

DUCKS

THE BASICS:

• DRAKE : male duck

• DUCK or HEN : female duck

• DUCKLING : baby duck

• INCUBATION PERIOD : 28 days

AVERAGE NEST SIZE : 6-8 eggs

 Ducklings can swim immediately and are covered with 'down;' ducklings born from an incubator can Not swim immediately since they do not get the oil from their mother

THE EXTRAS:

- Female Ducks are dull in color. Male Ducks are brightly colored.
- Hens will only lay enough eggs to cover with her body. Some drakes will take a turn sitting on eggs. Ducks can not be trained to lay their eggs in one spot like a chicken.
- Although very caring and protective of her young, the Hen will not hesitate to leave a duckling behind if it gets physically stuck somewhere it can't get out.
- The duck is raised for its meat, eggs and feathers or down.
- A MUSCOVY duck or Turkey Duck has a red featherless face. They do not quack, they only make a hissing noise.
- The female duck will quack far more often than the male duck.
- Ducks in the wild eat insects, grasses, worms. Our ducks also eat cracked corn

OUR DUCKS:

We have Runner Ducks, Black Swedish, White Pekins, and White Crested.