

**Smudge (Yellow 2021). 94% Perendale yearling ewe lamb fleece. 5.6 lb, \$20/lb, 5.5-6" staple (unstretched), \$100.80 total (not including shipping) after 10% discount in case of fragile tips.**

Smudge was the only ewe lamb born to a 6-year-old ewe I purchased from California (bred by Marta Sullivan, Currow Hill Ranch, CA). Smudge's mother definitely had an attitude, and was sold (at 8 years of age) to my shearer, where she promised to stomp any predator she came across to smidgeons. Smudge's fleece tested at a 36.1 micron count. Smudge's fleece shows more variations in color than most of the NC fleeces, being (on average) darker than Bug's fleece and lighter than Nocturne's or Sheba's.



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



Above: view of front quarter of Smudge's fleece.  
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Above: view of middle of Smudge's fleece



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



Same three locks after gentle washing with goat's mild soap in tepid water.

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View of cut side of Smudge's fleece. Exposure adjusted to attempt to capture true color.



View of Smudge's fleece, as bagged.