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Yorkshire Breeding Gilts with Performance Data

Placing: 1-3-4-2

Cuts: 3-1-3

I placed the class of performance Yorkshire gilts 1-3-4-2. I started with 1, as she was the combination of structure and femininity. More specifically she was the most scenario adaptable female having the highest Maternal Line Index, lowest days to 230 pounds, and was born from the largest litter size. Additionally, she was feminine up through her head and neck, tied in nicer to her shoulder and leveler in her design. She also possessed the most desirable angulation from stifle to hock and from hock to the ground. I realize that 3 was deeper sided but she was weaker on her pasterns and steeper in her rump.

In my middle pair of more structurally incorrect gilts, its expected progeny differences and underline quality that places 3 over 4. 3, was more refined about her underline quality and possessed a more uniformed spacing. Furthermore she was more correct up through the front 1/3 of her body and had a more desirable EPD's for MLI and Sow Productivity Index. I admit, that 4 was stronger on her pasterns and faster growing to 230 lbs. Yet, she breaks behind her shoulder top junction and tucks her legs underneath her in motion.

Even so in my concluding pair of gilts it's volume that places 4 over 2. 2 is a wider based, wider tracking gilt, that stands down on a bigger circumference of bone. She too is a broodier appearing female that has more arch and spring to her fore, mid, and hind rib. In addition, she is deeper about her flank and more scenario preferred. Although, 2 is trimmer up through her head and neck, yet it ends there as she is the most structurally incorrect, shallowest made and least producer preferred gilt of the class.

Thank You

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