

How to Predict & Measure Mini Highlands

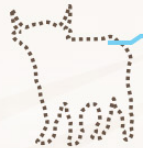
How Big will it get?

The final, and most accurate measurement is taken three years after the calf is born. Around a Mini Highland's third birthday, the measurements taken at that time, provide an exact indication of the final size.**

Frame Score in Cattle

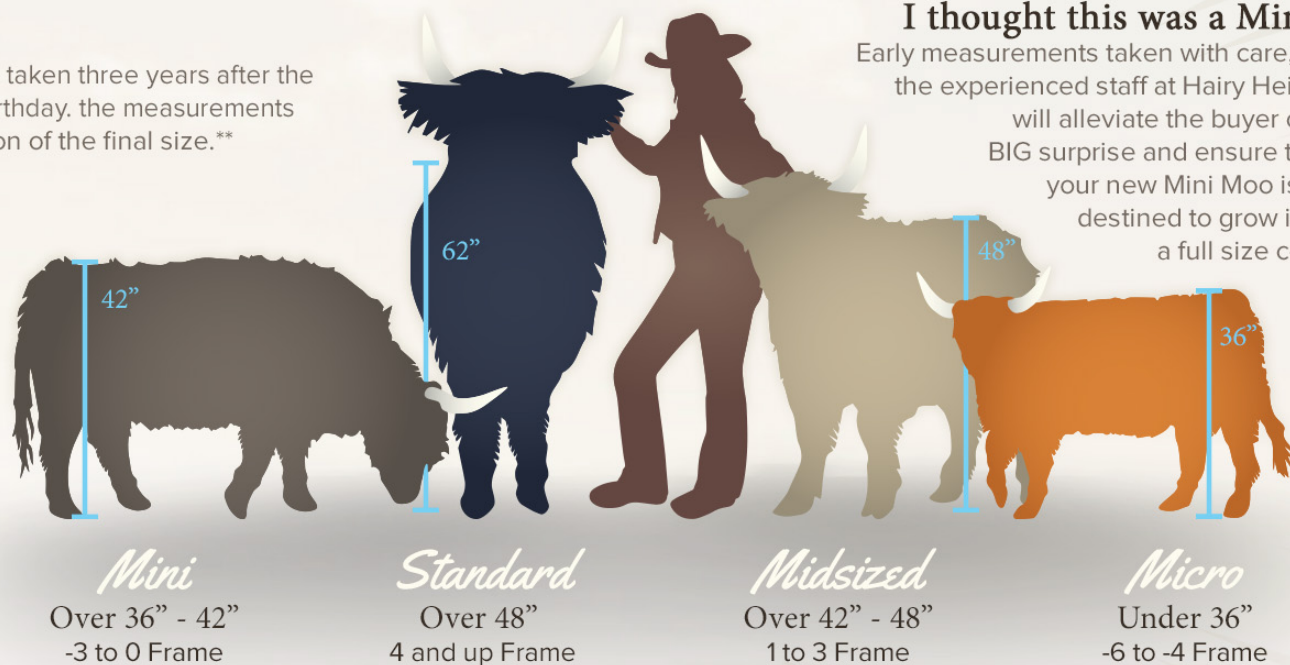
What is the frame score?

Frame scoring is a measurement of the skeletal size or *frame* of an animal. The scoring system ranges from -6 to 9 based on height at the hips or *hook* in cattle. Most animals maintain the same frame score throughout their lifespan.



The Hook

Top most point on the hip of the back legs. Always measure above this point across the top of the back above the hook.



I thought this was a Mini?

Early measurements taken with care, by the experienced staff at Hairy Heifer, will alleviate the buyer of a BIG surprise and ensure that your new Mini Moo isn't destined to grow into a full size cow.

* This chart represents the final classification of measurement of Highland cattle. When measuring you should measure directly across the back above the hook of the hip. Measuring on the hip bone can cause variations in measurement as much as 2-4 inches.

** Mature bulls are taller than cows of the same frame score.