

BRITISH SHEEP BREEDS AND THEIR WOOL

Hill Type

Cheviot



ORIGINS

The Cheviot Sheep Society was founded in 1890 but it is reported there have been small, hardy white sheep running in the Cheviot Hills in the Scottish Borders since records began.

CHARACTERISTICS

A white-faced hill sheep, with a distinctive 'ruff' behind the ears and crisp, white, lustrous wool. The rams can have horns.

LOCATION

Cheviot Hills, Southern Scotland, Northumberland, Northern England and South Wales.

MAIN USES

Carpets, tweed cloth, knitwear, blankets.

Fleece Weight:

2 - 3 kg

Staple Length:

8 - 10 cm

Micron Range:

30 - 33

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