










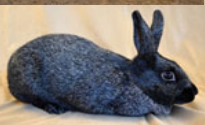




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Quick Reference Guide to Heritage Rabbits**

Photo	Breed	Origin	CPL Status	Purpose	Adult Weight M/F	Color	Litter Size	Temperament	Mothering	Experience	Notes
	<b>American</b>	United States	Watch	Meat & fur	9-11/10-12	Blue, white	8-10	Docile	Good	Novice	Select for good mandolin body shape; the blue variety is the deepest blue color of all rabbits
	<b>American Chinchilla</b>	United States	Watch	Meat & fur	9-11/10-12	Silvery, white and black tipped	8-10	Docile	Good	Novice	Rapid growth; good meat-to-bone ratio
	<b>Argent Brun</b>	France	Threatened	Meat & fur	9	Silver frosted brown	7-9	Docile	Excellent	Novice	
	<b>Belgian Hare</b>	Belgium	Recovering	Exhibition	6-9.5/6-9.5	Brown with black ticking	4-8	Active, intelligent	Variable	Intermediate / advanced	Created to resemble a wild hare, but is a true rabbit; can be a challenge to breed
	<b>Beveren</b>	Belgium	Recovering	Meat & fur	8-11/9-12	Black, blue, or white	8-12	Docile	Good	Novice	Select for mandolin body shape; good cold tolerance; quick growth rate
	<b>Blanc de Hotot</b>	France	Critical	Meat & fur	8-11/9-11	Frosty white with thin black eye bands	6-8	Docile to active	Good to Variable	Novice / intermediate	Meat lighter in color than other breeds
	<b>Checkered Giant</b>	Germany	Threatened	Exhibition	11-12	White with black spots or white with grey spots		Active		Novice / intermediate	

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	<b>Crème d'Argent</b>	France	Threatened	Meat & fur	8-10.5/8.5-11	Creamy white with orange cast; bright orange undercoat	5-8	Docile	Good	Novice	Relaxed personality; ears should be well-rounded at the end
	<b>Giant Chinchilla</b>	United States	Watch	Meat & fur	12-15/13-16	Silvery, white and black tipped (Chinchilla)	7-8	Docile	Good	Novice	Requires platform in cage to prevent sore hocks; quick growth rate; large size requires bigger cages
	<b>Lilac</b>	England	Watch	Meat & fur	5.5-7.5/6-8	Dove gray with pink tint	4-6	Docile	Variable	Novice	Does better in cooler climates; slow to mature, but hardy
	<b>Palomino</b>	United States	Watch	Meat & fur	8-11	Golden or Lynx		Docile		Novice	Fast maturing, hardy rabbit
	<b>Rhineland</b>	Germany	Watch	Exhibition	6.5-9.5/7-10	Black & orange or blue & fawn	10	Active but docile; intelligent	Good to variable	Intermediate	Color pattern a challenge to perfect; owners train rabbits to run and pose for the show table
	<b>Silver</b>	Portugal; possibly early Thai breed before that	Critical	Exhibition	4-7/4-7	Black, brown, or fawn with silver ticking	3-6	Docile but active	Variable	Novice / intermediate	Small size makes them easy to handle; seasonal breeders, giving birth in Spring and Fall
	<b>Silver Fox</b>	United States	Recovering	Meat & fur	9-11/10-12	Black or blue with silver ticking	7-8	Docile	Good	Novice	Rapid growth; fur stands upright if pushed that way and does not fall back like other rabbit coats

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	<b>Silver Marten</b>	United States	Critical	Exhibition	9.5	Black, blue, chocolate, sable		Docile		Novice / intermediate	
	Standard Chinchilla	France	Threatened	Meat & fur	7.5	Silvery, white and black tipped (Chinchilla)	6-8	Docile		Novice	Smallest of the three chinchilla breeds