Left)	\$262.50*
NAPS	North American Pintail Duck (Middle)	\$300.00*
WDKS	Wood Duck (Right)	\$225.00*

*Pricing subject to change. Shipping not included. Juveniles may not present full color when shipped.



JUVENILE PHEASANTS

Our exotic pheasants are some of the most show-stopping birds we carry. These colorful birds are highly sought after by enthusiasts, aviaries, zoos, vineyards, and tropical island estates.

Item #	Pheasant Breeds	1 Pair (JUVENILES)
LAPS	Lady Amherst Pheasant (Upper right)	\$187.50*
RGFS	Red Golden Pheasant (Upper left)	\$187.50*
PHRS	Reeves Pheasant (Center bottom)	\$187.50*
SLPS	Silver Pheasant (Lower right)	\$187.50*
YGPS	Yellow Golden Pheasant (Lower left)	\$187.50*

*Prices shown for juvenile pairs. Shipping not included. Pricing and availability are subject to change. Visit our website for a complete list of pheasant breeds and availability. Juveniles may not present full color when shipped. Pheasants will fly — please call to request a wing trim.



VISIT MCMURRAYHATCHERY.COM TO SHOP MORE EXOTIC JUVENILE BIRDS INCLUDING PEAFOWL, DOVES, QUAIL, PARTRIDGE, AND MORE!

JUVENILE SWANS & CRANES

Swans and cranes are some of the most majestic waterfowl species. Swans symbolize true love and have a calming presence as they glide effortlessly across the water. Cranes are stunningly tall, slender birds that have a graceful appearance.

Visit our website for a complete list of swan and crane varieties, availability, and pricing. Swan varieties include the Mute Swan, Whooper, Trumpeter, and the rare Australian Black Swan. Cranes include the East African Crowned Crane, the Demoiselle, and more.



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CHICKEN EGGS

(AVAILABLE FEB - OCT)

Item #	10 Eggs	20 Eggs	30 Eggs	40 Eggs
Special Assorted				
ECAS	\$63.10	\$118.00	\$153.30	\$195.60
White Leghorn				
ECLS	\$63.10	\$118.00	\$153.30	\$195.60
Red Star				
ECSS	\$63.10	\$118.00	\$153.30	\$195.60

DUCK EGGS

(AVAILABLE FEB - NOV)

Item #	Breed	12 Eggs	24 Eggs
EDB	Buff	\$114.84	\$218.40
EDK	Khaki Campbell	\$114.84	\$218.40
EDY	Cayuga	\$114.84	\$218.40
EDU	White Muscovy	\$114.84	\$218.40
EDP	Pekin	\$114.84	\$218.40
EDR	Rouen	\$114.84	\$218.40
EDF	Fawn & White Runner	\$114.84	\$218.40
EDZ	Swedish	\$114.84	\$218.40
EDD	Assorted Ducks*	\$114.84	\$218.40

**Assorted Duck Eggs will include our choice of two varieties per dozen — or four per two dozen — from the above list.*

ASSORTED GUINEA EGGS

(AVAILABLE JUNE - SEP)

Item #	12 Eggs	24 Eggs
EGES	\$64.80	\$129.60

Shop our complete line incubators and educational kits for hatching projects, see pg. 92.

QUAIL EGGS

Sorry, we are unable to ship quail eggs to New Mexico.

Item #	30 Eggs	60 Eggs	90 Eggs
Bobwhite (AVAILABLE MAR - AUG)			
EQBS	\$96.00	\$142.80	\$205.20
Tennessee Red (AVAILABLE MAR - AUG)			
EQRS	\$105.00	\$204.00	\$297.00
Texas Blue Scale (AVAILABLE MAY - JUN)			
EQTS	\$105.00	\$204.00	\$297.00
California Valley (AVAILABLE MAY - JUL)			
EQCS	\$105.00	\$204.00	\$297.00
Gambel (AVAILABLE MAY - JUN)			
EQGS	\$105.00	\$204.00	\$297.00
Item #	30 Eggs	60 Eggs	120 Eggs
Assorted Mixed Color Coturnix (AVAILABLE JAN - NOV)			
EQQS	\$96.00	\$180.00	\$336.00
Assorted Rare Color Coturnix (AVAILABLE JAN - NOV)			
ECCS	\$96.00	\$180.00	\$336.00
Assorted Feather-Sexable Coturnix (AVAILABLE JAN - NOV)			
ECXS	\$96.00	\$180.00	\$336.00
Jumbo Egyptian Coturnix (AVAILABLE JAN - NOV)			
ECJS	\$123.00	\$218.50	\$409.50
Celadon Coturnix (AVAILABLE JAN - NOV)			
EBXS	\$153.00	\$278.50	\$529.50

IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING HATCHING EGGS:

- We guarantee all hatching eggs we ship are fresh and will arrive in good condition.
- We are unable to guarantee the hatchability of any eggs due to conditions beyond our control during shipping and incubation.
- All hatching eggs are shipped prepaid Priority Mail and are insured. Open the box at the Post Office and report any broken eggs to your Postal Office or delivery driver before calling customer service.
- Prices shown include shipping and packaging.
- We do not accept orders for specific breeds other than what is listed here.
- HAWAIIAN ORDERS: please allow three weeks to obtain an import permit.

Incubation

Nothing compares to placing eggs in an incubator and watching them hatch just 21 days later. We've been hatching chicks weekly for over a century and it never gets old.

Are you ready to try your hand at hatching your own chicks? Shop our curated collection of incubators and hatchers — and be sure to give us a call if you have questions along the way.

Shop **HATCHING EGGS** — Chicken, duck, goose, quail, and more. See page 90 for pricing.



BRINSEA MINI II ADVANCE INCUBATOR

This fully-automated home incubator holds seven chicken eggs and controls temperature to ensure consistent and reliable hatches. Just add water to the reservoir each day to achieve correct humidity levels. Features automatic egg turning with auto-stop two days prior to hatching, countdown to hatch, temperature alarms, and a digital display. Operates at low voltage for safety.

HATCHING EGGS SOLD SEPARATELY.

2BA - \$299.99



Shop **CHICK STARTER KITS** and **BROODER EQUIPMENT** on page 94-95.

FULL VIEW TABLE-TOP CHICK-BATOR INCUBATOR WITH TURNER

This newly updated incubator is designed for home use and features a crystal clear top for a complete view of your hatching chicks. Holds up to 50 chicks or duck hatching eggs. Includes turner and universal racks. Additional egg trays sold separately. (110V AC). 18"L x 18"W x 7.5"H

HATCHING EGGS SOLD SEPARATELY. Approximate egg capacity without turner: 70 chicken, 90 pheasant or chukar, 40 turkey or duck, or 200 quail. With turner: 42 chicken, 120 quail, or up to 12 goose.

Full View Table-Top Chick-Bator 251B - \$139.95



Visit McMurrayHatchery.com to shop additional Chick-Bator egg rack options and models.

COOL-LITE EGG CANDLER

Examine eggs for consumption, or check development of incubating eggs with this hand-held egg candler. Includes a 5' electric cord. Bulb included. 5GCLT - \$15.10



NEW! BRINSEA MAXI 24 ADVANCE INCUBATOR

Watch your baby chicks hatch with our newest incubator from Brinsea — the Maxi 24 Advance. Fits up to 24 small-to-standard size chicken eggs, or 12 larger chicken, duck, or turkey eggs with the two tray sets included. Mix and match small and large eggs in one round by snapping together the interchangeable tray quadrants. The Maxi 24 Advance is fully automatic and features automatic egg turning, easy to use digital display with countdown to hatch, fan-assisted air circulation, temperature alerts, and more. All you need to do is set your eggs and add a bit of water in the reservoir periodically. Ideal for families, classrooms, or anyone new to incubation. Operates at low voltage for safety.

HATCHING EGGS SOLD SEPARATELY.

2BAX - \$389.99



BRINSEA MAXI 24 ADVANCE comes with two interchangeable four-quadrant egg turning trays.

CLASSROOM INCUBATOR & BROODER KIT

For the classroom, homeschool, or chicken loving families, this all-in-one kit includes...

- **Full View Picture Window Incubator** with electronic thermostat, fan, and automatic egg turner. (UL/CUL Listed)
- **Candling Device** to check egg development.
- **Brooder Kit** contains galvanized wire cage and removable plastic tray for easy cleaning, chick feed (5 lbs.), chick grit (1 lb.), Quik Chik, waterer, feeder, brooder lamp, bulb, and thermometer.

2NCIB - \$299.00



HATCHING EGGS SOLD SEPARATELY

We recommend ordering this kit 2-3 weeks before your hatching eggs arrive. Recommended for use in a room that is at least 65 degrees with no direct drafts. Brooder will hold up to 30 chicks for up to 2 weeks.

HIGH HATCH INCUBATOR

The High Hatch Incubator is a complete hatcher and incubator all in one. With three turning racks and a hatching tray, you can add eggs each week and set the oldest in the hatching tray. Features include a Digital Command Center thermostat with back-up, turning racks, plastic hatching tray, moisture pan and wick pads, and instructions. 110 Volt AC. 225 Watts. 30.25"D x 15.75"W x 31.75"H

2MULT - \$920.50

Egg trays & accessories sold separately at McMurrayHatchery.com



HIGH HATCHER

Combine with our High Hatch Incubator to better control temperature and humidity for an optimum hatch. The five covered hatching trays hold a full set of eggs from the incubator. Features include a Digital Command Center thermostat with back-up, five hatching trays, four tray covers, moisture pan with wick pads, and instructions. 110 Volt AC. 225 Watts. 30.25"D x 15.75"W x 31.75"H

2GMUL - \$875.50



Brooder Heat

BRINSEA ECOGLOW RADIANT HEAT BROODER

Safer and more efficient than a traditional heat bulb, radiant heat brooders mimic a mother hen. Just adjust the height of the plate so your baby poultry can get underneath for warmth. The EcoGlow is available in multiple sizes to accommodate smaller or larger numbers of birds. These brooders are suitable for starting chicks, ducklings, and other baby poultry. *Recommended for use indoors in an area with an ambient temperature of at least 65 degrees.*

ECOGLOW 600 Up to 12-15 chicks. 3EB2 - \$99.99

ECOGLOW 1200 Up to 20-25 chicks. 3EB6 - \$139.99



SINGLE BULB BROODER

This brooder will supply heat for approximately 100 baby chicks. Clamp included. Thermostat and bulb not included. 3B1BB - \$18.85

Infrared Heat Bulb (250 Watt, 110 Volt)

3MHB - \$8.35



Pictured with bulb installed. Bulb sold separately.



CAUTION: Use caution when using brooder lamps. Lamps can get very hot and can be a fire hazard. Fasten lamp securely away from bedding or other flammable items.

FOUR BULB BROODER

This thermostatically controlled brooder will supply enough heat for approximately 350 chicks. You can adjust the thermostat to have either two or four lights on to maintain temperature. Bulbs not included. Replacement parts available online. 3B4BB - \$96.90

Infrared Heat Bulb 4 pack. (250 Watt, 110 Volt)

3MHB4 - \$29.99



Unit shown with bulbs installed. Bulbs sold separately.

PRIMA HEAT LAMP® AND STAND

Brood your chicks with this rugged and reliable hanging lamp. This brooder lamp features a protective guard over the bulb area and a 16 ft. cord with anti-chew spring wire. Add the stand for a complete brooding solution that allows you to move the lamp up and down to adjust heat levels. Infrared Heat Bulbs sold separately.

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Prima Heat Lamp PHL - \$64.50

Heat Lamp Stand HLS - \$40.00

Infrared Heat Bulb 3MHB - \$8.35

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CANOPY GAS BROODER

Hanging LP gas brooder made of rigid steel for durability and strength. The S.I.T. modulating control delivers variable quiet heat from 17,000-30,000 BTUH. Heats 1,000 to 1,250 brooding chicks. Burner is factory assembled for quick installation. Canopy measures 34" and ships in two cartons. Includes 1-year warranty. PROFESSIONAL INSTALLATION RECOMMENDED. 3KGB - \$378.00



UNIVERSAL BOX BROODER AND 3-TIER START AND GROW UNIT

Take brooding to the next level with commercial box units. Openings adjust for chick size. Choose our single Universal Box Brooders, or our full 3-Tier Start and Grow Unit. The Start and Grow 3-tier solution includes one Universal Box Brooder plus two expanded grow-out pens, base stand with casters, heat, and troughs for feed/water. Move chicks from brooder to grow-off pens as they grow. Expander adds height as chicks grow.

3-Tier Start and Grow Unit 3GSG - \$959.99

Universal Box Brooder Only 3GMHB - \$319.95

Grow-Off Pen Only 3GP - \$239.99

Expander Unit for added height. 3GE - \$72.65

Base Stand Only With Swivel Casters 3GB - \$120.35

Universal Box Brooder and 3-Tier Start and Grow unit not intended for use past brooding and initial grow out. Chick capacity will vary based on breed. For use indoors, not sufficient for use outdoors or in a cold or unheated location.





Starter Kits

Once you've ordered your baby chicks, you'll need a brooder for them when they arrive. Chicks need supplemental heat for the first 6-8 weeks, until they grow out their feathers and can regulate their own body temperature. Our starter kits contain all the items you'll need to get your chicks off to a good start. We recommend ordering supplies at least four weeks before your chicks ship.

PLATINUM STARTER KIT

Our most complete brooder setup has all you need to get started with your new baby chicks. Just set it up and add some bedding! This kit features the Brinsea EcoGlow 600 — a safe radiant heat brooder preferred by most backyard chicken owners over traditional heat lamps. Also included is the Chicken Help Book Bundle, a two-book set by best-selling author Gail Damerow. The Platinum Starter Kit will handle up to 15 chicks for two weeks and can be stored and reused again. Includes all of the following:

- Brinsea EcoGlow 600 Radiant Heat Chick Brooder
- 1 Gallon Waterer
- 20" Chick Feeder — Holds 5 lbs. of Feed
- Reusable Plastic Brooder Panels
- Brooder Thermometer
- Quik Chik Electrolytes
- Gail Damerow Chicken Help Book Bundle — Includes *Storey's Guide to Raising Chickens* and *The Chicken Health Handbook*
- Organic Chick Starter Feed — 5 Lb. Bag

5PK1 - \$180.00



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ECOGLow 600 Up to 12-15 chicks. 3EB2 - \$99.99

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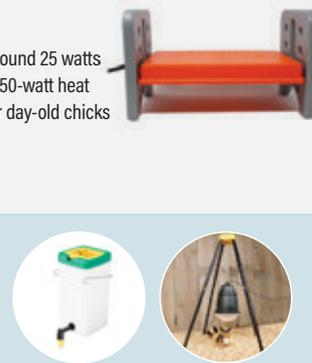
THERMO POULTRY BROODER

This affordable and efficient brooder uses around 25 watts to warm up to 15 chicks. Compare that to a 250-watt heat bulb! Adjustable so you can keep it lower for day-old chicks and raise it up as the chicks grow.

1000 - \$45.00

Shop **Brooder Lamps**, including the new *Prima Hanging Lamp and stand*, pg. 93.

Shop **Waterers**, including our new chick nipple waterer for baby chicks, pg. 98-99.



PREMIUM STARTER KIT

This upgraded kit has all of the essentials for starting your chicks except feed and bedding. Capable of handling 25 chicks for two weeks, this setup is great for reusing over and over again. Brooder panels fold flat for easy storage till next year.

Add the Chick Starter Home (5FSH, pictured below) to add more panels for more space.

INCLUDES:

- 1 Gallon Waterer
- 20" Chick Feeder — Holds 5 lbs. of feed
- Brooder Lamp and 250-watt Bulb
- Adjustable Lamp Hanger
- Reusable Plastic Brooder Panels
- Brooder Thermometer
- Quik Chik Electrolytes

5PSK - \$75.00



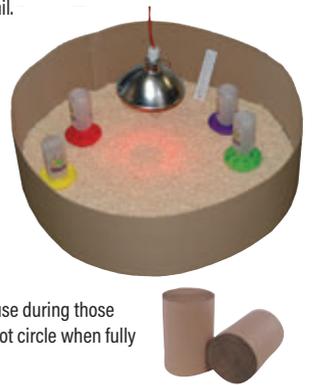
STARTER KIT

This convenient kit has the items you need to start your baby poultry. Perfect for all day-old poultry, except quail.

