

# Poultry Breed ID

# Australorp

- Developed in Australia
- have intense beetle-green sheen on the black birds, dark eyes, deep bodies and are very active.
- one of the best dual-purpose fowls
- good egg producers with brown shelled eggs



# Leghorn

- Originate from Northern Italy
- The Leghorn has red wattle, white earlobes, and either a single or rose comb.
- Primarily an egg layer
- small, spritely, noisy bird with great style
- good foragers and can often glean much of their diet from ranging over fields and barnyards
- capable of considerable flight and often roost in trees if given the opportunity



# Orpington

- Originates from Great Britain
- large fowl with soft feathering that allows the endurance of cold temperatures better than other breeds.
- dual-purpose bird for eggs and table meat
- an active fowl and does well free-range or confined.
- has a deep breast with a curved back, short legs with thighs covered by thick feathering.
- has either a single or rose comb, red wattles and white earlobes.
- hen is a sitter



# Plymouth Rock (Barred Rock)

- Developed in America
- good general farm chicken
- single comb of moderate size
- Some strains are good layers while others are bred principally for meat



# Rhode Island Red

- Originated in New England
- Often has deep color and relatively hard feathers
- Egg and meat production
- Renowned as prolific egg layers (up to 300+ brown eggs/year)
- Handle marginal diets and poor housing conditions better than other breeds and still continue to produce eggs



# Pekin Duck

- Developed in China
- most popular market duck in America
- bred in one variety, white
- A creamy white plumage and orange shanks and toes are desired. The bill should be rich yellow in color, and black in the bill or beak is a serious defect.
- The Pekin is used for meat



# Rouen Duck

- Developed in France
- excellent foragers, calm in disposition and unlikely to fly
- In the U.S., Rouens are raised primarily for the restaurant market.
- Laying rate varies; some strains average 100 eggs per year and others over 150.



# Broad Breasted White Turkey

- most popular meat turkeys in the U.S
- valued for their rapid growth, broad breast meat, and excellent feed-to-weight conversion
- generally docile and well-suited for fenced, controlled environments rather than free-ranging, as they are inefficient foragers compared to heritage breeds

