

# Alpacas & Llamas

## Sweet Pines Alpacas

by Carol Vernay

There's a new critter in town. To some they look like a Dr. Seuss creation, to others they could be a deer crossed with a sheep. In fact alpacas are in the camel family, originating from South America, domesticated thousands of years ago. At Sweet Pines Alpacas, owned by Carol & Bob Vernay and located between Winchester and Craigmont, Idaho, we raise our small herd of 30 alpacas for fiber production and show-quality breeders.

Visit our website at [www.sweetpinesalpacas.com](http://www.sweetpinesalpacas.com) to learn more about us, and our alpacas. Our alpaca products include adorable teddy bears, a large variety of luxurious yarns, handmade scarves, scarf & hat kits with detailed instructions, sweaters, gloves, hats, blankets, raw fleece, rovings, and more.

**Alpaca Facts.** Alpacas are closely related to llamas, but are smaller in size, have straight (instead of banana-shaped) ears, and are generally used for fiber production. Some have been known to guard chickens and other small livestock and others have made wonderful pets. They were first imported into the U.S. in the 1980s from Bolivia, Chile, and Peru.

The vast majority of alpaca products are still imported from Peru, a country with over 3 million alpacas. Although the US stopped importing alpacas in the early 90s, there are currently over 100,000 alpacas throughout North America. We are producing elite alpacas with superior quality fiber in a variety of colors from white to fawn to grey to black. Alpacas are low-maintenance livestock that adapt well to many different environments and are considered a great investment along with a much-needed lifestyle change for many city-dwellers or retirees. ☞



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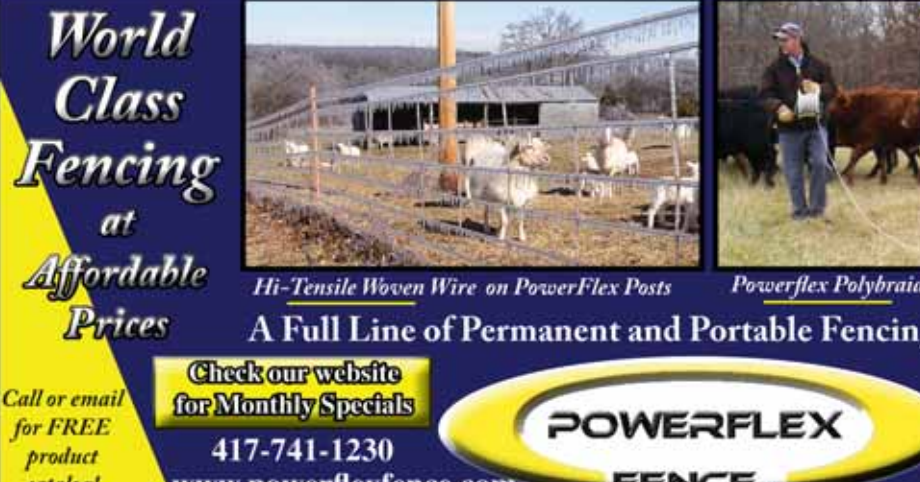
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