

BushaLive

General Information about the Herd

Name/Strain/Synonyms:

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Geographic location:

Coordinates:

Country/Region:

Location/Village:

Population:

Total: estimate: yes..... no.....

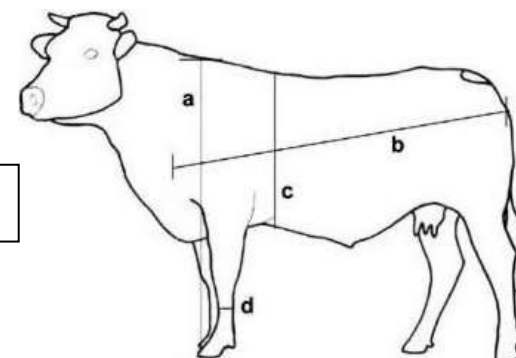
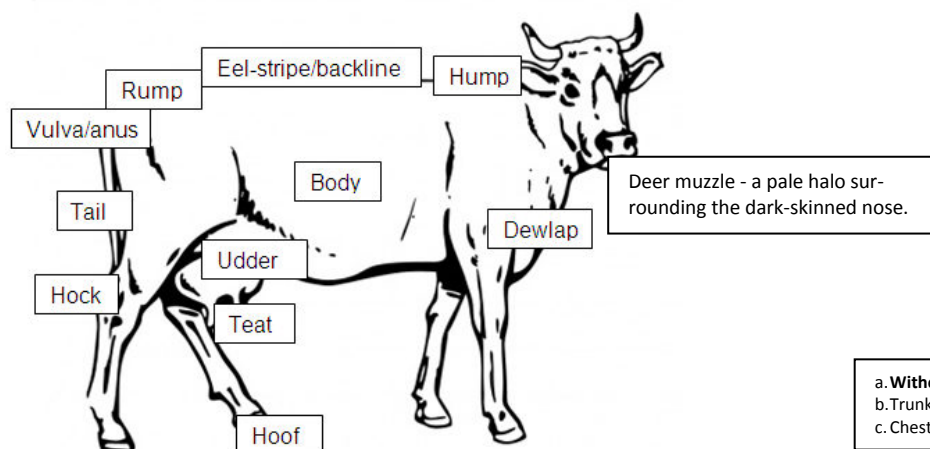
Males: Females: Young animals:

Average age:

Purebred: yes..... no.....

Herdbook/Register : yes..... no.....

Trend: stable increasing..... decreasing ...



a. Withers Height: from the highest point of the withers to the ground.
b. Trunk Length: from the tip of the shoulder to the tip of the ischium.
c. Chest Measurement: measured straight behind the articulations of the elbow.

Physical Characteristics about the single animal

should be taken from a representative of the adult animals, which also is chosen for the blood sampling. Choose one animal that fits this requirement and fill out the form below. Measurements can be taken using a textile measuring tape to the nearest unit centimetre. Ideally measurements should be taken in the morning to avoid feeding and watering effects. The animal should be calm and quiet, not nervous.

sex:.....age:..... Ear tag reference (incl. Countrycode).....

Body hair pattern: plain..... patchy/pied..... spotted..... tiger.....

other:.....

Body hair colour: black... dark red... light red... fawn... grey...

other:.....

Body skin colour: pigmented..... not pigmented.....

Eelstripe (line on the back): yes..... no.....

Hump: absent..... small..... medium..... large.....

Dewlap: absent..... small..... medium..... large.....

Backline profile:

straight..... slopes up towards the rump..... slopes down from

withers..... dipped (curved) others.....

Rump profile: flat sloping.....

Hoof colour: black..... brown..... white.....remarks.....

Vulva / anus: black..... brown..... white.....remarks.....

Tail length: short (above hocks) medium long (below hocks)

Body weight (if known):

Body size: chest girth: body length: height at withers:.....

remarks:

Head

Profile: straight.....concave..... convex..... ultra convex.....

Muzzle: pigmented.....colour:..... deer muzzle (a pale halo surrounding the dark-skinned nose) not pigmented.....

eyelid colour:

other markings:

Ear shape: rounded.....straight-edged.....

Ear orientation: erect.....lateral..... drooping.....

Horns: black..... brown..... white.....

Horntips: black..... brown..... white.....

Horn shape: straight.....curved.....

Horn orientation: tips pointing laterally.....upward.....

downward.....forward.....backward.....

remarks:.....

Farm-Level Data

Herd size:.....

... purebred ... crossbreed other (specify)

Farm system:

....peasant farm breeding centre commercial farm experiment station

.....other (specify)

Extensive system yes..... no.....

Condition of farm:

Good condition - Buildings: yes..... no..... Grazing: yes..... no.....

Is farm ownership secured long-term? yes..... no..... remarks.....

Mating practice

... uncontrolled non-seasonal, natural mating;

... uncontrolled, seasonal, natural mating (multiple sire);

... uncontrolled, seasonal, natural mating (1 sire per herd);

... artificial insemination used for at least part of the herd;

Products and Marketing

Reasons for keeping cattle

Milk.... Meat Calf (veal).... (Eco)Grazing.... Others.....

Products: own consumption..... for sale.....

Production process: traditional modernized

Milk: Pure Milk..... Yoghurt..... Cream Cheese..... Hard Cheese..... Other.....

Performance

Lactation length (days)

Daily average milk (kg)

Milking system practised:

... hand milking with calf; hand milking without calf;

... machine milking with calf; machine milking without calf;

... combinations of these.....

age at first calving

average no. of births..... twins: yes..... no.....

abortions: yes..... no.....

Carcass characteristics:

Slaughter weight of a meat animal (*grown out male, otherwise specify age:*)

Carcass weight

Dressing percentage.....

Meat: fresh/pure..... processed..... calf..... bull..... cow.....

If processed: dried..... smoked..... sausage..... other (please specify).....

Remarks.....

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