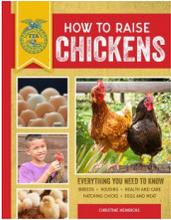


Tailored Skills



Learn: How to Raise Backyard Chickens

Books and Materials

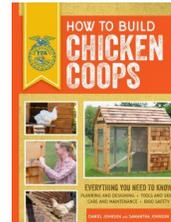


How to raise chickens : everything you need to know

by Christine Heinrichs

Longtime chicken breeder Christine Heinrichs explains all the helpful dos and important don'ts of successfully raising chickens including: choosing

breeds, housing and feeding, flock health, incubating eggs and raising chicks and more.

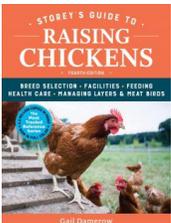


How to build chicken coops : everything you need to know

by Daniel Johnson

This book will take the guesswork out of building a safe and comfortable home that is just right for your flock.

The author answers questions such as: How much space will you need? How many nest boxes and windows will your birds require? What steps do you need to take to keep your chickens safe from predators? How much will it cost?

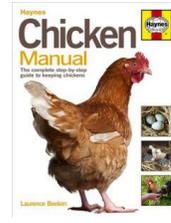


Storey's guide to raising chickens : breed selection, facilities, feeding, health care, managing layers & meat birds

by Gail Damerow

Details the shelter, food, and health

care for chickens, with breed specific information, and discusses recent research into chicken behavior and communication

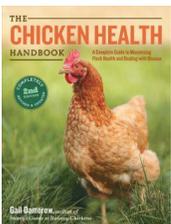


Chicken manual : the complete step-by-step guide to keeping chickens

by Laurence Beeken

A guide for the growing band of people wishing to keep their own chickens for both food and pleasure.

It contains advice, tips, facts and step-by-step sequences, as well as photographs and diagrams.

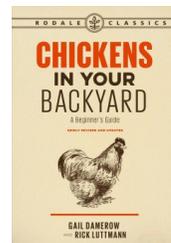


The chicken health handbook : a complete guide to maximizing flock health and dealing with disease

by Gail Damerow

Updated and revised, an essential

reference guide for those raising chickens provides detailed information on chicken health, from nutrition and immunity to parasites and reproductive issues and includes a new chapter on issues specific to those living in cities.



Chickens in Your Backyard : A Beginner's Guide

by Gail Damerow

This revised and updated edition combines all the classic techniques with the most up-to-date information-from incubating, raising, housing, and feeding, to treating

disease and raising chickens for show. Chickens in Your Backyard provides everything you need to know to turn your backyard into a happy homestead.

Your learning made to fit.



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Online Resources

Backyard Flock Production

by Dana Zook & Josh Payne, Oklahoma State Extension

This OSU Extension Fact Sheet provides a list of questions to consider and answer before beginning to raise backyard chickens.

Protecting Small Poultry Flocks from Predators

by Dana Zook, Oklahoma State University Extension

Learn how to identify predators and protect your flock from them.

Simple Budgeting and Pricing Calculations for Backyard Hens

by Courtney Bir & Dana Zook, Oklahoma State University Extension

Whether you are thinking of starting your own backyard flock, or trying to determine how to price the eggs or meat from an established flock, knowing expenses is important. You can use an enterprise budget to calculate potential profits, a break-even price or to simply keep track of expenses.

Backyard Chickens

This self-paced online course from OSU Extension will provide an overview of issues that new poultry owners can expect to face as they select and care for their flocks. *There is a fee to enroll in this course.*

OSU Backyard Poultry Youtube Channel

OSU's Backyard Poultry channel is dedicated to providing up-to-date, researched and unbiased information about small-scale poultry production. Topics include everything from breeds of poultry, flock health, regulations on selling eggs and meat, budgeting, and organic versus natural production. *These videos may contain ads and their content does not reflect the views of the Metropolitan Library System.*

Community Resources

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Joshua Campbell can answer individual questions about backyard chickens. He also periodically teaches classes about Backyard Chickens in the Oklahoma County area. For more information check out the [Oklahoma County Extension webpage](#).

Local governments have their own codes and ordinances related to backyard chickens. Check with your local government to find out if backyard chickens are allowed and what rules and regulations govern their ownership.

