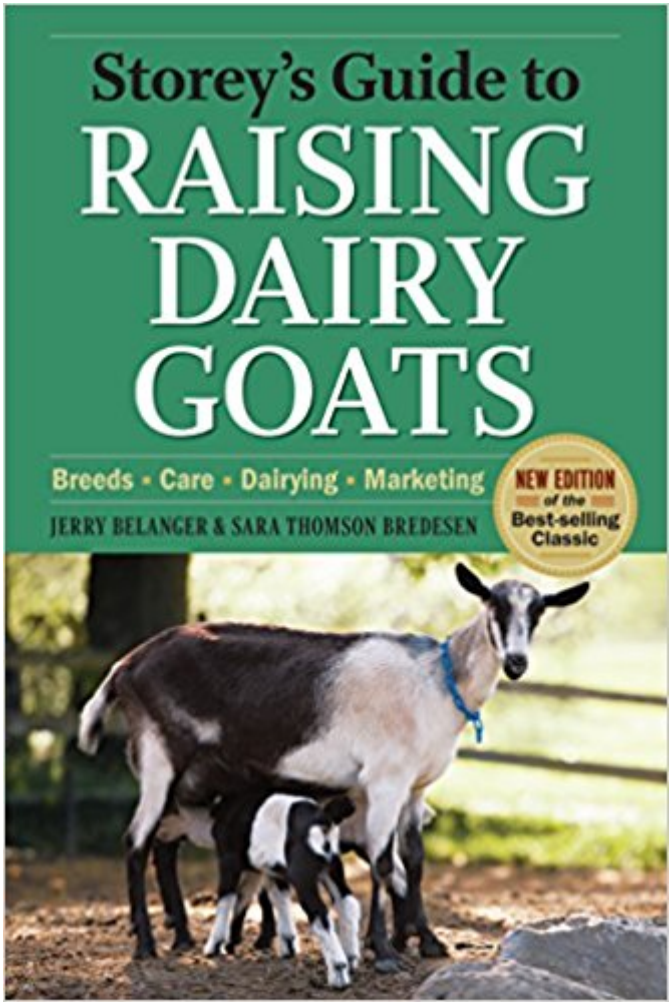
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Synopsis

A great choice for the small or backyard farmer, dairy goats require a smaller investment than cows and produce milk that makes delicious yogurt and cheese. This fourth edition includes more on pygmy goats, health care, breeding, and making dairy products. YouÃ¢â ¬â„¢ll have everything you need to you need to know to successfully raise your own dairy goats.

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Customer Reviews

The guidance of goat raiser and author Jerry Belanger has been indispensible to new goat owners for many years, for he has been raising goats since the 1950s. He has written many books includingÃ Â StoreyÃ¢â ¬â„¢sÃ Â Guide to Raising Dairy Goats. Belanger is the former editor and publisher of Countryside & Small Stock Journal, and lives inÃ Â WisconsinÃ Â with his wife.Sara Thomson Bredesen is the coauthor of StoreyÃ¢â ¬â„¢s Guide to Raising Dairy Goats and a licensed cheese maker and goat cheese promoter. A life member of the American Dairy Goat Association and an active member of the Wisconsin Dairy Goat Association for more than 30 years, she was the owner and operator of one of WisconsinÃ¢â ¬â„¢s first goat cheese farmsteads.

I have recently become a goat-owner and this book has been indispensable for me. I refer to it over and over, far more often than any other book I own on dairy goats and believe me, I did my research and am the proud owner of several goat books now. I really like Jerry's down-to-earth methods and his attitude about goats. I became much less "afraid" of starting on this journey after reading this

book. The "barn calendar" at the end (to-do list for each month of the year) is GREAT!

I have read several magazines and books about dairy goats prior to us actually buying the goats and this book has been by far the most detailed yet with a very easy reading style. The authors have a great knowledge of the subject based on what I have read previously and this will be a book we keep close at hand when we actually start the dairy. I have highlighted so much in the book it has earned its place as a key reference book.

as always, the Storey series Books/Guides, always nail it with just enough technical info and balanced with a bit of simplicity for saypeople like me and the case of never having had goats, into a format that I can relate to and understand. lots of great info. I boughta few other goat raising books along with this one, and I put them down because they just didn't 'flow' that well and I got bored trying to understand and they assume you know too much

OF all the guides I read (from library or purchased) I like this the best. It has WAY too much information that a four-goat, one-acre person needs, but it would take three or four other books to collect the information I do need. Easy to find the answers in here--I just skip the detailed genetic stuff and how to do surgery. Clear and easy to understand language in most of the book--a few post-baccalaureate areas about genetic etc.Anyone who is thinking of taking on goat ownership should read this book. I consult it often, and I just browse it to see what else I don't know about my pets. You can count on Storey's to always ask a top person in what ever field they are publishing on. I trust this book and use it to weed out the nonsense that appears on web sites. Really, it is a must have BEFORE you buy a goat and the definitive guide for after you bring your animals home.

This book is a good reference for anyone starting out. There is a lot of information online about goats, but it can be overwhelming as there are so many different practices. This book does a good job of explaining the different rationales and keeping an unbiased approach in decision making. I might recommend that anyone new to goats start with a book like this and then only look up specific information online as needed to avoid being overwhelmed. I think this book is well worth its money.

I'm extremely pleased with this book. The section on Formulating a Goat Ration is precisely what I was looking for, and is lacking in many other goat books that assume you will purchase a commercially prepared goat ration.Overall this book contains lots of useful information, and I don't

see much 'fluff' or useless content in it like sometimes happens in books.

I am a novice to the goat world and for now owning my own goats is just a dream. I tell my sister, who does own goats, that I am living her world vicariously through books. (See missouridairygoats (dot com) or minimilkcows (dot com) if you want to be inspired by my sister's cute farm.)I am loving this book! It's clear, concise, well organized, & filled with worthwhile information. I have spent some time milking and caring for goats, but there is so much to learn. This book is a great starting point for a novice like me. I wish there were color pictures, it is all black and white, but aside from that this is a great book. It's also an enjoyable read and I would think even the experienced goat owner would want to own this book even if it's just for reference. A good book for the owner and the dreamer!

I am seriously thinking of getting a couple dairy goats but wanted to know more. This book helped me make the decision to wait a couple years, so that I can make a small barn for milking, hay storage, shelter. It also emphasized the time involved which I sort of understood, having had friends with dairy cows in my youth. I will use this book as a reference time and again.

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