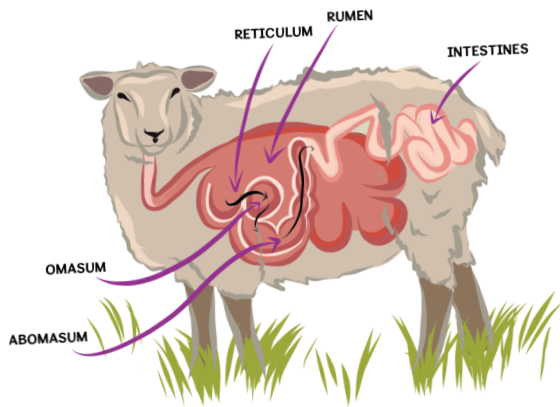


SHEEP

Sheep are Ruminants

Sheep are ruminants. This means that they have a four-chambered stomach. Sheep's stomachs contain tiny microbes that allow them to digest fibrous material like grass. Humans single stomach can't digest these things.



Sheep Eyes

Sheep see the world differently than we do. Sheep's eyes are set on the side of their heads. This wide vision allows them to see predators while grazing.

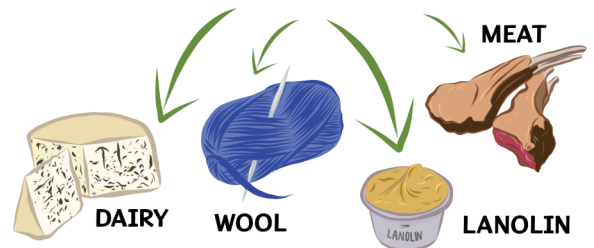
Sheep control harmful and invasive weeds by eating them. This reduces the need for chemical or mechanical weed control practices.

Water Repellent

Sheep have a naturally occurring oil on their wool that's called lanolin. This substance makes sheep's wool water repellent which prevents cold rain and snow from getting to the sheep's skin. Lanolin from sheep is also used in skin care products for humans.

Sheep Give Us Many Products

Besides providing us meat, sheep also provide milk that can be made into other dairy products such as cheese. Parts of sheep are also used to make non-food items such as wool, crayons, tennis balls and lanolin.



Some farmers use sheep dogs to herd their sheep.