

Piggotts

P O U L T R Y B R E E D E R S L T D

COLOURED LAYERS

2014 – 2015 SEASON





About Us

Piggotts Poultry Breeders is a family-run poultry supplier and breeder based under the Chiltern Hills in the village of Eaton Bray, Bedfordshire.

Supplying the UK and Ireland, Piggotts Poultry Breeders have a portfolio of layers, probably unmatched by any UK company, of top commercial layers of brown, white and tinted eggs.

We also offer birds for subsistence, free range and organic farming including chickens that lay dark brown eggs.

All this plus attractively coloured birds for domestic poultry keepers which still lay a good number of eggs.

Health Status, Vaccinations and Traceability

We have worked with two hatcheries over the past 10 years which has allowed us to maintain traceability of chicks and history of breeding flocks.

The hatcheries follow stringent biosecurity plans established and controlled by independent regional veterinarians.

All our chicks come from registered, vaccinated parent flocks which are regularly tested for salmonella stereotypes with public health significance in accordance with regulation (EC) No. 2160/2003.

Our chicks are double vaccinated for Marek's disease MKR+HVT, plus Nobilis IB Ma5 for protection against Infectious Bronchitis

Vaxxitek HVT+IBD is a high technology vector vaccine, which gives protection against infectious bursal disease (IBD) and Marek's disease and is available by arrangement for all our chicks during the 2015 season.

We feel this transparency is important and underlines our commitment and determination to supply quality stock sourced and supplied in a responsible manner.



Layers at a glance

Our complete list of coloured layers is available from September 2014 through to June 2015 as follows:

Rhode Rock

Barred Rock

Blacktail

Coucou Maran

Copper Maran

BBF

Sussex

Medicis

Gold Bar (available February 2015)

White Leghorn

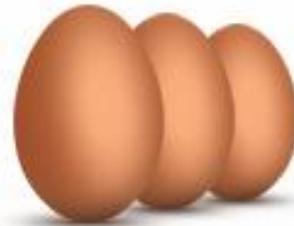
Piggotts' Brown

Piggotts' Silver





RHODE ROCK



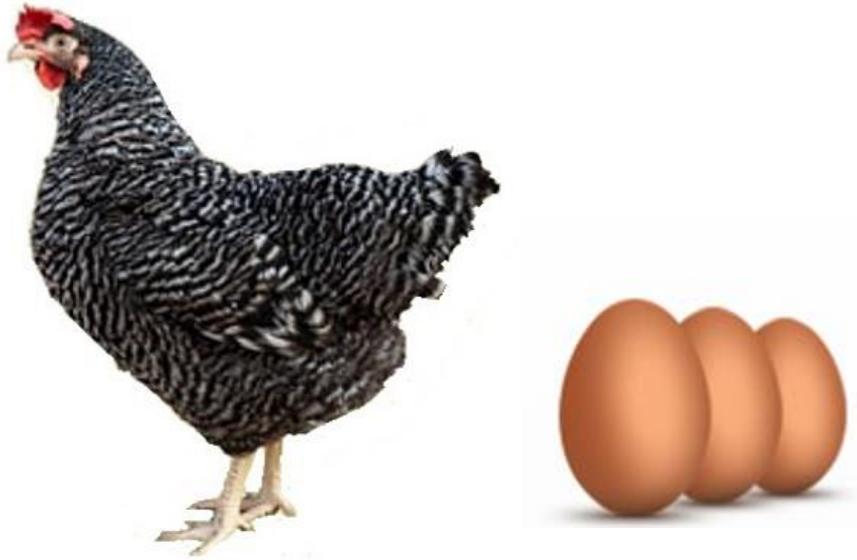
Piggott's Rhode Rock is a tough and reliable hybrid bred to lay a large number of eggs in difficult conditions

A hybrid of various types of Rhode Island Red and Barred Plymouth Rock, selected and improved for over 40 years.

- Average body weight at 20 weeks: 1.600 kg
- Average body weight at 72 weeks: 2.200 kg
- Age at start of laying period: 21 weeks
- Age at peak of laying period: 25 weeks
- Peak of production: 90 % and more
- Production at the age of 72 weeks: 300 eggs/bird
- Average egg weight at 72 weeks: 65 g
- Egg shell colour: brown



Barred Rock

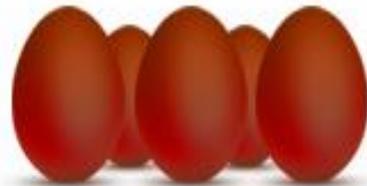


Piggott's Barred Rock is a reverse cross of the Rhode Rock, giving a bird of attractive appearance and the same attributes of reliability and toughness.

