

Chicken Essentials: Whole Foods Co-op March 30, 2011

Where do I get chickens and other supplies I'll need?



A1Poultry.com – local hatchery specializing in brown egg layers. Straight run only. 218 390 0538
Stromberg's Chicks and Gamebirds, Pine River MN 218-587-2222 www.strombergschickens.com
Murray McMurray Hatchery, Webster City, Iowa, 1-800-456-3280 www.mcmurrayhatchery.com
Sand Hill Preservation Center Heirloom Seeds and Poultry, Calamus, Iowa, (563) 246-2299
<http://www.sandhillpreservation.com/index.html> Straight run only.
Brau's Hatchery Brainerd, MN 218 764- 2655

Carlton Feed Mill 350 South Ave., Carlton MN 218- 384- 4261. Order chicks or attend a Chicken Swap held in April and September.
Dan's Feed Bin 806 Hammond Ave., Superior Wi, 715-394-6639
L&M Farm Supply Store. Landmsupply.com Cloquet, MN 218- 879- 8723

Local information source: MN Extension Service office, Virginia, MN 218- 749- 7120

duluthcitychickens.org – link to city ordinance and app, local email group list for people with interest in Backyard flocks in Duluth and surrounding area. To join, click on 'contact information' and 'Duluth city chickens – mailing list' and follow instructions for subscribing to the list!

Online resources: There are *LOTS* ... but here are a few to get you started:

Poultry U <http://www.extension.umn.edu/Poultry/> type and search - small flock

Urbanchicken.com, Motherearthnews.com, Mypetchicken.com

BackyardChickens.com - Raising chickens 101 and Chicken coops

Examples of city coops: <http://home.centurytel.net/thecitychicken/tractors.html>

Collection of online info for Small Flocks:

http://www.ces.ncsu.edu/depts/poulsci/tech_manuals/small_flock_resources.html

Why did my hens stop laying? <http://extension.oregonstate.edu/catalog/html/pnw/pnw565/> and

<http://pubs.ext.vt.edu/2902/2902-1097/2902-1097.html>

<http://successwithpoultry.blogspot.com/> some nice general urban chicken info/coop examples/links.

<http://www.rogueturtle.com/articles/chicken.php> – chicken hypnotism!? Slaughtering (harvesting)

Breeds for the Backyard – <http://www.ithaca.edu/staff/jhenderson/chooks/chooks.html> - **Wow!** Really good breed info chart, plus links.

Books

Storey's Guide to Raising Chickens: Care / Feeding / Facilities by Gail Damerow

Barnyard in Your Backyard by Gail Damerow

Chicken coops 45 plans for coops by Judy Pangman

Fresh-Air Poultry Houses by Prince T Woods, published by Norton Creek Press. Prince T. Woods

Storey's Illustrated Guide to Poultry Breeds by Carol Ekarius

Living with Chickens by Jay Rossie

Chicken Tractor: The Permaculture Guide to Happy Hens and Healthy Soil, by Andy Lee and Pat Foreman

Made from Scratch by Jenna Woginrich

Hit by a Farm by Catherine Friend

Small Space Big Harvest by Duane Newcomb