INCLUDES:

- 2 1-Qt Waterers,
- 2 1-LB Chick Feeders
- Brooder Guard
- Single Bulb Brooder & Infrared Bulb
- Brooder Thermometer

Starter Kit 5MSK - \$55.00



BROODER GUARD

Single-faced corrugated draft shield for use during those important first few weeks. Makes an 8-foot circle when fully extended, 12" high. 5MBG - \$4.99



CHICK STARTER HOME

This adjustable brooder enclosure sets up easily and then folds flat when you're done. Durable plastic panels are washable and reusable. Holds up to 25 chicks for about two weeks. Add to our Premium or Platinum kits to create a larger brooder. Includes adjustable lamp hanger. **Lamp, feeders, waterers, and feed sold separately.**

5FSH - \$30.66



QUAIL STARTER KIT

Start your quail chicks right with this specialized kit:

- 2 1-Quart Waterers
- Game Bird Feeder
- Single Bulb Brooder with Infrared Bulb
- Brooder Thermometer
- *Raising Bobwhite Quail Book*

5QSK - \$54.00



Electrolytes for Poultry



QUIK CHIK

Get your chicks off to a good start with Quik Chik, our own combination of vitamins and electrolytes formulated specifically for baby poultry. Just add it to your flock's drinking water. Quik Chik helps chicks overcome stress and vitamin depletion. Order extra to help your older birds during stressful times, like molting and extreme heat! One 4 oz. package will last 200 chicks for about two weeks.

SAVE during checkout when you order Quik Chik to ship **in the box** with your chicks!

SHIPS FREE! 6QC4 - \$4.39



BROILER BOOSTER

Cornish Cross, other broiler breeds, turkeys, and many heavy breeds of chickens have astounding growth rates. If managed incorrectly, this rapid growth can sometimes cause health problems. Broiler Booster contains Vitamins A, D, E, B-12, electrolytes, and biotin, which really works to support strong leg growth. When added to your chicks' water, it will increase their overall health and strength, and result in more food on the table.

SAVE during checkout when you order Broiler Booster to ship **in the box** with your chicks!

SHIPS FREE! 6BB4 - \$8.95



GRO-GEL PLUS

Gro-Gel provides nutrition, hydration, and beneficial microorganisms to jump-start your chicks' digestive systems. Contains proteins, amino acids, vitamins, carbohydrates, fats, and probiotic bacteria. Research has shown using Gro-Gel results in substantially improved livability and mature bodyweights while reducing bird loss. *We know it works— we ship it in every chick order!*

SAVE during checkout when you order Gro-Gel to ship **in the box** with your chicks!

SHIPS FREE! 6GEL - \$4.20

Poultry Feeders

When you shop for feeders and other poultry equipment at McMurray Hatchery, you can do so with confidence. Our selection of poultry equipment has been carefully curated, and each product we offer has been tried and tested by our team – at work, and at home in our own personal coops!

More feeders available at [McMurrayHatchery.com!](http://McMurrayHatchery.com)

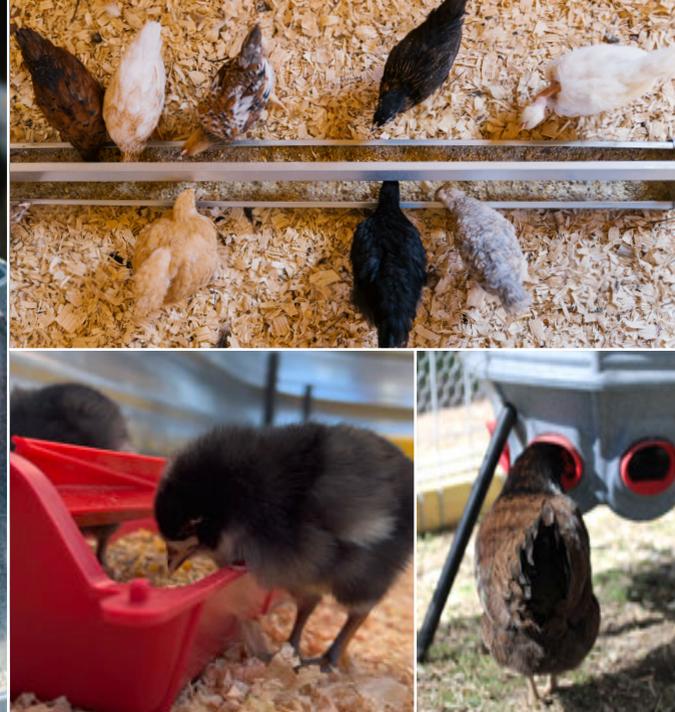


Photo courtesy of Nina Mullins.



GALVANIZED FEEDER

Nothing lasts longer than heavy-duty galvanized poultry equipment. Available in three convenient sizes, these galvanized feeders come with a metal handle and feeders are designed to minimize feed waste, prevent pests, and are a family favorite. Prevent roosting by adding a metal or plastic protective cover, available online at McMurrayHatchery.com.

12-lb. Feeder 4G15 - \$18.00
Capacity: 15-30 chickens, small birds, or chicks.

30-lb. Feeder 4M30 - \$24.00
Capacity: 30-50 large chickens or pheasants.

40-lb. Feeder 4M40 - \$29.00
Capacity: 50-75 chickens, broilers, or other mature birds.



SHIPS FREE!
More sizes and stands available online!

NEW! COOPWORX 80 LB. FEEDER

MADE IN THE USA This is the ultimate in feeders. Features a rust proof, molded body with roost-resistant hinged lid. Elevated with unique telescoping legs to prevent feed loss, while keeping feed dry and pest-free. 4CWF80 - \$269.00



DURA FEEDER

Prevent feed waste with these durable trough feeders. Available in three sizes to match your flock's needs. *NOTE: Color may vary.*

39" Feeder Up to 30 adult birds. 4BT1 - \$43.00
19" Feeder Less than 20 birds. 4BT2 - \$26.75

GALVANIZED SNAP-ON FEEDER AND QUART JAR FEEDER BASE

Both of these small feeders are ideal for starting chicks. Jar feeder base attaches to any 1-qt. canning jar.

Snap-On Feeder 4B9HF - \$2.95
Quart Jar Feeder Base 4BGJF - \$4.80



60-INCH TROUGH FEEDER WITH REEL

Our largest PVC trough feeder and a Hatchery favorite. Built-in anti-roost reel keeps birds out of the feed and sides curve in to prevent spillage. Ideal for use with larger flocks. 4BT3 - \$75.00



GALVANIZED 48-INCH RANGE TROUGH FEEDER

An off-the-ground feeder that is perfect for larger flocks or adult birds. 48"L x 4"W x 2"D and stands 5" high. Galvanized steel. 4M48 - \$22.80



50-POUND RANGE TANK FEEDER

This large-capacity range feeder combines quality and durability. Large 24" diameter rain shield keeps your feed dry and removes for easy filling. The deep base and grill design both prevent feed waste. Built solid for multiple seasons of use.

4KR50 - \$75.00



HANGING EXTREME RANGE FEEDER

MADE IN THE USA Fill this durable hanging range feeder with 35 pounds of feed and seal it with the leak-proof kayak lid knowing it will remain fresh and dry no matter the weather. Off-ground design keeps your feed rodent and pest free.

4SHF - \$52.00



EXTREME RANGE FEEDER

MADE IN THE USA This virtually indestructible waterproof and spill-proof feeder is made of marine-grade materials. We've used this feeder for years at home! Capacity: 50 lb. (shown) or 25 lb. *Visit our website for more sizes, colors, and to add an elevated stand.*

4SFY - \$66.00



PLASTIC HANGING FEEDER

Plastic hanging feeder features a built-in molded plastic grill. All three sizes come complete with cover and height adjuster. Rope handle not included.

22 Lb. For baby chicks. 4KPF1 - \$21.15
35 Lb. For adult chickens. 4KPF2 - \$28.70
50 Lb. For turkeys. 4KPF3 - \$36.35



NEW FOR 2026!

SINGLE-PORT 5 LB. CHICKEN FEEDER WITH ANTI-ROOST LID AND RAIN HOOD

Rent-A-Coop's 5-lb. feeder is ideal for small backyard flocks and spaces. Features a single port with a hood to help keep out the elements. Easily hangs, or can be mounted inside your coop or run. 4RAC5F - \$29.95



NEW! OVEEZ CLASSIC FEEDER

Convenient feeder holds up to 50 lbs. of feed for chickens 12 weeks and older. Made for use indoors and outdoors, this feeder's no-waste design prevents feed from spilling and soiling feed. Made from durable UV-protected, food-safe, BPA-free, recyclable plastic.

40EZ2 - \$99.99

PLASTIC JAR FEEDER

A handy and economical option for feeding up to 12 chicks. Feeder Base features eight openings to minimize spillage. Base can be used with our plastic jar or a canning jar. Jar can be used with the plastic water base.



Item #	Product	1	4+
4YF2	Plastic Feeder Base	\$4.80	\$4.70
4YF3	Plastic 1-Quart Jar	\$2.05	\$1.98
4YF5	1-Quart Plastic Feeder	\$5.75	\$5.20

HIGH END HEN

This tube feeder includes brackets to attach to the wall of a wire pen or coop. Removable top allows for easy filling and spout opening helps prevent food waste while enclosed design keeps feed dry.

Holds 10 pounds of feed.

Pair with the High End Hen Waterer, pg. 99. Both designed for use with the Spring Fling Mobile Coop and Welded Wire Pen, pg. 105.

4HEF - \$48.95



GAME CHICK FEEDER

This feeder is designed for quail, partridge, pheasants, and other small birds. It is made of sturdy plastic and will hold 5 lbs. of feed in a sanitary manner. Has 24.5" of feed space.



Item #	1	4+
4GGF1	\$17.00	\$16.00



20" PLASTIC CHICK FEEDER

COVERED TO PREVENT FOOD WASTE REEL TOP PREVENTS ROOSTING

This 20" long plastic feeder is an affordable option to feed up to 25 chicks. Choose from a flip top to help keep chicks out of the feed, or a reel top to prevent roosting. Both options are easy to refill and clean.

Covered Flip-Top Feeder 4BTF - \$3.50
Reel Top 4BCF1 - \$3.50

Poultry Waterers



Like all living things, chickens need water. It's essential for digestion, egg production, and regulating body heat. Access to clean water is the most important thing you will need to provide when raising and keeping poultry and other animals. In extreme temperatures, both hot and cold, water is even more necessary than feed. Under normal conditions, the average adult chicken drinks about a pint of water each day. This can increase due to temperature (doubling in warmer months), health, or even high protein and salt in their diet. A laying hen drinks twice as much water as a non-layer. A one gallon waterer holds about 6 pints — enough for about six chickens under normal conditions. Keep your flock hydrated by providing ample waterers for the number of birds in your flock, refilling and cleaning regularly.

GALVANIZED WATERERS

"When all others fail, I always have my galvanized waterer."

— Tom Watkins, McMurray Hatchery President and Owner

These high-quality and durable galvanized steel waterers are built to last and are very easy to use. The tops come off for quick and easy filling.

- 2 Gallon** – Up to 100 chicks. 4BG2 - \$25.00
- 5 Gallon** – Up to 75 adult birds. 4BG5 - \$38.00
- 8 Gallon** – Up to 100 adult birds. 4BG8 - \$52.00



Hatchery hint: order at least one size larger than you think — as your chicks grow and drink more, this will help cut down your number of trips to refill waters.



SHIPS FREE!
More sizes and stands available online!

NEW! COOPWORX 8-GALLON WATERER

MADE IN THE USA This ultimate water silo features six nipple waterers with integrated drip cups. This durable watering station is rust proof and roost-resistant with an elevated with telescoping base. Pair with the Coopworx Feeder (pg. 96) for a complete solution for your flock. 4CWW8 - \$239.00



HEATED POULTRY NIPPLE WATERER

The 3-gallon Heated Poultry Nipple Waterer keeps your flock's water clean, unfrozen, and flowing in temperatures as low as -20°F. The unit's built in automatic thermostat turns it on a 40°F and off at 60°F. It's also perfect for warmer months — simply detach and store the 16' electric cord in the base of the unit. 4BHNW - \$62.00



NEW! OVEREZ CLASSIC WATERER

This unique chicken nipple waterer has a 12-gallon capacity and keeps your flock's water clean! Features three no-drip nipples, and is made of durable UV-protected, food-safe, BPA-free, recyclable plastic. 40EZ1 - \$89.99



NEW! CHICK NIPPLE WATERER

Nipple waterers help keep water — and brooder bedding — clean and fresh! This small drinker starts your chicks off using nipple waterers from the beginning. *Set or hang drinker to a height just above the average beak height of your birds to allow easy access and drinking.* Includes a metal hanging bracket. Optional brackets for hanging on a wall or outside of a cage are available. 4CNW - \$6.00

Make your own nipple waterer. Poultry nipples available online at McMurrayHatchery.com.



PLASTIC JAR WATERERS

An easy, economical option for watering up to 12 chicks. Each base can be used with our plastic jar or a standard glass canning jar. Interchangeable with 1-Quart plastic feeder base. Easy to clean.

Item #	Product	1	4+
4YF1	Plastic Chick Waterer Base	\$2.25	\$2.00
4YQB	Plastic Quail Waterer Base	\$2.25	\$2.00
4YF3	Plastic 1-Quart Jar	\$2.05	\$1.98
4YF4	1-Quart Chick Waterer	\$3.75	\$3.40
4YQW	1-Quart Quail Waterer	\$4.75	\$4.30

Quart Waterer top and base are interchangeable with the Quart-sized Plastic Feeder, see pg. 97.



PLASTIC WATERERS

These tough poly-founts are an ideal option for most flocks. Available in 1-, 2-, and 3-gallon sizes. Bases and water vessels are interchangeable. Individual pieces sold separately on our website. Includes a red chicken base.

Chick base not for use with quail. Quail base, sold separately online, is interchangeable on the 1- and 2-gallon waterers.

1-GALLON PLASTIC WATERER 4BYW1 - \$7.50

2-GALLON PLASTIC WATERER 4B2 - \$13.45

QUAIL BASE Fits 1- and 2-Gallon Waterers 4BCQ - \$4.05

3-GALLON PLASTIC WATERER 4K3G - \$24.60



NEW FOR 2026!

1-GALLON WATERER WITH HORIZONTAL NIPPLES AND/OR AUTO-FILL CUPS

Rent-A-Coop's waterer is ideal for small backyard flocks and spaces. Includes 2 horizontal nipples with dribble dishes, 2 auto-fill cups, and mounting kit. Easily hangs, or can be mounted in your coop or run. 4RAC1W - \$43.95



5-GALLON DURA FOUNT

This durable waterer features a wide-mouth opening for easy filling or cleaning and a handle for easy carrying. Replacement parts available online at McMurrayHatchery.com. 4MD5 - \$41.10

HIGH END HEN WATERER WITH DRINKER CUP

This 2-gallon waterer with poultry cup drinker includes brackets to attach to the wall of a wire pen or coop. Drinker cup provides clean water to chickens while minimizing waste. Removable top allows for easy filling. 4HEW - \$38.95

Pair with the High End Hen Feeder, see pg. 97.

Make your own cup waterer. Cup waterers available at McMurrayHatchery.com.



6-GALLON MILDEEW-RESISTANT HANGING NIPPLE WATERER

Made of high-density marine-grade plastic, built to last and inhibit mildew and mold growth. A McMurray Hatchery exclusive! 20" H x 20" W 4SHW - \$49.99



PLATFORM STAND

Prevent your chickens or other poultry from kicking shavings into their water and feed by raising your waterers and feeders with this plastic platform. Ideal for most waterers or feeders. 2.75"H x 20.5"D. 4KPS - \$23.00



Winter Essentials
Keep your flock safe and their water flowing with our complete line of cold-weather items — SEE PG. 101

Watering Systems

AUTOMATIC WATER BOWLS

This gravity watering system provides an ongoing supply of fresh water and is a favorite among many seasoned poultry experts. The bowl is made from high-impact styrene and includes a solid brass valve that controls the level of water in the bowl. Bowls must be suspended at least 2-3" above the ground in order to operate properly. Brass valve assembly included with each bowl. Operates at 10-70 PSI.

King Size Bowl For up to 300 Mature Birds. 4YKB - \$34.64

Game Size Bowl For up to 200 Game Birds. 4YGB - \$27.30

Baby Chick Bowl For up to 250 Baby Chicks. 4YBB - \$27.50

WATER BOWL KITS — Our newly redesigned installation kits make it easy to connect your water bowls to a hose or bucket suspended by a wall bracket or a movable stand.

