



TURKEYS

THE BASICS:

- TOM or GOBBLER : male turkey
- HEN : female turkey
- POLT : baby turkey
- INCUBATION PERIOD : 28 days
- AVERAGE NEST SIZE : 11-20 eggs
- ADULT SIZE : Hen aprox. 20 lbs TOM aprox. 24 lbs
- Turkeys are the LEAST intelligent of all the farm animals, but very curious.

THE EXTRAS:

- Only the male turkeys can gobble.
- The loose skin which hangs from the turkeys neck is called the CARUNCLE. The caruncle is like a built in thermostat. This is where their body heat is controlled. The caruncle is naturally blue in color, but will turn BRIGHT RED if the turkey feels threatened.
- The fleshy skin that hangs from the top of the Tom Turkey's beak is called the SNOOD.
- Turkeys are raised for their meat. Over 240 million per year in the US alone.
- Big Whites are the most commonly raised turkeys and the most often used for Thanksgiving Dinner because of their white pinfeathers.

OUR TURKEYS:

- We have Royal Palm turkeys (Black and white), Gray Slate turkeys (light gray) and Bronze turkeys (Resemble the wild bronze in color).