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ASSOCIAÇÃO NACIONAL DE CRIADORES
DE OVINOS DE RAÇA MERINA

Associação com Raça

Raça Merina Branca e Merina Preta

White and Black Merino are characterized by the quality of their wool

Extraordinary hardiness and adaptability to local range production systems

Meat is the main production objective, but traditionally wool and milk were of some importance





Raça Merina Branca e Merina Preta

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Origin of Breeds

Primitive Merinos showed pigmented wool (for his connections to the Aires Vignei) and were considered as direct sheep representatives raised by Turdetani, Vettones and Lusitano people.



Raça Merina Branca e Merina Preta

Production System

Extensive range conditions, and flocks range from 300ad 500 Sheep

Number of Animals

	Merino Branco	Merino Preto
Animals in Herd Book	9300	10335
Females Recorded in the Herd Book	9000	9935

Regions

Alentejo, Beira Interior Sul , Lisboa e Vale do Tejo

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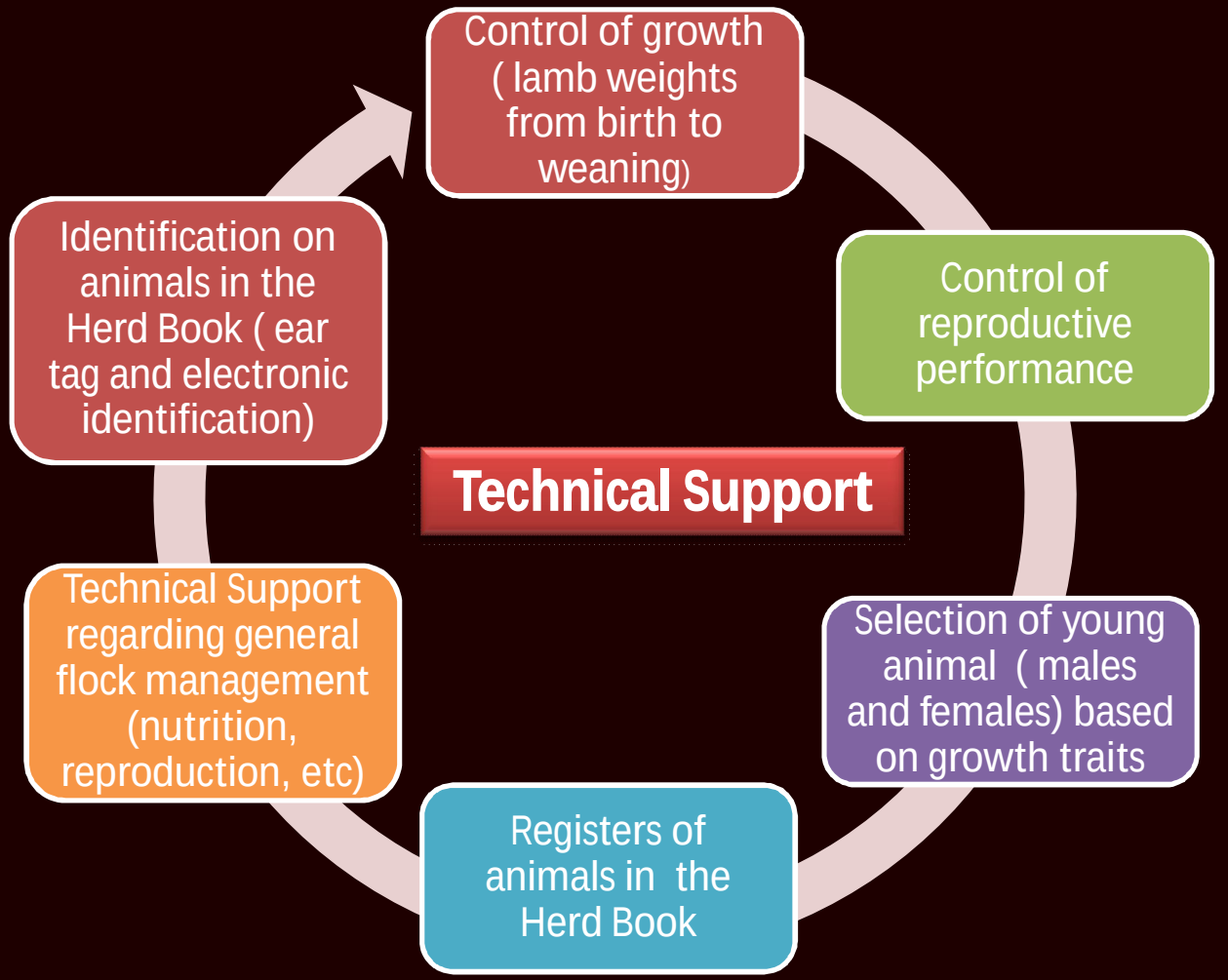
ANCORME – Portuguese Merino Breeders Association

Established in May 30, 1990, has dedicated to the registry of animals in the Herd Book and to the breeding program of the local breeds





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Control of growth (lamb weights from birth to weaning)
Control of reproductive performance
Selection of young animal (males and females) based on growth traits
Registers of animals in the Herd Book
Technical Support regarding general flock management (nutrition, reproduction, etc)
Identification on animals in the Herd Book (ear tag and electronic identification)
Technical Support



Monte da Paz

Farm Characteristics





- Extensive range conditions base natural and seeded pastures
- Reproductive System : 3 lambins in two years (two breeding seasons/year)
- 400 ewes and 23 rams
- Main Objective: Meat Production


THANK YOU!