

2003 Proposal for
Herd Books for the Sable Dairy Goat

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STATISTICS

The data presented in the Sable pedigrees on the following pages is only a partial list of Sables in the ISBA database. Some animals were omitted at the breeder's request, other animals need more blanks filled in and the research is ongoing...

A breakdown of statistics is presented below on verified data in the database of Sables. There is still much more that needs to be verified.

In looking at Purebred vs. American data, keep in mind that many Purebred Sables have been bred to American Saanens and American Sables due to the limited genepool at this time, which gives the offspring American status. Each successive breeding would then be American.

TOTAL IN DATABASE:

Purebreds 393 American 732 - 46% of Americans have one purebred parent

Since 1981 when the Sable breed standard was approved:

Purebreds 340 American 705 - 46% of Americans have one purebred parent

In the last 10 years:

Purebreds 111 American 448 - 34% of Americans have one purebred parent

Several notes of interest: First is the significant number of Sables registered in the ISBA registry as purebred and American Sable with supporting ADGA registration on their parents that were never registered as Experimental in ADGA's registry. Those animals are not included in the above numbers. Most of those breeders have given up on ADGA and moved in other directions. In recent years we've strongly encouraged breeders to double register their animals and make sure they register in the Experimental books as well as with ISBA to maintain a viable paper trail on animals.

In researching offspring of first generation Sables, so far, we also show 40 Purebred Sables & 22 American Sables have been bred to other breeds by non-Sable breeders and headed into herdbooks outside their genepool and "type" since there haven't been any herdbooks to breed to for Sables, with crosses to Alpines being the most common followed by LaManchas. Sable breeders feel that having herdbooks to work from would help keep the Sable genepool from moving into other breeds' herdbooks.

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