

What is an Alpaca?

An alpaca is a domesticated species of South American camelid - similar to and often confused with the llama. While llamas are used as pack animals, alpacas are much smaller and are raised for their soft fiber.

Alpacas are gentle and curious. They can spit when distressed or feel threatened - usually at other alpacas.



Alpacas eat mostly grass and hay and have three-chambered stomachs like other ruminants.

Alpacas can breed once a year. The female alpaca has a gestation period of 242-345 days and gives birth to just one offspring. A baby alpaca is called a cria.

Alpacas live up to 20 years.

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Alpaca Fiber Uses

Yarn

- Naturally Hypoallergenic
- Softer, less irritating to skin than wool
- Warm, lightweight, durable
- Many natural colors



Needle Felting

- Adornments
- 3-D items
- Shoe insoles
- Throws

Wet Felting

- Dryer Balls
- Felted Soap
- Toys

Other Fiber Uses

- Pillows
- Bird Nesting Materials
- Hanging planter liners

Other Byproducts

- "Beans" for compost
- "Tea" for plants



Our Goals

- Provide a healthy, safe, and kind environment for all our farm animals
- Promote and contribute to a growing alpaca industry
- Utilize alpaca fiber and byproducts in resourceful ways - both traditional AND creative



Cordial Alpacas enjoys being a small farm. Individual care for our Huacaya alpacas (and a Suri llama, plus baby doll sheep, chickens and more!) is extremely important to us. These unique and interesting creatures will steal your hearts!

Our Story



Cordial Alpacas is a small family farm a few miles east of Clinton, Illinois. Jeff and Becky Wisner fell in love with alpacas while visiting other farms during National Alpaca Days held each year during the last weekend of September. After many months of research and attending seminars on alpaca care, Jeff and Becky constructed their farm in November 2015 and founded Cordial Alpacas.

