

# Hole Farm Rams

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual On Farm Ram Sale

*Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> August 2024*

*Viewing from 3.00 pm & Sale at 5.00 pm*



- ✓ 25 Registered High Index Suffolk Rams
- ✓ 35 Texel & Durno Rams (Texel x Charollais) from Logie Durno
- ✓ MV & Non MV Shearling ewes – including 40 Suffolk Mules from Masters Farms

Sale to be conducted by South East Marts at  
Hole Farm, Hadlow Down, East Sussex, TN22 4HB

For more information, please contact

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South East Marts: 01323 844874

Guest Auctioneer: Scott Lambie 07831 867224



# On Farm Sale

All rams offered are presented naturally, with no dressing or trimming, and have not been forced. Giving them the best chance to lead long and productive lives in their new flocks.

Rams are MV Accredited, on the Heptavac P Plus system and are vaccinated with Footvax. All rams will receive a quarantine wormer before collection or delivery and will be fly covered for the season.

**Come to our sale, order direct or  
bid online with MartEye**

- ✓ Pre-sale viewing available – please get in touch
  - ✓ Free delivery across the UK
  - ✓ MV Accredited & Signet Recorded
  - ✓ Online bidding via MartEye

## Viewing

- ✓ Viewing on the day will be available from 3.00 pm.
- ✓ Purchasers are welcome to view stock prior to the sale (in the preceding days/weeks).
- ✓ If you wish to do so, please get in touch with James Hamilton 07789 713514.

**South East Marts**  
**Phone: 01323 844874**

South East Marts will conduct the sale, with online bidding available on MartEye. Please get in touch with South East Marts for help on using MartEye.

**Guest Auctioneer: Scott Lambie**  
**Mobile: 07831 867224**

Scott Lambie will be the auctioneer on the day. Scott has auctioneered livestock throughout Scotland and now runs his own company; Livestock Marketing (Borders) Ltd. Scott was the auctioneer



for Malcolm Stewart's Sandyknowe Suffolks on farm ram sale from the first sale in 2014 through to the dispersal of the flock in 2022. Scott, who farms in partnership with his wife Carol, Selkirk in the Scottish Borders, is also a renowned breeder of Scottish Blackface sheep under the Ashcraig prefix.



**MartEye**

## Sale Format

- ✓ **The sale will commence at 5.00 pm.**
- ✓ Rams will be sold via auction through the ring to the highest bidder.
- ✓ Buyers attending in person will be required to register at the sale on the day and give their buyer's number to auctioneer at the fall of the hammer.

## Payment after the sale

- ✓ Payment via cash, cheque or debit card to be completed after the sale if not previously arranged with James.
- ✓ Buyers will need their CPH number and Vehicle Registration at the payment desk.

## Collection or Free Delivery Nationwide

- ✓ **Rams can be collected immediately** after purchase. Purchasers will be required to show a member of staff their invoice and movement form.
- ✓ **Buyers will be able to leave their rams at the farm** to be collected or delivered at a later date. Please let the payment desk know if this is what you would like to do.
- ✓ We are offering a **nationwide delivery service free of charge** for rams only.

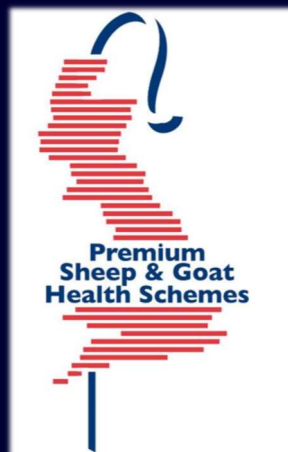


## Warranty

- ✓ All rams have been checked by ourselves prior to sale to ensure that we are happy that they are fit for purpose.
- ✓ If you have a problem with your ram after the sale then please get in touch and we will make sure that you are looked after.

## Health Status

- ✓ All rams are MV Accredited.
- ✓ All rams are on the Heptavac P Plus system.
- ✓ All rams have been vaccinated with Footvax.
- ✓ No CODD or CLA in the flock.
- ✓ Stock rams genotyped for scrapie – all past/present stock rams ARR/ARR
- ✓ All rams will be quarantine drenched, before collection or delivery, with Startect Duo on the advice of our vets.
- ✓ All rams will be fly covered for the season - Clik Extra applied 10<sup>th</sup> August.



