



COLUMBIA SHEEP

The All American Breed

★ 2016 | 2017 EVENTS

★ May 12 - 14, 2016 ★

Big Ohio Sale
Eaton, OH

★ June 6 - 11, 2016 ★

Diamond Jubilee National Columbia Sale
National Junior Columbia Show
Minot, ND

★ June 20 - 25, 2016 ★

Midwest Stud Ram Sale
Sedalia, MO

★ September 15 and 16, 2016 ★

Newell Ram Sale
Newell, SD

★ November 11 - 13, 2016 ★

NAILE Junior Columbia Show
Louisville, KY

★ November 14 - 18, 2016 ★

NAILE National Columbia Show
Louisville, KY

★ June 5 - 10, 2017 ★

National Columbia Sale
Spencer, IA



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Best in the Barn for 75 years
1941 | 2016

★ ORIGIN

Columbia sheep are known as the “All American Breed.” In 1912, Columbias were developed by the US Department of Agriculture as a new breed uniquely suited for the range. Rambouillet ewes crossed with Lincoln rams were the foundation for the original Columbia flock. The outcome was a breed that produced larger ewes that yielded more pounds of wool and more pounds of lamb. In the end, it meant more profit for the producer. Columbias were originally designed for the western range. However, the breed proved very adaptable to the lush grasses and farm management systems in many other parts of the country and can be found coast to coast today.

★ WOOL

Columbias produce a heavy, white fleece. Their long staple length is highly desirable with the textile industry and hand spinners. Fleeces average 12 to 16 pounds and grade at 23.49 to 30.00 microns with staple length running 3.5 to 5.5 inches.



★ THE TOTAL PACKAGE

Columbias work well as a terminal sire or mother breed. Columbias have long been used to improve many flocks and breeds. Columbia sheep are superior in:

- Size, scale, dimension
- Mothering ability
- Heavy milk production
- Pounds of wool per ewe
- Pounds of lamb
- Carcass traits
- Large rib eye

For more than 100 years, Columbia producers have experienced higher profits from more pounds of wool and lamb plus less labor cost. From east to west, Columbias can work in any flock to improve the bottom line for the producer.



Learn more about Columbia sheep at
www.ColumbiaSheep.org

★ FAMILY FRIENDLY

Columbia sheep are among the most gentle of all breeds. They are docile and attentive mothers. They are easy to handle and herd. Just ask shepherds who raise Columbias!



Family is important to the Columbia Sheep Breeders Association. The Junior Columbia Sheep Association offers a progressive futurity program and encourages youth to participate in breed activities.

Contact the Junior Columbia Association advisor Manda Geerts-Davis, 815.499.8112 or mandageerts@hotmail.com, for more information about the Junior Association.

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