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Breed: Australorp
Varieties: Black (pictured)
Class: English

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- ☞ This breed originated in Australia although it was imported from England in the late 1890's.**
- ☞ The breed was developed from crosses of Black Orpingtons crossed with Minorcas, Plymouth Rocks, White Leghorns, and Langshans to create the ensuing breed.**
- ☞ They are an efficient dual-purpose breed known for being larger, stockier birds. The hens are capable of producing over 200 eggs a year.**
- ☞ They lay brown eggs, as denoted by the red colored earlobes.**
- ☞ They are a very cold hardy breed.**
- ☞ They are docile and quiet birds that are excellent for a backyard flock or children's project.**
- ☞ They were accepted into the American Poultry Association in 1929.**
- ☞ They have a moderately large single comb.**
- ☞ The feathers are black in color, normally with a greenish or purplish sheen to the feathers.**
- ☞ The average Australorp cock weighs 8 1/2 lbs. The average hen weighs 6 1/2 lbs.**