Wall Mount Kit 4YK - \$14.05

Water Bowl Stand Kit 4TPK - \$39.98



Shop stands, covers and parts for automatic water bowls online at McMurrayHatchery.com



9-INCH DRINKER

This lightweight drinker quickly connects to any garden hose to give your birds extra water on a hot day. This is the same bowl that comes in our 3-Bowl Watering System (right). Includes tubing and a hose connector. Just attach it to your faucet or outdoor hose (up to 50 PSI) and the float inside the bowl regulates the water level. 4G22 - \$17.50

3-BOWL WATERING SYSTEM

This three-bowl system hooks onto your water spigot. It is made to operate on water pressure up to 50 lbs. PSI. May be used for all types of poultry over 10 days of age. Contains three 9-inch diameter water bowls and tubing with hose connection. 4GWS - \$49.85



Winter Accessories

When the weather turns cold, it's important to keep your flock protected from the elements and keep their water clean and thawed. Our line of winter equipment and accessories will help you and your flock weather the elements.

PhotoS courtesy of Nina Mullins and Amanda Penn Odom.



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HEATED POULTRY WATERER

3-gallon plastic waterer has a thermostat-controlled 100-watt heater. Fills from the bottom. Use only in a dry, sheltered area. 2' cord. 4HPW - \$45.95



NO FREEZE HEATER BASE

UL listed heater base is safe for use with most poultry waterers. Thermostatically controlled to not heat unless the temperatures are cold enough to be needed. For use in sheltered areas only. 16" diameter. 4KB1 - \$46.50



WATER DE-ICER

Keep 50 gallons of water thawed. Safe for use in most waterers. Thermo-controlled to heat when needed. Cast aluminum. 5CWD - \$45.00



THERMO-CUBE® OUTLET ADAPTER

Plugs into a standard 15-amp electrical outlet. Turns power on at 35°F and off at 45°F automatically. Great for use with heated waterers. 4PLUG - \$16.50



THERMO-CHICKEN™ HEATED PAD

Help your chickens stay warm when frigid winter temperatures arrive. Features an internal thermostat. MET listed and energy efficient. 12.5"L x 18"W. 4KHTC - \$87.99



PERFECT BUCKET HEATER

Keep up to 5 gallons ice-free using only 80 watts. Safe for buckets, plastic or metal. 57" cord. MET listed. 5PBH - \$34.50



THERMO-CHICKEN™ HEATED PERCH

Birds lose body heat through their feet and can lose toes due to frostbite. Protect your birds with a heated perch. Features dual thermostats. MET listed. 36"L x 14"W x 8"H. 5.5' cord. 5HP - \$74.99

Nest Boxes

As pullets reach maturity and approach laying age, you'll want to make sure they have nesting boxes ready and waiting in their coop. A nest box is a safe, cozy location for your young pullets or mature hens to lay their eggs. Nest boxes come in all shapes and sizes and have a variety of features. Our One Stop Coop Shop offers a wide selection of nest boxes to fit your flock's needs.



Photos courtesy of Nina Mullins and Missy Irish.

ROLL-OUT NEST BOXES

Protect your eggs from breakage and egg eaters while keeping them clean with a roll-out nest. No more searching under your hens for eggs. Eggs roll into a tray — either to the front or rear of the nest — for easy collection.

SINGLE HOLE ROLL-OUT NEST

Perfect for up to six laying hens in a small coop. Overall dimensions are 12"D x 13"W x 22"H with an 8" x 11" opening in front. 5RON - \$60.00



10-HOLE ROLL-OUT NEST

Includes individual roll-out trays for each nest. Comes complete with roll-out nest bottom inserts. Ships in two cartons. Assembly required with a pop-rivet gun (not included). Replacement nest bottoms and nest pads available on our website. Important note: Select front or rear egg collection when ordering.



Front Roll-Out Nest Box 5BEN2 - \$484.00
Rear Roll-Out Nest Box 5BEN3 - \$494.20

GALVANIZED NEST BOXES

These tried and true nest boxes are what we use with our flocks at the Hatchery. Each galvanized nesting box is sturdy and will stand up to years of use. Each opening is 8" x 11". Partitions have holes for fresh air flow. Nest bottoms are removable, and perches are hinged to lift up for easy cleaning.

4-Hole Galvanized Nest Box

12"D x 26"W x 36"H
 5FHN - \$124.20



8-Hole Galvanized Nest Box

(Not pictured) 12"D x 48"W x 34"H
 5B8 - \$191.70



10-Hole Galvanized Nest Box

5B10N - \$283.20

10-Hole Galvanized Roll-Out Nest Box

5B10R - \$477.60



BIG BIRD NEST BOXES

These nest boxes are taller (24"), deeper (14"), stronger, and have a 10" front opening. Comes complete with metal nest bottoms. Assembly required with use of a pop-rivet gun (not included).



5-Hole Big Bird Nest Box

Overall size 26"H x 60"L x 14.25"D
 5BB5 - \$267.60

10-Hole Big Bird Nest Box

Overall size 40.75"H x 60"L x 14.25"D
 5BB10 - \$598.80



STANDARD NEST BOXES

Looking for a more affordable nest box solution for your coop? Our standard nest boxes are made of durable plastic and steel and are perfect for light breeds and small flocks. Assembly required, all hardware included.



4-Hole Nest

Overall size 33"H x 11.5"L x 24"W
 5BEN4 - \$195.60

6-Hole Nest

Overall size 33"H x 11.5"L x 36"W
 5BEN6 - \$227.65

HEN NESTING SHELF

This nest is 14"L x 16.625"W x 11"H and weighs 4 lbs. Smooth surface is easy to clean and includes drain. A mounting strip along the back surface makes it easy to install.

5HNS - \$36.50



SINGLE NEST

Have just a few hens? Then this nest is for you! Made in the USA from durable marine-grade materials, this nest can be mounted almost anywhere. It has a cone shaped roof to prevent hens from perching. Easily stack several nests together for larger flocks. These will never rust and are easy to clean. Each nest is 20" high and 12.5" in diameter. One nest will be enough space for five to six hens.

5PHN - \$42.45



MURRAY'S BEST ZEOLITE COOP FRESHENER

Control moisture and harmful ammonia odor in your chicken coop with our all-natural animal bedding and coop deodorizer. Zeolite is safe for both chickens and humans, and is an effective way to keep a healthy and dry chicken coop without perfumes, scents, or chemicals. 5 Lb. Bag 6ZCF - \$14.99



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NEST PADS

Keep your nest box dry and clean and help prevent egg breakage with nest pads. Hay and bedding trap moisture and make cleaning a chore. Nest pads are easy to clean — just hose them off! Keep a second set to quickly swap out when one needs cleaning. Choose from turf or plastic nest pads.

Square Plastic Nest Pads

11" x 12"
 543 - \$3.85



Roll-Out Nest Pads

Fits most 2, 4, 6, 8 or 10-hole nests. Plastic roll-out trays available online. 501 - \$10.50 Save when you order 6 or more!

CERAMIC & WOODEN NEST EGGS

Entice your hens to lay in the nest or curb troublesome egg eating habits in your flock. Sold by the dozen.

Brown Ceramic Eggs 5CEB - \$15.12

White Ceramic Eggs 5CEW - \$15.12

Colored Ceramic Eggs 5CEM - \$15.12

Wooden Eggs 5CCE - \$15.12



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Coop Equipment & Flock Protection

Keeping your flock safe is the most important task for a poultry owner. Predator prevention should never be overlooked, whether you have a small backyard flock, homestead, or farm. Keep your birds protected from outside threats with these tried and true best-selling items.



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NEW! OMLET SMART AUTODOOR

Flocks thrive on routine, starting their day with the sunrise and roosting as the sun sets. The all new Omlet Smart Autodoor gives you the option of full control from your phone for ultimate convenience, and it's reliable and durable in all types of weather.

The Autodoor is programmable to automatically open and close your coop door, and is Wi-Fi enabled so you can easily control it from your phone — even when you're not at home. This easy to install coop door is compatible with most wooden chicken coops. Power by 4 AA batteries, or connect to a power source.

OMLCD - \$229.00

RUN-CHICKEN AUTOMATIC CHICKEN COOP DOOR WITH BLUETOOTH

NEW! Keep your flock safe from predators with Run-Chicken Automatic Chicken Coop Doors with bluetooth. Available in two (2) models, Run-Chicken coop doors are made from durable aluminum, weatherproof, predator-proof, and easy to install and control. Bluetooth technology allows you to easily manage and personalize your coop door settings through the free Run-Chicken mobile app.



Run-Chicken T80 BT (Black) — Easily powered by two (2) AA batteries. 5RCD1 - \$119.00

Run-Chicken Eternal BT (Gray) — Solar-powered with two (2) rechargeable batteries included. 5RCD2 - \$169.00



CHICKSAFE ADVANCE COOP DOOR CONTROLLER

Brinsea's ChickSafe Advance automatic coop door opener lets your flock out in the morning and shuts them in at night. This new unit features:

- Easy install with just 2 screws
- Fully digital menu control and display
- Adjustable light sensor and programmable timer
- Delayed opening option
- Manual override to open or close door as needed
- 8 lb. door lifting capacity
- Auto-stop feature for when your birds are in the doorway
- Battery operated (4-AA) with long battery life — typically one year
- Battery level indicator shown on the digital display



Brinsea ChickSafe Advance Coop Door Controller
6BCD - \$189.99

NITE GUARD SOLAR®

Nite Guard Solar is a safe, natural way to protect your flock, other livestock, and gardens from nighttime predators. Studies have shown the color red to be a universal alarm color for all animals. The red flash of the Nite Guard Solar mimics the eye of another animal to give the impression of a threat, which in turn helps to ward off nocturnal predators. Nite Guard Solar is solar powered, completely weatherproof, and self-activates at dusk. Works best with four units.

5NG - \$23.25



LIVE ANIMAL TRAPS

Designed to trap all kinds of animals and keep them alive. Made of heavy-duty Galvani™ wire to last three times longer than common galvanized wire. After a catch, the sliding rear door provides a safer, easier release process. Available in four different sizes.

Squirrels, Rats, Weasels, and Chipmunks 5GATS - \$70.00

Rabbits, Mink, and Ferrets 5GATM - \$95.00

Raccoons, Woodchucks, Opossums, and Stray Cats 5GATL - \$104.00

Large Dogs, Fox, and other Large Animals 5GTXL - \$343.00



POULTRYNET® ELECTRIC FENCING

Protect your flock with electric poultry fencing. PoultryNet® fencing is the premier fencing product on the market. This movable netting fence contains most non-flying poultry and protects them from most ground predators. It is also excellent for rapidly rotating your flock from one grass and/or garden area to another. When powered on, the close spacing of the vertical and lower horizontal wires provides both a physical and a pain barrier for the birds. The pain barrier also repels most predators. Line posts are attached to the netting.

Not for use with turkeys. An energizer is needed to power the fence.



NEW! PoultryNet® Plus Complete Starter Kit

(Pictured above) Includes one 100 ft. roll of 48" PoultryNet electric netting, four 48" FiberTuff support posts, one SolarStop™ 80 fence energizer, and one Fence & Battery Digital Tester. 5PFKIT - \$507.00

PoultryNet® Fencing with 4 Posts

(48"H x 164'L) Double-staked. Includes four FiberTuff posts. Energizer not included. 5PFI - \$237.00

Solar IntelliShock® 60 Energizer with Digital Tester

Includes solar energizer, 3' ground rod, and fence tester. Can power up to three 164' rolls of fencing. 5PF4 - \$304.00



Visit McMurrayHatchery.com for additional PoultryNet products and accessories.

FLIGHT TOP NETTING

Ideal cover for pheasant or gamebird runs. Made of very tough olefin fibers, this netting will last a minimum of five years without rust or mildew. The 1" mesh is designed for use with smaller birds or brooder pens. Not recommended for the sides of pens as predators can chew through it. Easily fastens together with hog rings, staples, or nails. Comes in 25' or 50' widths and 150' lengths. *Caution: In areas where ice/snow accumulate, additional support may be required.*



2-Inch Mesh Flight Top Netting

Item #	Mesh	Width	Length	Price
5KN50	2"	25'	50'	\$101.76
5KN22	2"	25'	150'	\$262.08
5KN25	2"	50'	150'	\$571.20

1-Inch Mesh Flight Top Netting

Item #	Mesh	Width	Length	Price
5KN20	1"	25'	50'	\$268.80
5KN12	1"	25'	150'	\$374.40
5KN15	1"	50'	150'	\$741.60

Flight Top pliers and staples sold separately at McMurrayHatchery.com.

SPRING FLING MOBILE COOP

During warmer months, free ranging and backyard chickens keep themselves happy and busy by foraging in grasses and weeds, chasing and eating bugs, and roaming their yard. Whether your chickens are foraging in your backyard, or on an acreage, you can help keep them safe from predators and contained to a specific area with the Spring Fling Mobile Coop. This mobile chicken tractor measures 96"L x 42"W x 42"H. This coop comes with wheels, nesting perch, comfort handles, a 3-hole nest box, and holds up to nine birds at a time.



5RRSF - \$653.70

WELDED WIRE PEN

This movable wire pen is made to last and will help keep your chickens safe. At a generous 7'L x 8'W x 4'H, this is a great pen for up to 10 birds.

This item ships via freight to lower 48 states. Alaska residents: please call for a shipping quote. Sorry, we are unable to ship this product to Hawaii or Puerto Rico.



5RRWP - \$640.00



SHOP THESE ACCESSORIES FOR WIRE PENS

Wooden Hutch and High End Hen feeders and waterers easily attach to both the mobile coop and wire pen above. Available online at McMurrayHatchery.com

POULTRY LAYER CAGE

Grow out young birds, prep your best broos for show, break a broody hen, or quarantine sick birds with these stackable poultry layer cages. These 36"L x 18"W x 18"H cages are made of 1" x 2" wire, have a wire mesh divider to create two compartments, a sloped 1" sq. wire mesh floor, and an egg tray. Each cage holds two to four hens. Includes two 5.5" feeders and water cups, and four interlocking legs. Stack up to three cages together for more capacity without compromising space.

Assembly required.

Item #	1	3+
5PLC	\$310.00	\$290.00



Stack up to three layer cages together. Each unit sold separately.

SHOW CAGE FOR POULTRY

Show poultry at the fair, break a broody hen, or keep most pets in this easy-to-assemble cage. Easily knocks down for storage, no tools required. Removable tray allows for easy cleaning. Two 16" x 10" doors (on top and front) for easy access. 30"L x 17"W x 20"H.

5CAG2 - \$79.99



Feeding for Better Success

BY JEFF MATTOCKS

LAYER NUTRITION & TIPS

When raising laying hens, it's important to note that their nutritional needs are specific to both their phase of growth and egg development. Here are my tried and true tips for raising healthy, productive layers:

OFFER FRESH FEED

- Chicks should be fed fresh, high-quality feed whenever possible.
- Feed within 60 days from manufacturing dates is the most ideal option, if you are able to find it.

0-6 WEEKS

- Give your chicks a high-quality Starter feed during this time. A great breakdown for Starter feed is:
 - 20 - 22% protein
 - 1/8 inch average particle size

7-12 WEEKS

- As your future layers continue to grow, their nutritional needs change. During this phase, a Grower feed with the following breakdowns is best:
 - 17 - 19% protein
 - 3/16 inch particle size

13-18 WEEKS

- If at all possible, I recommend switching to Developer feed during this time frame. Here are my recommended specifications if you are able to find it:
 - 16 - 17% protein
 - 1/4 inch particle size

If not, see the table to the right for instructions on how to modify feed to create your own Developer.

18+ WEEKS

- At this point, as your pullets approach point of lay, you should switch to Layer feed so that their nutritional needs are met during this crucial transition. Look for Layer feed with the following:
 - 17 - 18% protein
 - 1/4 - 3/8 inch particle size

ADDITIONAL NOTES

When raising layers, it is important to be mindful of protein levels in feed as they approach laying age. If you look at the charts here, we recommend a Grower and Developer feed in between Starter and Layer feed. As hens approach laying age, they are preparing to produce eggs as they continue to grow to maturity, so their nutritional needs are very specific at this age. If you have too much protein at this stage, it can cause pullets to produce eggs that are too large too soon, and they can possibly become egg bound as a result. One thing to consider is offering Quik Chik during that time frame, as the extra amino acids in it will help the pullet to metabolize protein more efficiently.

