



# Steunpunt Levend Erfgoed (SLE) or “Focal Point for Living Heritage”

- ❑ Belgian NGO for rare breeds of farm animals
- ❑ “Incooperated” in 1993 – [www.sle.be](http://www.sle.be)
- ❑ Working groups for local breeds of horses, cattle, sheep and goats, rabbits and poultry, dogs.
- ❑ Designated by the Government as a breeding organisation
  - ❑ for old breeds of sheep and goats (1998)
  - ❑ For poultry, turkeys and waterfowl (2011)
- ❑ SLE Organises flock books for old breeds of sheep and goat (1998) and for the Kempens cattle (2011)



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- ❑ Involved in payment of European subsidies to holders of rare breeds (together with Ministry of Agriculture)
- ❑ Member of SAVE (1997)–participated at the ELBARN project
- ❑ SLE has about 1200 members
- ❑ Publish a quarterly magazine “De ARK”
- ❑ and different booklets on species of rare breeds
- ❑ SLE set up in 2004 the Living Heritage Park in the Provincial domain Puyenbroeck in Wachtebeke (Province of East Flanders - Belgium) which we still manage today.



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- ❑ Manage farm park of Provincial domein Huizingen (Province of Flemish-Brabant – Belgium)
- ❑ Advisor to BOKRIJK (farm heritage park in Province of Limburg - Belgium)
- ❑ Admitted 11 “Erfgoedhoven”
- ❑ Organize annual Living Heritage Expo (In 2023: for 25 fth time in 28 years – interrupted in 2001 because of FMD and in 2020 and 2021 because of COVID) – honoured by the presence of the Ministre of Agriculture
- ❑ SLE participates regularly at agricultural shows
- ❑ All work done by volunteers - 1 part time secretary



# Belgian draught horses

Belgisch  
Trekpaard



Vlaams  
Paard



Ardens  
Trekpaard





# Old Belgian cattle breeds



Rode rund West-Vlaanderen



Wit-rode rund  
Oost-Vlaanderen



Belgisch Wit-blauw (dd)



