

# HAMPSHIRE DOWN

## Fine

Established in the UK: 19th century

### ORIGINS

Established more than 150 years ago by crossing breeds from Wiltshire, Hampshire and Berkshire.

### CHARACTERISTICS

Hornless, with dark brown ears, face and legs, and a fine, densely grown white fleece. Valued for its ability to adapt well to different farming environments and as a terminal sire for crossing.

### LOCATION

Specialist flocks throughout the UK.

### MAIN USES

Hand knitting, in cloth blends and for Japanese futons.



**Breed Society  
Established:**  
1889

**Handle:**  
Soft

**Colour:**  
White

**Fleece Weight:**  
2.25 - 3 kg

**Staple Length:**  
5 - 8 cm

**Micron Range:**  
31 - 33

### PHOTOS

Above: male

Middle left: male

Opposite page: female

