

## One breed, three gifts:

### BEEF - DAIRY - DRAFT

When it comes to selecting livestock for your small farm, be it a few acres or a commercial enterprise, no breed of cattle will require less or deliver more.

Since the Pilgrim's earliest known import of Devon cattle to America in 1623, hardy Devon oxen were valued for their intelligence, speed, willingness to work and stamina.

The quality of their beef and richness of milk is second to none, yet their requirements for forage and shelter are remarkably thrifty.

American Milking Devon cattle are the perfect solution for modern homesteaders, cheese makers, and grass-fed beef producers.

**When resources of land and/or budget are limited, one breed of cattle that can respectfully perform the functions of several is a valuable asset**

Their distinctive beauty, ease of handling, ability to fatten on very simple forage, their fertility and ease of calving will recoup your investment many times over.



**Hardy • Versatile • Intelligent • Handy • Efficient • Distinctive • Long-lived • Rare**

## Breed characteristics

With the popularity of grass-fed beef and dairy, many breeders are taking advantage of the natural tendency of Devon cattle to fatten and thrive on simple forage.

Our purpose is to preserve this critically endangered breed in its current state of perfect usefulness and thrift.



American Milking Devon Bull: Stonewall

American Milking Devons are medium sized cattle with bulls ranging between 1,600 - 1,800 pounds and cows between 1,000 - 1,200 pounds.

They are red in color ranging in shade from bright copper to deep mahogany. All feature distinctive bright white horns tipped with black.

These are smart, personable cattle who will quickly adapt into a variety of management systems and climates. They bond readily with people and when handled with kindness are simple to manage.

**American Milking Devons are without equal for fertility, exceptional mothering ability, longevity and ease of care.**

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# American Milking Devon Cattle

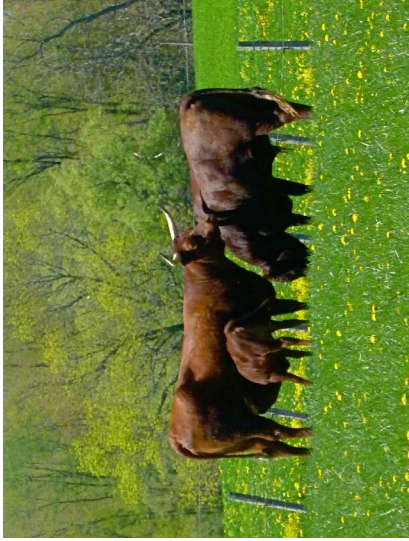
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## **Rich, sweet milk from Devon cows made Devonshire famous the world over:**

An American Milking Devon cow can produce 35 – 40 pounds per day of sweet, clean tasting milk.

The high butterfat (4 – 5%) and solid content of their milk is ideal for dairy processing. This means more cheese and butter per pound of milk. **Cheese makers love the high yields, and butter made from American Milking Devon milk is nothing less than extraordinary.**

Best yet, an American Milking Devon cow will produce her excellent milk with no special rations other than adequate grass and minerals.

In fact, no breed is better suited to producing the highest quality dairy products on an all grass diet than the American Milking Devon.

In addition, American Milking Devon milk is especially healthful with naturally high levels of beneficial conjugated linoleic acid (CLA) and Omega-3 fatty acid.

Your American Milking Devon cow will reward your investment of time and care with the most healthful and delicious dairy available as she claims her well-earned place as a beloved member of your family.



## **Extraordinary beef featured in the Slow Foods Ark of Taste**

American Milking Devons have been perfected through centuries of grass farming to efficiently produce gourmet quality beef from minimal resources.

They are adaptable to many climates and systems of management, but truly shine in a rotational grazing system.

The high butterfat content of the milk is the source of not only chubby, healthy calves and delicious cheese but tender flavorful beef.

As the grass-fed revolution evolves it has become clear: slow-growing old-fashioned British breeds do better on an all grass diet than our modern beef breeds acclimated to years of feedlot style management.

American Milking Devon beef is exceptionally rich in flavor, naturally tender in texture and the cattle's fine bone structure allows usable carcass yields of 60% or more.

Rare, heritage breed American Milking Devon beef & dairy will be the source of many loyal repeat customers.

**The unique sight of distinctively beautiful American Milking Devon cattle grazing your pastures is the simplest and best marketing of all.**



## **American Milking Devon oxen: speed, strength, attitude**

The American Milking Devon is one of the only breeds of cattle still being bred for superior draft qualities. They possess a unique combination of characteristics that allow them to excel as beasts of burden.

American Milking Devon oxen are active and extremely intelligent, learning new skills from just a few repetitions. Their speed is a great asset when it comes to fieldwork, carting and other chores.

They are endowed with strength and willingness to work, yet their modest size enables them to remain quick, agile and handy.

**Their remarkable ability to prosper on coarse feed allows them to be kept inexpensively and to be easily fattened after their working lives for top quality beef.**

Growing interest in reducing reliance on oil makes farming with animals an attractive option for small farms. Devon oxen are simpler and less expensive to maintain than horses. A single ox, a team or a working cow will provide many years of loyal service.

Find more information and photos of historic and contemporary Devon oxen at:

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