Kempens rund



# Old Belgian sheep breeds



Belgisch Melkschaap



Ardense Voskop



Vlaams schaap



Kempens schaap



Entre-Sambre-et-Meuse



# Kempense goat en Vlaamse goat



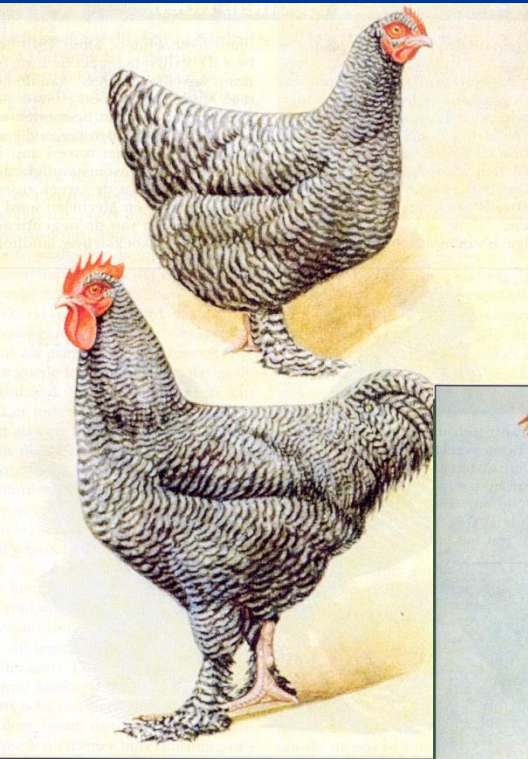
Kempense geit



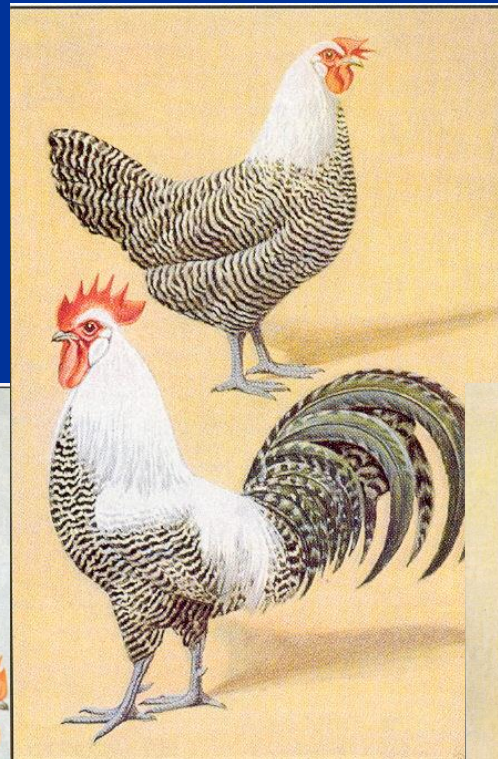
Vlaamse geit



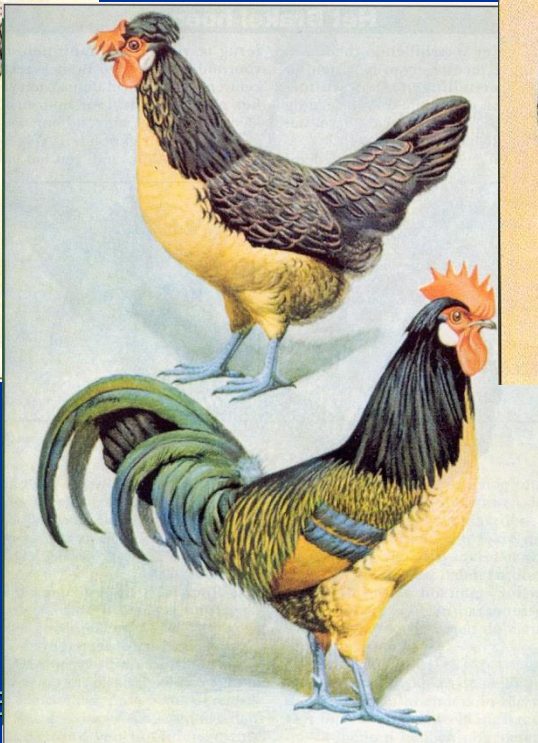
# Some old Belgian poultry breeds



Brabants  
hoen ↓



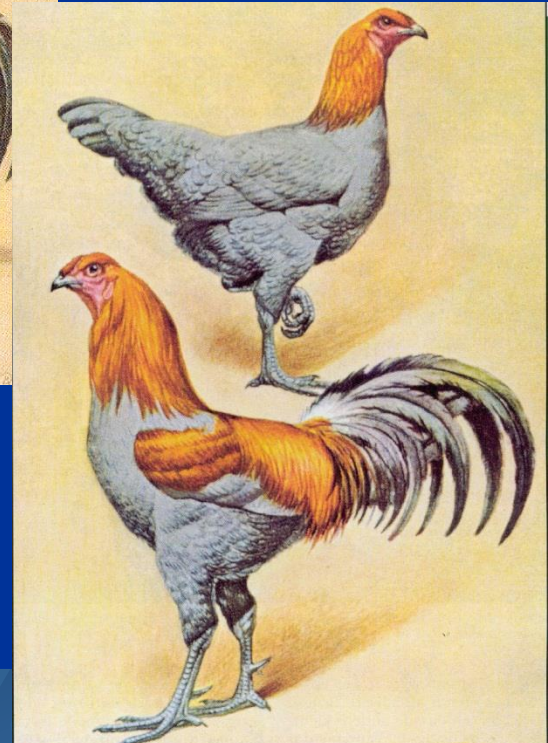
Brugse  
vechter ↓



Mechels  
hoen ↑



Brakel  
hoen ↑







# Publications by SLE

