

Ron (Pink 1901). 3.4 lb, \$16/lb, 3.5" staple (unstretched), \$54 total (not including shipping). 10% of this price will be donated to Maryland Sheep Breeder's Association.

Why do wethers (who can't pass their genetics on) always have such nice fleeces? Ron was shorn as a baby to help avoid the stress of our hot summers, so this represents 7 months of growth. It has a very nice and quite uniform crimp, and yet is very soft. Ron's fleece has a 3.5" staple and weighs 3.4 pounds. Because its staple is shorter, it is not holding together as well as the longer ewe lamb fleeces.



Above: overview of Ron's fleece, from head towards rear quarters.



Above: view of front quarter of Ron's fleece.

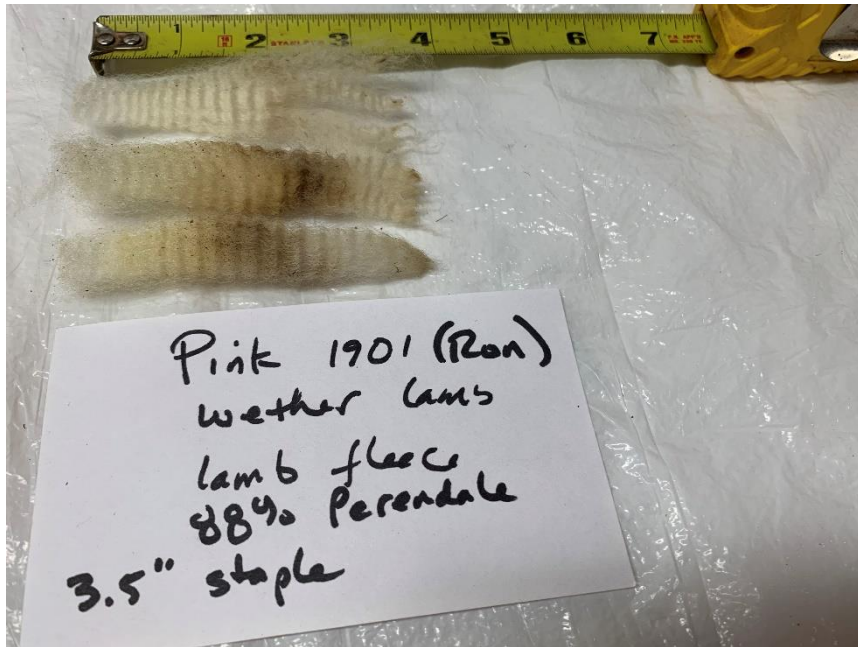
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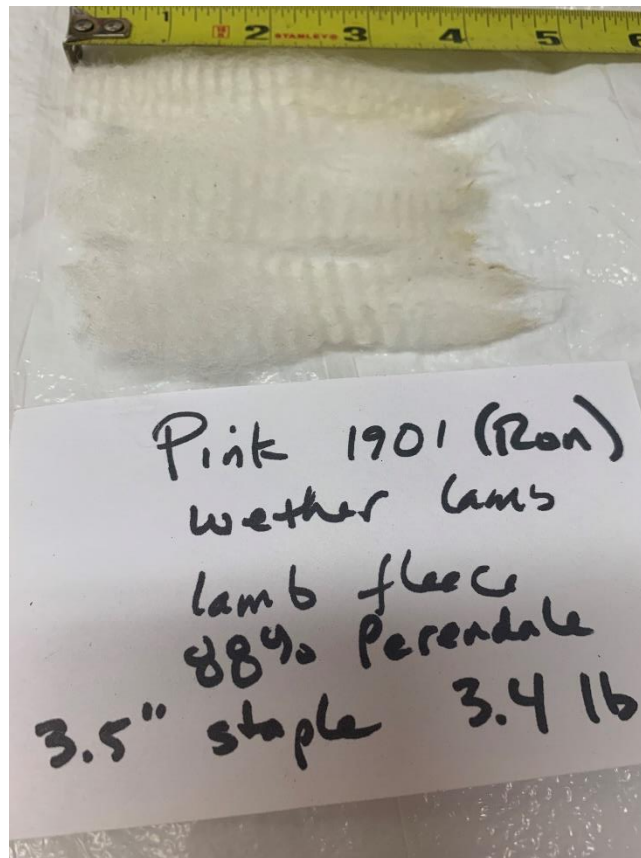
Above: view of middle of Ron's fleece



Above: view of rear quarter of Ron's fleece
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Above: three locks of Ron's fleece, taken at random from (top to bottom) front, middle, and rear quarters. All locks tested sound.



Same three locks after brief washing in tepid water with goat's milk soap.
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View of Ron's fleece, as bagged.