

BRITISH SHEEP BREEDS AND THEIR WOOL

Medium Type

Romney



ORIGINS

Takes its name from the Romney Marsh area of South East England, where this breed has been kept since the 13th century.

CHARACTERISTICS

A hardy, large-framed lowland sheep, well adapted to tight grazing and bleak conditions. It has a broad white face and a woolly 'top knot' and heavy white fleece which contains some lustre.

LOCATION

Mostly in South East England.

MAIN USES

Versatile because of its characteristics and used in knitwear, blankets and carpets, depending on its fineness.

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Fleece Weight:
3 - 5 kg

Staple Length:
10 - 17 cm

Micron Range:
31.5 - 34

