

TEESWATER

Lustre

Established in the UK: 19th century

ORIGINS

Teesdale, County Durham, probably in the 19th century. Developed as a ram for crossing with local hill breeds – Dalesbred, Swaledale, Rough Fell and Scottish Blackface.

CHARACTERISTICS

Renowned as the sire of the Masham ewe when crossed with hill breeds, it is recognised for its longevity and prolific breeding ability. It is a large, hornless breed with grey/white face, dark brown markings around the eyes and nose, and a woolly forelock. Its long, curly white lustrous fleece, has a soft handle.

LOCATION

North East.

MAIN USES

In blends with other lustre longwools, mostly for hand knitting yarns.



**Breed Society
Established:**
1949

Handle:
Silky and Lustrous

Colour:
White/Creamy

Fleece Weight:
3 - 6 kg

Staple Length:
15 - 30 cm

Micron Range:
32.5 - 34

PHOTOS

Above: female
Middle left: female
Opposite page: female

