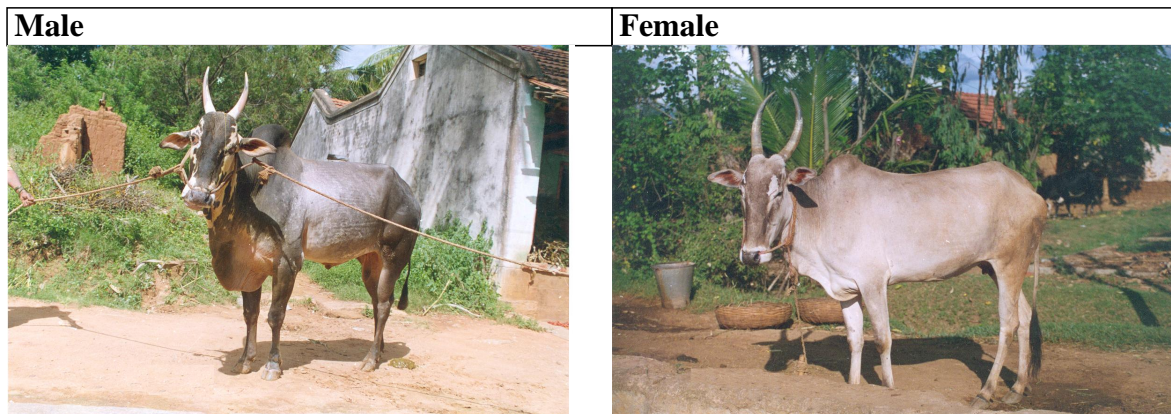


Breed Descriptor of Hallikar (Cattle)



Breeding Tract			
State: Karnataka	Tumkur		
	Mysore		
	Mandya		
	Kolar		
	Hassan		
	Chitradurga		
	Bangalore		
Location			
Longitude (deg.)	75.5 - 78.15		
Latitude (deg.)	12. - 14.31		
General Information			
Synonyms	Mysore		
Origin	The name of the breed, Hallikar, has been derived from the name of sub tribe Hallikar of Golla community mainly responsible for rearing of the breed.		
Major utility	Work - Draught		
Comments on utility	Best draught breed of Southern India. Most of the South Indian breeds have originated from this breed.		
Comments on breeding tract	The Hallikar breed of cattle is distributed in almost all the districts of south Karnataka and is also found in adjoining areas of Andhra Pradesh and Tamilnadu states.		
Adaptability to environment			
Population			
	Year	Population	Other information
	2013	1211242	Source: Estimated Livestock Population Breed Wise Based on Breed Survey 2013. Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying & Fisheries, Government of India, New Delhi

Management			
Management system	Semi-Intensive		
Mobility	Stationary		
Feeding of adults	Fodder and Concentrate		
Comments on Management	Cattle are bred by professional breeders and cultivators. Few families maintain their own stud bull and also provide service to others for a nominal fee. Cows are generally milked and are also used for all kind of farm operations. Bullocks are given special attention . Mostly fingermillet, grass, sorghum or pearl millet are offered as green fodder.		
Morphology			
Colour	White to light grey with darker shadings on shoulder and hind quarters, especially in young breeding bulls.		
Horn shape and size	Emerge near to each other from top of poll and are carried upward and backward, each in a straight line for nearly half their length and then with gentle and graceful sweep bend forward and slightly inward ending up with pointed tips.		
Visible characteristics	White markings or irregular patches round the eyes and cheeks, and neck or shoulder region are the distinctive features of this breed		
	Male	Female	Overall
Height (avg. cm.)	134.55	124.75	
Body Length (avg. cm.)	138.94	130.17	
Heart girth (avg. cm.)	163.15	148.45	
Body weight (avg. kg.)	340.0	227.0	
Birth weight (avg. kg.)	21.3	20.2	
Performance			
	Average	Minimum	Maximum
Age at first parturition (months)	36.24	30.0	48.0
Parturition interval (months)	19.7	12.0	36.0
Milk yield per lactation (kg)	542.0	227.0	1134.0
Milk Fat (%)	5.7		
Any Peculiarity of the breed			