

POULTRY

GENERAL POULTRY INFORMATION

Please check the website for information on sold out poultry items. We will update poultry availabilities around the first of each month.

We are listing in the PDF catalog the breeds which are already Sold Out for the season by the time the catalog is posted.

HOW SOON DO WE CASH YOUR CHECK SENT FOR PAYMENT OF YOUR POULTRY ORDER?

Please be sure to send payment that is current (no postdated checks). It might take us a few weeks to get your order processed, depending upon our work load at the time, but your check will be cashed just as soon as your order is placed in the schedule book and a confirmation letter is sent out to you. We do not hold your check until after your birds are shipped out. We do accept only a check or money order as payment for the poultry orders. Our prices would have to be set much higher if we were to set up to take credit cards as payment.

PLEASE REMEMBER ALL DAY-OLD POULTRY IS SOLD AS STRAIGHT RUN ONLY. WE DO NOT SEX ANY OF THE DAY OLDS. Since we do not sell sexed chicks, we have no control over what you receive as far as a male-female ratio. Ideally, it is supposed to be a 50-50 split, but anyone who has been in poultry knows it can vary from that.

ALL ORDERS MUST STILL COME IN BY USPS MAIL WITH PAYMENT INCLUDED IN THE FORM OF A CHECK OR MONEY ORDER. WE DO NOT ACCEPT TELEPHONE, INTERNET OR CREDIT CARD ORDERS. YOUR POULTRY ORDER IS NOT BOOKED UNTIL WE RECEIVE IT IN OUR OFFICE BY MAIL.

We appreciate all of the interest folks have in viewing our operation. However, we must inform you that as part of the NPIP certification we must operate a closed facility to prevent the introduction of disease. For that reason, we are no longer allowing visitors to our poultry operation. We are not trying to hide anything, but just have to be careful to maintain a reasonable level of bio-security.

ABSOLUTELY NO VISITS WILL BE ALLOWED

We are members of the National Poultry Improvement Plan (NPIP # 42-278). Therefore, all of our breeding stock is blood tested annually for pullorum. We also test bi-annually for Avian Influenza.

We are a breed preservation facility. We do not drop ship. Poultry is priced according to the difficulty of obtaining the product, not the rarity of the breed. The more expensive it is, the fewer of that item we are able to produce.

We are also a no kill chick facility. We adjust our hatches accordingly to hatch numbers of day-olds within reason. This means we do not have many extras with no homes to go to. It also means we can not usually meet last minute orders wanting immediate delivery. This does not mean that we do not cull out defective birds. It simply means that we do not "overhatch" to have extras with no home that have to be disposed of. All extras that we hatch are distributed through our various assortments.

Poultry Breeding Philosophy

2015 was a challenging one for the poultry industry and many backyard raisers as they coped with the damage from Avian Flu on industry and the backyard flocks. We feel this is a good time to explain our breeding philosophy to make sure each of our potential and returning customers understands our goals, philosophy, and mission. It is not our intent to criticize or challenge any particular group for their practices; we simply want to explain our driving forces (reasons) behind our passion.

We respect the large scale operations for their purpose though we feel there are more sustainable options. We appreciate their ability to produce large amounts of food at low cost regardless of season. We also respect the strict poultry fancier whose main goal is to create a show winner. We also understand the large scale hatchery which chooses to offer breeds with a steady chick supply. We are unique in what we are doing and do not fit into any of these categories. We want you to understand this prior to ordering. The following are the guidelines we use to maintain our flocks and breeding programs:

1. All breeds within the APA standard are selected to those standards. We do, however, not discard a bird from our breeding program for minor flaws, such as an extra point on a comb or a slightly off color eye, if the bird has other desirable traits. Our goal is to maintain genetic diversity and all defining characteristics.
2. We do not replace all of our breeders every year. We prefer to check the longevity and long productivity of a breed. We feel this is important to see how sustainable a breed is. Our goal is to produce long lived, productive birds.
3. We do not have climate controlled pens and, therefore, our birds are subjected to the true rigors of the environment. They are provided dry, fresh bedding and, of course are always provided with fresh water and food. We firmly believe it is important that

survival of a breed is based on how it can handle the real world. Our goal is to produce birds that can withstand many different environments.

We believe our birds are healthier when they are subjected to real world conditions and not isolated from the outside environment. Therefore, our birds are exposed to the outside world, soil, fresh grass, rain, sunshine, and all that is out there. Our goal is to produce birds that will thrive for many generations to come.

4. We do not vaccinate day-old poultry. We do not have Marek's problem here and do not wish to bring the vaccine on the farm. Our goal is to produce birds that can withstand common environmental stresses. We do annual tests on the breeders for pullorum-typhoid and Avian Influenza. Our goal is to send you the healthiest birds we can.

5. Our replacement breeders, during their youth, get to run free range in a large orchard and are gathered and selected as Winter nears for the desired traits for their particular breed. We do not believe it is proper to raise them in a "plastic bubble" where they do not have access to fresh grass, insects, and contact with the outside world. The Avian Flu outbreak kept issuing more and more information that it is unsafe to raise your birds in contact with nature. I do not think it is realistic or proper to isolate poultry from the world. We cannot kill every wild bird to protect our poultry, nor should we. We instead should select our breeders from the survivors of exposure to the outside world. Our goal is to let nature run its course and only use birds of superior genetics as our brood stock.

6. We always select to maintain the unique traits for the breeds such as broodiness, foraging ability, etc. We feel color patterns are not the only thing, a breed has many things to consider when selecting the ideal specimen. Our goal is to continue the genetic diversity that was established generations ago.

7. Many of the birds obtained from us can go on to win at shows and many will become excellent layers or producers of meat. However, we do not guarantee show quality as even the best parents can produce offspring with disqualifications. Our goal is that you would purchase enough birds to cull out the less desirable individuals.

8. We do not sell sexed chicks because we believe, to promote genetic conservation, we want to encourage others to adopt a breed, if possible, and you need both genders. It is also not fair to sex out extra females and leave another person with more males or be forced to "dispose of" the unwanted males. Our goal is that YOU would start to raise one of these wonderful breeds.

9. We do not sell hatching eggs as our experience, both sending and receiving, has not been favorable enough to warrant the loss of genetic material through damaged eggs. Our goal is that you would be pleased with your purchase.

We do not allow visitors to the farm, both to comply with NPIP regulations and to prevent biosecurity issues. Our goal is to keep our birds safe from outside diseases that could close our facility.

We are hopeful the above information can answer many of the questions we get about our practices here. We want everyone to know in advance exactly what our goals and mission are. We have no hidden agenda and have no other facilities that we drop ship from. When you order birds from us the parents were grown and are taken care of here on our farm each and every day. The eggs were gathered here, washed, set in the incubators, and are shipped to you from our farm. We are just as likely to tell you of the faults of a breed as well as its strengths. There are no sales pitches or glossy enhanced photos. We attempt to take careful data and maintain each of the breeds we have in our care.

NEW BOOKS

STOREY'S GUIDE TO RAISING POULTRY 4th Edition was released in 2012. It is 454 pages chocked full of information any poultry raiser can use. \$22.00 Postpaid.

Storey released my second book, a small information manual for youth showing poultry. The book entitled SHOWING POULTRY was released in February 2016. \$11.00 Postpaid.

SPPA

The Society for the Preservation of Poultry Antiquities is an organization which works with, and recognizes, all breeds of domestic poultry (chickens, bantams, ducks, geese, and guineas). Their objectives are to perpetuate and improve rare breeds of poultry; to sponsor awards and shows to encourage more exhibiting and better breeding; and to help each other locate rare stock. If you wish to join the SPPA, please contact Dr. Charles R. H. Everett, 1057 Nick Watts Road, Lugoff, SC 29078

SHIPPING DOCUMENTS AND SHIPMENT REPORT FORM

Every poultry order is shipped out with an NPIP sheet and a breed list, indicating what is enclosed in the shipment, in the envelope attached to the outside of the box. There will also be a "Shipment Report Form" enclosed in the envelope taped to the outside of the box.

1. INSTRUCTIONS - POULTRY SHIPMENT LOSS:

If there is a problem with your shipment and you receive dead birds, you **MUST** send to us within seven (7) days of receipt of shipment our "Shipment Report Form" (filled out and signed) or an official form from the USPS stating how many birds were **DEAD ON ARRIVAL** or a photo of the box and contents if the Post Office will not verify your losses. This **MUST** be sent by U.S. Mail. It will not be accepted by e-mail. Please indicate whether you would like a replacement or a refund for the loss.

If you do not mail this back to us within seven (7) days, **NO CREDIT WILL BE GIVEN AND NO REPLACEMENTS WILL BE SENT!!!!** WE ASK THAT YOU CONTACT US WITHIN THREE DAYS OF RECEIPT OF YOUR ORDER IF YOU LOSE BIRDS AFTER ARRIVAL SO THAT WE ARE AWARE OF THE PROBLEM AND CAN HELP YOU IF AT ALL POSSIBLE.

2. CHICK WARRANTY: We cannot guarantee the chicks past their arrival time. Any losses in shipping must be reported and documented upon arrival (verified on our form by a USPS employee). Losses from shipping issues must be reported within 3 days. Losses that occur after arrival and up to 3 days will only be credited or replaced. There will be no cash refunds. We also make no guarantees as to how many years your poultry will live. There are too many factors that can alter a bird's egg laying length and life in general. If your losses are small and you have another shipment coming, we will try to replace them in your next shipment. If the losses are larger, we will either replace the lost day-olds or refund for your losses.

3. SHIPPING DATE: There is no guarantee on these. We do the best we can to meet your requested date, but we are dependent upon the birds cooperation. We ship on Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday of each hatch week and always contact you (either by phone or e-mail) the evening the shipment is mailed.

CANCELLATION POLICY: We reserve the right to charge a 25% cancellation penalty for any order that is canceled 10 days or more after the date on the confirmation letter. If you decide to cancel the order, the cancellation must be received in our office in writing via U.S. mail with your signature on it. We do not accept cancellations by e-mail or telephone.

THE NUMBER IN THE () AFTER THE PRICE OF THE POULTRY INDICATES THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF DAY OLDS AVAILABLE AT ONE HATCH. YOU CAN ORDER AS FEW AS 1 OF A BREED. IF YOU WANT MORE THAN THE MAXIMUM NUMBER, YOU WILL NEED TO PLACE TWO ORDERS FROM TWO DIFFERENT HATCHES (INCLUDING THE EQUIVALENT OF 25 CHICKS FOR EACH ORDER) AND PAY TWO SEPARATE SHIPPING CHARGES.

