

WHAT IS A SIZZLE?

A "Sizzle" ... to most enthusiasts... is a breed. Though not accepted yet as an approved breed by the American Poultry Association, the Sizzle is the name folks have given to the BREED which started generations ago by breeding frizzle feathered cochin and silkies together. I have shown sizzles a few times before, and most judges judge them against other silkies as an AOV (any other variety).

The word "frizzle" only describes how the feathers curl up. It is **ONLY A DESCRIPTION FEATHER TYPE**. Any breed theoretically could be frizzled. Frizzle is not a breed.

Offspring of just crossing a silkie and a cochin together once will not produce a sizzle. This has been a project of breeders for many years. It takes many chicken Generations to produce a solid foundation and consistent characteristics. Loofa is an F14 Or so. (14th generation).

When breeding Sizzles (and this applies to any birds with frizzled feathers) never breed frizzle to frizzle. It can cause deathly congenital issues. Breeding sizzles may result in 4 different variations. There is no way to breed for a specific variation because the 'F' gene (frizzle) is transmitted in an autosomal incomplete dominant mode. Basically meaning... ya never know what you may get. Lol (the "bearded" gene is the same)...the 4 variations are listed with pics on the following page.

Breeding Sizzles: 4 Variations

- A. Silkie - normal silkie with shredded feathers
- B. Frizzled Silkie - like a silkie with shredded feathers but they curl outward
- C. Frizzled sizzle - hard un-shredded feathers that curl outward
- D. Smooth sizzle - hard feathered that do not curl out