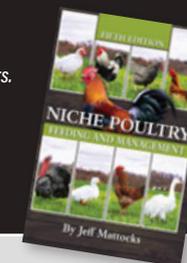
NUTRITIONAL NEEDS BY AGE FOR PULLETS BEFORE POINT-OF-LAY

FEED TYPE	AGE (DAYS)	PROTEIN	LYSINE	METHIONINE	FAT (%)	FIBER	CALCIUM	PHOSPHORUS	NOTES
Starter	1-42	20% (min.)	1.3%	0.52%	4-5%	5%	1% (max. 2%)	0.70%	Best for early growth. Supports chicks' initial development.
Grower	43-84	18%	1.1%	0.50%	4-5%	5%	1% (max. 2%)	0.70%	Supports continued growth.
Developer	85+	16.5%	1.0%	0.48%	4-5%	4%	2% (max. 2.5%)	0.65%	Ideal, if available. Supports muscle and bone development before maturity.



JEFF MATTOCKS has 25 years' experience working with Organic, Pastured, and Sustainable Agriculture. He is actively involved in diet formulation for all types of livestock and poultry for organic and sustainable farmers. Jeff also assists and educates farmers with better management practices increasing animal health, productivity and return income from poultry and livestock.

Click the QR code or visit Fertrell.com to order *Niche Poultry Feeding and Management* by Jeff Mattocks.



GRIT & OYSTER SHELL

- Appropriately sized grit should be offered free-choice at all ages.
- Crushed oyster shell should be offered as a free-choice beginning in the developer stage and throughout the laying period.

FEEDERS & WATERERS

- Once your chicks are sturdy in the brooder, move their food and water farther apart to help keep the water clean.
- As they transition outside, keep feed and water 3-4 feet apart to keep water clean.
- When your flock has moved outside, keep feeders and waterers in shaded common areas where poultry like to spend their time.

BROILER NUTRITION & TIPS

Cornish Cross broilers have been genetically selected for exceptional growth and feed conversion. In order for you to see the true potential of the modern meat bird, you will need to feed and manage them with great attention to detail, as many of the most common failures with Cornish Cross are due to conditions. Here are my best tips for your Cornish Cross' nutrition:

DAY 0-21

- These birds have been bred and selected to be started with a 22% - 23% protein feed.
- Starter feed should also have 4 - 5% fat, 4 - 5% fiber, 1.20% lysine, and 0.55% methionine for best results.
- Lower amino acids and protein will result in slower growth and poorer feather development.

DAY 21-HARVEST

- GROWER: At day 21, you can lower the protein to an 18 - 19% range feed. Grower feed should also have 5 - 6% fat, 4 - 5% fiber, 1.00% lysine, and 0.550% methionine for the best results.
- FINISHER: If you desire a roaster size chicken weighing over 6 lbs. dressed weight, consider a Finisher feed. Finisher feed is recommended beginning at day 38 until harvest. A high-quality Finisher feed should be 16 - 17% protein feed, 90% lysine, and 0.45% methionine for best results.

OVERALL NUTRITIONAL NEEDS BY AGE FOR LAYERS

DESIRED FEED	BASE 20% FEED	SCRATCH GRAINS	OYSTER SHELLS	GRIT (PROPER SIZE)	DESIRED PROTEIN
Starter	1 Lb.			1/2 oz.	20%
Grower	1 Lb.	4 oz.		1/3 oz.	20%
Developer	1 Lb.	6 oz.		3/4 oz.	16.5%
Layer (Early Lay)	1 Lb.	4 oz.	1.5 oz.	1.0 oz.	18%
Layer (Mid Lay)	1 Lb.	5 oz.	1.75 oz.	1.0 oz.	17%
Layer (Late Lay)	1 Lb.	6 oz.	2.0 oz.	1.5 oz.	16%

MAKE YOUR OWN DEVELOPER FEED: For those who do not have access to a Developer feed, it's easy to create your own. Simply start with a 20% Starter feed and add Scratch at a 2:1 ration. For example, 4 lbs. of Starter plus 2 lbs. of Scratch will give you a 16.6% Developer.

WATER

- Meat birds should always have access to feed and water, 24/7. The old wives' tale to remove feed at night was started to reduce chances of heart attacks in the later stages of their life. This can be managed better with proper air quality and plenty of shade.
- Since water is consumed at twice the amount as feed, your Cornish Cross should always have access to ample amounts of clean water.
- Water should always be placed within a few feet of the feeders, not to exceed 4 feet of distance.
- Water should be cool and clean. If you wouldn't drink their water, it is not clean enough!
- Keep water drinkers in shaded areas where the chicken prefers to spend their time when not exercising or eating.

Processing Equipment

Raising poultry at home for meat is a growing trend, and the interest in raising pastured poultry is skyrocketing. Homesteaders are raising poultry for meat as a way to have a more secure food source for their families, and farmers are raising pastured broilers to meet the growing demand for more humanely raised and locally grown protein. Whether you're raising poultry for meat to feed your family or for sale within your community, make sure you have the right equipment on hand when processing day comes. McMurray Hatchery carries all the equipment and supplies you need for a successful processing day. Not sure where to begin? Give us a call at 800.456.3280 for answers to all of your processing questions.

DELUXE BUTCHERING KIT

Having the right equipment on processing day is crucial. Process your meat birds like a pro with our Deluxe Butchering Kit. This kit contains all the essentials for a successful butchering day on your farm or homestead. Includes one each of the following:

- Restraining Cone
- Bleeding Knife
- Boning Knife
- Poultry Shears
- Pinning Knife
- Set of 50 Bags
- *Basic Butchering of Livestock & Game Book*

Deluxe Kit with Medium Cone & Bags 5DBKM - \$115.00

Deluxe Kit with Large Cone & Bags 5DBKL - \$125.00

See pg. 110 to shop our complete line of scalders, pluckers, and more.



BASIC BUTCHERING KIT

Our Basic Butchering Kit is ideal for those who are new to home processing, as well as people who are on a budget. Contains one Restraining Cone (choose from three sizes), one Boning Knife, and one pair of poultry shears.

Basic Butchering Kit with Medium Cone 5BBKM - \$55.00

Basic Butchering Kit with Large Cone 5BBKL - \$62.00

Basic Butchering Kit with Extra Large Cone 5BBKX - \$69.00



Questions about getting started processing your own meat birds at home? Our experienced Customer Service team has answers to all your questions — from choosing the right breed of meat bird, to all the equipment you need for processing day. Give our office a call at 800.456.3280, or visit our blog at McMurrayHatchery.com.

RESTRAINING CONES

Restraining cones hold the bird in place while dispatching. Available in three sizes to accommodate all types of poultry.

Medium Cone

For chickens. 5VKC2 - \$26.00

Large Cone

For broilers and ducks. 5VKC3 - \$34.00

Extra Large Cone

For geese and turkeys. 5VKC4 - \$41.00



PROCESSING ACCESSORIES

BLEEDING KNIFE

3.5" Blade. 5KIL - \$17.80



PINNING KNIFE

3" Blade. 5PIN - \$16.70



BONING KNIFE

6" Blade. 5BNK - \$10.45



CHICKEN LUNG REMOVER

5LUN - \$29.99



POULTRY SHEARS

5SHIR - \$20.95



POULTRY TRANSPORT COOPS

Easily transport your birds for processing in these high-density polyethylene coops.

Standard Transport Coop Holds 12-14 birds. (11" H x 39" L x 23" W) 5K14 - \$79.00

Oversized Extra-High Transport Coop Ideal for turkeys, ducks, and extra-large poultry. (15" H x 39" L x 23" W) 5KTC - \$199.99



FREEZER BAGS

Protect your processed poultry with these high-quality 2 mil. freezer bags. Available in two sizes. *Not for use in vacuum sealer.*

Large Roasters, Small Turkeys For birds up to 10 lbs. Package of 50. (18"H x 8"W x 4"D) 5BAG1 - \$80.38

Large Turkeys For birds up to 25 lbs. Package of 50. (30"H x 12"W x 8"D) 5BAG2 - \$106.64

HEAT SHRINK BAGS

Protect your fresh processed poultry with heat-shrink bags. Just dip in boiling water for a few seconds to shrink — instructions included. *Available in broiler size only. Some large broilers may be too large to fit in these bags whole.*

25 Bags 5HSB2 - \$17.99

50 Bags 5HSB - \$31.99



COMMERCIAL-GRADE VACUUM SEALER

High-powered commercial-grade vacuum sealer with an extra large Teflon bar for sealing bags up to 15" wide. Perfect for protecting domestic meats, game, fish, and vegetables. Use Automatic Mode for simple one-touch vacuum-to-seal operation or Manual Seal Mode to control the amount of vacuum pressure.



5WVS - \$476.00

Bags not included. Vacuum bags available online at McMurrayHatchery.com.



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Scalders and Pluckers

Process your poultry efficiently with these best-selling scalders and pickers.



NEW! PROPANE SCALDER KIT

This new economical scalding kit is perfect for anyone just starting out in home processing. Includes a 60 qt. aluminum stock pot and lid, a welded stand with burner, and a 12" thermometer. Hose assembly connects directly to a standard portable LP (propane) tank. 5PSCK - \$194.99



EZ PLUCKER

Pluckers are a game-changer for processing meat birds. EZ Pluckers are available in a variety of models and sizes, ranging from the smaller size for use on chickens to the larger tub that can handle larger turkeys. Visit our website to view our complete line of EZ Pluckers.

EZ Plucker 151 5EZPIK - 880.00

More models and sizes available at McMurrayHatchery.com.



JUMBO CORNISH CROSS

Fill your freezer this season in record time with Jumbo Cornish Cross from McMurray Hatchery. These fast-growing broilers go from chick to plate in just 56 days! Raise them on pasture and keep them moving for best results. Call our office today at 800.456.3280 to schedule your meat bird order today! See pg. 61 for pricing.

IMPORTANT: Due to high demand, processing equipment availability may vary. For updated availability and pricing, visit our website at McMurrayHatchery.com or call our office at 800.456.3280.



Featherman Poultry Processing Equipment

Take your processing to the next level with Featherman poultry processing equipment. Making the move from raising poultry for your family to making a profit means more birds to process. Featherman equipment is durable and designed to make processing more efficient.



FEATHERMAN RESTRAINING CONES AND STAND

Process efficiently with this rotating stand and cone unit. The 36" diameter base/trough is made of high-density, UV-resistant, molded plastic and is easy to clean and sanitize. Cones are stainless steel and spot welded for strength and longevity. *Made in the U.S.A.*

8 Broiler Size Cones and Stand

5F10 - \$688.00



FEATHERMAN SCALDER

The Featherman Scalding Tub holds a consistent water temperature to give you that perfect scald. Made of 16 gauge stainless steel with a 100,000 BTU propane burner, temperature control within a five degree range, and a 48-gallon capacity to hold four birds at a time for maximum performance. Add the Featherman Manual Dunker and Shackles for an efficient process. *Made in the U.S.A. Tarp cover sold separately.*

5F04 - \$2,032.00



FEATHERMAN PRO PICKER

The Featherman PRO is a must-have for those anyone wanting to increase processing efficiency. Drop scalded birds into the tub and the plucker does all the work. This model is primarily for chickens, but can handle turkeys, too. Made from durable, UV-resistant USDA food-grade plastic. Includes spray ring, feather chute, waterproof switch, and 119 fingers. Capacity 3-50 lbs. *Made in the U.S.A. Fully assembled.*

5F01 - \$1,982.00



Finding Joy with Chickens

by Nina Mullins

I don't remember the first time I held a baby chick, but I'm sure that perhaps I held one in my younger years. Even as a little girl, I loved animals of every size and shape, so I probably found my way to a chick or two. But I don't remember.

However, I do remember how I felt the first time I received my very own baby chicks. I was a child again. Wonder held me fast. I was captivated by the little lives hopping around before me.

Sixteen.

That's how many chicks we welcomed to our growing homestead. The full shipment was actually 25, but I shared that order with my good friend, who was also raising chickens for the first time. The post office called, and we rushed to pick them up together, giddy with excitement and the thrill of something new.

My husband had prepared the brooder. I had made the magic water and set out the feed. Pine chips adorned the space where they would eat, sleep, and grow. Everything was as ready as it could be.

And for this girl, who had spent most of her life finding joy in nature through travels to places like Uganda, Israel, Nepal, and Norway, this was one of the first times I had sought that same adventure at home. Instead of watching gorillas at play in Uganda, or whales breaching the Pacific waters in Hawaii, I was watching the miracle of 16 little fluffs right inside my home ... and it was magical.

What is it about these little chicks that pulls us back into the innocence and wonder of our childhood? What is it that draws us in and asks us to just sit and watch? Is it their delicate and vulnerable lives that tug at our own fragility? Is it the need to care for a

new life that can't survive without our help? Or is it simply the joy of watching them play and be ... well ... chickens?

Caring for these winged friends has brought so much joy to my life. In the mornings, I walk out my back door and down the hill to our pasture. I open a small door, and the day begins in a flurry of feathers and flight as dozens of chickens greet the day. They have gone from little fluffs to fully grown chickens, eagerly seeking out the feed we have scattered before them. They make us laugh as they dart to and fro.



Lucius, the tiniest rooster we have (he weighs about a pound and a half!), postures himself in front of me, letting me know that he is the one in charge, and that this flock of ladies (who are all about three times his size) belongs to him, and not to me. Meeps, our Cream Legbar hen, always makes us smile when she hops on top of our pigs, looking for bits of feed in between their coarse hairs. The Silkies are in a club together. No other chickens are invited. I'd call them the Mean Girls who only wear pink on Wednesdays, but they're actually quite sweet. They just like to stick together and aren't really open to new members. They are probably my favorite breed of chickens to sit and watch.

Each morning, I snuggle up in bed before the dawn, just waiting for the sun to rise so I can open the chicken coop and watch our birds emerge into the first rays of sunlight. The chaos of the day before fades away, and a peace settles into my heart as I take in the beauty of nature at play in the form of my many winged friends. They are a beautiful reminder that I don't have to travel the globe to find wonder and beauty. It's right here on our land, in the middle of our beloved flock.

NINA MULLINS is a wife, mother, daughter, friend, and chicken keeper extraordinaire. She is a professional photographer by trade, and a self-described animal lover. Together with her husband, Wes, and their two teenagers, they raise chickens, ducks, geese, donkeys, sheep, pigs, and cows in Kentucky. In her spare time, you can find her cozied up in a Norwegian sweater, drinking chai, and reading anything by C.S. Lewis, Corrie ten Boom, or J.K. Rowling. Nina is also an integral part of the McMurray Hatchery marketing team (check out our reels on Insta!). Follow Nina on Instagram @theninamullins.

Egg Supplies

After months of caring for your flock and patiently waiting, your hens are finally laying you a rainbow palette of color, or a volume of perfectly uniform brown eggs. Whether you want to share them with a friend or neighbor, sell them at your local farmers' market, or just keep them for yourself, we have everything you need for cleaning, weighing, and safely storing or selling your precious dozens.



Photo courtesy of Nina Mullins. Shop egg baskets, pg. 114.



CLEAR PLASTIC EGG CARTONS

Let the beauty of your eggs show through these clear plastic egg cartons. Made from 100% post consumer recycled PET bottles, they are good for your business and great for the environment. Even better, they can be easily washed and used again. Holds medium to large size eggs. Blank printable labels included separately.

25-Pack 5CSLP - \$20.99 *Save when you order 4 or more!*

Bulk Case (375 Count) 5CS330 - \$105.99



PAPER EGG CARTONS

Looking for an economical and biodegradable egg carton? These sturdy paper egg cartons hold one dozen eggs and are very popular with both home flock owners and commercial producers.



50-Pack 5ICC - \$17.90 *Save when you order 2 or more!*



EGG STAMPS

These egg stamps by Wild Feather Farm are the perfect way to add a personal touch to each and every egg that comes from your coop! Dress up your rainbow dozens to garner attention at your farmers' market, give them as a personal gift, or enjoy them yourself. Each stamp is carefully crafted on laser-etched natural maple wood with eco-friendly and 100% renewable and resourced red rubber. **Allow 2-3 weeks for delivery as all stamps are all made to order.**

EGG STAMPS

ID	Description	Item #	1+
1.	Home Grown with heart	5ESL1	\$13.00
2.	Enjoy with heart	5ESL2	\$13.00
3.	Farm Fresh with heart	5ESL3	\$13.00
4.	Farm Fresh with chicken	5ESL4	\$13.00

FOOD MARKING INK

Specially formulated for marking on egg shells. For use with egg stamps and stamp pads.