POULTRY ASSORTMENTS

In assortments it is our choice from what is left over after individual breed orders for that hatch have been filled. We will try to include a nice variety. Each box comes with a named list of the birds that are in the box.

AUTUMN SPECIALS

This is our season end specials of whatever is still laying and hatching. We start shipping as birds become available in September and have hatches through October. The order for these may be placed at any time, but the final cutoff date for orders to be received in our office is September 10, 2017. The shipping dates this year for the Autumn Specials are September 5 and 19, and October 3 and 17. These will be filled on a first come, first served basis and when we run out of birds, we run out. We will **NOT CALL** to let you know you are not getting birds, but will return your check at the end of the season. These specials have been very popular, so place your order early. If we run out of birds and are unable to fill your Autumn Special order, you will be given the option to accept the assortment the next Spring when hatches begin again.

Hatch Special - Assortment of chicks, guineas, bantams, (and maybe turkeys or ducks) - 25 for \$40.00.

Bantam Special - 25 for \$40.00 (Limit 25 this year.)

Chicken Special - 25 for \$27.50; 50 for \$50.00.

Duck Special - 15 for \$40.00 (This starts in August.)

NOTE: These Autumn Specials will be our choice only! You may not choose your breeds. No cancellations will be allowed once the order is placed for these specials. Each box comes with a named list of the contents. The prices above do not include the cost of postage. Please refer to the postage chart located right before the Poultry Order Form.

SUPER ASSORTMENTS

Super Assorted is for the person who would like as many different breeds as possible. A list of breeds is enclosed in the envelope taped to the outside of the shipping box. You may order these for any of the regular season hatches. However, these are the last boxes filled on each hatch day and are subject to availability of extra day-olds. Please give us as much flexibility as possible with shipping dates for these assortments.

Super Assorted Bantams- 25 for \$45.00.
Super Assorted Chicks- 25 for \$30.00.
50 for \$55.00.
Super Assorted Ducks- 15 for \$42.50.
30 for \$70.00.

Farmyard Assortment - \$30.00 plus shipping
Use shipping rate for 25 chicks (equivalent) for each order and send separate shipping payment for each Farmyard Assortment ordered. If you order more than one of these assortments, we can not guarantee they will be shipped on the same day. If they are shipped together, we will send extra birds. May be our choice of bantams, chicks, ducks, geese, guineas, or turkeys. The Farmyard Assortment can be all of one particular type of poultry. There are no guarantees that you will get a mixture of all the different types of poultry. It might be all chicks, all ducklings, etc. Or, it might be a combination of many different things. There are no guarantees on hatch dates as these are filled with whatever is left after all orders for specific breeds and assortments have been filled. These are not generally available until the first part of May. You can kind of think of these as a "grab bag" at a carnival. Whatever you get will be a surprise!! You will receive a named list of the contents of the shipment. The number of birds you get will vary depending upon what you get. (Example: Ducks & Geese are much larger than Bantams & Guineas and fill the box up faster.) You will get the "equivalent" of 25 chicks (or more)

Mystery Chicken Assortment - \$20.00 plus shipping
Use shipping rate for 25 chicks for each order and send separate shipping payment for each Mystery Assortment ordered. Occasionally we have some extras from genetic crossing experiments. I've long had an interest in genetics and, on occasion, I do some experimental crosses between breeds. This assortment can have anything from our projects (including also the occasional mismarked egg or oddity). This is not a purebred collection. We only recommend this to someone who doesn't care about breeds or breeding, but is either just wanting something for eggs or meat. The availability of this is sporadic and would only be available on the weeks when I don't have time to keep

any extras for further study. We reserve the right to fill in with a few pure breeds (if we have them) to fill this assortment. This assortment is not necessarily available at every hatch. Therefore, if you place an order for these, please be as flexible on shipping dates as possible. This assortment is only available as a unit of 25 chicks. This assortment is all full sized chickens - - - no bantams. This year we are working on a hardy, foraging, single combed, colored egg layer that is sex linked. You may get these in your mix with a request to return information on your success with them.

EGGS/ADULT FOWL

We do not ship hatching eggs or adult fowl.

NOTE: Please pay attention to the hatching dates for each type of fowl. When a breed is sold out for the season, it will be indicated beside the breed description for that breed on the web site. (Example: Turkeys do not start hatching until May. Guineas don't start until June. Geese quit around July 1.)

POULTRY GLOSSARY

Comb Descriptions -

Buttercup - A cup shaped crown with evenly spaced points surrounding the rim.

Cushion - Low, compact, smooth, with no spikes.

Pea - Medium low with three lengthwise ridges, center ridge is slightly higher.

Rose - Solid, broad, flat, low and fleshy, terminating in a spike. Top of comb should have small protuberances.

Single - Thin, fleshy, extending full length of the head.

Walnut - Comb resembles a half of a walnut.

Blue Genetics - Basic Mendelian genetics lack of dominance. A blue to blue mating will result in 50% blue offspring, 25% black, and 25% of what is called splash. Splash can be various shade but is basically a "dirty" bluish white with darker bluish black splotches. Do not expect 100% blue chicks from us when ordering a blue breed. It is best to keep blues, blacks, and splashes together in the same pen. A black to splash mating produces blue.

Frizzle Gene - This is the gene which makes the feathers curl up instead of lie flat. Not all babies are frizzled. A double expression of the gene presents a pleiotropic condition where the birds have almost no feathers and several other conditions that retard growth and immune system problems. Remember when making a breeding pen that a 100% Frizzle rooster with a 100% Frizzle hen will produce some chicks with problems. You need to keep both non-frizzled and frizzled birds in the same breeding pen.

Broody - A hen which is allowed to set on a clutch of eggs for the purpose of hatching them out as chicks. Or the term “go broody” means when a hen gets the desire to set on a clutch of eggs and quits producing eggs.

Free-Range - To allow poultry to roam around unconfined by pens and search for their own food. Some supplemental food may be given and still be able to call them free range.

POULTRY SHIPMENTS TO CANADA:

We are no longer shipping poultry for entry into Canada. The changes in USPS border delivery and expense of vet import papers has stopped us from doing this.

POULTRY SHIPMENTS TO HAWAII:

All orders for poultry shipments to Hawaii must be received in our office well in advance (a month or more) of the shipping date requested so that the necessary permits and paperwork may be obtained. There is no charge for the paperwork to ship to Hawaii, but it must be obtained in advance. We are not allowed to ship ducklings, turkey poults, or goslings to Hawaii. We can only send chicks. All shipments to Hawaii must be sent by Express Mail.

BANTAMS

Hatch Weeks: March 7, 21, April 4, 18; May 2, 16, 30; June 13, 27; July 11, 25; August 8, 22; September 5, 19; October 3, 17 (Assortments only in September and October)

SUPER ASSORTED BANTAMS - Can be any of the breeds we maintain. Chicks \$2.00 each (25) or 25 Super Assorted Bantam Chicks for \$45.00

ASSORTED BANTAMS -

Assortment of 3-4 breeds \$62.50 for 25

Buckeye- Gorgeous, deep red replicas of their standard size counterparts. Pale brown eggs. These have a pea comb. APA. \$5.00 each (10)

New Hampshire- Bantam version of the full sized breed. T\$5.00 each (10)

Buff Brahma- Buff with black neck and tail feathers, pea comb, off-white eggs. APA. (Available in Assortment Only.)

Partridge Brahma - A new color version, still shows some color variability but hardy and productive. (Available in Assortment Only.)

Rhode Island Red - Single comb, productive bird, laying a pale brown egg. (Available in Assortment

Only.)

SILKIES

All Silkies have black (deep maroon) colored skin with downy feathers that look like cotton puffs and all have a walnut comb. Eggs are tinted white to light brown. They make excellent setters and mothers which makes the egg and chick supply sporadic at times.

Buff Silkie- Buff colored version of the Silkie \$5.00 each (5)

White- Pure white, bearded type. APA \$5.00 each (5)

COCHINS

Black Cochin- Pure black, having a greenish sheen in the light. APA \$5.00 each (10)

Blue Cochin- Deep blue color. (See Glossary on Poultry page for “Blue Genetics” explanation) APA. \$5.00 each (5)

Buff Cochin- Soft, gentle buff color, tame and easy to raise. APA. (Available in Assortment Only.)

Red Cochin- Deep, rich red. They are friendly, pleasant, very thrifty and easy to raise. APA. (Available in Assortment Only.)

OLD ENGLISH

Old English bantams are small, adorable birds, but seem to have a feast or famine reliability with the chick supply. All lay slightly off-white eggs and have a small single comb with five points. We also have several other colors of Old English which we are studying. They may also show up in the mixes.

Black Old English - Slim, feisty in temperament, very small, pure black in color. APA. \$5.00 each (5)

Black Breasted Red Old English - Color pattern is similar to Red Dorkings and Brown Leghorns where the male is black breasted and reddish color and the female is brownish with a salmon/orange chest. APA. (Available in Assortment Only.)

Chocolate Old English - A beautiful, chocolate (dark brown) colored version of Old English. With all chocolate birds, off-color types occur. These tend to be chocolate with red in the hackles and the saddle. NonAPA. \$5.00 each (5)

Silver Duckwing Old English - Males are one color and females are another. See Silver Grey Dorking description. APA. (Available in Assortment Only.)

Spangled Old English - Spangled (Speckled Sussex) pattern. \$5.00 each (5)

CHICKENS

Hatch Weeks: March 7, 21, April 4, 18; May 2, 16, 30; June 13, 27; July 11, 25; August 8, 22; September 5, 19; October 3, 17 (Assortments only in September and October)

We maintain a large number of full size chicken breeds. Our assortments are nothing like anywhere else as you are more than likely to get more rare breeds than common ones. You will get a great chance to experience rare and heritage poultry without a great outlay of expense. In fact I always recommend to first time chicken raiser to get an assortment and explore the world on their own and ignore all the internet reviews and recommendations on a particular breed. Do your own research and find your own favorite that matches with your climate, lifestyle, and personal interests.

ASSORTED CHICKENS: Chicks \$1.35 each. (100 per hatch) This assortment may be made up from any of the breeds of large fowl chicks listed in our catalog. You may receive anything from the most common to the rarest, depending upon what is left after specific breed orders have been filled. An order for 25 chicks will usually include 4 or 5 different breeds.

ASSORTED HEAVY CHICKENS: Chicks \$1.75 each. (50 per hatch) No guarantee as to what will be included, but it will be from the following list. We will try to include at least 3 breeds, never will it be just 1 breed if you order more than 5 assorted heavy chickens. Ameraucanas, Australorps, Barred Hollands, Buckeyes, Chanteclers, Cochins, Cuckoo Marans, Delawares, Dominiques, Dorkings, Faverolles, Giants, Iowa Blue, Javas, New Hampshires, Orpingtons, Rocks, Rhode Island Reds, Rhode Island Whites, Shamos, Spangled Russian Orloffs, Sussex, Welsummers, or Wyandottes. Most heavy breed chickens lay brown eggs.

