

Maran



<i>Origin:</i>	<i>France</i>
<i>Classification:</i>	<i>Heavy, Soft feather</i>
<i>Egg Colour:</i>	<i>Dark Brown</i>
<i>Temperament:</i>	<i>Active and graceful</i>
<i>Eggs per year:</i>	<i>170 - 180</i>



Taking its name from the French town of Marans in France, this breed has in its make-up such breeds as the Coucou de Malines, Croad Langhsan, Rennes, Faverolles, Barred Rock, Brakel and Gatinaise. Imported into this country around 1929, it has developed as a dual-purpose breed. Like other barred breeds the Cuckoo Marans females can be mated with males of other suitable unbarred breeds to give sex-linked offspring of the white-head-spot distinguishing characteristic.