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Goat Facts

- The life span of a goat is **twelve** years.
- Worldwide, more people eat the meat and drink the milk of goats than any other single animal.
- Dairy goats have a strong **herd** instinct and prefer the companionship of at least one other goat.
- Goat milk has a more easily digestible fat and protein content than cow milk.
- Goats are usually dehorned when they are very young.

Bloat

- Term used to describe a secure distention of the abdomen by gas.

Browser

- A plant eater that would rather eat **weeds**, shrubs, and trees.

Buck

- A **male** goat of any age.

Cabrito

- The red meat of a young goat normally around **forty** pounds.

Cashmere

- The fiber taken from the goats soft, fine, **winter undercoat**.

Chevon

- The term used to describe meat from **older** goats.

Chevre

- The term for goat **cheese**.

Capra Hircus

- Scientific name for goats.

Disbudding

- Removal of the horns of goats around **five** days of age.

Doe

- A **female** goat of any age.

Enterotoxaemia

- Disease in goats caused by a toxin producing bacteria.
- Also called **over eating** disease.

Flushing

- Feeding a doe extra feed **two** weeks prior to breeding.

Kid

- Goats of either sex up to **one year** of age.

Kidding

- The birthing process in goats.

Flock

- A group of **goats**.

Floppy Kid Syndrome

- A condition that occurs in kids **three to ten** days after birth.
- Symptoms are extreme **muscle** weakness and reluctant to nurse.

Foot Rot

- Inflammation of an animal's **hoof** due to walking in wet ground and receiving an infection in the animal's hoof.

Mastitis

- The inflammation of an animal's **udder** which can be infectious or noninfectious.
- **Decrease** in milk production and swelling of the udder are symptoms of mastitis.

Mohair

- Fiber taken from **Angora** goats.

Tetanus

- Disease caused by bacteria that enter the body through **open wounds**.
- Symptoms include muscle **spasms** and moving stiffly.

Wether

- A **castrated** male goat.