ASSORTED LIGHT CHICKENS: Chicks \$1.45 each. (50 per hatch) This will be from the following breeds. No guarantees, but will not be all of one breed if you order more than 5 assorted light chickens. Anconas, Blue Andalusians, Buff Catalanas, Buttercups, Campines, Crevecouers, Cubalayas, Egyptian Fayoumis, Hamburgs, Icelandics, Kraienkoppes, La Fleche, Lakenvelders, Leghorns, Jaerhons, Minorcas, Polish, or Sumatras. Most light breed chickens lay white eggs.

SUPER ASSORTED CHICKENS: Can be any of the full size breeds we offer. Will usually contain at least 6 breeds in an order of 25, but can contain more than 10 breeds. Sold in units of 25 or 50.

Chicks 25 for \$30.00; 50 for \$55.00

AMERAUCANAS

Ameraucanas are sometimes called the “Easter Egg Chicken” because they lay green, blue or olive eggs as well as brown. Many places list “Araucanas” but they are really “Ameraucanas”. Araucanas are rumpless and have ear tufts (tufts of feathers that grow from the ear). Ameraucanas, however, have a tail and a beard or muff (which is a group of feathers located under the chin). Our mixed color Ameraucanas are not of APA Standard quality. They lay an assortment of colors of eggs though only eggs of “greenish” shades are incubated. Our Black Ameraucanas and Blue Ameraucanas are both selected for the APA Standard. While the APA Standard calls for a blue egg, I’ve yet to ever see in anyone’s Ameraucana flock what I would call a “blue” egg. Most I’ve seen are shades of “greenish blue”. This is why we list ours as laying a greenish blue egg. Ameraucanas have a pea comb.

Ameraucana (“Easter Eggers”)- A mixture of types and colors. These are not exhibition stock, but are very good sized and make a hardy dual purpose fowl. While we select for all breeders to have beards (muff of feathers under the chin), occasionally, some chicks will not. Egg color will vary between pale green, olive green, occasionally brown, or olive green with brown spots. Chicks \$3.25 each (20)

Black Ameraucana- We were fortunate to obtain two different blood lines from show quality stock. These are pure black birds with beards and they lay greenish blue eggs. Chicks \$5.50 each (15)

Blue Ameraucana - Typical blue genetics. (See Poultry Glossary on Poultry Page for explanation.) Bearded layers of blue green eggs. Chicks \$5.50 each (10)

AMERICAN BREEDS

This is an APA group based upon the principle that they were all developed and perfected here in North America. As a general rule these birds all have yellow skin and legs. The breeds in this class are listed in the APA Standard unless otherwise noted.

Barred Holland- A barred medium sized breed, not as big as Barred Rocks, good layers of a white or tinted egg. They have a single comb with six well-defined points. These were developed in 1934 from White Leghorns, Barred Rocks, Australorps and Brown Leghorns. Chicks \$5.00 each (25)

Buckeye- Large sized, dark rich red color, small to medium sized pea comb, gentle temperament. Lay a nice brown egg. These originated in Ohio in the early 1900's. Chicks \$5.00 each (10)

Delaware- They are a fast grower, lay huge brown eggs, have moderately large single comb with five well-defined points, white with gray/black cuckoo neck, tail and wing feathers. These were developed in 1940 from off-colored sports between Barred Rock male and New Hampshire female. They are an excellent choice for free-range broilers. Over the years, I've attempted to select for large-sized eggs. There appears to be a number of "Delawares" available from other sources that do not anywhere match the traits that we have found to be true for this breed. A "true" Delaware should not be a light weight, flighty bird. We are trying to select for the fastest growing and most productive hens, but with reasonable egg size. Chicks \$4.00 each (25) These always sell out fast make sure you check the availability online prior to ordering.

Dominique - "America's Chicken", barred pattern, small to medium rose comb. Very early American breed. They are brown egg layers. They are a medium sized breed. Chicks \$4.00 each (10)

Erminettes - We are still concerned about culling too heavily and limiting our genetic diversity on these birds. We have made two pens - those with gold spots and those with black. While there will be some overlap with the genes involved, leg color is an issue as both white and yellow legs are present. Once there gets to be a larger population, we will need as a group of interested individuals, to decide which route to take. Chicks \$5.00 each (15)

Mottled Java - One of the older breeds of poultry admitted to the Standard in 1883. Brown eggs, rather small single combs. The breed is an excellent forager, but grows very slowly. Only order this breed if you have the patience to watch them develop. Color pattern is black with white spotting. Chicks \$5.50 each (10)

Iowa Blue- Gray penciled pattern, pale brown eggs, medium to moderately large single comb with six points. Please note that these are not a blue chicken. Developed near Decorah, Iowa in the early 1900's. The breed was in desperate need of new blood and I have worked for a few years to introduce new blood. There is still a slight possibility of an off-type bird. Chick color will range from a warm cocoa brown to black to an occasional mottled one. This breed is a somewhat seasonal layer of pale brown eggs. They go in spurts. When not broody, we get lots of chicks and then all of a sudden they go broody and we get nothing. These are not recognized by the APA. They do not have yellow legs. They make a nice breed for someone who wants a good forager which will set on eggs. Chicks \$5.00 each (15)

New Hampshire- A nice sized pale red orange bird which is a good dual purpose fowl and lays a nice big brown egg. They have a medium sized single comb with five points. We have selected for production first, show type second. Chicks \$4.00 each (15)

Partridge Rock - Colorful breed where the hens are an off-shade of brown with penciling. Males are somewhat tri-toned with red, brown and black. Birds are vigorous and thrifty and lay a brown egg. They have a medium sized single comb with five points. Chicks \$4.00 each (15)

Rhode Island Red- Deep red in color with rich yellow legs. They lay a brown egg and have a single comb. These are not the commercial variety called "Production Reds" but are the "true" Rhode Island Reds. Chicks \$4.00 each (15)

Rose Comb Rhode Island Red - Deep red in color with rich yellow legs. They lay a brown egg. They have a nice, true rose comb. Admitted to the APA Standard in 1905. Chicks \$6.00 each (20)

Rose Comb Rhode Island White - Admitted to the APA Standard in 1922. Ours are rose comb true to type as indicated in the APA Standard. They lay a brown egg. Chicks \$6.00 each (10)

Silver Pencilled Rock- Males are silvery necked with black breasts. Females are silvery penciled gray. Chicks \$5.00 each (10)

White Rock- On a visit last spring to central Iowa to our friend Larry Hall's I noticed his two flocks of White Rocks. Both were very impressive with both the size of the bird and the size of the egg. I see many White Rocks at the fairs I judge and none ever seem to have a decent size. These birds were massive and yet thrifty looking and seemed to have lots of vigor. Larry shared some eggs and we now have flock and we are pleased to offer this nice sized version that appears productive and thrifty as well. Chicks \$5.00 each (20)

CHANTECLER

The first Canadian breed originating in Quebec in 1918. They are a dual purpose fowl - yellow skin, brown eggs, unique cushion shaped comb that makes them easily adapted to cold climates. These are very popular and book up fast.

Buff Chantecler- A buff colored version of Chantecler. Very attractive stocky built birds. They lay a very pale brown egg. These have not yet been admitted to the APA Standard. Chicks \$6.00 each (10)

Partridge Chantecler- Still working on improvement of comb type. Body type is good. Colorful breed where the hens are an off-shade of brown with penciling. Males are somewhat tri-toned with red, brown and black. Chicks \$6.00 each. (SOLD OUT FOR 2017)

Red Chantecler - A newer creation of this breed. Shades of reddish orange. Good layers and colorful. These have not yet been admitted to the APA Standard. Chicks \$6.00 each (10)

White Chantecler- They have a massive structure and are a calm breed with a very tight to the head comb and virtually no wattles. They lay a very pale brown egg. Chicks \$6.00 each (10)

JERSEY GIANTS

Jersey Giants originated in the 1880's from crossing Black Javas, Dark Brahmas and Black Langshans. The key to Giants is their slow growth. They have a massive bone structure that they put on first before body mass. Please remember these grow very slowly. Jersey Giants have a large single comb with six points.

Black Jersey Giant- A super large chicken that lays a nice large brown egg. Chicks \$5.00 each (15)

Blue Jersey Giant- Same as the Black Jersey Giant except a nice blue color. Brown eggs. (See Glossary on Poultry Page for "Blue Genetics" explanation) Chicks \$5.00 each (15)

White Jersey Giant- White version of the magnificent black birds. Lay brown eggs. We are noticing some interesting things occurring - one of which is the occasional almost lilac grey adult bird. We have kept a totally closed flock since obtaining these from Mrs. Miller in 1995. It has been an interesting study in genetics. Many will not meet APA Standards but are hardy and productive. Chicks \$5.00 each (10)

WYANDOTTES

The breed originated in the 1880's in New York and Wisconsin. Medium weight, dual purpose fowl with yellow skin and eggs in shades of brown. They all have a rose comb.

Black Wyandotte- Deep black in color. Chicks \$5.00 each (10)

Blue Laced Red Wyandotte- Gorgeous color pattern of blue lacing on a red to reddish gold bird. Remember with Blue, the multiple possibilities for off-types occur. Chicks \$5.00 (10)

Buff Wyandotte- A solid buff color, yellow legs. Chicks \$5.00 each (10)

Columbian Wyandotte - Stocky built birds, white with black neck & tail feathers. Chicks \$5.00 each (10)

Golden Laced Wyandotte- Golden laced pattern, orange and black, used to be called Winnebago. They are one of the oldest of the Wyandotte breeds. Chicks \$5.00 each (10)

Silver Laced Wyandotte- The oldest Wyandotte. First admitted to the APA Standard in 1883. Chicks \$5.00 each (10)

ASIATIC BREEDS

Asiatic is an APA classification which includes most of the feather-footed breeds of poultry. Most of these breeds originated on the continent of Asia. On all Asiatics we select for the largest size that is still naturally mating. All lay pale brown eggs and have a medium sized single comb with five points.