# Houdshall Suffolk Flock

- ✓ Breeding shearling rams for the commercial producer which sire
  - Fast growing lambs from grass
  - Suffolk cross females which are increasingly in demand for their milkiness and ability to rear quality prime lambs
- ✓ Suitable for both indoor and outdoor lambing systems

*“We focus on the demands of the commercial producer”*

- ✓ Fast growth rates reduce days to slaughter allowing lambs to be sold off the farm quickly
- ✓ Excellent carcass confirmation with wide, deep loins and meaty gigots ensuring lambs grade well

*“Lambs that get up & go”*



## Performance Recording from Grass

- ✓ Focusing on fast growth rates (Scan Weight EBV) & carcass confirmation (Muscle Depth EBV)
- ✓ **All recording is done from grass**
- ✓ Ensuring that only rams that have the genetic ability to thrive on grass only systems are sold for breeding
- ✓ In addition to structural soundness and physical appearance

*“Over half the Suffolk rams are in the Top 1%”*

## Breeding for use as a maternal sire

- ✓ Ideal for breeding milky & prolific Suffolk cross females
- ✓ Strong focus on **mothering ability & milk production**
- ✓ Strong emphasis on 8 week growth rates
  - Reflecting the milking ability of the ewe
  - Lambs genetic potential to convert grass and milk into meat



# Logie Durno Sheep

## An introduction to Logie Durno Sheep

[www.logiedurnosheep.com](http://www.logiedurnosheep.com)

Logie Durno Sheep is a family run business in the north of Scotland. Logie Durno specialise in the production of shearling rams for the commercial and pedigree producer selling 1,000 rams annually from nine different breeds.

Logie Durno have put forward Texel and Durno rams into the sale. The Durno has been chosen because it is their most popular terminal sire, crossing well over a number of different types of ewe and is already sold to a large number of flocks in the South East of England. Durno sired lambs from these flocks are regularly among the top prices at market. Texel rams will be on offer this year for those farmers looking to produce Texel cross females or highly marketable fat and store lambs.





## What is a Durno ram?

- ✓ The Durno is a **stabilised composite terminal sire** containing Texel & Charollais genetics
- ✓ Produced exclusively by Logie Durno & stabilised for 20 years
- ✓ Ensuring Durno sired lambs are consistent when crossed with commercial ewes
- ✓ **Fast growing & excellent carcass confirmation**
- ✓ Durno sired lambs grade well and are popular in the live markets

*“As easy lambing as a Charollais & as hardy as a Texel”*



**Durno rams contain the best of both  
Charollais & Texel genetics**

- ✓ Charollais → fast growth rates, loin depth & easy lambing
- ✓ Texel → adds hardiness, gigot muscularity and fleshing

# Logie Durno Texels

## Prime Lambs with Shape

- ✓ Exceptional meat to bone ratio → high killing out percentage
- ✓ Texel sired prime lambs have excellent width over the tail head
- ✓ Gigot muscularity increases the number of E & U grades attracting a premium for lambs sold liveweight or deadweight

## Tight Skins

- ✓ Texel flock bred for good clean tight skins
- ✓ Which is a sign of well finished lambs full of meat
- ✓ Actively rewarded by buyers in the live market attracting a significant price premium



# Breed Benchmark for Suffolk Sheep 2024

Trait (Estimated Breeding Value)	Attribute	Bottom 25%	Breed Average	Top 10%	Top 5%	Top 1%
Scan Weight	Growth rate	0.38	1.84	4.62	5.41	6.89
Muscle Depth	Muscling	-0.53	0.00	1.00	1.28	1.81
Fat Depth	Finish	-0.10	0.04	0.30	0.37	0.51
Index	Profitable slaughter lambs	91	135	219	242	286

**Scan Weight** → Breeding potential for lamb growth rates to finishing weights

**Muscle Depth** → Choosing rams with high muscle depth EBVs will increase lamb muscularity & lean meat content of the carcass

**Fat Depth** → Ease of finishing, pick high fat depth EBV rams to improve lamb finish off grass

**Index** → Highlights superior breeding stock taking into account the rams individual EBVs for each trait

**Houdshall Suffolk Rams in this catalogue are in the following categories;**

**Top 10%**

**2**

**Top 5%**

**8**

**Top 1%**

**15**

# Suffolk Stock Rams

## Sandyknowe Leader 19-1



Sandyknowe Leader 19-1 is a real carcass ram, and was purchased from the Sandyknowe on farm sale in 2020. He is extremely well fleshed and has a great carcass with width all the way along his top line.

Has bred well in our flock, really stamping his lambs. Lambs have shown excellent vigour at birth.

Figures to match with Scan Weight, Muscle Depth & Fat Depth EBVs in the Top 1%. Over 300 progeny on the ground giving his figures >98% accuracy.

# Sandyknowe Legacy 19-1



Sandyknowe Legacy was the standout ram from Malcolm Stewart's final on farm sale in 2022.

Legacy is an exceptional ram with outstanding physical traits of tremendous carcass length, width across his loin and gigot.

Legacy is the longest ram we have used and perfectly compliments our Sandyknowe Leader 19-1 daughters.

