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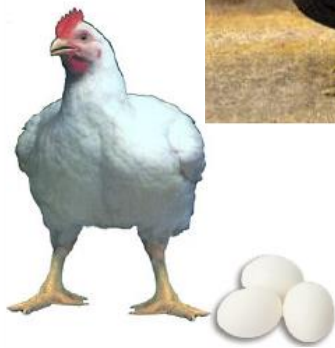
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Silkie

Characteristics you can see:

- Small, fluffy feathers appearing like silk
- Feathers in a ball shape on their head AND covering their feet
- Many colors including white, brown, and black
- Small, brown eggs

Characteristics farmers look for:

- Low egg production
- These chickens are typically raised for shows or as a hobby

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Sussex

Characteristics you can see:

- White feathers on body, black feathers on neck and tail
- No feathers on legs or feet
- Large brown eggs

Characteristics farmers look for:

- Good egg layers

B

Cornish

Characteristics you can see:

- Smooth white or brown feathers
- Thick, heavy body
- Small white eggs

Characteristics farmers look for:

- Very good for meat production
- Fast growing
- Poor egg production, so they are mostly raised for meat

C

Cochin

Characteristics you can see:

- Very thick, fluffy feathers that give body a round appearance
- Feathers cover legs and feet
- Many colors including white, brown, and multi-colored
- Medium brown eggs

Characteristics farmers look for:

- Low egg production
- These chickens are typically raised for shows or as a hobby

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Rhode Island Red

Characteristics you can see:

- Smooth reddish brown feathers
- No feathers on legs or feet
- Large brown eggs

Characteristics farmers look for:

- Very good egg layers!

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White Leghorn

Characteristics you can see:

- Smooth, white feathers
- No feathers on feet or legs
- White
- Large white eggs

Characteristics farmers look for:

- Very good egg-laying chickens

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Plymouth Rock

Characteristics you can see:

- Smooth feathers
- Feathers are black and white and appear like stripes
- No feathers on legs or feet
- Large body size
- Large brown eggs

Characteristics farmers look for:

- Good egg layers

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Polish Crested

Characteristics you can see:

- Smooth feathers on body
- "Crest" of feathers on the head
- No feathers on legs or feet
- Many colors including black, brown, and multi-colored
- Medium white eggs

Characteristics farmers look for:

- Low egg production
- These chickens are typically raised for shows or as a hobby

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