

Goat or sheep?

The Pygora goat often gets mistaken for a sheep.



What is a Pygora?

- Goat that grows fiber
- Has 3 types of fiber A, B, and C
- Was created by crossing a Pygmy and an Angora goat.

The result is a fun goat the small size of a Pygmy, with the personality and fiber of an Angora.



Pygora



Babydoll Southdown

Differences

Pygora

- Small
- Comes in variety of colors
- Wool can be warm, or lustrous, or both
- Wool has guard hairs

Sheep

- Can range in size
- Most times are white/off white, but can come in colors
- Wool is warm, crimpy
- Wool has lanolin

Wool difference

Pygora



Sheep



Differences cont.

Diet

Sheep and goats have the same diet except for one mineral, copper. Goats need it, sheep have a low tolerance for it.



Personality

Goats like the pygora can be outgoing, but sheep are more shy, and will flock together if scared.



Grazing vs Browsing

Sheep will spend their time grazing grass, while goats prefer trees, leaves, shrubs, and weeds (browsing).



Next time you see a
sheep, ask yourself;
“Is it a sheep? Or
could it be a Pygora
goat?”



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