Pen 1	Suffolk Rams						Lots 1-5	
Lot	Tag SUS:23:	Sire	Mode	Estimated Breeding Values (EBVs)				Notes
				Scan Weight	Muscle Depth	Fat Depth	Index	
<b>1</b>	1688	S/K Legacy	Twin	8.13	2.27	0.72	340	
<b>2</b>	1745	S/K Leader	Triplet	9.82	1.71	0.45	337	
<b>3</b>	1691	S/K Legacy	Twin	9.73	0.69	0.70	327	
<b>4</b>	1740	S/K Leader	Twin	9.28	1.21	0.05	324	
<b>5</b>	1727	S/K Legacy	Twin	7.06	1.32	0.29	291	
<i>Suffolk Breed Benchmark Top 10% EBVs</i>				<i>4.62</i>	<i>1.00</i>	<i>0.30</i>	<i>219</i>	

Pen 2	Suffolk Rams						Lots 6-10	
Lot	Tag SUS:23:	Sire	Mode	Estimated Breeding Values (EBVs)				Notes
				Scan Weight	Muscle Depth	Fat Depth	Index	
<b>6</b>	1698	S/K Legacy	Triplet	9.61	1.67	0.84	345	
<b>7</b>	1718	S/K Leader	Twin	6.29	1.43	0.33	277	
<b>8</b>	1749	S/K Leader	Twin	6.85	2.23	0.28	297	
<b>9</b>	1720	S/K Legacy	Twin	7.26	1.79	0.94	313	
<b>10</b>	1722	S/K Leader	Twin	8.28	0.55	0.32	291	
<i>Suffolk Breed Benchmark Top 10% EBVs</i>				<i>4.62</i>	<i>1.00</i>	<i>0.30</i>	<i>219</i>	

Pen 3	Suffolk Rams						Lots 11-15	
Lot	Tag SUS:23:	Sire	Mode	Estimated Breeding Values (EBVs)				Notes
				Scan Weight	Muscle Depth	Fat Depth	Index	
<b>11</b>	1699	S/K Legacy	Triplet	8.21	1.94	0.76	325	
<b>12</b>	1748	S/K Leader	Twin	7.39	2.33	0.56	315	
<b>13</b>	1741	S/K Legacy	Twin	8.49	1.49	0.90	323	
<b>14</b>	1711	S/K Leader	Twin	5.31	1.65	0.58	267	
<b>15</b>	1744	S/K Legacy	Twin	5.16	2.46	0.81	293	
<i>Suffolk Breed Benchmark Top 10% EBVs</i>				<i>4.62</i>	<i>1.00</i>	<i>0.30</i>	<i>219</i>	



Pen 4	Suffolk Rams						Lots 16-20	
Lot	Tag SUS:23:	Sire	Mode	Estimated Breeding Values (EBVs)				Notes
				Scan Weight	Muscle Depth	Fat Depth	Index	
<b>16</b>	1700	S/K Leader	Twin	4.54	1.10	0.18	238	
<b>17</b>	1712	S/K Leader	Twin	5.05	1.76	0.47	263	
<b>18</b>	1693	S/K Legacy	Twin	5.13	1.68	0.52	257	
<b>19</b>	1702	S/K Legacy	Twin	6.31	1.04	0.69	265	
<b>20</b>	1684	S/K Legacy	Single	4.44	1.59	0.30	248	
<i>Suffolk Breed Benchmark Top 10% EBVs</i>				<i>4.62</i>	<i>1.00</i>	<i>0.30</i>	<i>219</i>	

Pen 5	Suffolk Rams						Lots 21-25	
Lot	Tag SUS:23:	Sire	Mode	Estimated Breeding Values (EBVs)				Notes
				Scan Weight	Muscle Depth	Fat Depth	Index	
<b>21</b>	1725	S/K Legacy	Triplet	3.90	0.73	0.60	224	
<b>22</b>	1743	S/K Legacy	Twin	7.73	0.88	0.56	291	
<b>23</b>	1704	S/K Legacy	Twin	7.53	1.08	-0.16	277	
<b>24</b>	1713	S/K Legacy	Twin	5.23	2.35	0.56	283	
<b>25</b>	1736	S/K Legacy	Twin	5.87	2.51	1.12	312	
<i>Suffolk Breed Benchmark Top 10% EBVs</i>				<i>4.62</i>	<i>1.00</i>	<i>0.30</i>	<i>219</i>	

<b>Pen 6</b>	<b>Durno Rams</b>			<b>Lots 26-30</b>
<b>Lot</b>	<b>Tag No.</b>	<b>Born</b>	<b>Mode</b>	<b>Notes</b>
<b>26</b>	51119	April	Twin	
<b>27</b>	50775	April	Twin	
<b>28</b>	50798	April	Twin	
<b>29</b>	50765	April	Twin	
<b>30</b>	51394	April	Twin	

