Junior Stockman's Club

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Swine Breeds: Hampshire

- Origin: England
- Characterized by black body with a white "belt" and erect ears
- Fourth most popular breed of swine in the US
- Lean and muscular, with little back fat and large loin eyes



Swine Breeds: Berkshire

- Mostly black with white points, end of snout, lower legs, erect ears
- Origin: England almost 300 years ago
- Known for high quality (marbling) meat and muscling



Swine Breeds: Duroc

- Solid red in color, may vary from yellowish to dark red
- Heavily muscled, good meat quality
- Second highest number of registrations in the US after Yorkshires
- Breed developed in the US (New York state) and named after a Thoroughbred stallion



Swine Breeds: Yorkshire

- All white swine breed
- Known to be more of a maternal line
- Erect ears, lean, with little fat
- Originated in England, came to US in early 1900's.
- Most number of registrations in the US of any swine breed



Swine Breeds: Chester White

- ► All white in color
- "Broken" ear
- Developed from English breeds combined to form the current day Chester White (originated Chester County, Pennsylvania)



Swine Breeds: Tamworth

- Originated from England
- Yellowish golden to dark red, erect ears
- Not as popular as Hamps, Yorks, Durocs
- Long bodied, not as thick as other breeds, but very hardy and thrifty
- Long, straight snouts, level topped, finer boned



Swine Breeds: Landrace

- ► All white, extra long bodied with 16-17 pairs of ribs, big, floppy, and broken ear that is close to the face
- Used often in maternal lines; known for milk production
- Originated from Denmark; different lines imported to the US to develop the "American" Landrace



Swine Breeds: Spot

- Easily distinguished! AKA the Spotted Poland China
- Known for feed efficiency, rate of gain, and carcass quality



Swine Breeds: Hereford

- Breed originated in Iowa and Nebraska in early 1920's from Durocs and Chester Whites.
- White face with at least two white legs and body is light to dark red in color; slightly drooping ear.



Swine Breeds: Pietrain

- Originated in Belgium in the early 1950's.
- White with dark spots, encircled by lighter shades.
- Erect ears; very muscular and lean. Large loin eyes and hams are very expressive.



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