

HARVEST

{Of the Month}



POULTRY



Fast Facts

- ✓ **In the Roman Empire, chickens were believed to be fortune tellers.** The birds accompanied Roman armies and were observed closely before battle. If the chickens were hungry and ate, Romans believed that they would win the battle. Do you believe chickens can predict the future? Share with us on social media using the **#MDKidsEatLocal!**
- ✓ The term **“layers”** refers to chickens raised for egg production. The term **“broilers”** refers to chickens raised for meat production.
- ✓ Chickens are **able to lay eggs year round** because of a gene that was disabled through hundreds of years of selective breeding.

Availability

YEAR ROUND



Featured Farm

DEERFELDE FARM
QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY

Jenny Rhodes, the owner of Deerfelde Farm, has raised broiler chickens in Queen Anne's County for more than 30 years. Rhodes is a past president of the Delmarva Poultry Industry, Inc. and a past member of the Maryland Agriculture Commission, Maryland Farm Credit, and University of Maryland Extension.



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