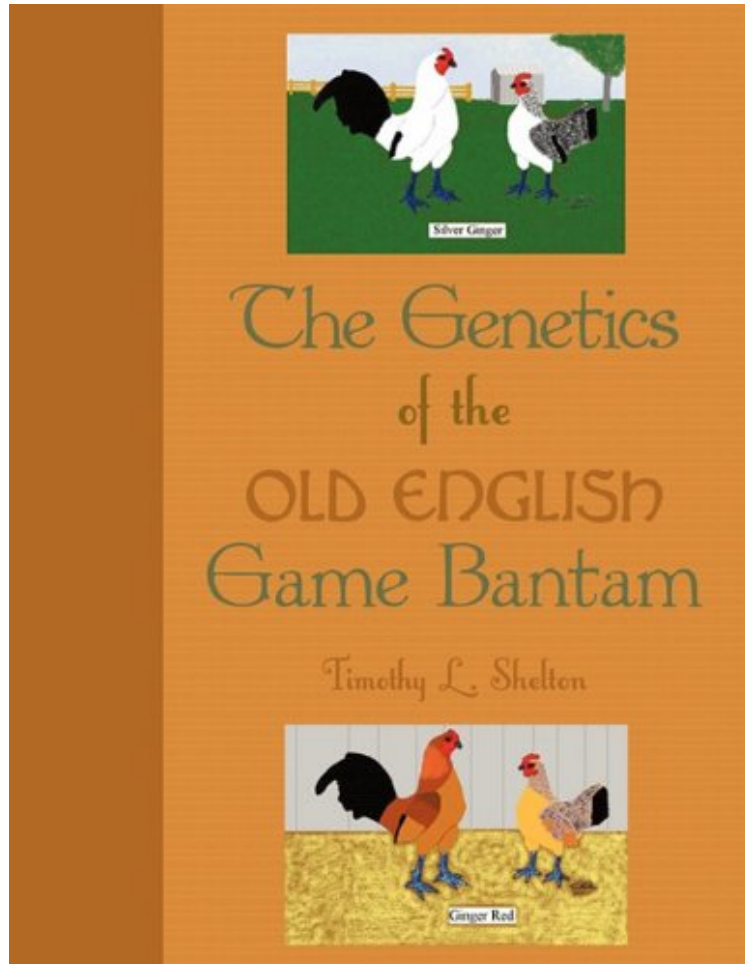


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along with the genetics of shank and toe color, combs, a number of common defects etc. This book does, however, rely very heavily on a single reference: Old English Game Bantams as Bred and Shown in the United States, which can be had spiral-bound for \$10 from poultry show vendors. The author of this books did a very good job of incorporating the additional knowledge about genetics and the mapping of the Gallus genome since the Jefferies book was released and he does a nice job of putting together tables of the information, such as what the symbols for each gene/trait are, which key genes define each color variety, etc. This book also would have benefitted from a good illustrator. I would guess it would have been reasonably inexpensive to hire a professional illustrator to produce the basic line drawings of a hen and rooster, which could have then been reproduced and colored as needed throughout the book. So, although the information is worth having, I would suggest anyone interested in this book attempt to persuade the publisher to create an e-reader version rather than shelling out \$35-40 for this cheaply bound text.

Genetics of the Old English Game Bantams is the **MUST HAVE** book that **ALL** poultry enthusiast, hobbyists, and breeders should read. It is well written and easy to understand. If you have an interest in color patterns, comb types and morphological characters this book will lead you down the correct path to making your own experiments and crosses. Get your copy today, sit back, crack open the cover and you will not be able to put it down. You will want it by your side for all your genetics questions and experiments.