5FDINK - \$12.99



EGG CARTON STAMPS

Presentation is everything, and these stunning egg carton stamps are sure to set you apart from the rest! Whether you're selling eggs at your local farmers market, stocking your farm stand, or handing out your eggs to friends and family, everyone will enjoy the personal touch that our carton stamps provide. Thoughtfully designed by Wild Feather Farms, each stamp is mounted on laser-etched natural maple wood with eco-friendly and 100% renewable and resourced red rubber. Combine with our decorative egg stamps to get your egg business started!

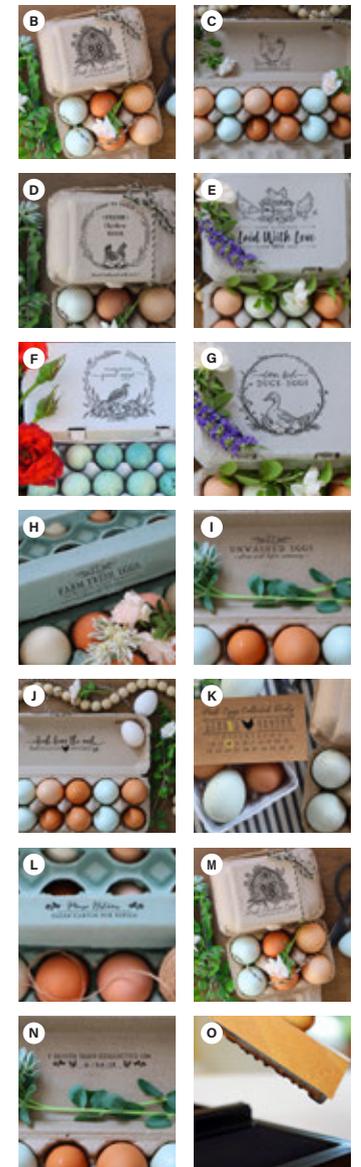
Allow 2-3 weeks for delivery as all stamps are all made to order.

LARGE EGG CARTON STAMPS

ID	Description	Item #	Size	1+
A.	Coop to Table - SSC	5ECL1	3" x 6"	\$60.00
B.	Floral Barn	5ECL2	2" x 2"	\$40.00
		5ECL2B	3" x 3"	\$45.00
C.	Farm Chicken Outline	5ECL3	2" x 2"	\$40.00
		5ECL3B	3" x 3"	\$45.00
D.	Coop to Table - Square	5ECL4	2" x 2"	\$40.00
		5ECL4B	3" x 3"	\$45.00
E.	Laid With Love	5ECL5	3" x 4"	\$50.00
F.	Quail Egg Floral Wreath	5ECL6	3" x 3"	\$45.00
G.	Duck Egg Floral Wreath	5ECL7	2" x 2"	\$40.00
		5ECL7B	3" x 3"	\$45.00

SMALL EGG CARTON STAMPS

ID	Description	Item #	Size	1+
H.	Farm Fresh Eggs	5ECS1	1" x 3"	\$32.00
I.	Unwashed Eggs	5ECS2	1" x 3"	\$32.00
J.	Fresh From The Nest	5ECS3	1" x 4"	\$32.00
K.	Date Collected On	5ECS4	1.5" x 3"	\$34.00
L.	Please Return Carton	5ECS5	0.5" x 3"	\$18.00
M.	Eggs Collected On	5ECS6	0.5" x 3"	\$18.00
O.	Ink Stamp Pad (Non-food)	5IP		\$12.00



PRINTED PLASTIC CARTONS

Farmers' market ready! Recycled clear full-view egg cartons with colorful printed labels affixed to each carton. Choose from four colorful designs. **COLOR LABELS AFFIXED**

Item #	Design	1-3	4+
510	Gray (Above Left)	\$20.99	\$17.99
512	Pink (Above Right)	\$20.99	\$17.99
514	Egg Spiral (Lower Left)	\$20.99	\$17.99
516	Coop (Lower Right)	\$20.99	\$17.99

PAPER EGG FLATS

Paper egg flats are an economical and easy way to take your eggs to market. Also for use in egg cases — we use them to ship hatching eggs at the Hatchery. Each biodegradable paper chicken egg flat holds 30 eggs.

Item #	Number	Price
5F70	70	\$25.95
5F140	140	\$37.95



Level Up Your Egg Production

Are you looking to take your egg production to the next level? Add some of our favorite high production layers here at the Hatchery: Red Star (pg. 45), Pearl White Leghorn (pg. 28), Whiting True Blue (pg. 48), and Whiting True Green (pg. 49). The best part? When you add a few of each of these gals to your flock, you'll be well on your way to a rainbow dozen!

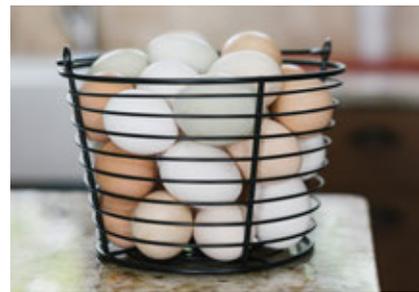
Egg Baskets & More



HANDMADE AMISH EGG BASKETS

Gather your eggs in style with these unique, hand-made Amish woven baskets. Each basket is signed and dated by the family member who made it. These baskets are beautiful, versatile, and make great gifts!

Egg Basket	Item #	Price
6 inch	1AB06	\$25.00
8 inch	1AB08	\$30.00
10 inch	1AB10	\$36.00
12 Inch	1AB12	\$45.00



WIRE EGG BASKETS

Our most popular and economical egg baskets are made of heavy wire and are welded at every joint. Each wire is coated to reduce breakage. Available in three sizes.

Item #	Description	Price
5BAS	Med. Black, 13 In. Dia. Basket (8 Doz.)	\$19.95
5BAS3	Small Black, 8 In. Dia. Basket (3 Doz.)	\$17.95
5BEB	Tall Green, 10 In. Dia.. Basket (4 Doz.)	\$23.95



FARMHOUSE STYLE WOODEN COUNTERTOP EGG HOLDER

Made popular by the show *Downton Abbey*, this wooden egg holder is a beautiful way to show off your fresh eggs. Hand-crafted here in Webster City, Iowa, by a local woodsmith. *Types of wood and stain may vary slightly.* Holds one dozen large eggs. 5EH - \$3750



THE INCREDIBLE EGG SCALE

Weigh and size your fresh eggs with this vintage-designed solid steel scale. Perfect for small farm or home use, it makes a great gift for the poultry lover on your list! *Not for use in weighing eggs for trade.*

5KES - \$34.99



MURRAY'S BEST EGG WASH AND EGG SCRUBBER

Concentrated egg wash cleans both market and fresh eggs, safely removing unwanted bacteria.

2 Lb. Jar 6XESC - \$17.95

4 Lb. Jar 6XEC - \$32.90

Murray's Best Egg Scrubber 7ES - \$5.00



BREAKING DOWN BROILER TYPES BY FINISH TIMES

Broilers are typically organized into three main categories based on how quickly they reach butchering size. Each type of broiler has definitive qualities, characteristics, and benefits, meaning that whatever your goals are with raising meat, we have a broiler that's the perfect fit for you.

FAST-GROWTH

CORNISH CROSS – 7-8 Weeks (pg. 61)

The most renowned broiler in this category is obviously the Cornish Cross. Though they are prone to heart and leg conditions and are said to be less flavorful than other broilers, we think it's all in how they're raised! Cornish Cross are famous for their breast meat, which is tender and plentiful. They also have an excellent feed-conversion ratio, often reaching maturity by 8 weeks of age. Additionally, if you encourage them from a young age, they can be great foragers.



MEDIUM-GROWTH

MURRAY'S BIG RED BROILER & GINGER BROILER – 10-12 Weeks (pg. 63)

Our medium growth broiler breeds include Murray's Big Red Broiler (left) and our Ginger Broiler (right). Depending on your needs, these breeds can be processed any time in the 10-12 week range. They have been selectively bred to have fewer health issues than Cornish Cross. In fact, our Ginger Broiler was developed to thrive in higher altitudes. Though their longer grow out time may result in slightly higher feed costs, these breeds are said to have more flavorful dark meat than Cornish Cross. We also feel it's worth mentioning that our Big Red Broiler hens make excellent layers in backyard flocks!



SLOW-GROWTH

DELAWARE BROILER – 18-20 Weeks (pg. 62)

Our Delaware Enhanced Broiler is considered a slow-growth breed. Our lines have been selectively bred to grow larger than traditional Delawares while maintaining all of their highly-desirable Heritage traits. These birds are an excellent option for those who wish to raise a sustainable dual-purpose flock. Hens are reliable layers, and extra birds can be grown out to processing size in about 18-20 weeks.



Certified Organic Feed & Natural Supplements

CERTIFIED ORGANIC FEED

Our ready-to-use feed is certified organic by the Iowa Department of Agriculture and is free of any antibiotics and hormones. Contains a complete balance of protein, essential amino acids, vitamins, and minerals. NEW at McMurrayHatchery.com, shop our exclusive line of soy-free certified organic chicken feed.



ORGANIC CHICKEN FEED

Type	Protein	Item #	Price (25 Lb.)	Item #	Price (40 Lb.)
Starter	22%	60CS25	\$25.35	60CS40	\$37.95
Grower	20%	60CG25	\$24.15	60CG40	\$36.23
Finisher	18%	60CF25	\$23.55	60CF40	\$36.23
Layer Complete	16%	60LC25	\$21.83	60LC40	\$35.03
Premium Layer	16%	60PL25	\$23.48	60PL40	\$36.15

NEW! ORGANIC SOY FREE CHICKEN FEED

Type	Protein	Item #	Price (25 Lb.)	Item #	Price (40 Lb.)
Starter	22%	60CSNS25	\$26.55	60CSNS40	\$41.70
Grower	20%	60CGNS25	\$25.80	60CGNS40	\$39.72
Layer	16%	60LNS25	\$24.08	60LNS40	\$37.80



ORGANIC TURKEY FEED

Type	Protein	Item #	Price (25 Lb.)	Item #	Price (40 Lb.)
Starter	26%	60TS25	\$28.58	60TS40	\$44.10
Grower	24%	60TG25	\$25.65	60TG40	\$40.88
Finisher	22%	60TF25	\$24.15	60TF40	\$37.43

ORGANIC DUCK FEED

Type	Protein	Item #	Price (25 Lb.)	Item #	Price (40 Lb.)
Starter	24%	60DS25	\$23.70	60DS40	\$37.28
Grower	20%	60DG25	\$22.88	60DG40	\$36.30
Finisher	18%	60DF25	\$22.20	60DF40	\$35.78



ORGANIC FEED BASE *Make your own feed using our pre-mix.*

Type	Description	Item #	Price (20 Lb.)
Starter/Grower/Finisher	Makes 200 lbs. of feed	6FOM	\$45.15
Layer (with added calcium)	Makes 400 lbs. of complete feed	6FOE	\$40.95

ORGANIC WILD GAME BIRD FEED *For all game birds from start to finish.*

Type	Protein	Item #	Price (25 Lb.)	Item #	Price (40 Lb.)
Complete	28%	60WG25	\$28.80	60WG40	\$44.33

Feed and supplement pricing is subject to change without notice. Express shipping not available for these items. Visit our website for state and country restrictions and limitations.



MURRAY'S SELECT GROUND OYSTER SHELL

This must-have calcium supplement for laying hens keeps egg shells strong and helps prevent soft or thin-shelled eggs. Offer as a free choice along with grit and feed.

5 Lb. Tub 6BOY5 - \$9.95
10 Lb. Tub 6BOY10 - \$13.95



MURRAY'S #1-SIZED CHICK GRIT

Our chick grit is a smaller size for baby chicks and juvenile birds. Chicks need grit once they begin eating treats and other foods, or when they start foraging in the yard and run. Sprinkle a small amount on top of your juvenile chicks' feed. *More tub sizes available online.*

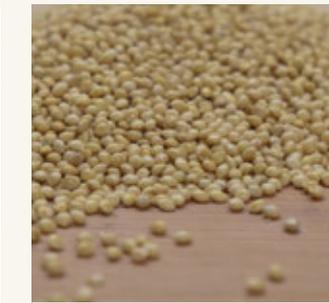
2.5 Lb. Tub 6GI25 - \$5.79



MURRAY'S #3-SIZED GRIT FOR ADULT BIRDS

Poultry need grit to break down the food they eat. Grit helps them process and digest the seeds, grasses, bugs they find while foraging. Offer as a free choice in a separate feeder for your flock. *More tub sizes available online.*

10 Lb. Tub 6G310 - \$17.99



PROSO WHITE MILLET

White millet is high in protein. Throw some in your coop or run as a nutritional treat, sprout it for fodder, or plant it as a foraging crop. *More tub sizes available online.*

1 Lb. Tub 6P1 - \$6.00



ORGANIC ARGONITE

A pre-digested form of calcium derived from seashells. It builds strong egg shells, bones, and healthy chicks.

10 Lb. Bag 6CEFA - \$13.65



ORGANIC FISH MEAL

Our fish meal is specially processed to meet organic standards. Fish meal is a protein source that offers balanced essential amino acids.

10 Lb. Bag 6CFM1 - \$30.30



ORGANIC FLAXSEED

A good source of Omega 3 fatty acids. Flaxseed is proven to increase this important nutrient in eggs.

5 Lb. Bag 6FX5 - \$12.00



ORGANIC KELP

A source of naturally chelated vitamins and trace nutrients. Helps to alleviate known and hidden deficiencies.

5 Lb. Bag 6CK5 - \$11.70



ORGANIC SCRATCH GRAINS

25 Lb. Bag 6FSG25 - \$15.75
40 Lb. Bag 6FSG40 - \$25.28



ORGANIC CORN

Medium Ground Corn
40 Lb. Bag 6FCM40 - \$22.88
Whole Kernel Corn
40 Lb. Bag 6FCS40 - \$13.20

ADD SOME VARIETY TO YOUR FLOCK'S DIET

McMurray Hatchery offers a variety of poultry treats and nutritional supplements. All of the items we carry in our One Stop Coop Shop are tried and tested by our staff and our own flocks. Visit our website at McMurrayHatchery.com for a complete list of products available.



MURRAY'S BEST® DRIED BLACK SOLDIER FLY LARVAE

Sourced in the USA, these dried grubs are a healthy treat for chickens and a natural source of calcium and lysine – an important nutrient in egg and feather production.
1 lb. bag. 6SFL - \$16.99

Pharmacy

If you have questions about the safety of using any medication on your birds, please check with your local veterinarian or county Extension Office. Some medications do not have FDA approval for laying hens or meat birds. Read and follow all directions on product labels.



MURRAY'S BEST® FIRST AID KIT

It's always a good idea to be prepared for anything — from minor cuts and pecking wounds, to more severe injuries. Murray's Best First Aid Kit contains nearly all you need for immediate first aid for your flock. 1AID - \$54.00



VETERICYN® +PLUS

This topical spray can be used for treating poultry wounds, cuts, pecking sores, vent prolapse, frostbite, bumble foot, scratches, and more. Non-toxic. Contains no alcohol, antibiotics, or steroids. Safe for all life stages. 1VET - \$26.99



BLU-KOTE®

A quick-drying and protective wound dressing to treat ringworm, skin abrasions, surface wounds, and promote rapid healing. Works on pecking wounds. Cannot be shipped out of the USA. 5 oz. can. 6BK - \$9.50



PURE PLANET POULTRY SPRAY

Convenient spray provides your flock with non-toxic relief from mites, lice, fleas, and ticks. Made from all natural ingredients including clove and cottonseed oils. 22 fl. oz. 6PPS - \$18.30



AMPROL® AMPROLIUM 9.6%

Act fast and treat a coccidiosis outbreak by treating your flock with Amprolium. Concentrated. Follow label instructions for dosage. 1 gallon. 6AMPR - \$55.99



AQUA-DEE® VITAMIN D3

Water-miscible source of Vitamin D3 for poultry use to treat soft eggshells, swollen joints, stiff gait, soft beaks, and more. Follow label for instructions. Prepare fresh daily. 32 ounce bottle. 6AQD - \$42.50



MURRAY'S BEST® ALL NATURAL DUSTING POWDER

Chickens love to dust bathe to clean their feathers and rid themselves of lice and mites. This 5-pound tub contains enough diatomaceous earth to dust hundreds of birds naturally and without chemicals. 6HDB - \$23.25



PROZAP® GARDEN AND POULTRY DUST

Ready-to-use insecticide dust to control Northern Fowl Mites, lice, bedbugs, brown dog ticks, fleas, and more. 2 lb. canister. 6DST - \$10.95



PULLORUM TESTING UNIT

A Pullorum test is required for bird shows and selling chicks across state lines. Includes with a 60W bulb, bleeder, and loop. *Antigen stain sold separately.* 5PULL - \$168.65

Antigen Stain 350 Dose Bottle. 6WAT - \$105.00
Extra Bleeder Loop 5KBL - \$14.95

Electrolytes & Probiotics

Hydrate a sick, overheated, or stressed bird, or offer vital probiotics and minerals to your new baby poultry with Murray's electrolytes and probiotics. **Shop for Quik Chik, Broiler Booster, and Gro-Gel Plus on pg. 95,** or visit our website at McMurrayHatchery.com.

