

BREED: CHAROLLAIS SHEEP

FARM VISITE: CHAROLLAIS SHEEP FARM VISIT

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FLOCK DESCRIPTION AND MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

Farm background

2017: Etienne started his sheep flock and joined the Charollais Sheep Breed Society, while also working as a farm employee on a farm near Charolles in Saône-et-Loire.

2025: Étienne moves his farm business to COUZON in the Allier département (25 km from Moulins) on 220 ha of farmland.

Flock description

- Pedigree-registered sheep flock

80 Charollais sheep ewes

5 rams (2 of which are co-owned)

Principal criteria sought when purchasing a ram: conformation and breed qualities

Flock pedigree-registered since 2017

Sale of male and female breeding stock

Reproduction by natural service

1 lambing period/year from Jan to April

Ewe lambs first put to ram at 9 months old or as yearlings if smaller

Technical data

Prolificity: 162%

Fertility: 92%

Productivity: 142%

Male lamb 30-day weights

→ Singles: 14.6 kg

→ Twins: 13.1 kg

Average prolificity index: 97

Average milk value index: 102

Main and secondary farm production

Runs a second flock of 220 crossed ewes for rearing of butcher's lambs.

Recent addition of 60 Limousin cows for rearing of finished calves.

