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Things to consider about chicken pens

A chicken pen is also known as a chicken run. It is an enclosed area that is placed usually in a yard or lawn and allows your chicken to run loose and feed of worms, bugs, minerals on the dirt. Chicken pens are usually enclosed with high chicken wire or tall fences so as to keep predators away. A chicken run is sometimes attached to the chicken coop so that your chickens can come in and out their coop easily as they wish.

You might ask why you need to build a chicken pen. Here is why building a chicken pen is nice. Firstly, chickens need fresh air and lots of sunshine. You should also bear in mind that chickens need daylight for at least 12-14 hours for them to lay healthy eggs on a regular basis. Therefore it is not recommended that you keep chickens locked up in their chicken coop all the times so this why you will need a chicken pen.

With a chicken pen or chicken run, your flock of chicken is allowed to roam freely in the backyard. Then they can absorb plenty of daylight that they needed and also, they will have this activity as an exercise tool too. It is highly important that the chicken run should be built properly. This is to protect your chickens from going out and protect them from unwanted visitors from coming in. You should be mindful of predators that might be lurking nearby. Keeping chickens in chicken coops will allow easy access to a constrained but then a chicken pen is the best way to ensure your chickens to grow up happy and healthy.

When you let your chickens loose for quite a time in a chicken pen makes them highly active. They like it when they use their instincts to scratch and dig up soil in the hopes of finding worms for their daily intake and other minerals found in the earth. More so, a chicken run will give more space that is required for them to properly mate, bathe in the dirt and engage in small time chicken fights if you have roosters in the flock. This is a sure way of fun and enjoyment.

Give your flock of chickens a chicken pen and surely they will enjoy it. When your chicken is happy, they will likely produce fresh eggs. Like humans, chicken will also need some exercise and light. Giving them a chicken pen is perfect for that function.

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