



CINTA SENESE, TRUENESS TO TYPE

The tipicity of the Cinta Senese has been defined by the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry in 1958 and it dates 20 October. Area of Origin: the Montagnola Senese, in the Municipalities of Monteriggioni, Casole and Sovicille, and parts of Chianti (Gaiole and Castelnuovo Berardenga). Breeding area: the entire Province of Siena and parts of the Provinces of Grosseto, Arezzo, Firenze (especially in Mugello), Perugia, Terni and parts of Lazio.

Morphological character: robust, rustic, medium size, with solid skeleton. Body weight (average indicators). Males: at birth 1.10 Kg, at weaning (60 days) 18 Kg, at 6 months 50 Kg, at 12 months 115 Kg, at 18 months 135 Kg, at 24 months 170 Kg, adults 210 Kg. Females: at birth 1 Kg, at weaning (60 days) 16 Kg, at 6 months 40 Kg, at 12 months 96 Kg, at 18 months 115 Kg, at 24 months 140 Kg, adult 180 Kg. Height at the withers (indicatively): Males: at 6 months 60 cm, at 12 months 72 cm, at 18 months 78 cm, at 24 months 86 cm, adult 90 cm; Females: at 6 months 57 cm, at 12 months 66 cm, at 18 months 73 cm, at 24 months 77 cm, adult 82 cm.

Coat and pigmentation: black with characteristic white belt from the withers all across the torso and reaching the forelimbs; not very dense bristles of medium length, black or dark slate all over the body except on the white belt and its edging; forelimbs with white hooves, hindlimbs with black hooves. Medium sized head, long snout, with long rectilinear profile, thinner at the end; muscular and lean cheeks; rather small ears, forward leaning, neither spread out, nor hanging; small eyes with brown iris. Neck: rather long and harmoniously inserted in the trunk of the body.

Trunk: cylindrical, not very long, slightly convex dorso-lumbar line throughout its length; not very deep torso and of quiet reduced diameter; ribs not very arched; high abdomen especially in adults, muscular and well supported shoulders, linear top line with sloping croup, twisted tail and attached high, of medium length and ends with a tuft of thin bristles, well descended buttocks.

Limbs: mid-long, slim but firm, with lean articulations.

Sexual character: the male has well pronounced testicles; nipples no less than 10.

Females have no less than 10 nipples, evenly distanced. Pasterns: regular, except for the effects of long jointing. Pace: fast, especially in the young pig.

Functional characters: a breed for meat and lard, of lively and energetic temper; gifted with discreet precocity and a distinctive pasturing attitude.

Fertility and breeding capacity of the sow is relevant (twice a year); prolificacy is remarkable with an average number of 7-8 piglets each time: 7-8 at first birth, 8-9 second birth and 9-10 as adults; breeding capacity and motherly attitude are both good.

Breed standards to date (source ANAS). Typical character: refined mid-size with light but solid skeleton. Coat and pigmentation: black with characteristic white belt from the withers

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all across the torso and reaching the forelimbs. The passage from black to white may be gradual and not exact. Black dots within the white belt are allowed.

The nose may be depigmented. Morphological characters that imply the exclusion from the Herd book: absence of white belt on the torso; white belt that doesn't cross the torso; white belt that covers more than 50% of the body; presence of red or red-yellowish bristles; presence of spots outside nose and belt with depigmented skin or bristles out; striped coat; ears worn straight up; snout or frontonasal concave profile.