Black Cochin - One of the oldest varieties of Cochins. Very bulky. Coal black in color. Chicks \$5.00 each (5)

Black Langshan - Glossy black with bright red combs. Seem to always look groomed. Tall stature with a few feathers on the legs and toes. Chicks \$5.00 each (10) (SOLD OUT FOR 2017)

Blue Cochin- Solid blue (See Glossary on Poultry Page for "Blue Genetics" explanation). Chicks \$5.00 each (10)

Blue Langshan- Blue version of the Black Langshan. (See Glossary on Poultry Page for "Blue Genetics" explanation) Chicks \$5.00 each (5) (SOLD OUT FOR 2017)

Buff Cochin- Large size, gentle, soft buff color. Chicks \$5.00 each (10) (SOLD OUT FOR 2017)

ENGLISH BREEDS

All members of this APA classification group were developed in Great Britain and have the characteristic white skin and usually white legs with a pinkish streak. Most of them tend to lay what would be considered a tinted egg (off-white).

Black Australorp- Faster growing than the Black Orpington but slightly smaller in size. We are selecting for rapid growth, good size and heavy egg production. Brown egg layers. They have a medium large single comb with five points. Chicks \$4.00 each (15)

Buff Cornish- While not superb show stock, we added these for a breeding project. They have a nice carcass and grow at a reasonable rate. Chicks \$4.00 (5)

Cuckoo Scots Dumpy - We are most concerned that more flocks of this breed get established. They are a unique, stocky bird. The short legged gene is lethal so some birds will have longer legs. They are a typical cuckoo pattern, docile and easy to handle. They lay a nice sized, tinted egg. While we will continue to maintain this breed, we are not sure when we will be offering them for sale again. The lack of genetic diversity has bottlenecked and we produce very few chicks, (SOLD OUT FOR 2017)

Light Sussex - A typical Columbian pattern with black neck, tail and wing feathers and white elsewhere. We are very grateful to Ron Dinger for obtaining and sharing with us two diverse lines and for his work to improve this beautiful breed. They lay very pale brown eggs and have a medium sized single comb with five points. Chicks \$6.00 each (10)

Red Sussex - We've been working with two strains of this rare English breed for some time. We've been hesitant to offer them as they still show some variability. We find them to be vigorous and thrifty but still show color variations. They lay a very pale brown egg and have a medium sized single comb with five points. Chicks \$5.00 each (15)

Redcaps- Unique old British breed, spangled red/ brown black color. We are selecting for large size - something that is lost in most commercial strains. Egg color is tinted creamy white. They have a unique, rose comb covered with large, round points. Chicks \$5.00 each (10)

Speckled Sussex- White spots on a chestnut brown background. White skin and legs. Egg color is a very pale tan. They have a medium sized single comb with five points. Adult birds grow to a nice, large size. Chicks \$4.00 each (15)

ORPINGTONS

A general purpose fowl for eggs and meat. Hens are good setters and mothers. Orpingtons originated in the 1880's in England. Skin color is white. They all have single combs with five points and lay a light brown egg.

Black Orpington - Large, true Orpington type, solid black in color. Common at one time, now very difficult to find. Chicks \$6.00 each (15)

Blue Orpington - Nice, rich, slate blue colored birds. Gentle and calm. (See Glossary on Poultry Page for "Blue Genetics" explanation). Chicks \$6.00 each (25)

Buff Orpington - Large, golden buff color, white skin, white legs. We keep birds that are selected from a cross of a large exhibition strain and a high production strain. Chicks \$4.00 each (15)

Cuckoo Orpington- Large blocky birds that are cuckoo in color pattern. Variations in the depth and color of the cuckoo will occur. Chicks \$6.00 each (15)

White Orpington - White skin, feathers and legs. Occasionally grey legged birds show up. Chicks \$5.00 each (10)

DORKINGS

An ancient breed having been described by Julius Caesar. Slow growing, but constant and thrifty foragers. All Dorkings make wonderful dual purpose birds for eggs and meat. The egg color is a tinted white. Skin and leg color are white. They all possess a fifth toe. They like to go broody which makes chicks scarce at times. Please be patient. They are notorious for laying during the shorter day-length time of the year so egg production from these can be quite good during the cold Winter days. Living here in Iowa, I have seen them lay quite well in -25 deg. F weather. Once the warmer Spring weather arrives all the members of a particular pen can turn broody within a day or two. They are stubborn and persistent and many times, during the prime Spring hatching season, we are left with few eggs. When ordering this breed, you must understand this trait and not expect your chicks at a specific time.

Black Dorking- A rare color that, in an effort to save it from drastic inbreeding, I crossed with other colors of Dorkings. We are getting both comb types (rose and single) and, while a predominant number are pure black, some off-colors (principally dark grey and birchen) are showing up. Chicks \$6.50 (15)

Colored Dorking - Slightly variable in color. Male's neck and saddle feathers can be silvery to golden straw colored. The remaining feathers are basically black with light straw lacing. Females will vary from silvery to golden straw with varying chest colors. Color variations occur within this variety. They have a single comb with six points. Chicks \$6.50 each (10)

Cuckoo Dorking - Still not perfected but a stocky color version to the breed. Cuckoo color pattern (grey and white barring). Chicks \$6.50 each (5)

Dark Grey Dorking - Slightly variable in color, but similar to Dark Brahmas in color. Chicks \$6.50 each (5)

Light Grey Dorking- They still need some improvement as to color, but we are continuing to select for the Columbian pattern of white with black neck, tail and wing feathers, off-white eggs. These have not yet been admitted to the APA Standard. Chicks \$6.00 each (5)

Red Dorking- Excellent quality. Adults resemble chunky, low to the ground Brown Leghorns. They have a single comb with 6 points. Good Winter layers, hardy and disease tolerant. They have a very old history. Chicks \$6.50 each (20) (SOLD OUT FOR 2017)

Rose Comb Colored Dorking- The rose comb version of a very old type that is very hardy and lays well. Males are a color similar to a Silver Grey only with golden straw colored neck and saddle feathers. Hens are mostly black with lighter breasts and straw colored lines on the feather shafts. Some slight variations of this due to the genetics involved can be expected. These have not yet been admitted to the APA Standard. Chicks \$6.50 (10) (SOLD OUT FOR 2017)

Rose Comb Red Dorking - Rose comb version of Red Dorking. According to Dorking expert, Craig Russell, we have two lines traditional which the hens are the color of Brown Leghorns and Clays which are more of a Wheaten pattern. Males look the same, but two colors of hens will occur. These have not yet been admitted to the APA Standard. Chicks \$6.00 each (15)

Silver Grey Dorking- Ancient breed, males are a silvery white with black, females are a silvery grey with salmon colored breast feathers. They have a single comb with six points. Chicks \$6.50 each (5) (SOLD OUT FOR 2017)

White Dorking - White, large, pale tan eggs. The APA standard calls for a Rosecomb bird. However, we keep both rosecomb and single combed birds in order to maintain vigor and productivity. Chicks \$6.50 each (10)

MEDITERRANEAN BREEDS

A large group of breeds that all originated in the Mediterranean region of the world. They all lay white eggs. This group of birds is better suited for hot weather climates because of their large combs. In our colder climate and unheated buildings, these breeds get frost-bitten combs most every Winter. While the birds usually recover from this, it leaves them less "beautiful looking" and usually means chick supply is limited early in the season while the birds are recovering from the frostbite.

Ancona- Nicely spotted white on black. We are selecting for a heavy production bird. White egg layers. Anconas were developed in a city in Italy from which they take their name. They have yellow skin and a single comb with five points. Introduced into the APA Standard in 1898. Chicks \$4.00 each (15)

Black Penedescenca- Black Minorca-like chicken with a unique single comb that has almost a crown at the back side. They lay a dark brown egg. Their behavior is very flighty and is similar to a Leghorn. They have an unusual comb - - - single in the front with multiple lobes at the rear. Our strain tends to not have the pure white earlobes. We strive to select for darkest egg first, comb type second. Our males tend to have bright, white earlobes and the proper combs. Hens tend to have less white earlobes and not always the best combs. These have not yet been admitted to the APA Standard. Chicks \$7.00 each (15)

Blue Andalusian- Large sized beautiful blue color. Excellent layers of white eggs. They have a single comb with five points. Large combs of male make winter hardiness a challenge. (See Glossary on Poultry Page for "Blue Genetics" explanation) Admitted to the APA Standard in 1874. A graceful, hardy breed from Andalusia, Spain. Chicks \$4.00 each (15)

Buff Catalana - Originally from Catalana, Spain. Now much more common in Latin America, but very rare in the USA. We are still trying to work with them to refine color and conformation. The birds are deep, rich buff with black tails. They lay large white eggs and have a single comb with six points. Chicks \$4.00 each (25)

Partridge Penedescenca- Their color is slightly variable with the females being marked similar to a Light Brown Leghorn. The males are more variable in color but resemble slightly the Light Brown Leghorn male in color. Leg color varies from slate blue to off white. They are rather large fowl with an extremely nervous temperament. They have varying degrees of the typical Penedescenca comb which is a single comb with a crown at the back. Our primary method of selection is for the darkest egg possible. Too many double yolked eggs makes chick supply poor. Chicks \$7.00 each (5)

Sicilian Buttercup- Originated in Sicily. Male is orange red with some black spangles. Hen is buff with parallel rows of black spangles. They have a unique, buttercup shaped comb, something like moose antlers. White eggs. First came to America in 1835. Not large chickens. Chicks \$4.00 each (10)

LEGHORNS

The original breed came from Italy, but most of the color variations were developed in either England, Denmark, or the United States. All of ours are single combed with five points.

Black Leghorn - Solid black leghorn with excellent egg-laying ability, white eggs. Occasional off-color feather shows up. Birds are very thrifty and grow fast. They forage well. Chicks \$4.00 each (25)

Exchequer Leghorn - Beautiful mottled pattern distinctive from Ancona in the large amounts of white. Rare in this country. Superb layers of large white eggs. Maintaining yellow legs is the biggest challenge. These have not yet been admitted to the APA Standard. Chicks \$5.00 each (20)

Mille Fleur Leghorn - Our dear friend, Ron Nelson, shared these with us. Colored similar to a Mille Fleur D'ucle bantam. These are rather mild mannered for a Leghorn. They lay an off-white egg. These have not yet been admitted to the APA Standard. There is still some variability with these but they are colorful and good layers. Please expect some color variations and degrees of the mille fleur color pattern as well as some of the eggs will be tinted. Chicks \$5.00 each (20)

Red Leghorn- Deep red color, nice temperament for the breed, medium off-white eggs. Chicks \$4.00 each (5)

Rose Comb Brown Leghorn- A slightly smaller version of the single comb birds. These are of the show type and therefore are not as productive and do not lay as large of an egg. Chicks \$5.00 each (5)

Single Comb Light Brown Leghorn- Medium sized chicken, very good layers of large to jumbo size white eggs. Chicks \$4.00 each (15)

MINORCAS

Largest of the Mediterraneans. Long, strong bodies, large combs and wattles which can make winter hardiness a challenge, excellent layers of large, white eggs. All of ours are single comb with six points.

