



NM 4-H Dairy Goat - Greentop





Objectives: Teach 4-Hers dairy goat science through hands-on activities focusing on dairy goat selection, nutrition, health, husbandry as well as showing and fitting dairy goats. Four-Hers will also learn skills in record keeping and time management.

Materials Included in this project:

- Record Form 300 L-5 (Livestock Record Sheet)
- Dairy Goat Project Greentop 400.B-9 (N-18)
- Getting Your Goat Project Book 100.B-9 (N-06)

Suggested tips for successful project completion:

- Review the project book, record sheet, and Greentop to become familiar with the project before beginning.
- Make a check list of things to complete as you work through the project.
- Attend workshops on grooming and showmanship.
- Participate in county, state, and regional fairs.
- Participate in area dairy goat shows.
- Enter project materials or demonstrations in the county, district, and state contest.
- To complete the project, submit a record book to your local Extension Agent detailing your Dairy Goat Project.

Citizenship Activities:

- Assist with a county fairgrounds cleanup
- Offer to give a dairy presentation to a group of senior citizens.
- Talk on your local radio station about being in the 4-H Dairy Goat Project

Suggested Activities:

- Give demonstrations about your dairy project.
- Assist younger 4-Hers to conduct a dairy demonstration
- Visit a local or commercial dairy. Talk to the owner or manager to learn more about the dairy industry.
- Visit a feed mill to learn about forages, grains, minerals, etc.
- Visit a grocery store and identify various dairy products

Ideas for demonstrations:

- How does a goat digest its food?
- Do goats really eat everything?
- The types of nutrients a dairy goat needs
- Breeds of dairy goats
- Selecting your dairy goat
- Dairy goat conformation

Additional info can be found from:

- Your Club Leader or Project Leader
- County Extension Office
- State 4-H Office
- Internet
- Library
- Veterinarian

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