

Harvest Moon: Friends of Mineral Town Livestock FAQ

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1. Introduction
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The Harvest Moon series made its debut as an SNES game back in 1996. Throughout the years, numerous Harvest Moon games have been released for various consoles and handhelds. Harvest Moon: Friends of Mineral Town is the latest in the series, and the first in GBA. As a simulation game, this game definitely ranks as one of GBA's finest. Many things have improved for the better since the first Harvest Moon game.

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2. Chickens
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Chickens are the cheapest livestocks in the game. You can purchase one from the Poultry Farm for a sum of 1500 G. This would be quite cheap, considering that you can get your next chickens for free from the eggs. This should be the first livestocks that you should get. Your chickens will be stored in a coop, on the south western corner of the farm. Here, you can contain a maximum of four chickens. You could upgrade this coop for 5000 G and 500 lumbers by going to the woodcutter house. After the upgrading, the coop will be able to contain a maximum of eight chickens.

It's easy to take care of your chickens. Unlike Cows and Sheeps, you do not need any extra tools to collect the eggs, or to keep them happy. Chickens are to be fed daily. You can get Chicken feed from the poultry farm at a price of 10 g per feed. Alternatively, you could also put Corns which could be planted during the summer, through the grain mills. Each Corn will produce 30 chicken feeds. Seeing this, you might want to consider getting Chickens in the summer, if you want to save a little money of the feed. Each happy chicken will produce an egg a day. As the heart meter fill up, you'll subsequently get better quality eggs which could be sold for more. You will need to feed the Chicken everyday to keep it happy. You do not to feed the chicks though. Below are the list of the eggs.

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Name Criteria Price
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Small Egg	0-4 Hearts	50 g
Medium Egg	5-8 Hearts	60 g
Large Egg	9-10 Hearts	80 g
Spa Egg	Throw any eggs into hot springs	80 g

Golden Egg	Win the Festival	100 g
P-Egg	Win Festival+600h outdoor	180 g
X-Egg	Same as P-egg criteria (rare)	350 g

As we can see above, you could get at least 180 g per day, if you can get your chicken to the P-level. For eight chickens, these translate to 1440 g per day and 43200 g per season. To get your Chicken to P-level, you first need to get them to win the festival - The sumo festival. The festival happens every year at the 7th of Spring. On the eve of the event, Rick will ask whether you are interested in joining. Pick your chicken, if you decided to join. The next day, go to the Town Square at 10 AM. You'll see a huge sumo ring in the middle of the square. Talk to Rick to join the events. Your chicken will fight three matches. The more its heart meter filled up, the stronger is its chance. Anyway, your objective is to scare your opponents chicken and get them out of the arena. This could be done by cheering your chicken. To do this, press the "A" button continuously. If you managed to win the event, your chicken will be crowned champion and it will lay golden eggs once it reaches a high heart meter. Now, we have taken care the first criteria for P-level chicken, we move on to the next. You'll need to have the chicken to spend 600 hours outdoor - This translate to 24 days. To do this, carry your chicken to the grass. Build fences around the area to ensure it will not wander off. Do this for 24 days, and your chicken will lay the P-egg, and sometimes it could lay a rare X-Egg. Of course, there's an advantage in putting your chicken outside. You do not have to feed them. Livestocks that are put outside will fend for themselves, as long as you have grasses outside. This is certainly a bonus, although you must not forget the fence lest they wander off.

Mayonnaise

You can make Mayonnaise from Chicken Eggs. However, to do this you'll need the Mayo maker. The Mayo Maker is only available at the blacksmith after you have upgraded your chicken coop. After You've done with the upgrading, you can purchase a mayo maker from the blacksmith at the price of 20000 g and an Adamantine ore. It's a little bit pricey, but mayonnaise sells more than eggs Just like the eggs, if you're using a better quality eggs, you'll be able to get a better quality mayonnaise. In addition to that, you can make mayonnaise without the mayo maker by cooking them, you'll need an egg, a whisk, oil and vinegar. Below are the list of the mayonnaise and their price:

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Name	Price
Small Mayonnaise	100 g
Medium Mayonnaise	150 g
Large Mayonnaise	200 g
Golden Mayonnaise	300 g
P-Mayonnaise	450 g
X-Mayonnaise	800 g

In the long run, buying the mayo maker is a worthwhile investment. This is especially true if your chickens produce high quality eggs. The price difference between a P-Mayonnaise and a P-Egg is 270 g. With 8 chickens, you'll 2160 g a day, and in a month it will accummulate to 64800 g, more than enough to break even the money you pain for the mayo maker.