Buff Minorca - We have combined 3 commercial strains. These are not as large as the blacks. They do grow fast and dress out beautifully clean. They are excellent layers of white eggs and are thrifty and great foragers. Chicks \$4.00 each (25)

Black Minorca - Pure black. They were admitted to the APA Standard in 1888. They are excellent layers of large, white eggs. Ours are from a superb show strain noted for heavy production of large eggs. We do have egg eating problems with these. They would do much better in a free-range situation. These are very large birds (do not confuse them with the common, smaller, commercial types). Chicks \$5.00 each (15)

White Minorca - When ALBC did a survey of important breeds in our country's development, I realized I hadn't seen one since I was a child. In those days there were large flocks, but now I doubt there are 100 in the whole United States. Ron Nelson, shared some nice birds with us. This breed is another example of where we need to wake up before it is too late. Chicks \$5.00 each (10) (SOLD OUT FOR 2017)

CONTINENTAL BREEDS

A group of breeds classified together based upon their European origins.

Golden Campine- Deep rich golden neck feathers. Striking appearance, originating in Belgium. They have a single comb with five points. White eggs, vigorous foragers. These were admitted to the APA Standard in 1914. Chicks \$5.00 each (10)

Golden Lakenvelder - Same as Lakenvelder except a rich gold replaces the white feathers, white eggs. They are truly beautiful and have a single comb with five points. This breed has not yet been admitted to the APA Standard. Chicks \$6.00 each (10) (SOLD OUT FOR 2017)

Golden Penciled Hamburg - A small sized, very old Dutch breed which was admitted to the APA Standard in 1874. Males and females are golden penciled and attractive. Chicks \$5.00 each (10)

La Fleche - A rare old French breed with a unique v-shaped comb that looks much like 2 points going straight up (like two horns). Birds are pure black and lay a white egg. The head is such a unique shape the chicks can easily be picked out. Chicks \$5.00 each (10)

Lakenvelder- A white chicken with black neck, tail and wing feathers. They are medium sized, lay a white egg and are excellent foragers. They have a single comb with five points. These are an established German breed from at least 1860. Chicks \$5.00 each (15) (SOLD OUT FOR 2017)

Mahogany Faverolle - A colorful Faverolle where the males are a partridge color and the hens are a rich mahogany brown color, pale brown eggs. They have a medium size single comb. These came to me as a selection from a hatchery which is now out of business. They are thrifty and productive, but do not have an ancient history. This breed has not yet been admitted to the APA Standard. Chicks \$5.00 each (10) (SOLD OUT FOR 2017)

Partridge Barnevelder - A color variant found at one time in Europe. I obtained these with some regular Barnevelders. They are fairly docile and lay a medium brown egg. Some are darker than others. Color pattern is similar to a Partridge Rock, but many females lack pattern in chest area. Hens are productive layers. Chicks \$5.00 each (15)

Salmon Faverolle - Originated from crosses of Houdans, Dorkings and Asiatics in Faverolle, France. They lay tinted colored eggs. Calm, elegant birds with a medium size single comb. Males are greenish black with silver white neck and hackle feathers. Hens are a soft creamy tan. Both have muffs, five toes and feathered legs. Chicks \$5.00 each (20)

Silver Campine - Single comb, deep rich silver neck feathers, always sharp and striking looking. They have a single comb with five points and lay white eggs. Chicks \$5.00 each (10) (SOLD OUT FOR 2017)

Silver Penciled Hamburg - Very old Dutch breed that was admitted to the APA Standard in 1874. Males are a silver-gray with slight barring. Females are neatly penciled. They have a rose comb covered with small points. Chicks \$5.00 each (5) (SOLD OUT FOR 2017)

Welsummer - Named after the village of Welsum in Holland. Most famous for the deep, dark brown eggs. Medium sized bird with yellow skin and a single comb with five points. Color pattern of chicks and adults is similar to Brown Leghorns. Chicks \$5.00 each (10)

MARANS

Black Copper Maran - Basically black with reddish tint on the hens in the neck and breast area. Males have more red. Feather legged. Currently the darkest brown eggs we have. Chicks \$7.00 each (10)

Blue Copper Maran - Beautiful, deep blue color with fiery orange-red neck and hackle feathers in the males. Females have fewer orange-red feathers. Lay deep, dark brown egg. Chicks \$7.00 each (10)

Blue Wheaten Maran - Definitely not perfected, but beautiful bluish feathers in among the wheaten basic color. Eggs are very dark, roosters are exceptionally colorful. Chicks \$7.00 each (10) (SOLD OUT FOR 2017)

Cuckoo Maran - Both French (feather-legged) and English (clean-legged) strains are kept together. Selection is for the darkest color in the eggs. During their first year of laying they are superb layers, from the second year on they love to become broody and egg production drops off. Of the dark egg laying breeds, these are the tops for production. They have a single comb with five or more points. Chicks \$5.00 each (10)

Wheaten Maran - Typical wheaten color pattern. These are still showing some variability in the color pattern. Lay deep, dark brown eggs. Chicks \$7.00 each (10)

CRESTED

Crested fowl are mentioned in historical writings from the 1500's. The following lay medium to large sized white eggs. They all have a v-shaped comb.

Black Crested Blue Polish - A selection that is solid blue with a darker blue/black crest. Many of the crests will be a deeper shade of blue, but not necessarily black. This breed is not currently in the APA Standard. (See Glossary on Poultry Page for "Blue Genetics" explanation) Chicks \$3.50 each (10)

Black Polish- A selection that is pure black with no beard. They are larger than the White Crested Blacks and lay a white egg. These have not yet been admitted to the APA Standard. Chicks \$4.00 each (10)

Buff Laced Polish- Bearded, crested, soft buff color, huge crests, white eggs. Chicks \$4.00 each (10)

Crevecœurs- Solid black in color, crested, with a beard, lays white eggs. Very old French breed. Chicks \$4.00 each (10)

Golden Polish- Bearded, white eggs, golden laced pattern, orange and black. Chicks \$4.00 each (10)

Red Polish - A nice, colorful pale orange/red to red version of the crested fowl. Chicks \$5.00 each (5)

Silver Polish- Silver laced pattern, bearded, striking color pattern, white eggs. Chicks \$4.00 each (10)

White Crested Black Polish- Black body with white crests, thrifty and excellent layers of medium sized white eggs. Chicks \$4.00 each (10)

White Crested Blue Polish - A soft, blue color with a white crest, lays white eggs. Chicks will come out in the typical blue genetics pattern. (See Glossary on the Poultry Page for "Blue Genetics" explanation) Chicks \$4.00 each (10)

White Polish - For years I have wanted to add this color variety to my collection of crested fowl. The only problem has always been that no matter where I obtained stock, the stock all seemed weak in one way or another - either succumbing to any ailment or slow growing, etc. As stubborn as I am, I kept up and finally have reached what I think is a very acceptable introduction. These are nice-sized, lay well, and seem to withstand most stresses of heat, cold and diseases. The color is a nice white with an occasional grayish cast bird. Both bearded and non-bearded are kept together. Chick \$4.00 each (15)

ORIENTAL BREEDS

A broad grouping of birds that tended to have been developed (or selected for) in the Orient. All Orientals lay a very pale brown egg.

Black Breasted Red Cubalaya - Developed in Cuba from original stock imported from the Philippines. They have a small pea comb, off-white eggs. Males are typical Black Breasted Red pattern. Hens are cinnamon color. Chicks \$5.00 each (15)

Black Breasted Red Shamo- Tall in size, gentle around people, but can be very fierce fighters around other fowl. They do not lay an abundance of pale brown eggs, as they are one of the more primitive types. They have a small pea comb and are hard feathered like a Cornish. The hens are not the color of Brown Leghorns, but are a cinnamon color. Chicks \$6.00 each (5)

Black Breasted Red Kraienkoppe- Unique, old, Dutch type game fowl, males are the Brown Leghorn color pattern, the hens are a cinnamon color or the color of Brown Leghorn hens. They have a small walnut comb and are fairly small sized, but lay extremely well an off white egg and for the most part have a nice temperament. Select your breeders to have uniform walnut combs. They are excellent foragers and mothers. This breed is not as yet listed in the APA Standard. Chicks \$3.00 each (15)

Black Frizzle Sumatra- Same as the Black Sumatra, but with the frizzle gene. (See Glossary on Poultry Page for "Frizzle Gene" explanation) Very attractive version which we obtained from Ed Hart. They have a small pea comb. This breed is not as yet listed in the APA Standard. Chicks \$5.00 each (10)

Black Shamo- Pure black in color, pale brown eggs. Occasional off-colored feather can be seen. They have a small pea comb. Chicks \$6.00 each (5)

Black Sumatra - Native to Sumatra. Rich greenish black in color. Multiple spurs are common in males. They have a small pea comb. Chicks \$4.00 each (15)

Dark Shamo- Good Shamo type, but the color of a Dark Cornish, pale brown eggs. They have a small pea comb. Occasional off types can be seen. Chicks \$6.00 each (5)

Long Crower (Tomaru) - Basically an all black bird with occasional golden neck and hackle feathers. Hens are fairly calm and respectable layers. Males are known for their very long crow. Constant selection for the longest crowing males has to be made. Egg color is tinted and they have a single comb. This breed is not as yet listed in the APA Standard. Chicks \$6.00 each (10) (SOLD OUT FOR 2017)

Red Pyle Cubalaya- A colorful small sized chicken with a small pea comb. The breed dates back many years. Males are white with red-orange neck and hackle feathers and red patches on the wings. They are very attractive. Females are somewhat variable with

light orange-yellow neck and some orange feathers. Females can be basically white except for head and neck. Not all chicks hatch out the Red Pyle pattern. Chicks \$5.00 each (15)

Silver Kraienkoppe- Color pattern like a Silver Grey Dorking, off-white eggs. They have a small walnut comb. See Black Breasted Red Kraienkoppe for breed history. This breed is not at this time listed in the APA Standard.

Chicks \$5.00 each (5) (SOLD OUT FOR 2017)

White Cubalaya - They lay a tinted egg. Pure white with an occasional off-colored feather. Still working on perfecting this color. Chicks \$5.00 each (5)

OTHER BREEDS

This is a group that doesn't fit into any other APA category and, unless otherwise noted, are listed in the APA Standard at this time.

