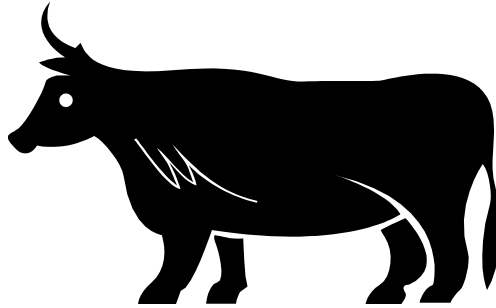




Mini Hereford Cattle

THE BASICS:

- HEIFER : female that hasn't had a baby
- COW : female that has had 1 or more calves and gives milk
- CALF : baby
 - Bull Calf : Boy
 - Heifer Calf : Girl
- GESTATION PERIOD : 9 months
- ADULT SIZE : Cow – 500-1000 lbs
- Cattle are cud chewing animals or RUMINANTS with a 'split' hoof, four stomachs and no teeth on top.

THE EXTRAS:

- Mini Herefords must be under 38 inches at the rear hips in order to be "minis."
- They weigh about half as full size cattle. Only about 1000 lbs instead of 2000 lbs.
- Herefords are bred to be beef cattle. Mini Herefords are of the same genetic lines, they have just been bred to be smaller over time. They are also bred for beef.
- Why is smaller better?
 - Smaller means less feed, therefore less expensive. They eat about half as much as standard cattle.
 - Smaller size means less mess. Since they weigh about half as much they are kinder to the environment by simply less disturbance to the ground with every foot fall.
 - Smaller size means less meat. A mini Hereford, once butchered, is the perfect size for an average family to raise, slaughter and eat in the shelf life of the meat.
 - Smaller size means more docile. A mini cow is still strong but they don't try to "get away with" stuff like a standard cow.
 - Smaller size means better for KIDS! They are easier for younger kids to show and handle.

OUR MINIS:

- We currently have 5 mini Herefords. Junior (the bull), Ruby and Sapphire (the cows), Diamond (the heifer calf) and Rocky (the bull calf).