

Color Seminar Proposal

Dear Fellow Alpaca Breeders,

The inheritance of colors/patterns continues to remain a mystery to many breeders. To help alpaca breeders gain a basic understanding of the subject, I have developed a Power Point presentation: **An Introduction to the Inheritance of Camelid Color Genes**. Its content is based on extensive research, consultations with acknowledged experts in the field, interviews with scientists and fellow breeders, observations in the field, and the practical experiences garnered from three decades of breeding sighthounds and alpacas.

The presentation is offered in seminar form to interested private parties or groups at locations of their choice. Duration: *3 hours*.

Seminar Objectives: At the conclusion of the seminar, participants will

- 1. comprehend the proposed and/or scientifically established genetic mechanisms as presented by various authors and speakers.*
- 2. be able to make more informed decisions when using color as one of the selection criteria for their breeding stock.*
- 3. be able to make more cost effective decisions when purchasing alpacas.*
- 4. feel comfortable using a Punnet Square to determine genetic probabilities.*

Materials: A screen, a projector, and a laptop computer suitable for a Power Point presentation must be provided by the host. The disk will be available prior to the seminar to provide participants with printed copies of the presentation.

Fee: \$500.00 plus travel/lodging expenses.

Credentials: I am the author of Investigator Profiles for the Alpaca Research Foundation and the Morris Animal Foundation. Related articles are published in Alpacas Magazine. My book, *A Breeder's Guide to Genetics-Relax, It's Not Rocket Science* (2004) includes chapters on color genetics. It was reviewed for content by Patricia A. Craven, Ph.D., Ilene Coltler MD, Ph.D., Nina R. Beyer, V.M.D., Dale Graham Ph.D., and Erica Chevalier-Larsen, Ph.D. I am fluent in both English and German.

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