

Chicken Breeds

Ameraucana

This popular breed is known for their beautiful blue eggs. Originally developed in the 1970's, derived from Auraucana's. They were bred to retain the blue-egg laying gene and eliminate some issues associated with the Araucana breed. These chickens are medium-sized with pea combs and come in a combination of colors and patterns. Also known as "Easter Eggers."









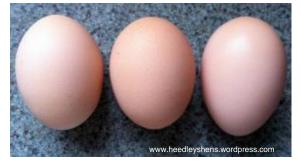
Barred Plymouth Rock

Developed in New England in the early 1800's by crossing Dominiques and Black Javas, it has spread to every part of the U.S. and is an ideal American chicken. Prolific layers of light brown (to pinkish) eggs, the hens are not discouraged by cold weather. These chickens are often called Plymouth Rocks, but this title correctly belongs to the entire breed, not just the Barred variety. Baby chicks are dark gray to black with some white patches on head and body. They are a dual purpose breed for meat and eggs.











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Blue Hen Chicken

Usually hatching early, the Blue Hen chick emerges from a small off white egg. They are typically much smaller than other chicks. They are similar to the size of the Polish. Blue Hen chicks can hatch black, blue (true blue) or even a yellow (which later turns white). There is also a "splash" of variety. The males may have yellow, orange and red in their neck and wings.









Rhode Island Red

This is one of the most famous and all time popular breeds of truly American chickens, developed in the early part of this century in the state of the same name. They have led the contests for brown egg layers time after time. No other heavy breed lays more or better eggs than the Rhode Island Reds. They are also considered a dual purpose breed for their eggs and meat. Rhode Island Red baby chicks are a yellow-redish color.









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White Crested Black Polish

The mature White Crested Black Polish represent a striking contrast in color with their black body plumage and crests of white. The little chicks are cunning with their black bodies and white "top hats". You will be delighted with these lovely and interesting chickens which hatch from large white eggs. They are known as fancy or ornamental birds.









White Leghorn

The White Leghorn will lay white eggs of top grade and size, of uniform shape, good shell, and highest interior quality. They are one of the most popular laying breeds. The eggs of the White Leghorn are much larger than those of the White Crested Black Polish. Their chicks are solid yellow and one of the most popular chick when used in petting zoos.







