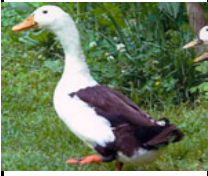










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	Ancona	England	Watch	Meat, Eggs	6.5/6	White, tinted, blue-green, or spotted	Large	210-280	Docile, active	Fair to Good	Novice	Hot and cold	Excellent	Rapid growth; excellent for slug control; can be used for dog herding trials
	Aylesbury (traditional)	England	Critical	Meat	10/9	White or tinted green	Extra Large	35-125	Docile	Poor to Fair	Intermediate	Hot and cold	Fair	Good meat-to-bone ratio; UV will turn pink bills to orange; traditional type can be challenging to breed; need pool to mate properly
	Australian Spotted	United States	Study	Exhibition	2.2/2	Cream, blue, green	Small to Medium	50-125	Docile	Excellent	Novice	Hot and cold	Excellent	Can fly, but typically stays near home; great for insect control
	Buff or Orpington	England	Threatened	Meat, Eggs	8/7	White or tinted	Large	150-220	Docile, active	Fair to Good	Novice/Intermediate	Hot and cold	Good	Light pin feather make for a cleaner dress-out
	Campbell	England	Watch	Eggs	4.5/4	White to tinted	Large	250-340	Docile, active	Poor to Fair	Novice/Intermediate	Hot and cold	Excellent	Premier egg layer; very active; can be used for dog herding trials



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	Cayuga	United States	Watch	Meat, Eggs	8/7	Black fading to blue-gray and then white by end of lay season	Large	100-150	Docile	Good	Novice	Hot and cold	Good	Many skin this duck rather than pluck because of dark pin feathers; can be used for dog herding trials
	Dutch Hookbill	Netherlands	Critical	Eggs	4/3.5	White to blue-green	Large	100-225	Docile, active	Good	Novice/Intermediate	Hot and cold	Excellent	One of the best foraging ducks; can fly
	Magpie	Wales	Threatened	Meat, Eggs	6/5.5	White	Medium to Large	220-290	Docile, active	Fair to Good	Intermediate	Hot and cold	Excellent	One of the best foraging ducks; drakes have strong sex drive so you should have no fewer than 5 ducks per drake; can be high strung
	Rouen (traditional)	France	Watch	Meat	10/8	White	Extra Large	30-125	Docile	Poor to Good	Intermediate	Hot and cold	Good	Excellent table bird; need pool to mate properly; can be a challenge to breed

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	Runner	Malasia	Recovering	Eggs	4.5/4	White to blue-green	Large	200+	Docile	Poor to Fair	Novice/Intermediate	Hot and cold	Excellent	Active; often used for dog herding trials
	Saxony	Germany	Threatened	Meat, Eggs	9/8	White to blue-green	Extra Large	190-240	Docile	Fair to Good	Novice	Hot and cold	Good	One of the best dual purpose breeds; slow growing; lean meat
	Silver Appleyard	England	Threatened	Meat, Eggs	9/8	White	Large to Extra Large	200-270	Docile	Fair to Good	Novice	Hot and cold	Good	Has deep, wide breast

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	Swedish	Pomerania (currently Germany & Poland)	Watch	Meat, Eggs	8/6.5	White, green, tinted	Large	100-150	Docile, active	Fair to Good	Intermediate	Hot and cold	Good to Excellent	Does not do well in confinement; color can be a challenge to perfect; can be used for dog herding trials
	Welsh Harlequin	Wales	Watch	Meat, Eggs	5.5/5	White to tinted	Large	240-330	Docile, active	Poor to Good	Novice	Hot and cold	Excellent	Carcass dresses very clean; great dual purpose bird; can be used for dog herding trials