Creme Brabanter- An old Belgian breed with a tuft on the head. The Creme variety is a pale creme yellow with black spots. Eggs are white and of good size. Chicks \$6.00 each (10) (SOLD OUT FOR 2017)

Egyptian Fayoumi- Truly a unique breed as they mature very quickly. They are flighty and prefer to range over a large area. They have a moderately large single comb. Color is similar to a Campine only the barring is not as distinct and they are a silver color. Pale brown eggs. This breed is not as yet listed in the APA Standard. Chicks \$3.00 each (15)

American Dumpies- Not a recognized breed but the result of culling the off types from the Cuckoo Scots Dumpies. When we obtained the Cuckoo Scots Dumpies they threw a few yellow legged birds, which at first we immediately culled and then as we removed the trait from them I kept a few of these and noticed how much more vigorous and thrifty they were than their white legged true to type form. It seemed like the more we perfected the true Dumpies the worse they became but these yellow legged types show high degree of vigor and lay well. If you want a nice short legged thrifty little bird and don't care that they have yellow legs, these are a perfect match. They lay a tinted egg, forage well and have a pleasant disposition. They are cuckoo in color pattern. Chicks \$5.00 each (15)

Flame Jaerhon- The genetics of the Norwegian Jaerhon produces some off-types. This darker version, considered not proper for Norwegian Jaerhons, is a beautiful and hardy selection. Females are a cuckoo pattern with gold in neck and hackles. The males are a cuckoo pattern with brilliant flame orange-red hackles, neck and wing patches. Much harder than the regular Norwegian Jaerhons. Not perfected and not in the APA Standard. There are off-types in this breed. Strictly for the person wishing a colorful layer. Chicks \$3.00 each (10)

Icelandic - An unbelievably hardy land race. A land race means that they are not all uniform in color or body type. You will see a diversity in comb type as well. They all do seem to have a tuft of feathers on the top of the head. They are superb layers of small to medium sized off-white eggs. Knowing Iceland's moderate maritime climate and that this breed had developed there for over a thousand years, I was fearful they would not handle the extremes of Iowa weather very well. I was first pleasantly surprised in the Winter when they handled -25 deg. F with ease. Then on that horrible July day with a heat index of 133 deg. F, I was afraid that when I reached their pen I would find them all dead. I was pleasantly surprised to see none dead even though there were massive losses in adjoining pens. They are superb foragers with a most pleasant temperament. This is perhaps the ideal breed for someone who wants a diversity of color, but only wants one breed. They are not a terribly large chicken but are extremely feed efficient. Chicks \$5.00 each (15) (SOLD OUT FOR 2017)

Mahogany Russian Orloff - A reddish brown color version of the Russian Orloff. Minimal spangling, none is desired. Active, good dual purpose for meat and eggs. Not as yet admitted to the APA Standard. Layer of off-white large eggs. Chicks \$5.00 each (10) (SOLD OUT FOR 2017)

Manx Rumpie- Rumpless, variable color and comb. A very rare breed that lays colorful eggs and are difficult to breed. They have various comb types but small, single combs are the most common. The absence of the tail makes it a challenge to get fertile eggs. They are superb layers, but fertility rate can be very low at times. This breed is not as yet listed in the APA Standard. Chicks \$7.50 each (5)

Marraduna Basques - (Euskal Oiloa) Special thanks to Mary Alban for sharing some of these with us. They are a unique land race type from the Basque area of Spain. They sort of resemble a buffy Delaware in type and color. Considerable color variations exist in this breed. Common things to select for are yellow feet and legs and a single comb. They are incredibly friendly, almost annoyingly so when it comes to friendliness. Chicks \$6.00 each (10)

Muffed Old English Game- A colorful mix of muffed (bearded) Old English Game Fowl. Their history is very old. They are excellent foragers, good setters and mothers. They have a small single comb with five points and lay a tinted egg. This breed is not as yet listed in the APA Standard. Chicks \$4.00 each (10)

Norwegian Jaerhon - Colorful, almost a creme bar pattern. Small in size, very active foragers. Lay white eggs. Developed in Norway. They have a small single comb. This breed is not as yet listed in the APA Standard. Norwegian Jaerhons are not very winter hardy and struggle with many common poultry ailments. They are gorgeous and thrifty but are not long-lived. Chicks \$4.00 each (10)

Spangled Russian Orloff- A truly beautiful gentle bird. Tall in size, similar to a Shamo, with muffs and a unique head. Colored similar to a Speckled Sussex. Good setters and mothers. They lay pale brown eggs and have a small walnut comb. Orloffs are fantastic layers their first year, but egg production drops off drastically in their second and each of their subsequent years. This breed is not as yet listed in the APA Standard. Chicks \$4.00 each (10)

GUINEAS

Hatch Weeks: June 13, 27; July 11, 25; August 8, 22; September 5, 19; October 3, 17

We are not set up to offer large quantities of any particular color variety of guinea. For those who want large numbers of a particular color variety, please contact: Ralph Winter, 21357 White Pine Lane, New Vienna, IA 52065-9728 Telephone (563) 853-4195. We can highly recommend his stock.

ASSORTED GUINEA KEETS: Keets \$3.50 each or 25 for \$80.00.

Buff Dundotte- Darker buff color with dots. (In assortments only)

Brown - Dark cocoa with dots. The brown guineas seem to carry very low fertility despite laying large numbers of eggs. Availability is sporadic. Be prepared to wait for these. Keets \$5.00 each (5)

Chocolate - Dark brown with no dots. Keets \$5.00 each (5)

Lavender- Pale blue with dots. Our hardiest and most productive color pattern Keets \$5.00 (10)

Pearl- This is the color pattern everyone thinks of when speaking of guineas, dark steel grey with white dots. (In assortments only)

Royal Purple- Dark purple, no dots other than a few on the underside. (In assortments only)

Slate- Slate gray with a reddish tint, day olds are a very attractive reddish color. (In assortments only)

QUAIL

We have decided to not sell hatching eggs as the risks are great. Therefore, we are offering them as started (approximately 2 week old birds) that will be shipped via Express Mail (only). The assortment may contain any of the following (but is not guaranteed to contain all of the colors): Wild type, Manchurian Golden, English White, and British Range Black. We are also working with other color patterns and they might be included as well. We have a separate location to keep the young isolated for that time frame while we are starting them (for bio-security reasons).

We will be selling them in units of 12 assorted (this allows for a few extras to be included).

Each unit of 12 counts as a unit of 25 day-old chicks for Express Mail chart purposes. They are available for April through October as hatches are available.

12 Super Assorted Coturnix Quail - \$ 35.00 (+shipping)

24 Super Assorted Coturnix Quail - \$ 70.00 (+shipping)

36 Super Assorted Coturnix Quail - \$100.00 (+shipping)

48 Super Assorted Coturnix Quail - \$125.00 (+shipping)

DUCKS

Hatch Weeks: April 4, 18; May 2, 16, 30; June 13, 27; July 11, 25; August 8, 22; September 5, 19; October 3, 17 (Assortments only in September and October)

Most duck breeds lay very well, but once hot weather sets in fertility drops considerably. Amounts of a breed available after mid-June will be dependent upon fertility. We want to educate people on the advantages of waterfowl from the health, production and gardener's point of view. Please consider some ducks as a part of your farm flock this year. Ducks are hardy. Many breeds lay very well. They handle disease, pests and stress so well. I've been quoted as saying they are the slobs of the poultry world chiefly because they can be messy. They do, however, enjoy life and are a delight to have on the farm from day one. They are superb grass and insect control in an orchard!

ASSORTED DUCKLINGS: Ducklings \$4.00 each (30) This can be any breed from the entire list. We will include several types. It will not be only one kind.

ASSORTED FANCY DUCKLINGS: Ducklings \$5.00 each (15) An assortment of rarer colors and types. Can be any breed except no Pekins or Khaki Campbells.

ASSORTED EGG TYPE DUCKLINGS Ducklings \$4.50 each (30). Assortment will be made up from Khaki Campbell, Dark Campbell, Golden Buff Cascades and Welsh Harlequin but may also include White Campbell or Runners if available.

ASSORTED MEAT-TYPE DUCKLINGS: Ducklings \$4.50 each (30) Please understand that this grouping was established by us. Each of these breeds can have multiple purposes, but we have classified them here.

EGG-TYPE DUCKS

Dark Campbell- Drakes have green heads with brownish grey bodies. Hens are dark cocoa brown with thin khaki penciling and are excellent layers starting at an early age. Ducklings \$7.00 each (10)
Golden Buff Cascade- Drakes have greenish bronze heads with white neck collars, red chestnut breasts, creamy buff undersides. Hens are a buff color. Live weight is between 6 and 7 pounds. These were introduced in 1984 by Holderread's Waterfowl. Our strain obtained in 1991 is not like what Holderread's is selling today. We have maintained ours as they originally came to us 20+ years ago. They are top notch layers and are deserving of greater world numbers. Over the past several years they have laid almost 100% from early January through August, have taken a couple of weeks off, and then returned to heavy production through the end of the season. Young that are hatched in April will frequently start to lay by Fall. Ducklings \$7.00 each (15)

Khaki Campbell- Small size, efficient on feed for the eggs produced. Drakes resemble a mallard drake only dark brown. Hens are a seal brown color. Ducklings \$5.00 each (15)

Welsh Harlequin- Males have a greenish head, reddish breast, soft buffy fawn with eyes of darker color on the feathers. Hens lack the green head and red breast. Good layers of white eggs and average 3 to 3.5 pound dressed weight. These were developed in 1949 in Wales from a Khaki Campbell color mutation. They are slightly larger than Khaki Campbells. They do have two color phases (gold and silver). Both are kept together. The chief difference in the colors is in the hens where the gold phase is light brown in color and the silver is a light silver-gray. The carcass of butchered specimens is excellent for lower fat and high flavor. Ducklings \$6.00 each (15)

White Campbell- Pure white version of the Khaki. Good layers. Bills can be either pink or yellow in color. Once into heavy production, darkening of the bills can occur. Ducklings \$7.00 each (5)

RUNNERS

ASSORTED RUNNER DUCKLINGS: Ducklings \$6.00 each (15) This assortment can be from any of the Runner-type ducks we offer.

Black Runner - Pure black, erect standing. (AVAILABLE IN ASSORTMENTS ONLY.)

Blue Runner - Deep blue, good runner type. (AVAILABLE IN ASSORTMENTS ONLY.)

Buff Runner - Same color as a Buff duck. A rich fawn-buff throughout. This is a tough color pattern. Heads of drakes can be bluish-grey or seal brown, but select for fawn-buff. (AVAILABLE IN ASSORTMENTS ONLY.)

