

Renfrow Hardware's Chick Report 2018

The chickens are coming! The chickens are coming!

Below is our **2018** schedule of their anticipated arrival dates and the breeds. Wednesdays are hatch days and usually the chicks arrive on Friday mornings. Since hatching is not an exact science and the schedule could change, please call the store before coming in.

Pullets = all female chicks; Straight Runs = unsexed chicks

Friday, April 6th

- White Leghorn Pullets
- Black Sex Link Pullets
- Rhode Island Red Pullets
- Barred Rock Pullets
- Black Australorp Pullets
- Buff Orpington Pullets
- Ameraucana Pullets

Friday, April 13th

- Brown Leghorn Pullets
- Black Sex Link Pullets
- New Hampshire Red Pullets
- Ameraucana Pullets
- Dominique Pullets
- Light Brahma Pullets
- Cuckoo Maran Pullets
- Gold Wyandotte Pullets

Friday, April 20th

- White Leghorn Pullets
- Red Sex Link Pullets
- Rhode Island Red Pullets
- Barred Rock Pullets
- Black Australorp Pullets
- Buff Orpington Pullets
- Ameraucana Pullets
- Assorted Silkie Bantam
Straight Runs

Friday, April 27th

- Buff Orpington Pullets
- Delaware Pullets
- Dominique Pullets
- Assorted Cochin Pullets
- Cuckoo Maran Pullets
- Welsummer Pullets
- Bantam Special *Straight Runs*

******Fridays after April 27th - More dates will be added as needed, until all of our customers are satisfied. We plan to add May delivery dates in mid-April when we are best able to gauge which breeds are in highest demand!***

This is the largest and widest availability our hatchery has ever provided in April, so we have ordered heavily for this month so that customers are more likely able to pick up multiple breeds in one week. This proves that raising backyard chickens is a hobby continuously growing in popularity!!

Chicken notes:

We order all pullets when available, which grow into hens. If you would like a particular breed of rooster chick, it can be added most any week. Call the store for information. "Straight Run" orders mean the chicks were not sexed and they will grow up to be hens and roosters, but we have no way of telling them apart at that young age. If the hatcheries (who are the experts) could sex these breeds accurately, they would do so!

All chicks are available on a first come, first served basis, unless you want special-ordered roosters or meat chickens. Don't worry if you miss a week, there will be more chicks.

Chickens are social creatures. We recommend purchasing no fewer than three chicks to create a family unit. This makes for happy and healthy chicks.

If you're new to backyard chicks, review our advice for raising chickens and other poultry sheet for answers to frequently asked questions.

<http://www.renfrowhardware.com/chickens-guide/>

Chickens are farm animals and some will die. Children should be prepared for that possibility. A word to the wise: hold off on naming the chicks right away.

We receive all chicks certified disease-free. Chicks must be treated gently for several weeks.