
BUCKEYES

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ORIGIN:	Ohio, USA
CLASSIFICATION:	Heavy breed: Soft feather
EGG COLOUR:	Brown
MASSES:	
Cock:	4.1 kg
Hen:	3.0 kg
Cockerel:	3.6 kg
Pullet:	2.5 kg

An American breed originating in Ohio, the 'Buckeye State' with the color similar to the richly colored buckeye nut. Their bloodlines include the Dark Cornish, Black Breasted Red Game, Buff Cochin and Barred Plymouth Rock. In body shape as well as comb, they resemble the early Cornish of the 1905 period with stout muscular thighs, broad and well rounded breast carried well up but without the extra breadth of shoulder of the Cornish. An active dualpurpose breed, admitted to the USA Standard in 1904.

GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS

THE MALE

Carriage:	Stout and active.
Body:	Rather long back, broad throughout its length, sloping slightly downward to base of tail. Saddle: medium in length. Tail: medium in length, carried forty degrees above horizontal. Main tail: broad and overlapping. Medium length sickles nicely curved, sufficiently abundant to cover the stiff feathers. Lesser sickles and coverts: nicely curved and sufficiently abundant to cover main tail feathers. Medium sized wings, well folded, fronts covered by breast feathers, points by saddle feathers. Broad and overlapping primaries and secondaries. Breast: broad, deep, well-rounded, carried somewhat elevated above the horizontal. Keel bone is long and extending well forward. Moderately full fluff.
Head:	Medium in size, carried well up. Comb: pea, medium in size, firm and set closely on head. Beak: short, stout, regularly curved. Face: surface smooth, skin fine and soft in texture. Eyes: medium in size full, with bold expression. Wattles: moderately small well rounded, smooth. Ear-lobes: medium size.
Neck:	Medium in length, well arched, tapered nicely. Abundant hackle flowing well over shoulders.
Legs and feet:	Legs set well apart, straight when viewed from front. Lower thighs: medium in length large, well and smoothly feathered. Shanks, medium in length, stout, smooth. Toes: four on each foot, medium in length, straight, strong, well spread.

FEMALE

- Body:** Rather long, broad, deep, full, heavy for size, extending well forward. Keel bone: long and extending well forward. Fluff: moderately full. Back: rather long, broad, sloping slightly downward to base of tail. Tail: medium in length, fairly well spread, carried at an angle of thirty degrees above horizontal. Main tail: broad and overlapping. Wings: medium in size, well folded. Primaries and secondaries: broad and overlapping in natural order when wing is folded. Breast: broad, deep, well rounded, carried somewhat elevated above the horizontal.
- Head:** Medium in size, carried well up. Comb: pea, moderately small, set closely on head. Beak: short, stout, regularly curved. Face: surface smooth, skin fine and soft in texture. Eyes: medium in size, full. Wattles: small, rounded. Ear-lobes: medium in size.
- Neck:** Medium in length, well arched. Moderately full neck feathers.
- Legs and feet:** Legs set well apart, straight when viewed from front. Lower thighs: medium in length and size, well and smoothly feathered. Shanks: medium in length, stout, smooth. Toes: four on each foot, medium in length and size, straight, well spread.

DISQUALIFICATIONS

One or more entirely white feathers showing in outer plumage.

COLOUR MAHOGANY MALE AND FEMALE

- Comb, face, wattles and ear-lobes:** Bright red.
- Beak:** Yellow, shaded with reddish horn.
- Eyes:** Reddish bay.
- Shanks and feet:** Yellow.
- Plumage:** General surface colour an even shade of rich mahogany bay in all sections, with the exception the unexposed primaries and secondaries and the main tail feathers may contain black. Male sickles and coverts should be shaded bay and black, thus avoiding a sharp contrast between the body and tail. Under-colour of all sections red, except for the back which should show a bar of slate.

SCALE OF POINTS	
Type and carriage	25
Head	20
Colour	20
Legs and feet	20
Condition	15
TOTAL	100