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## **GUINEA FOWL**

Guineas are gamebirds that are great addition many situations and set-ups. Guineas are vigorous, hardy, and largely disease-free birds.

Here at Sugar Feather Farm our guinea fowl is a 40 year old flock originating in Vermont.

There are many reasons we raise guinea fowl. The birds sound an alarm whenever anything unusual occurs on the farm, and they discourage rodents. Our favorite part is they are tick decimators! They are an organic pest control for your property. they can also be used for meat and lay an abundant amount of eggs.

We have some beautiful rare colors and invite you to try these birds.

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## GUINEA FOWL

Country of Origin: Africa, Central African plains

Primary Use: pest control, hobby, eggs, meat

Bird Size: Adult male - 3 to 3.5 lbs. Adult Hen - 3.5 lbs

Egg Production: Can begin as early as 16 weeks.

Egg Size: the shell is small and shaped like a top

Egg Color: Egg shell color varies depending on which hen lays it.

Comb Type: Guineas have a helmet, commonly called the casque;

Hardiness: Winter hardy as long as they are not exposed to drafts or dampness

Temperament: non-aggressive

ALBC Priority: N/a

### HISTORY

The Guinea fowl belong to the Numida family – they are related to pheasants, turkeys and other game fowl. There is some evidence to suggest that Guinea fowl were known as far back as ancient Greece around the 5th century BC. The Romans brought them back from their African campaigns and tried to domesticate them. They were semi-successful in this venture, raising them on farms. Romans were able to raise them but never really tame them. The home of the Guinea fowl is Africa where they run wild in large flocks.

Some were taken to Jamaica about 200 years ago, during the slave trading era and they became part of the landscape. To this day you can find Guineas running wild in Jamaica! Guineas were first introduced to Europe back...

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