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**Front Cover: DORPER SHEEP BREED**

The Dorper was developed in South Africa in the 1930's by crossing the Dorset Horn with the Blackhead Persian. The sheep is easy to care for and is well adapted to survive arid conditions. They have a high fertility and maternal instinct along with a high growth rate and resilience. They are outstanding browsers utilizing to the upmost the available pasture. Dorper sheep may have either black or white heads. The name is derived from the first syllables of the parent breeds. This breed has been introduced into the Israeli herd and contributed its characteristics to the variety of culinary treats in our country. The two pictures were photographed in the Namaqualand region of South Africa in September 2014 during the annual flowering season.