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3. Cows

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Cows are the most expensive animals in the game. Each cow cost 5000 G, however subsequently you'll only need to purchase a miracle potion for 1000 g to get the cow to reproduce. Being more expensive, it is not a surprise that cow could generate more profits than Chickens. For example, small milk from cow could get you 100 g a day, double the amount that you get for a chicken egg. When you starts off by buying a cow, you couldn't get the milks mimmediately, until it has grown into an adult cows. This could take a week or two. Giving a cow a miracle

Potion which could be purchased from Barney's store for 1000 g will impregnate the cow, and you'll get a baby cow after 21 days.

In addition to that 5000 g you spend to get your first cow, there are other items which you should get. They are brush and milker. Both of these items could be bought from the blacksmith. It is 800 g for a brush and 2000 g for milker. Brush could be used to brush you cow daily, and it will raise its happiness level, which in time will increase its heart meter. It could also be used on sheeps as well. Milker is self-explanatory, you'll need it to get the milk from the cow. Below are the list of milks produced by cows:

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Name                               Criteria                               Price
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Small Milk                          0-4 Hearts                            100 g
Medium Milk                          5-8 Hearts                            150 g
Large Milk                            9-10 Hearts                           200 g
Golden Milk                          Win the Festival                       300 g
P-Milk                               Win Festival+600h outdoor              500 g
X-Milk                               Same as P-egg criteria (rare)         800 g
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Cows are fed using feeds different than those for chickens. You can purchase them at Barley's shop. Alternatively, you can make your own feeds by growing grasses and cutting them into feeds. Feeds for cows could also be used for sheeps. Like Chickens, you'll need to feed your cow daily to keep it happy. An unhappy cow might fall ill, and eventually died. Cure them as fast as possible if that happens.

Like chickens, you could only gotten the Golden Milk by winning a cow festival. This took place at the 20th of summer. On the 19th, Barley will come to the ranch and ask whether you're interested in participating. Send your best cow, with the highest heart meter as they will more likely to stand a chance at winning the festival. The next morning, on the 20th head to the Town Square after 10 AM. You'll see a huge crowds and a few cows. Talk to Barley to start off the festival. IF you win, congratulations you have a cow with golden eggs. Likewise for P-Milk. You'll need your cow to win the festival, as well as being outdoor for a total of 600 hours (24 days). The efforts are certainly worth it. At a whopping price of 500 g, just one cow alone will get you 15000 g in a season.

Each Cows are stored in a barn. Each barn could accomodate 8 livestock. However, with an upgrades that cost 6800 g, your barn will be able to contain 16. By upgrading your barn, you will also be able to purchase a cheese maker from Saibara's blacksmith shop. Cheese are more profitable than Milks, just as Mayonaisse are more profitable than eggs. But of course, just like mayo maker, the cheese maker cost a pricey amount of 20000 g and you'll need an adamantium ore that could be obtained from the mine. Below are the list of the cheese:

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Name                               Price
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Small Cheese                         100 g
Medium Cheese                         150 g
Large Cheese                          200 g
Golden Cheese                         300 g
P-Cheese                             450 g
X-Cheese                             800 g
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4. Sheep
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5. Other Animals
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6. FAQ
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1. I can't get the Mayo Maker and Cheese Maker?

- You'll need to upgrade your barn/coop, and the option to buy those tools will be available from the blacksmith. Each tools are priced at 20000 g and you'll need adamantine ore to make them.

2. Where do I get the adamantium ore?

- They could be obtained from the spring mine, level 10 and below. You can also purchase them from the horse racing festival though.

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7. The Heart Meter
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The Heart Meter serves as an indication how happy is the animal. It goes up to a maximum of 10 hearts. There are several ways to raise your heart meter. Of course, you are not doing this for nothing. Animal with higher heart meter will produce high quality products compared to an animal with a low heart meter. There are several things to take note of when raising the heart meter.

Do:

- Feed them Daily
- Brush them daily (For Cows, Sheep and Horse)
- Talk to them daily (For Sheep and Cows)
- Carry them daily (Dogs, and Chickens)
- Heal them as fast as possible if they are sick

Don't

- Forget to feed them
- Ignore any of the illness

By doing the Do's part, your livestocks heart meter should filled up very fast. The Don't list on the other hand, shows two ways that must be avoided at all cost. Always feed them daily, that the first rule. Even if you missed one day, there's a high probability that they'll be unhappy. When animals are unhappy, they won't be able to produce any goods, and it might led to illness. Secondly, cure your sick animals as fast as possible. In this game, animals could die of sickness. The last thing that you want to happen is for your livestocks to die when they already have 9 hearts. Of course, there are occasions where you can't feed them.

Events such as Typhoon and Snowstorms are unavoidable. In these cases, you can only hope that the damage done will be minimal. Also, always keep some animals medicine just in case you'll need them.

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