Fawn and White Runner - Fawn cap and cheek patches, patches of white alternating with patches of fawn and a distinct white belly. Ducklings \$7.00 each (5)

Grey Runner (Mallard Runner) - Typical mallard duck color pattern with a runner body. Males have an emerald green head, white neck ring that does not close at reddish brown breast and a steel grey underbody. Ducklings \$7.00 each (5)

Khaki Runner- Good type, khaki color pattern. Ducklings \$7.00 each (5)

Penciled Runner - Similar to Fawn and White except drakes have a darker, dull, bronze-green head. Hens have penciling in the non-white areas. (AVAILABLE IN ASSORTMENTS ONLY.)

White Runner - Pure white in color, orange bill and feet. (AVAILABLE IN ASSORTMENTS ONLY.)

MEAT-TYPE DUCKS

Ancona- A very colorful, spotted or pied colored duck. This is the breed for the individual that wants just one breed but cannot decide upon a color. They are good layers and a good meat bird. They range in color from blue or black to a pied and chocolate color. Sold as mixed colors only. The ducklings are darling with their unique color patterns. Ducklings \$7.00 each (15)

Black Cayuga- Pure black with a greenish purple cast in the sunlight. First eggs of the season are a purple black in color. They are good layers and excellent for meat. Ducklings \$6.00 each (15)

Black Magpie- Same color pattern as the Blue Magpie only in black. Ducklings \$7.00 each (5)

Blue Cayuga- Large size, deep blue color, truly striking in appearance. Remember with all blue fowl some non-blue offspring occur. The 25% that are a silver color from this mating are also rather attractive

in appearance. Select away from the ones which occasionally show white in the body. Ducklings \$7.00 each (10)

Blue Swedish- A good egg laying and dual purpose breed with blue feathers and a white bib. Remember that you can get a Splash called Silver and a Black from a Blue to Blue mating. Ducklings \$6.00 each (10)

Buff- Soft buff color, gentle, a good source of pets for children, also for eggs and meat. They are an easy breed to dress and are nice and plump. Ducklings \$6.00 each (15)

Chocolate Cayuga - After years of selection and breeding we have produced a chocolate colored, full sized duck. Mild mannered and Cayuga in type and size. Still have a few quirks, but hopefully, they will be consistent. Ducklings \$8.00 (5)

Pekin- Large, white feathered with bright orange bills. We select for large size and rapid growth. Ducklings \$5.00 each (20)

Rouen- Large, exhibition type, not the common, commercial strain. Ducklings \$8.00 each (10)

Saxony- German breed, 4 to 6 lbs (dressed weight). Drakes are a buffy color with a blue grey head, back and wings and a chestnut burgundy breast. Hens are buff colored with white facial stripes. Ducklings \$7.00 each (10)

Silver Appleyard- Drakes are like a Welsh Harlequin in color, but much larger in size. Hens are a mottled tannish color. First imported from Britain to the U.S. in 1982. A great deal of variability exists in the coloring of the hens. Ducklings \$7.00 each (5)

White Crested- Pure white, orange bills and feet, large white crests. Very ornamental. Ducklings \$7.00 each (15)

MUSCOVY DUCKS

We have long enjoyed having Muscovy ducks and have worked with the Chocolate colored variety off and on for many years. We are offering them for sale this year. Because of their hatch rate and hatching time, they cannot be included in regular duck shipments and must be sent separately. Muscovies take 35 days to hatch. They do much better on less water than regular ducks and will fly easily. Wing feathers must be trimmed to keep them in a pen. They make excellent mothers and the meat is leaner than regular ducks. Muscovies must be shipped by Express Mail to all locations.

Chocolate Muscovies - 10 ducklings - \$100.00 (+ Express Mail postage) (Use the duck shipping chart - equivalent of 15 ducklings)

GEESE

Hatch Weeks: April 12, 26; May 10, 24; June 7, 21; July 5.

Geese are rather temperamental layers and will quit once the season turns hot. Our incubators are not the best for goose eggs, so hatches are subject to availability. The goose assortments available are as follows: Super Assorted, and Fancy Assorted.

SUPER ASSORTED: Goslings - 6 for \$55.00; 12 for \$100.00. This assortment can be anything. It might be one each of six different breeds or two or three each of two or three different breeds.

African- This is our commercial strain that grows well and is very easy to raise. They have a slight knob on the head and a small dewlap. They dress out very easily and are in the 8 to 10 pound range for dressed weight. (AVAILABLE IN SUPER ASSORTMENT ONLY.)

Embden- white goose, large in size. An old German breed. (AVAILABLE IN SUPER ASSORTMENT ONLY.)

Gray- Large gray goose suitable for commercial production. Some sources call these the Grey Toulouse. (AVAILABLE IN SUPER ASSORTMENT ONLY.)

FANCY ASSORTED: Goslings - 6 for \$110.00; 12 for \$200.00. This assortment will be from one or more of the following breeds: American Buff, Buff Saddleback Pomeranian, Grey Saddleback Pomeranian, Pilgrim, Roman Tufted, or Tufted Buff

American Buff- Large, gentle, rich buff color. (AVAILABLE IN FANCY ASSORTMENT ONLY.)

Brown Chinese- Small, rather noisy breed of goose. Ours are the true Chinese with long, slender necks. (AVAILABLE IN FANCY ASSORTMENT ONLY.)

Buff Saddleback Pomeranian- Large sized, white with buff saddleback patches on the back and head. Goslings \$30.00 each (4)

Dewlap Toulouse- Huge, massive birds. These are the elegant looking French geese. (AVAILABLE IN FANCY ASSORTMENT ONLY.)

Grey Saddleback Pomeranian- Large sized, white with grey saddleback patches on the back and head. Goslings \$25.00 each (6)

Old Fashioned Pomeranian - A colorful group of rare old German geese. They are not all of one color. (AVAILABLE ONLY IN FANCY ASSORTED GEESE.)

Roman Tufted- Small sized, pure white with tufts on their heads. Very elegant looking. Goslings \$25.00 each (4)

Shetland - Auto-sexing, males are white, females are gray. (AVAILABLE ONLY IN FANCY ASSORTED GEESE.)

Tufted Buff- A buff colored counterpart to the Roman Tufted. Goslings (AVAILABLE ONLY IN FANCY ASSORTED GEESE.)

White Chinese- Small, very active, noisy, good breed for foraging. Ours have long, slender necks. Goslings \$10.00 each (12)

TURKEYS

Our turkey breeder flocks were hit very hard by Buffalo Gnats at the end of May and all of June in 2013. In the end we lost more than 65% of our adults. The remainder had trouble recovering from massive blood loss and stress. Thousands upon millions of Buffalo Gnats descended upon the pens each day late in the afternoon when there was no breeze, driving the birds nuts as the gnats crawled in the turkey's ears and covered the exposed skin on the head, sucking blood. This seriously impacted our numbers and plans.

NOTE: No turkey poults will be shipped by us to the State of Minnesota. We are very sorry, but your state Agriculture department requires over 6 blood tests that cannot be done realistically or economically around here.

If we are shipping your turkeys to a state which does not border on Iowa, you MUST request and pay for Express Mail Service. Turkeys are just too fragile to take a chance on them taking three days for delivery.

Any who raises turkeys is aware of the issues, when raising chickens and turkeys together - that being the condition of blackhead (a complex disease that turkeys get from chickens). Our sandy soil (good drainage) helped keep things in check for over 20 years, but our conditions have changed and we are now having periodic outbreaks. (Please see Storey's Guide To Raising Poultry (4th ed) for an explanation.

We dearly love our turkey flocks and are constantly doing research on the benefits of raising chicks and poults together to prevent Marecks in chickens. We will always continue to raise turkeys, but our poult supply will be variable. When we started this operation in 1989 turkey genetic supplies were at an all time low and we felt pressured to do all we could to maintain and put all our efforts into perpetuation. Fortunately, times have changed and there are now multiple sources for some.

Our new project will be to continue to select for the hardiest birds to withstand Blackhead. Hopefully, we can do what has been labeled the impossible by the

professionals and breeders - Blackhead resistant turkeys.

WE ARE SORRY BUT BY CATALOG TIME ALL TURKEYS WERE SOLD OUT FOR 2017. WE ARE TAKING 2017 TO INCREASE OUR FLOCKS AND WORK ON CONTINUED TOLERANCE TO BLACKHEAD. SHOULD WE GET A SURPLUS OF POULTS CHECK THE NEWS AND UPDATES PART OF THE WEBSITE FOR AVAILABILITY IN 2017

Super Assorted - 15 Turkeys for \$105.00; or \$8.00 each. These can be 1 or 2 of each of any breeds from the list. This is a good way to find out which best fits your needs. Then order the specific breed you like next season. Remember, you will receive a list of the contents with the shipment. There will be ABSOLUTELY NO CHOICES in the assortment.

Assorted Poults - Currently none available for 2017
2 breeds (7+ of each breed) 15 Turkeys for \$165.00
3 breeds (5 of each breed) 15 Turkeys for \$150.00

There will be ABSOLUTELY NO CHOICES in the assortment.

TURKEY BREEDS

Auburn - A chocolate color diluted with reddish tint. From a distance they look like a chocolate that is off-color. Close up the feathers are chocolate with faint red dots. The wings are barred white and chocolate. (AVAILABLE IN ASSORTMENTS ONLY) SOLD OUT FOR 2017

Black Spanish - Large, pure black turkey. Dates back to one of the earliest selections from the Wild turkey. (AVAILABLE IN ASSORTMENTS ONLY) SOLD OUT FOR 2017

Blue Slate - A slate blue-grey, medium sized breed. Like all blue fowl, three types of offspring are produced - the blue slate which is blue with black flecks, a dull, self-blue color, and a black. (AVAILABLE IN ASSORTMENTS ONLY) SOLD OUT FOR 2017

Bronze, Wishard Strain - This is a true-breeding strain, not the common type found in feed mills. They are the large birds people used to picture when they thought of turkeys. (AVAILABLE IN ASSORTMENTS ONLY) SOLD OUT FOR 2017

Bourbon Red - Developed in the late 1880's. A beautiful, dark red with white wing and tail feathers. They are not as broad-breasted as some, but they make a nice eating bird. (AVAILABLE IN ASSORTMENTS ONLY) SOLD OUT FOR 2017

Chocolate - Chocolate brown in color. Day-old poults are white faced with chocolate bodies. Very old variety, now back in decent numbers after nearly

becoming extinct ten years ago. Thanks to Paula Johnson for the work she put into this breed to help bring it back from the brink of extinction.