<b>Pen 7</b>	<b>Durno Rams</b>			<b>Lots 31-35</b>
<b>Lot</b>	<b>Tag No.</b>	<b>Born</b>	<b>Mode</b>	<b>Notes</b>
<b>31</b>	50863	April	Twin	
<b>32</b>	51324	April	Twin	
<b>33</b>	50745	March	Triplet	
<b>34</b>	50740	March	Twin	
<b>35</b>	50890	April	Twin	

<b>Pen 8</b>	<b>Durno Rams</b>			<b>Lots 36-40</b>
<b>Lot</b>	<b>Tag No.</b>	<b>Born</b>	<b>Mode</b>	<b>Notes</b>
<b>36</b>	50892	April	Twin	
<b>37</b>	51450	April	Twin	
<b>38</b>	51440	April	Single	
<b>39</b>	50782	April	Twin	
<b>40</b>	50906	April	Triplet	

<b>Pen 9</b>	<b>Durno Rams</b>			<b>Lots 41-45</b>
<b>Lot</b>	<b>Tag No.</b>	<b>Born</b>	<b>Mode</b>	<b>Notes</b>
<b>41</b>	50932	April	Twin	
<b>42</b>	51272	April	Twin	
<b>43</b>	51372	April	Twin	
<b>44</b>	50492	April	Twin	
<b>45</b>	50981	April	Twin	

<b>Pen 10</b>	<b>Durno Rams</b>			<b>Lots 46-51</b>
<b>Lot</b>	<b>Tag No.</b>	<b>Born</b>	<b>Mode</b>	<b>Notes</b>
<b>46</b>	50911	April	Triplet	
<b>47</b>	50819	April	Twin	
<b>48</b>	51306	April	Twin	
<b>49</b>	50531	April	Twin	
<b>50</b>	51011	April	Triplet	
<b>51</b>	51075	April	Twin	

Pen 11	Texel Rams			Lots 52-55
Lot	Tag No.	Born	Mode	Notes
52*	49930	March	ET	
53	51204	April	Twin	
54	51256	April	Twin	
55	50178	March	Twin	

**\*Texel rams are unregistered except for Lot 52**



Pen 12	Texel Rams			Lots 56-60
Lot	Tag No.	Born	Mode	Notes
<b>56</b>	50199	April	Single	
<b>58</b>	51080	April	Triplet	
<b>59</b>	50181	April	Triplet	
<b>60</b>	51102	April	Single	

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# Shearling Ewes

## Selection of Logie (Lleyn x Durno) & Suffolk x Logie shearling ewes.

### What is a Logie?

The Logie is a low input maternal breed and is produced exclusively by Logie Durno. The Logie has been selected to give customers ease of lambing, and offspring which are ideal for retaining as replacement ewes in a flock, providing increased mothering ability and productivity in an outdoor lambing system.

Logies have been a fixed breed for over 20 years originating from a F1 cross of the Durno and Lleyn. Lleyn bloodlines provide an easy to manage medium size productive ewe with good prolificacy, excellent mothering and milking ability. The inclusion of the Durno provides increased growth rates and conformation whilst still retaining lambing ease and vigour to suit a low input system.

Logie ewes are lambed outside and receive no concentrates through the winter. Typically scan in the region of 190-200%.

- ✓ Ideal recipe for commercial fat lamb production
- ✓ MV Accredited
- ✓ Heptavac P Plus, Footvax, Toxovax & Enzovax
- ✓ Born outside and unassisted
- ✓ Suitable for indoor or outdoor lambing



## Selection of Suffolk x Mule Shearling Ewes from Masters Farms

- ✓ Top draw shearlings from a flock renowned for producing market topping lambs
- ✓ Sired by Hole Farm Suffolk rams
- ✓ Out of top North of England mule ewes
- ✓ Ideal for crossing with Durno rams
- ✓ Heptavac P Plus, Toxovax & Enzovax
- ✓ Please note these shearlings are **non MV**

*“The first 600 lambs from this flocks 2024 lamb crop averaged £185”*



**Suffolk x Mule Shearling ewes**

## Shearling Ewes

Lot	Description	Quantity	MV Status	Notes
61	Suffolk x Logie	3	Accredited	
62	Logie	4	Accredited	
63	Suffolk x Mule Red Shoulder	10	Non Accredited	
64	Suffolk x Mule Blue Shoulder	10	Non Accredited	
65	Suffolk x Mule Yellow Shoulder	10	Non Accredited	
66	Suffolk x Mule Green Shoulder	10	Non Accredited	

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