Vaccines for Baby Poultry

McMurray Hatchery offers both Coccidiosis and Marek's vaccines on all orders of day-old baby chicks. Vaccines are not available for all types of poultry. **To learn more about vaccines for baby poultry, see pg. 126,** or visit our website at McMurrayHatchery.com.

Poultry Health Resources

For over a century, McMurray Hatchery has been a trusted resource on all things poultry. When you have questions, turn to us for assistance: browse our blog articles, shop our curated collection of books for sale, and tap into the vast knowledge of our customer service staff by giving us a call at 800.456-3280.

ANTIBIOTICS

NOTE: It is safe to eat eggs during treatment with the products listed below.

VetRx™ is a century-old remedy used to control colds and respiratory problems, scaly legs, eye worms, and to treat birds before and after poultry shows. Considered safe for all chickens, waterfowl, turkeys, and gamebirds. Follow package label for directions. 2 ounce bottle. 6VET - \$10.99

BMD SOLUBLE is used to treat enteritis in chickens, turkeys, quail, chukar, and other game birds. Enteritis lives in litter, and young birds (4-16 wks) can be susceptible. Follow package label for directions. 6GST - \$27.25

ACIDIFIED COPPER SULFATE is a dietary copper nutritional supplement for turkeys, chickens, hogs, and cattle over 3 weeks old. Follow package label for directions. Administer via a glass or plastic waterer. 6ACS - \$6.25

LEG BANDETTES



Bandettes are small numbered plastic bands. Sold in packs of 25 with consecutive numbers that are all the same color.

Size	Recommended Use	Item #	Pack of 25
7/16"	Bantams / Wild Ducks	5NB76	\$8.00
9/16"	Light Breed Hens / Pheasants	5NB96	\$9.00
11/16"	Heavy Hens	5NB11	\$10.00
3/4"	Heavy Males / Ducks	5NB34	\$11.00

LEG BANDS



Leg Bands are rounded plastic bands. Sold in packs of 50 of all the same color.

Size	Recommended Use	Item #	Pack of 50
1/4"	Baby Chicks / Quail	5NL14	\$6.75
7/16"	Bantams / Wild Ducks	5NL76	\$7.10
11/16"	Heavy Hens	5NL11	\$7.75
7/8"	Geese / Turkeys / Swans	5NL78	\$9.50

CAUTION: Leg bands DO NOT expand as the bird grows. - More sizes & colors available online.

VACCINES

Vaccines are shipped Express with ice packs. Up to 4 vaccines per insulated box. A \$25.00 handling charge will apply. Vaccines are non-returnable.

AVIAN ENCEPHALOMYELITIS (AE) AND FOWL POX VACCINE AE causes a drop in egg production and can be passed to offspring resulting in neurological disorders and mortality. Fowl Pox can cause egg loss, poor growth, and mortality. Vaccination is applied via the wing web with the enclosed stabber. Some restrictions by state or country may apply. 1,000 dose vial. 6WPV - \$21.95

LARYNGOTRACHEITIS (LARYNGO) VACCINE Laryngo is an acute, highly contagious poultry disease. Symptoms include gasping, spitting blood, swelling of the lining of the windpipe, and death. Laryngo can be contracted at poultry shows and gatherings. Vaccinate healthy birds 4+ weeks of age with an eyedropper. Some restrictions by state or country may apply. 1,000 dose bottle. 6WL - \$11.95



MURRAY'S BEST® EXHIBITOR'S KIT & SUPPLIES

Our updated exhibitor kit features the products and information to help you be successful at your next poultry show. The kit includes: Murray's Best Chicken Suds Poultry Shampoo and Conditioner (8 oz. each), VetRx (2 oz.), and *Storey's Showing Poultry: A Complete Guide to Exhibiting Your Birds*.

Murray's Best Exhibitor Kit 6SHO - \$24.95

Murray's Best All Natural Chicken Suds 8 oz. bottle. 1MBCS - \$6.95

Murray's Best All Natural Chicken Conditioner 8 oz. bottle. 1MBCC - \$6.95



POLY PEEPER

Our most popular and best-selling anti-pick device. Poly Peepers are flexible and bend easily to keep from getting caught in netting. Easy to apply and excellent for gamebirds such as pheasants.

POLY PEEPER WITH C-CLIPS



Item #	25	50	100
5VPP1	\$7.50	\$13.50	\$24.00

C-Clip Pliers 5KPL - \$13.80

POLY PEEPER WITH NYLON PINS



Item #	25	50	100
5VPP2	\$7.50	\$13.50	\$24.00



PINLESS PEEPER

No pins or clips needed! **The Pinless Peeper must be installed with the SNAP pliers.** Use the pliers to open the Peeper, align it, and then release the clip onto the nostrils. Sold in packs of 25. *Pliers sold separately.*

Item #	1	2-3	4+
5PLP	\$2.55	\$2.45	\$2.35

SNAP Pinless Peeper Pliers

This tool is specially designed for use with the Pinless Peeper. Use to spread open the Peeper. Align the peeper with the bird's nostrils, then release as the Peeper stays in place by holding onto the nostrils. 5SNAP - \$19.20



PLASTIC ANTI-PICK BITS

Reusable and easily applied and removed without a tool. Won't cut into beaks like metal bits do. Use only in captivity. Not for use on breeding males.

LARGE ANTI-PICK BITS

For pheasants or large birds 6+ wks old. 25-pack.

Item #	1	2	3+
5PC	\$2.50	\$2.20	\$2.00

SMALL ANTI-PICK BITS

For small birds: 3+ wk old quail and partridge; small 3+ wk old pheasants; or 3-6 wk old pheasants. 25-pack.

Item #	1	2	3+
5QC	\$1.50	\$1.37	\$1.25

McMurray Hatchery Gift Shop

Shopping for the perfect gift for the poultry lover on your list? We've got something for everyone in this curated collection of our favorite poultry-themed gifts and merchandise!

BUILDING A RAINBOW FLOCK

Whether you've kept chicken for years or just starting out, chances are that you've dreamed of collecting a full rainbow in your egg basket. A varied flock makes for a varied egg basket, so we've compiled some fun breeds to add to your flock. These gals are hardy and productive layers that will fill your egg basket with a natural spectrum of hues and textures. Beyond their visual appeal — in both their eggs and appearance — these breeds are ideal for new chicken tenders and seasoned poultry keepers alike who want to add a splash of color and personality to their homestead.

WHITE: PEARL WHITE LEGHORN — SEE PG. 28

These sleek, active hens are laying powerhouses that will grace you with a generous supply of uniform white eggs. They love a bit of room to roam, even if that means just following you around the yard or garden during chore time. Though they aren't really a lap chicken, these social gals are full of quirk and personality!

CREAM TINTED: DORKINGS — SEE PG. 21

With their stunning feathers and fifth toe, Dorkings are the true combination of beauty and personality. These hens are docile, quiet, and sweet. Dorking hens are consistent layers, often laying throughout winter months when other breeds have stopped. Their cream tinted eggs are a welcome addition to any rainbow basket.

LIGHT BROWN: SUSSEX — SEE PG. 17

Speckled Sussex hens are the total package. They have beautiful feathering, friendly personalities, fluffy butts, and are great layers of light brown eggs. Sussex hens are known to be good winter layers. Sussex hens do well in free-range settings, but bear confinement well, too. Though some may call their eggs boring, we think they offer a stunning contrast next to darker or colored eggs.

MEDIUM BROWN: RED STAR — SEE PG. 45

Red Stars are amazing layers, providing large brown eggs with exceptional regularity. In fact, Red Star hens can supply 300-340 eggs during their first year. Red Stars have an easygoing nature, making them a great fit for any flock or keeper. These hardy hens thrive under a variety of conditions while keeping your egg cartons full!

DARK BROWN: WELSUMMER — SEE PG. 47

Though the Black Copper Marans reigns supreme in the world of dark brown egg layers, they aren't your only option for adding depth of color to your egg basket. Welsummers, by comparison, lay eggs that are perhaps a touch lighter, but they offer lots of speckles that vary in intensity. They are good layers that do well in all types of settings.

BLUE: CREAM LEGBAR — SEE PG. 19

We love Ameraucanas as much as anyone, but it's time to give the Crested Cream Legbar some love! These quirky birds have a unique head crest and lay beautiful blue eggs in a variety of hues. They are quiet yet active hens, and like the Pearl White Leghorn, Crested Cream Legbars will appreciate the opportunity to range your yard and follow you around during chores. They're sure to add pops of color to your cartons and flair to your flock!

GREEN: WHITING TRUE GREEN — SEE PG. 49

Though this is our only green laying breed, we still readily recommend them to a variety of keepers. Whiting True Green hens love the opportunity to forage and free-range if given the chance, but due to their friendly nature, they do fine in smaller settings as well. Again, these gals aren't typically lap chickens, but they'll happily follow at your heels while you work around the chicken yard. In addition to being extremely hardy and adaptive, Whiting True Green hens are amazing layers of beautiful green eggs.

Show off your rainbow dozens! Stock up on our **CLEAR PLASTIC EGG CARTONS**, or dress up your paper mache cartons with our stunning **EGG CARTON STAMPS** and **EGG STAMPS**! See pages 112-114, or visit McMurrayHatchery.com to order.



MURRAY'S 'SO BRIGHT' T-SHIRT

The future's so bright with our newest tee. Full color artwork across the back and a Hatchery logo on the front. Available in adult and child sizes. Unisex. 26TFSB (S-3X, YS-YL) **\$20.00-\$22.00**



OFFICIAL 'THE HATCH' T-SHIRT

For decades, our staff has called the hatchery "The Hatch." Vintage design on a denim Comfort Colors tee. Available in adult and child sizes. Unisex. 24THT (S-3X, YS-YL) **\$20.00-\$22.00**



MURRAY'S VINTAGE '77 T-SHIRT

This vintage design t-shirt features artwork from our 1977 catalog. Adult sizes available in brown/tan. Child sizes available in gray/navy. Unisex. 21T77 (S-3X, YS-YL) **\$16.00-\$18.00**



MURRAY'S REPEAT T-SHIRT

Murray's Repeat t-shirt has a modern red graphic on a heathered charcoal gray shirt with a modern fit. Available in adult and child sizes. Unisex. 21 (S-3X, YS-YL) **\$16.00-\$18.00**



RISE, SHINE, REPEAT T-SHIRT

HATCH CREW FAVORITE - When the rooster crows, head to the coop in our soft, heathered *Rise, Shine, Repeat* t-shirt. Available in adult sizes. Unisex. 20 (S-3X) **\$16.00-\$18.00**



MURRAY'S SIGNATURE HOODIE

Our ultra-soft heathered hoodie has a modern fit. Our chick icon is stitched on the front chest and Murray's signature is down the arm. Adult sizes. Unisex. 1HSIG (S-2X) **\$45.00**



OFFICIAL 'THE HATCH' HAT

When you work hard, a good hat is worth its weight in gold. The Hatch hat has embroidered artwork on a denim cap with mesh back. Adjustable. One size fits all. Unisex. 1THCAP **\$24.00**



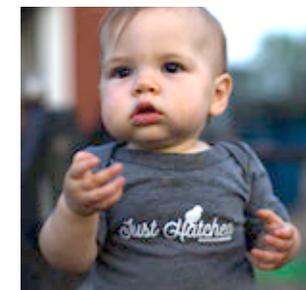
MURRAY'S FAVORITE HAT

Year after year, this washed canvas CARHARTT® cap is an all-around favorite and is designed to last. Adjustable. One size fits all. Unisex. 1H21 **\$24.00**



MURRAY'S KNIT WATCH CAP

Keep warm while tending to your flock with our popular Knit Watch Cap. Available in two colors. Makes a great gift! One size. Unisex. 1KWC (GRAY) **\$12.99**; 1KWC2 (BROWN) **\$12.99**



JUST HATCHED ONESIE

Our all new *Just Hatched* onesie makes a perfect baby gift for any poultry lover. Featuring our chick logo, this fun onesie is soft, comfortable, and stylish. Unisex. 1ZJH36 (3-6 mos.) **\$20.00**; 1ZJH (6-12 mos.) **\$20.00**



HANDMADE STONWARE MUGS

Rise and Shine with our stoneware mugs, handcrafted in the U.S.A. Collect all five: Olive Egger Green, Ameraucana Blue, Speckled (Sussex) Light Brown, Andalusian Ombre, and Tom's Brown Mug. *Shop all styles online.* **\$30.00**



GIFT CERTIFICATES

Give the poultry lover on your list a McMurray Hatchery Gift Certificate — printed or digital versions available. May be redeemed on any purchase on our website — *including baby chicks!*

Hatchery Favorite Gifts

A. MURRAY'S SIGNATURE HOODIE

Our ultra-soft heathered hoodie has a modern fit. Our chick icon is stitched on the front chest and Murray's signature is down the arm. Adult sizes. Unisex. 1HSIG (S-2X) **\$45.00**

B. ONE ACRE HOMESTEAD

Learn to homestead in your own backyard with the One Acre Homestead by Cassidy Cornell. Cornell teaches and encourages readers to start raising their own food, no matter the size of their property. 839 **\$24.99**

C. THE APRICOT LANE FARM COOKBOOK

The Apricot Lane Farm Cookbook, recipes, and stories from 'The Biggest Little Farm' by Molly Chester. Enjoy the bounty of your garden, homestead, or farm harvest in your kitchen with this stunning cookbook featuring more than 130 recipes. 838 **\$45.00**

D. HANDMADE STONEWARE MUGS

Rise and Shine with our stoneware mugs, handcrafted in the U.S.A. Collect all five: Olive Egger Green, Ameraucana Blue, Speckled (Sussex) Light Brown, Andalusian Ombre, and Tom's Brown Mug. *Shop all styles online.* **\$30.00**

E. WOODEN EGG STAMPS AND EGG CARTON STAMPS

Dress up your rainbow dozens to garner attention at your farmers' market, give them as a gift, or enjoy them yourself with these egg and carton stamps by Wild Feather Farms. *To view all egg and egg carton stamps, visit page 113.* Prices starting at **\$13.00**

F. SLOGGERS CHICKEN PRINT BOOTS & CLOGS

Head out to the coop in style in a pair of waterproof, and just plain cool, chicken print Sloggers. Available in yellow or red boots and clogs. Available in women's sizes 6-10. Prices starting at **\$33.99**

G. JUST HATCHED ONESIE

Our *Just Hatched* onesie makes a perfect baby gift for any poultry lover. Featuring our chick logo, this fun onesie is soft and comfortable. Unisex. 1ZJH36 (3-6 mos.); 1ZJH (6-12 mos.) **\$20.00**

H. HEN SADDLES

Hen saddles, also called chicken aprons, protect your hens from overmating while allowing feather growth. Available in a variety of sizes and colors. Prices starting at **\$10.00**

I. LOCALLY-CRAFTED WOODEN COUNTERTOP EGG HOLDER

This wooden egg holder is a beautiful way to show off your rainbow dozen. Types of wood will vary, as each egg holder is hand-crafted here in Webster City, IA, by a local woodsmith and milled from locally-sourced wood. 5EH **\$37.50**

J. AMISH EGG BASKETS

Gather your eggs in style with these unique, hand-made woven baskets made by a local Amish family. Each basket is signed and dated by the family member who made it. Available in four sizes. Prices starting at **\$25.00**

K. THE HEART OF THE HOMESTEAD

In her debut book, RuthAnn Zimmerman shares timeless wisdom, and gives her readers a peek behind the fence at what life is like on their Iowa homestead. 840 **\$21.99**

L. RAINBOW CHICKEN TUTUS

Your backyard flock will be Instagram-ready with our handmade rainbow tutus. Made in the U.S.A., each tutu is made from high-quality black elastic and colorful tulle netting. One size only, fits most standard sized chicken breeds. Non-returnable. 5CRT - **\$18.00**



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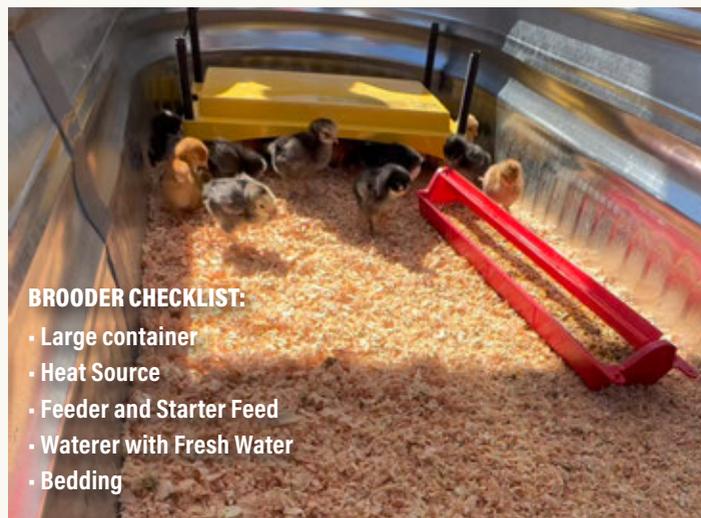
Caring for Baby Poultry

Your new baby poultry will arrive two to three days after they ship. Baby chicks do not need food or water for those few days because they ingest the yolk of the egg as they hatch. However, when they arrive, they will need water, food, and a warm brooder immediately. A brooder is a confined space that is free from drafts. Baby poultry will need a brooder for approximately 4-8 weeks until they are feathered out and can regulate their own temperature. To help you get your chicks off to a good start, this page includes some important information to keep in mind as you prepare for the arrival of your poultry.

