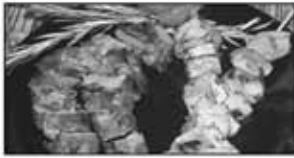


BREEDS OF GOATS

MEAT PRODUCTION



Canadian Meat Goat Association

- Chevon is the most widely-consumed red meat in the world.
- Canadian consumption exceeds production.
- Chevon is a healthy, lean, red meat traditionally consumed by ethnic cultures and increasingly enjoyed by health-conscious consumers.
- Primarily KIKO, SPANISH and BOER goats are raised for the production of chevon, however all breeds of goats are included in the meat goat industry, since eventually kids and culls from every breed are sold for meat.

MILK PRODUCTION



Association laitière de la Chèvre du Québec

- Goat milk is the most consumed milk worldwide. Goat milk is used for the production of other dairy products such as cheese, yogurt, ice cream, butter, etc.
- Goat milk is easier to digest than cow milk and is commonly consumed by people with lactose intolerance or health conditions.
- As consumers are becoming more aware of the high quality and nutritional value of goat milk products, the demand for goat milk continues to rise.
- The breeds raised specifically for milk production include ALPINE, LAMANCHA, NUBIAN, OBERHASLI, SAANEN and TOGGENBURG.

FIBRE PRODUCTION



Roving Winds Farm

- Goat fibre products can be either Mohair or Cashmere.
- Mohair is luxurious, warm and durable – ideal for hand-spinning and craft use, it is recognized worldwide as the one fibre that ultimately enhances luxury products.
- Cashmere is one of the finest animal fibres – soft, warm, light and luxurious, it is used to make some of the most expensive garments in the world.
- ANGORA and KIKO goats are usually used for the production of fibre, however other breeds of goats can produce fibre-quality coats.

COMPANIONS & HOBBY GOATS

- All breeds of goats are great companions for humans and other species of livestock.
- Generally, TENNESSEE, MINIATURE PYGMY and NIGERIAN DWARF goats are selected for hobby farms or as companion goats.

Raising goats poses opportunities ... chevon, milk & fibre production

... breeding stock sales (nationally & internationally)

... niche & value-added products

Each commodity poses unique opportunities; goats are multi-purpose animals and individual breeds can be used for a variety of products!



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