(AVAILABLE IN ASSORTMENTS ONLY) SOLD OUT FOR 2017

Jersey Buff - An old breed that is a beautiful buff color. These are very rare today. Because the blood line was very limited on these just a few years ago, we keep 2 separate lines. One line is darker than the other and occasionally has a few black tips in some feathers. The other line is a pale buff. We hope that by keeping 2 lines going we can keep the vigor and genetic diversity up. (AVAILABLE IN ASSORTMENTS ONLY) SOLD OUT FOR 2017

Lilac - A beautifully colored, exceptional bird. A Lilac with Lilac mating produces only 25% offspring that are Lilac. Lilacs are a 3-way cross with a genotype for color of bbRrSlsl. Recessive for black, heterozygous for red and slate. 25% of the offspring are Lilac, 25% are Fawn, 25% are Red Slate, 25% are a washed out Bronze color. Lilacs are a bluish grey with tiny red flecks and a red band in the tail. We try to select the day-old poults that show the most potential for turning out Lilac as adults. You can expect to get some that will not, but we do our best to send the best.

(AVAILABLE IN ASSORTMENTS ONLY) SOLD OUT FOR 2017

Midget White - A very small, white turkey developed by the USDA in the 1930's. A very unique, genetically small sized turkey. (AVAILABLE IN ASSORTMENTS ONLY) SOLD OUT FOR 2017

Narrangansett - Medium to large sized turkey with contrasting black and grey color. Wing feathers are barred. A very old breed. Overall looks to be a rather silver color. (AVAILABLE IN ASSORTMENTS ONLY) SOLD OUT FOR 2017

Royal Palm - A striking color pattern of black and white. Very attractive and showy. They are a small breed. (AVAILABLE IN ASSORTMENTS ONLY) SOLD OUT FOR 2017

White Holland - This is the true-breeding type, not what is sold as White turkeys in the feed mills. These are a realistic size and capable of breeding without artificial insemination as the modern turkeys of today's farms require. (AVAILABLE IN ASSORTMENTS ONLY) SOLD OUT FOR 2017

EXPRESS MAIL SHIPPING FOR 2017

We have to ship via Express Mail to AK, HI, and PR. We have had fabulous service getting birds to many points in Alaska in less than 24 hours. With all of the new closures in the USPS distribution centers, please check with your local Post Office about whether you need to use Express Mail Shipping for live poultry from Iowa. If you live quite a distance from your local distribution center, please consider using Express Mail Service.

POULTRY NUMBER ORDER REQUIREMENTS

1. Chicks, bantams, guinea keets - You must order these in multiples of 25 (25, 50, 75, 100, etc.).
2. Ducklings and turkey poults - You must order these in multiples of 15 (15, 30, 45, 60, etc.).
3. Goslings - You must order these in multiples of 6 (6, 12, 18, 24, etc.).

You may mix guineas, bantams and chicks, or turkeys and chicks, or guineas and turkeys in the same shipment. Ducklings and goslings may be mixed together in one shipment. You may never mix ducklings with turkeys, bantams or guineas because these do not ship well together. You may never mix geese with anything except ducklings. (1 duckling = 2 chicks. 1 gosling = 2 ducklings. 1 turkey = 2 guinea keets or 2 chicks.)

POULTRY SHIPPING CHARGES

Priority Mail Service -

- We only call (or e-mail if we can't reach you by phone) you the day that your order is shipped out.
- The shipment is sent by Priority Mail (2-3 day delivery) with Delivery Confirmation.
- There is free USPS tracking service with Priority Mail.
- You pay from the Zone Code Chart according to the zipcode which your delivery is being shipped to.

Express Mail Service -

- We only call (or e-mail) you the day that your order is shipped out.
- The shipment is sent by Express Mail (should be delivered by 3:00 PM of the 2nd day after shipping.)
- Tracking is available by calling your local Post Office or by checking on their website for Express Mail Service.

You pay from the Express Mail column in the postage chart for your postage.

ZIP CODE ZONE DETERMINATION CHART
PLEASE LOCATE THE FIRST 3 NUMBERS OF
YOUR ZIP CODE TO DETERMINE YOUR
POSTAGE

POULTRY SHIPPING INFORMATION

Please remember we process and fill orders on a first come, first served basis. We never know from year to year which will be the hot items that everyone will want, so place your orders early even if you don't want them until summer. If you don't get your name on the list early for the date that you prefer, that date may already be booked up for the breeds you want. **REMEMBER, ORDER EARLY!!!!**

DAY OLDS: We will telephone or e-mail you the day your birds are shipped so it is very important that you include your daytime and evening telephone numbers (if they are different) and your e-mail address on your poultry order form. We call in the evening to let you know they have been sent and the Postal Service calls during the day to let you know they have arrived at your Post Office. We will basically try to contact you first by telephone and will use the e-mail as a backup contact in case we can't reach you by phone. We do not call if we do not ship.

FINAL POULTRY ORDERING REMINDERS

All orders must be received in our office by regular mail with payment enclosed to be considered for booking. An order is not considered booked if you talk to us about it on the telephone or send an e-mail telling us what you want. It will not be booked until we get it in writing with the payment. **(NO EXCEPTIONS!!!)**

2. We do not accept orders by telephone or internet. We do not accept credit card, paypal, or any other electronic payment for your order.
3. We do not guarantee specific hatch dates, "show quality" birds, or male/female ratio.
4. You have ten (10) days from the date on your confirmation letter from us confirming your order to cancel or change your order. After that time, there is a 25% cancellation fee on any canceled poultry order. Replacement birds will NOT be shipped until our Shipment Report Form signed by you and your postal worker is in our possession.
6. Hatching dates are listed at the front of chickens, bantams, ducks, geese, turkeys, and guineas sections of the catalog. This is the first day of the hatch week. We ship on Monday or Tuesday (occasionally Wednesday). The dates listed in the catalog are the approximate shipping dates not the dates they arrive at your home.

EGG WEIGHTS BY BREED

This is a multi-year data. We take this data at the end of July. There is nothing truly scientific about it, so please don't read too much into the numbers. A random dozen eggs is weighed from each breed. No attempt to select any size specimens is made. The more years we have had a breed, the more data is used in the average. PLEASE USE THIS INFORMATION AS A GUIDE ONLY!!

I. Jumbo (30+ oz./doz eggs)

Wheaten Maran, Blue Copper Maran, Blue Wheaten Maran

II. Extra Large (27-30 oz./doz eggs)

Welsummer, White Minorca, Black Copper Maran, Delaware, Erminette, Black Australorp, Black Orpington, Partridge Barnevelder, Buff Catalana, Partridge Penedescenca, Single Comb Light Brown Leghorn, Barnevelder, Silver Grey Dorking, Silver Laced Wyandotte, Silver Campine, Blue Jersey Giant, Black Langshan, White Jersey Giant, Blue Langshan, Cuckoo Maran,

III. Large (24-27 oz./doz eggs)

New Hampshire, Blue Andalusian, Colored Dorking, Red Dorking, White Orpington, Auburn Sumatra, Black Minorca, La Fleche, Ancona, Black Jersey Giant, Blue Orpington, Manx Rumpie, Rhode Island Red, Buckeye, Buff Minorca, Blue Ameraucana, Blue Cochin, Salmon Faverolle, Ameraucana, Blue Wyandotte, Black Ameraucana, Buff Orpington, Rose Comb Rhode Island Red, Rose Comb Red Dorking, Golden Lakenvelder, Rose Comb Colored Dorking, Dark Grey Dorking, Flame Jaerhon, Partridge Rock, Crevecoeur, Red Polish, White Dorking, Buff Cornish, Buff Cochin, Black Dorking, Black Cochin, Black Penedescenca, Golden Laced Wyandotte, Mottled Java, Rose Comb Rhode Island White

IV. Medium (21-24 oz./doz eggs)

Dominique, Exchequer Leghorn, Lakenvelder, Speckled Sussex, Mahogany Faverolle, Buff Laced Polish, Barred Holland, Creme Brabanter, Partridge Chantecler, White Crested Black Polish, Black Polish, Black Sumatra, Red Leghorn, Golden Campine, White Chantecler, Buff Chantecler, Blue Laced Red Wyandotte, Cuckoo Dorking, Golden Polish, Spangled Russian Orloff, Light Sussex, Cuckoo Scots Dumpie, American Dumpie, Egyptian Fayoumi, Iowa Blue, Red Pyle Cubalaya, Longcrower, Columbian Wyandotte, Black Leghorn, Light Grey Dorking, Black Breasted Red Shamo, Black Crested Blue Polish, Black Shamo, Black Wyandotte, Red Chantecler, Black Breasted Red Kraienkoppe, White Polish, Mahogany Orloff, Red Sussex, Muffed Old English Game, Redcap, Frizzled Black Sumatra, Black Breasted Red Cubalaya, Blue Polish, Buttercup, Dark

Shamo, Icelandic, Mille Fleur Leghorn, Norwegian Jaerhon

V. Small (18-21 oz./doz eggs)

Silver Polish, Golden Penciled Hamburg, White Cubalaya, Silver Kraienkoppe, Silver Penciled Hamburg

3-digit ZIP Code prefix is **527**. The first 3-digits of your destination ZIP Code determine the zone.

* Indicates ZIP Code range within the same NDC as the origin ZIP Code

+ Indicates ZIP Code range has 5-Digit Exceptions

ZIP Code	Zone						
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050---098	5	423---424	3	600---611	2	829---838	6
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344	5	526---528	1*	710---714	4	900---908	7
346	6	530---532	3	716---731	4	910---928	7
347	5	534	3	733	5	930---966	7
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370---386	4	576---577	5	757---770	5	990---994	6
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[+] 5-Digit Exceptions

ZIP Code	Zone
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**POSTAGE CHART
PRIORITY MAIL**

CHICKS, GUINEAS, BANTAMS (25, 50, 75, 100) OR DUCKS, TURKEYS (15, 30, 45, 60) GEESSE {6, 12, 18, 24}

	ZONE 1, 2	ZONE 3	ZONE 4	ZONE 5	ZONE 6	ZONE 7	ZONE 8	ZONE 9
25(15){6}	9.00	10.00	11.00	12.00	14.00	15.00	18.00	24.00
50 (30) {12}	11.00	12.00	13.00	20.00	22.00	23.00	26.00	36.00
75 (45) {18}	13.00	14.00	18.00	25.00	28.00	32.00	36.00	48.00
100 (60) {24}	16.00	18.00	22.00	31.00	35.00	42.00	47.00	63.00

EXPRESS MAIL

	ZONE 1, 2	ZONE 3	ZONE 4	ZONE 5	ZONE 6	ZONE 7	ZONE 8	ZONE 9
25(15){6}	24.00	28.00	37.00	43.00	45.00	48.00	49.00	60.00
50 (30) {12}	30.00	39.00	50.00	60.00	63.00	64.00	66.00	82.00
75 (45) {18}	37.00	49.00	63.00	75.00	80.00	81.00	85.00	105.00
100 (60) {24}	43.00	60.00	77.00	86.00	90.00	92.00	95.00	120.00