BROODER BASICS

(UP TO 4-8 WEEKS)

- FEED:** Use a commercial chick starter for the first eight weeks. On the first day, cover the litter with newspaper and spread some feed on the papers. You should also have full feeders available. This will allow the new birds to find the feed easily. Use a 2-foot feeder for each 25 chicks. After the first day, remove the papers from the starting area. Please refer to the next page for required feed protein levels for each type of poultry.
- WATER:** We recommend a 1-gallon chick waterer per 50 birds. Your birds will be very thirsty when they arrive. Carefully dip the tip of each chick's beak in the water before setting it in the brooder. This helps ensure they can find their water so they remain properly hydrated. Never let your birds run out of water. We recommend using either Quik Chik or Broiler Booster in the water. For the first two days, you can add three tablespoons of sugar to each quart of water for extra energy if needed.
- HEAT:** Baby poultry can't regulate their own core body temperature, so maintaining the proper brooder temperature is critical. For the first week, baby poultry will need a brooder with the temperature at 90-95 degrees. Use a thermometer to monitor the brooder temps. The area directly under the bulb should be kept at the proper temperature, while the outer areas of the brooder will be slightly lower. Birds will seek out areas with the temperature they need. Use one bulb for each 50 chicks in cold weather. Use one bulb for each 100 chicks in warm weather. Each week, reduce the temperature by five degrees until you get to 70 degrees. By then, your birds should be feathered out and won't need any more supplemental heat. A good source of heat is a brooder lamp with a 250-watt heat bulb, hung 18" above the brooder floor. Red bulbs are preferred, as the red light may help to prevent picking. Use caution with heat bulbs, as they can be a fire hazard. A radiant heat plate is a safe and effective alternative to heat lamps. Use radiant heat plates in a room with an ambient temperature of at least 60-65 degrees.
- LIGHT:** If you use a heat bulb, this will also serve as a light. If not, your birds will need light. Use a 75-watt bulb on dark days. A small night light - approx. 15 watts - can be used at night to help prevent piling.
- SPACE:** To create the brooder area, create an area of 0.5 sq. ft. per bird at the start. Use a draft shield, brooder guard, or cardboard at least 12 inches high to form the brooder sides. This will help contain your birds and protect them from drafts. For 50 chicks, make the circle about 5-6 feet across, or 7-8 feet across for 100 birds.



BROODER CHECKLIST:

- Large container
- Heat Source
- Feeder and Starter Feed
- Waterer with Fresh Water
- Bedding



HAVE QUESTIONS OR ISSUES WITH YOUR BABY CHICKS OR OTHER POULTRY?

Our experienced Customer Service team can help. Call 800.456.3280 for reliable information and assistance.

OTHER IMPORTANT MATTERS

- **BEDDING/LITTER:** Wood shavings, rice hulls, or ground cobs make good litter. Do not use cedar chips, sawdust (which is too fine and baby birds may eat it instead of their food), or treated wood chips. Sand, straw, or dirt will also work, but are not as ideal as the options mentioned above. Cover the base of your brooder with at least one inch of bedding. We recommend covering the bedding with paper towels or other non-slip paper for the first day in order to prevent the chicks from eating their litter instead of the feed. To avoid possible leg problems, ensure the paper you use is non-slip. Remove the papers after the first day for heavy breeds and meat birds, and after the third day for lighter breeds.
- **GRIT:** Chickens and other poultry do not have teeth, so POULTRY MUST HAVE GRIT (crushed rock) to help break down the food in their crop and gullet. Once your chicks are started and eating properly - somewhere around the third day - sprinkle Chick Grit (#1 size) on their feed daily, just as if you were salting your food. Avoid putting too much at any one time so your birds don't fill up on grit instead of their feed.
- **BEHAVIOR ISSUES (PICKING):** Chickens and other poultry will often pick each other if they are too hot, crowded, bored, or without fresh air. Bright light can also cause them to pick, but sometimes they pick for no apparent reason. To stop picking, try giving your birds fresh grass clippings a few times a day and darken the room. Treat injured birds using an anti-pick product on any wounds until healed. If necessary, separate the injured or the aggressive bird.

STRESS OR HEALTH ISSUES

- **IF THE BIRDS HAD A HARD TRIP DURING SHIPPING:** Instead of using the standard feed and water suggestions listed, put six more tablespoons of sugar in each gallon of water. Then, mix some of this extra sweet water with some of your feed to make a soupy mix. Give your birds this soaked feed and water mix for 3-4 days to get them over the hump.
- **REAR-END PASTY BUTT:** Sometimes, stress can cause feces/manure to stick to and dry on the backside of a baby bird. It is important to remove this buildup daily. Using a cloth and warm water, gently soak and loosen the dried manure from the affected area, being careful to not pull out the down. This should disappear in a few days as the bird starts to grow.

CARING FOR POULTRY AFTER FOUR WEEKS

- **SPACE:** Increase floor area to 0.75 sq. ft. per bird.
- **FEEDERS:** Increase feeders to provide 2.5-3 inches of space per bird.
- **WATERERS:** Increase waterers to one 5-gallon fount per 100 birds.
- **GRIT:** Make sure grit hopper is filled with the proper sized grit.
- **ROOSTS:** Install roosts at the back of the brooder area. Allow 4 inches per bird with roost poles 6 inches apart.
- **FRESH AIR:** Weather permitting, open windows during the day, and leave partially open overnight.
- **RAISE WATER FOUNTS:** Place founts on platforms to prevent water puddles.
- **GET OUTSIDE:** Let your birds forage outside in a safe area on warm days.

STARTING CORNISH CROSS & BROILERS

- Start these types of birds on a broiler starter. Higher protein has been known to help avoid leg problems.
- We recommend switching to limit feeding when your chicks are around 12 days old. Fill their feeders each day, and let feed run out in the late afternoon. Repeat with fresh feed each morning. Research has shown that following a limit feeding schedule leads to considerably less health problems as birds mature.
- We also recommend giving your chicks Broiler Booster in their water from start to finish.
- While management, environment, and feed quality can affect growth rates, Cornish Game Hens should be ready to process by 4 weeks. Cornish Cross cockerels will be ready to process in 6-8 weeks. Pullets will take 1-2 weeks longer.
- Under ideal conditions, birds will gain 0.5-1 pound per week after 6-7 weeks.
- Birds grown past suggested time frames may experience leg and heart problems.

QUICK REFERENCE FOR STARTING BABY POULTRY

	Chicks or Bantams	Cornish Cross, Heavy Breeds, and Turkeys	Pheasants, Quail, and Chukars	Guineas	Ducks or Geese	Peafowl
FEED	18% Commercial Starter	22% Broiler or 28% Turkey Starter	28%-30% Game Bird or Turkey Starter (MASH)	28%-30% Game Bird or Turkey Starter	Non-Arsenic 21% Waterfowl Starter	28%-30% Game Bird or Turkey Starter
ADD TO WATER	Quik Chik	Broiler Booster	Antibiotic	Quik Chik	Quik Chik	Antibiotic
HEAT AT FLOOR LEVEL	90-95 Degrees	90-95 Degrees	90-95 Degrees (Quail 95-97)	95 Degrees	90-95 Degrees	95-97 Degrees
LIGHT	Extra Light in Room	Extra Light in Room	Extra Light in Room	Extra Light in Room	Extra Light in Room	Extra Light in Room
SPACE	1/2 Sq. Ft. per Bird	1/2 Sq. Ft. per Bird	1/2 Sq. Ft. per Bird	1/2 Sq. Ft. per Bird	1/2 Sq. Ft. per Bird	1/2 Sq. Ft. per Bird
LITTER	Commercial	Commercial	Commercial	Commercial	Commercial	Commercial

CARING FOR BABY DUCKS AND GEESE

- 1. FEED:** Feed starter crumbles up to four weeks of age. Grower pellets are preferred from that point on. Layer pellets can be introduced gradually at their first egg. Mash should not be fed at any time unless it is moistened at each feeding, and care should be taken to avoid spoilage. Whole and cracked grains can be used to supplement the pellets at maturity. Green grass and vegetable trimmings can be given at any time. Check the niacin levels of your feed, and be sure to supplement if needed.
- 2. WATER:** Ducklings and goslings should have access to clean drinking water at all times, but should not be given enough for them to walk or swim in yet. Since they have been hatched in an incubator, they do not have their mother's protective oil on their down, and therefore they can be easily chilled if allowed to be in water. Access to swimming water can be given when fully feathered at approximately two months of age.
- 3. HEAT:** During the first week, they will need access to areas heated to 90°. This can be reduced 5° per week. For small numbers, a heat lamp suspended 18" above the bedding is fine. A Brinsea EcoGlow heat plate can also be used. Heating may take daily adjustments. If they are huddled or climbing on one another, increase the temperature. If they move away from their heat source, reduce the temperature. Take care to protect them from all drafts.
- 4. HEALTH:** Keep the bedding as dry as possible. Wood shavings are the best option. Do not use cedar chips, sawdust, or treated wood chips for bedding. Once your ducklings or goslings are one month old, allow them room to exercise and play outdoors during the day if possible, being careful to protect your birds from predators. You should have few health problems if you follow all the above instructions. If you do have any issues, try adding Terramycin to their diet.



Photos courtesy of Shelby Lascelles.

IMPORTANT: Leg bands and tape must be removed when your birds arrive.

HAVE QUESTIONS OR ISSUES WITH YOUR BABY CHICKS OR OTHER POULTRY?

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Protect Your Chicks with Vaccinations

McMurray Hatchery offers two optional vaccines for new baby chicks — Coccidiosis (Cocci) and Marek's. When ordering your baby chicks, either online or by phone, you'll be given the option to select whether or not to have the chicks in your order vaccinated.

COCCIDIOSIS VACCINATION

The Coccidiosis Vaccination is a live oocyst vaccine given as a spray to baby chicks at the time of hatch. Coccidia are common protozoan parasites present in almost every chicken yard. They can lay dormant for years until chickens are introduced. Heavy infections of coccidia can cause serious illness, sometimes fatal. Chickens of any age can come become ill due to coccidiosis, however 4-16 week-old chickens are most commonly affected. Moving from a brooder to a coop exposes them to new Coccidia, and poor husbandry issues such as wet litter, poor nutrition, and concurrent diseases are the some common triggers. Vaccinations are most effective when given to chicks at 1-3 days old.

IMPORTANT: To reduce the threat of coccidiosis, you should either: **A.) Have us vaccinate your birds and use non-medicated feed — OR — B.) use a medicated feed containing a coccidiostat.** Note: the use of medicated feed with vaccinated chicks will nullify the vaccine.

ORGANIC GROWERS: Vaccinations are in compliance with NOP/USDA organic standards. However, we recommend verifying with your certifying agency prior to having your chicks vaccinated.

COVC - \$0.50

MAREK'S VACCINATION

The Marek's Vaccination is a live virus vaccine given via injection at the time of hatch. Marek's is a highly contagious and widespread viral disease affecting domestic chickens in all sections of the world. It is characterized by paralysis and lesions affecting the nervous system, organs, and other tissues. Young chickens under 16 weeks of age are most susceptible. There is no treatment for Marek's once the birds are infected. Chicks must be vaccinated as close to the time of hatch as possible for the vaccine to be effective.

VACC - \$0.50

COMMON QUESTIONS REGARDING VACCINES:

Are your vaccines MRNA? — The Coccidiosis vaccine is a live oocyst vaccine, and the Marek's Disease vaccine is a live virus vaccine. McMurray Hatchery does NOT offer any MRNA vaccinations for poultry.

Are any of your chicks vaccinated for Avian Influenza? — There is no approved vaccine for Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI) in the USA. Therefore, we do NOT offer vaccinations for any strains of avian influenza at this time.



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Connecting communities while supporting small family farms and homesteads.

McMurray Hatchery is dedicated to supporting our customer family across the United States and Canada in their efforts to raise and sell their poultry products locally. From farm-fresh eggs, to pastured poultry products or started pullets, The Marketplace at McMurrayHatchery.com helps you locate and connect with family farms in your area.

Search The Marketplace directory by geographic location, product, or service to seek out farms and homesteads in your area. Then, visit their websites or local farms and to shop direct and local for:

- Fresh eggs
- Pastured poultry products
- Honey and bee-related products
- Juvenile chicks and started pullets

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Drive local sales to your farm stand, homestead, CSA, or pastured poultry business — visit the Marketplace website and complete the application to sign up today!



SCAN TO VISIT THE MARKETPLACE



Marketplace.McMurrayHatchery.com

The McMurray Difference

QUALITY AND SATISFACTION GUARANTEED

At McMurray Hatchery, our team has hand-packed each order of baby chicks for over a century. With each box of baby chicks that we ship, we strive to provide you with the best experience possible and we guarantee your satisfaction. Each order of baby poultry from McMurray carries our Quality, Live Arrival and 48-Hour Livability, and 90% Sexing Accuracy guarantees.

QUALITY GUARANTEED

Since 1917, it has been an honor to supply our customers with the highest quality poultry possible. From our rare and exotic Heritage breeds to our tried-and-true production birds, we have something to offer each and every type of poultry keeper. Our team works tirelessly behind the scenes to maintain our flocks and refine our lines so that your chicks are ready to thrive wherever they are sent. From our flocks to yours, we believe wholeheartedly in quality over quantity, and we guarantee your satisfaction with each order of baby poultry.

NPIP CERTIFIED

We participate in the USDA National Poultry Improvement Plan (NPIP), and we operate under the inspection and control of the Iowa Department of Agriculture. This ensures we follow the highest standards in our breeding stock, hatchery operation, and disease control. See the next page for the NPIP shields we carry.

HAND-PACKED WITH CARE

Each box of baby poultry from McMurray Hatchery is hand-packed with care. Our team works to ensure your order arrives safely. This includes packing them in our specially designed reinforced boxes, adding heat packs and adjusting ventilation for the elements, customizing box sized as needed to fit the size of your order, and adding Gro-Gel for hydration during their journey.

CHOOSE FEMALES, MALES, OR STRAIGHT RUN

McMurray Hatchery is known for offering a wide range of sexed breeds and varieties of baby poultry. In fact, a vast majority of our breeds are offered as sexed females (pullets) and males (cockerels), and all can be purchased as straight run (unsexed/as hatched). Additionally, we do not require a per breed/per sex minimum for any breed of poultry when you are crafting your flock. Our website and catalog both indicate how each breed is sold, sexed, and priced accordingly. Please note that we cannot guarantee an equal number of males and females in a straight run order.

CHOOSE JUST ONE OF EACH BREED/SEX

For over a century, we have remained true to our roots by serving the needs of small backyard flock owners, poultry enthusiasts, 4-H communities, and urban chicken keepers. With that in mind, we do not require per breed or per sex minimums on our baby chicks. When placing your order, you can select as few as one of any breed and sex, as long as the total number meets the shipping minimum required for each type of poultry in that order. However, we do recommend ordering a few of each breed to make sure that you get a good sample of a variety.

