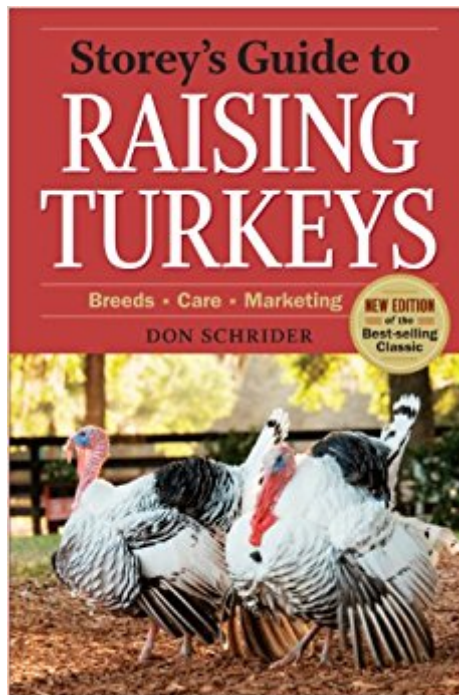




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Storey's Guide To Raising Turkeys, 3rd Edition: Breeds, Care, Marketing



Synopsis

Turkeys are an excellent source of succulent meat, rich eggs, and nutrient-dense manure, and raising them is a rewarding and profitable activity for many farmers. With helpful tips on acquiring organic certification, processing both meat and eggs, and marketing your products, you'll have all the information you need to successfully raise your own healthy and productive turkeys.

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Customer Reviews

Not only are turkeys an excellent source of succulent meat, rich eggs, and nutrient-dense manure, but they are curious, social, and friendly as well: a perfect and profitable choice for many farmers. Don Schrider brings his hands-on experience to this one-stop reference for humanely raising healthy turkeys. The revised and updated third edition includes:

- Descriptions of more than a dozen heritage varieties-
- Humane handling methods-
- Feeding practices, including pasture-based production-
- Breeding, incubation, and brooding-
- Disease prevention-
- Protection from predators-
- Organic certification standards

Don Schrider is a poultry aficionado and has written on the topic for many publications, including *Mother Earth News*, *Backyard Poultry*, *Chickens*, *Countryside* and *Small Stock Journal*, and *Poultry Press*. He is a master breeder of Brown Leghorn and Buckeye chickens and has worked with the American Livestock Breeds Conservancy on various projects. He lives in Vermont.

I got a little ranch and plan to raise 5 turkeys. Storey's Guide to Raising Turkeys was great. Everything I needed to know. About different diseases and sickness turkeys can get, the different breeds, incubation of eggs, plans for turkey shelters, waters, feeders. Also how much space the birds need. I should keep them away from my chickens poop to help prevent spread of disease. How to kill, clean and dress the birds. Much more. This book had everything I needed. No wonder the previous edition was a best seller for animal raisers. 5 star and highly recommended.

Just now started raising a few turkeys as a hobby and as using them for pets/bug eaters. This is a great book so far for a novice like myself. I have enjoyed reading about the history of turkeys, and the various kinds of turkeys (origins, features, history, etc.). It has also educated me on how to build my pen and how to keep the flock safe and healthy. I was doing a few things wrong; I was unsure about others, but this book answered those questions. Would have liked color pics to see the difference in birds but I know that makes a book more expensive to purchase. Also, it is written as if the author is talking to you, not clinical but fun to read.

I bought this for an introduction to Turkeys before I begin to raise them and after reading it helped me decide that I don't want to bother raising them from chicks- I'd rather get them after they are feathered out (@2 months)- so on that front it's given me a good idea what to expect (I get my turkeys in @2 months) for the price of one chick this is a great book to see if raising turkeys is for you. As with most of the "Storey's" Guides I've found the a big help determine if this is something I'm interested in pursuing. Highly recommended.

Our son wanted this book as reference when raising turkeys for 4-H. It has proven invaluable for reference regarding coop design & construction, health & diseases, rearing and feeding, harvesting and cleaning, preparing for shows. This is a **MUST HAVE** for anyone raising turkeys for food or as a 4H project.

Some good info but honestly I wouldn't buy it again. The author obviously prefers to raise turkeys on pasture and spends a great deal of time on this topic. I personally do not have the means to raise birds on pasture, I need info on raising in pens. The book should have been titled "how to raise turkeys on pasture".

This is a good book and goes into detail about Turkeys and their housing, breeding, feeding and so on. We are going to be starting a hobby farm soon and thought that we'd like to raise some heritage Turkeys as part of our poultry flock. Come to find out, you should keep Turkeys about a football field's length away from chickens or else they can catch terrible diseases. This doesn't fit in with our plans so it was good to find it out now, not after we've already got the birds. I still enjoyed reading the book and now I know a lot more about Turkeys than I did before.

More on the commercial side than the backyard breeder.

All the information you need to raise turkeys.

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