- Average body weight at 20 weeks: 1.600 kg
- Average body weight at 80 weeks: 2.200 kg
- Age at start of laying period: 21 weeks
- Age at peak of laying period: 25 weeks
- Peak of production: 94 %
- Production at the age of 72 weeks: 290 eggs/bird
- Average feed consumption 116-120g per day
- Egg shell colour: brown



BLACKTAIL



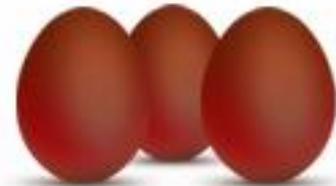
The Blacktail is a good alternative bird for free range and organic laying systems.

A breed of Rhode Island Red and Sussex types producing a classic chestnut brown hybrid with black tail feathers.

- Average body weight at 20 weeks: 1.600 kg
- Average body weight at 72 weeks: 2.200 kg
- Age at start of laying period: 21 weeks
- Age at peak of laying period: 26 weeks
- Hen housed performance to 72 weeks: 280-300 eggs
- Peak of production: 90 % and more
- Daily consumption: 125-135 g
- Average egg weight: 63 g
- Egg shell colour: brown



MARAN COUCOU

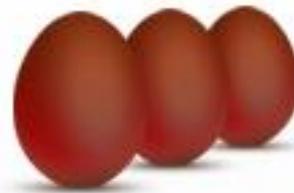


The Piggotts Maran Coucou is the original and best Coucou based hybrid, laying her famous brown speckled eggs. She is a cross between Marans Coucou Argenté and Rhode Island Red.

- Average body weight at 20 weeks: 1.650 kg
- Average body weight of adult birds: 2.450 kg to 2.550 kg
- Age at start of laying period: 21 weeks
- Age at peak of laying period: 25 weeks
- Hen housed performance to 72 weeks: 240-260 eggs
- Peak of production: 88.90 %
- Average egg weight: 61 g
- Egg shell colour: deep brown
- Shell strength: excellent



MARAN CUIVRÉE



Piggott's Maran Cuivrée, also known as the Copper Maran, is a hybrid breed of Marans Noir Cuivrée and Rhode Island Red.

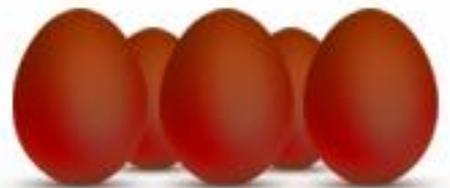
The Maran Cuivrée has been developed to produce 240 to 260 medium sized eggs that are deep brown in colour, with excellent shell strength.

The Maran Cuivrée is a distinctive hen with flame copper chest and neck feathers and will often have feathered legs, a sure sign of its genuine Maran heritage.

- Average body weight at 20 weeks: 1.650 kg
- Average body weight of adult birds: 2.450 kg to 2.550 kg
- Age at start of laying period: 21 weeks
- Age at peak of laying period: 25 weeks
- Hen housed performance to 72 weeks: 240-260 eggs
- Average egg weight: 61 g
- Egg shell colour: deep brown
- Shell strength: excellent



BBF

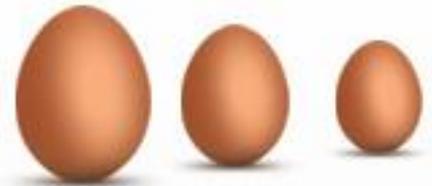


The BBF is given many different names, but uniquely our BBF is a genuine Marans cross of various Marans Coucou and Rhode Island Red.

- A hybrid breed of various types of Rhode and Coucou
- Feather colour: slate grey
- Average body weight at 20 weeks: 1.900 kg
- Average body weight at 72 weeks: 2.500 kg to 2.600 kg
- Age at peak of laying period: 26 weeks
- Hen housed performance at 72 weeks: up to 260 eggs
- Peak of production: 90 % and more
- Average egg weight: 63 g
- Egg shell colour: brown



SUSSEX



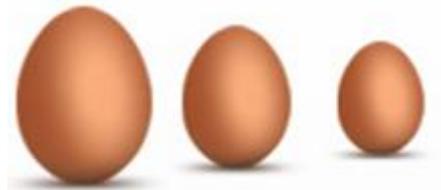
**Classic farmyard hen with distinctive neck, tail and wing markings.
Popular with domestic poultry keepers and enthusiasts.**

Our Sussex is a hybrid developed from Sussex and Rhode Island Red parent lines which produces an attractive, robust hen which still produces a good number of high quality eggs.

- Average body weight at 20 weeks: 1.750 kg
- Average body weight at 72 weeks: 2.700 kg
- Age at start of laying period: 21 weeks
- Age at peak of laying period: 26 weeks
- Production at the age of 72 weeks: up to 250 eggs/bird
- Average egg weight: 63-64 g
- Egg shell colour: light brown



The Medicis



The Medicis is a strikingly coloured bird popular with domestic poultry keepers.

