

Best Breeds

Top 3 breeds in a number of categories to get you started on building your backyard or homestead flock.

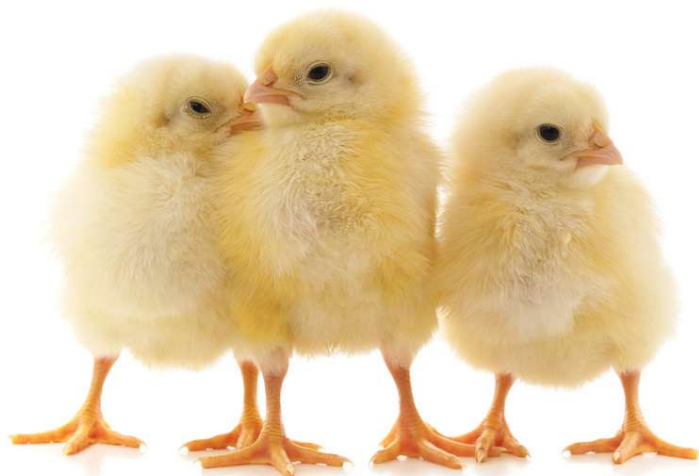


7 Arrow Ranch

Breed List

SO MANY BREEDS, SO LITTLE TIME....

Such is the mantra of homesteaders and crazy chicken ladies everywhere! If you have spent any time at all perusing the websites of Murray McMurray or Hoover's Hatchery, you may find yourself either thoroughly overwhelmed by options, or being tempted to bite off more than you can chew by your desire to buy ALL. THE. BREEDS. One of each!! Here is a quick chart of 3 of the most popular breeds in each category to help you narrow down the breeds that might be most successful on your homestead.



Meat

1	Cornish Cross
2	Red Ranger
3	Cornish

Eggs

1	Rhode Island Red
2	Buff Orpington
3	Wyandotte

Dual-Purpose

1	Black Australorp
2	Orpington
3	Plymouth Rock

Egg Color

1	Copper Maran
2	Ameracauna
3	Olive Egger

Egg Production

1	Golden Comet
2	ISA Brown
3	Australorp

Ornamental

1	Polish
2	Silkie
3	Cochin

Best Foragers

1	Australorp
2	White Leghorn
3	Jersey Giants

Cold-Hardy

1	Barnevelder
2	Orpington
3	Sussex

Heat Tolerant

1	Australorp
2	White Leghorn
3	Barred Rock