SUBSTITUTIONS

Occasionally, we will have breeds that do not hatch as well as expected. When ordering, you will be asked if our team is allowed to substitute chicks of equal or greater value and breeds similar to what you had ordered should we need to. If you indicate 'no substitutions' on your order, your order could be delayed, or it will ship minus the birds that did not hatch and a credit will be applied to your account. Please contact our Customer Service department at (800) 456-3280 if you have any questions or concerns.

LOW MINIMUM ORDERS

Whether you are just starting a backyard flock or are adding to an existing one, we offer low minimums to meet any need. Over a century of experience with shipping baby poultry goes into our guidelines for minimum orders. When a small order of baby chicks is placed, one of our team members personally customizes the shipping box to ensure maximum safety and comfort for your birds during the shipping process. Please note that our minimum orders are higher from January through March, which helps to ensure a safe delivery during colder months. In April, when temperatures are warmer, our minimums decrease to as few as six birds for day-old baby chicks.

Chickens (Standard):	Ducks: 3	Partridge: 35
• January-March: 25	Geese: 2	Pheasants: 30
• April: 15	Turkeys: 10	Peafowl: 8
• May-September: 6	Guineas: 6	Quail: Varies by breed
Chickens (Bantams): 15		

OUR GUARANTEES

LIVE ARRIVAL AND AND 48-HOUR LIVABILITY GUARANTEE

For over a century, McMurray Hatchery has worked to provide customers with the highest quality baby poultry. Should you need assistance along the way, both our website and Customer Service department are available to offer reliable information about caring for your baby birds. We offer a Live Arrival and 48-Hour Livability Guarantee. In the event that you lose any properly cared for bird(s) within 48 hours of arrival, we will work with you to either refund your money, replace your birds, or credit your account. Contact our Customer Service department at (800) 456-3280 within 48 hours of arrival to report any losses. Reports must be made by phone. Replacement orders must meet the minimum number of birds required for safe shipping.

90% SEXING ACCURACY GUARANTEE

Sexing baby poultry is one of the most challenging aspects of our industry. We understand why many of our customers request sexed poultry, and we are committed to working with highly-specialized professionals on our team to offer this service to you. As part of our commitment to customer satisfaction, we guarantee 90% accuracy on all sexed poultry. If you know or suspect that more than 10% of your birds were sexed incorrectly, please contact our Customer Service department at (800) 456-3280 for a refund or credit your account. Please be prepared to provide us with photos of your birds as they grow so that we can help confirm any issues or discrepancies.

MERCHANDISE

If you are unsatisfied with your merchandise for any reason, please do not hesitate to reach out to us, as your order may be able to be returned for a full refund or credit to your account. Before a return can be processed, it must be approved by our Customer Service team. They can be reached at (800) 456-3280 for return approval. Returned merchandise must be unused, in resalable condition, and must be in the original packaging with all appropriate literature intact. Vaccines, some health care items, and some processing equipment cannot be returned. All returns may be subject to a restocking and/or handling fee. Merchandise that is drop-shipped from the factory may be subject to additional or different terms set by the manufacturer. At no time will our guarantee exceed the original purchase price for any return.

Biosecurity

At McMurray Hatchery, our mission is to provide our customers with healthy chicks. We participate in the USDA National Poultry Improvement Plan (NPIP). Our flocks are certified Pullorum-Typhoid Clean, AI Clean, and Salmonella Monitored. As a participant in this program, we follow a very strict vaccination, biosecurity, and testing protocols. All our flocks are tested monthly for AI and Salmonella. We encourage you to follow the biosecurity recommendations below to help keep your flock healthy.



TIPS TO PREVENT POULTRY DISEASE

KEEP YOUR DISTANCE. Restrict access to your property and your birds. Consider fencing off the area surrounding your birds to form a protective barrier. The immediate area surrounding your birds is your "clean" area, and all other areas — even the buffer area immediately surrounding your coop and run — are considered "dirty" and are a risk for spreading disease and bacteria.

Only allow people who take care of your birds to come into contact with them. Your caretakers should not attend bird shows or other events where birds are present. Require all visitors to your property who want to see your birds to wash and clean their shoes, or keep clean boots for them to wear. If your visitors have birds of their own, ask that they only see your birds from a distance and do not let them near your birds.

Game birds and migratory waterfowl should not have contact with your flock because they can carry germs and diseases. If your birds are outdoors, try to keep them in a screened area. All wild birds must be considered to be a risk to your flock, even if the birds appear healthy and disease-free.

KEEP IT CLEAN. Be cautious about tracking dirt and disease into your coop and run where it could infect your flock. Germs can be picked up on shoes and clothing, and easily move from one area to another. To keep your birds germ-free, keep a pair of shoes and a set of clothes to wear only around your birds. Many keep these clean items in a container at the entrance to their coop or run.

Always wear clean clothes and disinfect your shoes before coming in contact with your birds. To disinfect your shoes, use a scrub brush and disinfectant to remove droppings, mud, or debris. Clothes should be clean, and should not have been previously worn in areas where other poultry owners have gathered. Wash your hands thoroughly with soap and water before entering your bird area.

Keep cages, food, and water clean on a daily basis. Clean and disinfect equipment that comes in contact with your birds or their droppings, including tools, feed scoops, shovels, rakes, and brooms. All manure must be removed by cleaning surfaces with soap and water, then disinfect the area. Properly dispose of dead birds by burial or incineration, or take them to a landfill. Check your local ordinances for acceptable disposal methods.

IMPORTANT FACTS ABOUT AVIAN INFLUENZA

Avian Influenza (also known as "bird flu") is an ongoing concern. We share the following information as a public service announcement to keep our customers better informed with suggestions on ways to help protect your own flocks.

PROTECTING YOUR FLOCK

The best way to protect your flock is to follow strict biosecurity procedures:

- Do your best to prevent your flock from coming into contact with wild birds. A major vector for the introduction of Avian Influenza is migratory birds.
- Use foot-baths with disinfectants to clean footwear when moving from an area where wild birds might be present to the areas where your flocks are housed.
- For a complete list read "Tips to Prevent Poultry Disease" online at <https://l.mcmh.biz/USDA-Avian-Flu-Brochure>

DON'T HAUL DISEASE HOME. Car and truck tires, poultry cages, and equipment can all harbor germs. When traveling to a location where other birds are present, including the feed store, be sure to clean and disinfect these items before return to your property.

Taking some of your birds to a fair or exhibition? Keep show birds separate from the rest of your flock for a minimum of two weeks after the event to ensure that they aren't bringing any diseases or illnesses back to your flock.

When bringing in new birds, ensure that they are from a reputable NPIP provider. New birds should be kept separate from your flock for at least 30 days before integrating them with the rest of your birds. To prevent disease, it is best not to mix birds from different species or different sources.

DON'T BORROW DISEASE FROM YOUR NEIGHBOR. Do not share birds, lawn and garden equipment, tools, or poultry supplies with neighbors or other bird owners. Thoroughly clean and disinfect all equipment before bringing it onto your property. Remember to clean and disinfect borrowed items before returning them. Never share items such as wooden pallets or cardboard egg cartons, as they are porous and cannot be adequately cleaned and disinfected.

KNOW THE WARNING SIGNS OF INFECTIOUS BIRD DISEASES. Many bird diseases can be difficult to diagnose. The list below includes general symptoms to look for that signal something might be wrong with your birds. Early detection of signs and symptoms is an important part in preventing the spread of disease among poultry and other fowl.

- Sudden death
- Diarrhea
- Sneezing, gasping for air, nasal discharge, coughing
- Lack of energy and appetite
- Swelling of tissues around eyes and in neck
- Purple discoloration of the wattles, combs, and legs
- Depression, muscular tremors, drooping wings, twisting of head and neck, lack of coordination, or complete paralysis

If your birds present signs of illness, separate any sick birds from the rest of your flock and contact a local veterinarian or your Extension Office.



CLICK TO LEARN MORE ABOUT BIOSECURITY FROM THE USDA

2026 Hatching Season

SHIPPING BABY POULTRY

Within hours after hatching, our team carefully and quickly packs your order for shipment. Each order of baby poultry is hand-packed by one of our team members, placed in one of our custom shipping boxes, and vaccinated as ordered. Each box contains bedding, Gro-Gel, and heat packs as needed. Once completed, packed orders are loaded onto our truck and taken to the airport for immediate shipping. All orders are shipped Priority Mail through the U.S. Post Office – most travel by air. Your order should reach your post office within 48-72 hours. Prior to hatching, chicks draw in the yolk sac, which provides them with all of the nutrition and hydration they need for several days. That window of time allows us to ship them to you safely. Once your order has shipped, you will receive tracking information via email. When your order arrives at your local Post Office, they will contact you for pick up. Your baby birds will be less than 72 hours old when they arrive. See pg. 124, or visit our website at McMurrayHatchery.com, for more information on caring for your birds. When placing your order, you will be asked to provide the email address where we will send shipping alerts and tracking information, as well as your phone number so the Post Office can contact you. If you prefer delivery to an alternate location, please call our Customer Service department. If you have questions or issues with your order, please contact our Customer Service department at 800.456.3280.

MERCHANDISE (NON-LIVE PRODUCTS)

ORDER DELIVERY TIME We attempt to process all orders the day after payment is received. All orders ship the fastest way possible, but please allow up to 2-3 weeks for delivery.

DROP-SHIPPED ITEMS Some of the products we sell are shipped directly from the manufacturer. Please allow additional delivery time for these items. Returns on drop-shipped items may be subject to a restocking fee.

BACKORDER POLICY While we strive to keep our shelves stocked and bring you the fastest service we can provide, manufacturing delays can occasionally cause us to backorder merchandise. Our team will notify you regarding any backordered merchandise when your order is placed, and we will notify you again within 45 days if the item is still on backorder.

CANADIAN CUSTOMERS

To receive day-old baby chicks from McMurray Hatchery, please follow these instructions:

1. When you place your order, please provide your regular Canadian mailing address.
2. **We cannot ship live poultry directly into Canada. We will ship your order to the post office in the U.S. city where you plan to pick up your order.** You will need to provide the address and zip code of that location. The shipping label for your order will show your name and the address of the post office in the U.S. city you have chosen. You will be notified of the day you can expect to receive your chicks.

CATALOG PRICING While we take every precaution to ensure accurate prices, we cannot guarantee the catalog to be free of pricing and description errors. Prices are subject to change without notice. **Pricing on our website supercedes all other pricing, including catalogs.**

MERCHANDISE RETURNS **Prior approval is required before merchandise can be returned.** Call 800.456.3280 for approval. Merchandise returned for refund or exchange must be unused and in resalable condition, in its original packaging, and include all the appropriate literature. All returns are subject to a handling and restocking fee of 10% of the original cost of the item. Drop-shipped merchandise may be subject to additional terms set by the manufacturer. Refunds will not be issued until the returned item has arrived at the Hatchery.

3. Contact the Post Office where you plan to pick up your order to ensure they will accept your shipment of live birds. You may be required to purchase a P.O. Box.
4. **Poultry Health Papers are required** at Canada Border Crossing Inspection Stations for ALL live poultry transported into Canada. Once your order is placed, we will apply to the State of Iowa to obtain health papers for you. A \$115 fee (non-refundable) will be charged for the paperwork. Orders must be placed a minimum of 3 weeks prior to the desired ship date to allow time for paperwork. Any date changes require new paperwork, with an additional \$115 charge. Multiple

2026 HATCHING SEASON

Chickens February – September
Chukars April – July
Ducks February – November
Geese March – June
Guineas May – September
Peafowl June – August
Pheasants April – July
Quail April – September
Turkeys April – August

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

- Large or heavy items may require additional shipping charges. Please call 800.456.3280 for a shipping quote.
- Orders placed after 11:00 AM (Central) will ship the following business day.
- Alaska, Hawaii, US Territories and Canada: Please allow 3-4 additional business days for delivery.
- Business days do not include weekends or holidays.
- We reserve the right to add a fuel surcharge to the shipping and handling charges.
- Website orders must be paid via credit card or PayPal.

types of poultry (i.e. chickens or waterfowl) ship separately, and each require separate health papers and a \$115 fee.

5. Please check in advance with your Canada Border Crossing Inspection Station to see if they are prepared to inspect and admit poultry.

We are unable to ship certain types of fowl and products into Canada, including but not limited to: Proso, grit, quail, turkeys, pheasants, juvenile birds, adult birds, hatching eggs, and vaccines.

All sales are in U.S. Dollars. All orders must be prepaid in U.S. funds. No C.O.D. Master Card, Visa, American Express, and Discover are accepted. All phone orders must be paid by credit card.



P.O. Box 458, Webster City, IA 50595

HOURS OF OPERATION

PHONE HOURS	MONDAY - FRIDAY
JANUARY - JUNE	8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
JULY - DECEMBER	8:30 AM - 4:00 PM

Our office is closed for the following holidays: New Year's, Memorial Day, 4th of July, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, and Christmas.

Orders may be placed on our website during these times, but we will not be filling orders or shipping.

HOW TO ORDER

Orders can be placed online, or by phone, mail, or fax. Please note that we do not have a store location for purchases. No C.O.D., all orders must be paid in full prior to shipping.

MasterCard, VISA, Discover, American Express, PayPal (online only), cash, check, and money orders are accepted. We reserve the right to cancel your order if payment is declined.

FOREIGN CUSTOMERS: We only ship poultry to U.S. Post Office locations within the 50 states (*some restrictions apply*).

ORDER ONLINE 24 HOURS A DAY

McMurrayHatchery.com

Visit our website for up-to-date availability on all breeds and to place an order. Only credit card and PayPal payments are accepted for online orders.

ORDER BY PHONE TOLL-FREE

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If you need assistance placing your order, or if you have questions about an order, contact Customer Service during business hours. All phone orders must be paid by credit card. We accept MasterCard, VISA, Discover, and American Express. We reserve the right to cancel your order if payment is declined.

ORDER BY MAIL OR FAX

To order by mail or fax, please complete the order form. For security purposes, only send checks or money orders by mail. To pay by credit card, please pay online, or contact us to pay by phone. Checks must clear your bank prior to the shipment of your order. Allow three weeks for checks to clear. A \$30 fee will be applied for any check returned due to insufficient funds. We do not accept post-dated checks. Send completed order forms to: **McMurray Hatchery, P.O. Box 458 Webster City, IA 50595.** Fax orders to **515.832.2213.**

ORDER FORM

Fax or Mail to: McMurray Hatchery, P.O. Box 458, Webster City, IA 50595

Order online at McMurrayHatchery.com

CONTACT / SHIPPING INFORMATION

Name: _____
 Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
 Phone (required): _____ Alternate Phone: _____
 Email: _____

ORDER INFORMATION

Will you accept a bird substitution of a similar breed? Yes No
 Please CIRCLE your preferred arrival week below.

Select an Arrival Week From This List											
January	26					June	1	8	15	22	29
February	2	9	16	23		July	6	13	20	27	
March	2	9	16	23	30	August	3	10	17	24	31
April	6	13	20	27		September	7	14	21	28	
May	4	11	18	25							

Item #	Unit/Sex	Description	Quantity	x	Price	=	Total	
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VACC	Each	Vaccinate Birds for Marek's Disease		x	\$0.50	=		
COVC	Each	Vaccinate Birds for Coccidiosis		x	\$0.50	=		
QCC	4 oz.	Quik Chik (<i>Shipped with Birds</i>)		x	\$3.95	=		
BBC	4 oz.	Broiler Booster (<i>Shipped with Birds</i>)		x	\$7.95	=		
GEL	Each	Gro-Gel (<i>Shipped with Birds</i>)		x	\$3.90	=		
SUBTOTAL								
Tax — Calculate sales tax for your state. (IOWA RESIDENTS add 7%. No Tax on Birds, Feed & Med.)			Subtotal	x		=		
Shipping & Handling — Call 800.456.3280 For Shipping Quote			Subtotal	+		=		
							TOTAL	=

PAYMENT METHOD

- Check (*enclosed*)
- Money Order (*enclosed*)
- Credit Card — *For security purposes, do not send credit card information through the mail or fax. Please call our offices at 800.456.3280 to process your payment over the phone.*



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BUFF GEESE are our pick for the goose breed of 2026 season! These geese are calm and gentle, while also fulfilling their roles as guardians.

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