TRAITS

Weight:

Male: 160 lbs. up

Female: 135lbs up

Height :

Male : 32 inches

Female: 30inches

Teat: Moderately sized

Use : milk

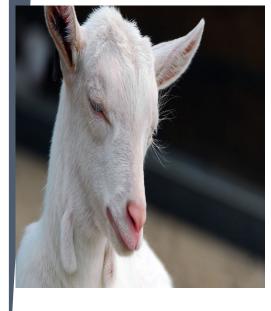
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MILK GOAT

SAANEN



HISTORY

- $\Rightarrow \qquad \text{The Saanen goat originated in the Saanen} \\ \text{and Simmental Valley of Switzerland} \\$
- \Rightarrow It was introduced into Jamaica from the United States around 1929.

CHARACTERISTICS



- $\Rightarrow \qquad \text{Saanen are docile in nature thus making the} \\ \text{breed conducive for dairy operation} \\$
- ⇒ Saanen are white in colour, however, the occurrence of black spots on the nose, eyelids and udder may be evident
- $\Rightarrow \qquad \text{The Saanen is medium to large in size and} \\ \text{slender in appearance}$
- ⇒ The head is long with a flat or slightly concave facial line; the ears are of medium size and are usually erect and carried well up and forward,

PERFORMANCE

- ⇒ The birth weight of male saanen goats is relatively higher than that of the female and horns may or might not be present at birth
- ⇒ Litter size tends to increase with increasing parity
- ⇒ Saanen are heavy milk producers and usually yield milk with between 3%-4% fat