Developed by our French hatchery, no other breeder in Europe produces the Medicis and her exact breeding is a closely guarded secret.

Like all our breeds the Medicis is often copied but never bettered.

- Average body weight at 20 weeks: 1.600 kg
- Average body weight at 72 weeks: 2.400 kg to 2.500 kg
- Age at peak of laying period: 26 weeks
- Hen housed performance at 72 weeks: up to 260 eggs
- Peak of production: 90 % and more
- Average egg weight: 63 g
- Egg shell colour: brown



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WHITE LEGHORN

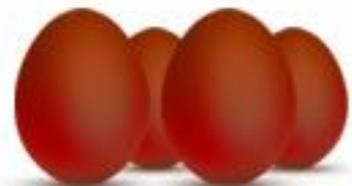


The White Leghorn is a modern White Leghorn hybrid. She is a highly productive bird laying white eggs of top quality and remarkable shell strength.

- Average body weight at 18 weeks: 1.200 to 1.300 kg
- Average body weight at end of production: 1.700 kg to 1.900 kg
- Age at 50% hen-day production: 140-150 days
- Hen housed performance at 12 months: 302-312 eggs
- Hen housed performance at 14 months: 340-350 eggs
- Peak of production: 92-96 %
- Livability at growing period: 97-98 %
- Livability at laying period: 94-96 %
- Feed consumption between 0-20 weeks: 7.0-7.5 kg/bird
- Feed consumption at laying period: 105-115 g/bird/day
- Feed conversion: 2.0-2.2 kg/kg
- Egg weight at 12 months: 62-63 g
- Egg weight at 14 months: 62.5-63.5 g/egg
- Egg shell colour: white
- Egg shell strength: excellent



PIGGOTTS' BROWN



Piggotts' Brown offers high egg numbers and persistent production with optimum egg weight and excellent feed efficiency in all systems.

- Piggotts Brown offers high peak and persistent production
- Feather colour: red with white underfeathers
- Bird temperament: very docile
- Average body weight at 18 weeks: 1.480 kg
- Average body weight at 80 weeks: 1.900 kg to 2.200 kg
- Age at 50% hen-day production: 142-152 days
- Hen housed performance to 72 weeks: 310-320 eggs
- Hen housed performance to 80 weeks: 349-359 eggs
- Period over 90% production: 20-22 weeks
- Period over 80% production: 38-43 weeks
- Livability at growing period (0-18 weeks): 96-98 %
- Livability at laying period (18-80 weeks): 93-96 %
- Feed consumption at growing period: 6.46 kg/bird
- Feed consumption at laying period: 117-127 g/bird/day
- Feed conversion: 2.0-2.2 kg/kg
- Average egg weight to 72 weeks: 63-65 g
- Egg weight at 35 weeks: 62.8 g/egg
- Egg weight at 80 weeks: 68.7 g/egg
- Egg shell colour: dark brown
- Egg shell strength: excellent



PIGGOTTS' SILVER



Piggotts' Silver is very robust and is especially suited to organic and free range production systems.

- Piggotts Silver is very robust and especially suited to organic and free range systems
- Feather colour: white
- Bird temperament: very docile
- Average body weight at 20 weeks: 1.600 kg
- Average body weight at 80 weeks: 2.000 kg to 2.200 kg
- Age at 50% hen-day production: 140-150 days
- Hen housed performance to 72 weeks: 300-304 eggs
- Hen housed performance to 80 weeks: 338-342 eggs
- Livability at growing period (0-18 weeks): 97-98 %
- Livability at laying period (18-80 weeks): 94-96 %
- Feed consumption at growing period: 6.46 kg/bird
- Feed consumption at laying period: 117-127 g/bird/day
- Feed conversion: 2.25-2.35 kg/kg
- Average egg weight to 72 weeks: 62-63 g
- Egg shell colour: uniform brown
- Egg shell strength: excellent



Delivery

Piggotts Poultry Breeders deliver throughout the UK and Ireland.

We usually deliver using our own vehicles which are specially designed for transporting day-old chicks and have been authorised by the AHVLA (Animal Health and Veterinary Laboratories Agency).

All our drivers are City & Guilds NPTC qualified in poultry transport.

Our modern fleet of vehicles all have bespoke chick climate control systems which allows us to deliver our stock in perfect condition, giving chicks the best start from the hatchery to the farm.

Between each delivery the vehicles are disinfected to maintain a clean environment.



Disclaimer: All specifications describing performances of the above birds represent performance objectives obtainable under good environmental and management conditions. They are not a warranty or guarantee of performance.