BLONDE D’AQUITAINE: “A BREED, A REGION, A SPIRIT”

Originally from the south-west of France and an old working breed, BLOND D’AQUITAINES, selected for 45 years for beef production, are now the 3rd milk producing breed in France with 500,000 cows in milk. They are found all over the country and have also spread internationally to the five continents where they are used as pedigrees or cross-breeds.

This elegant and harmonious breed with a light coat, which displays remarkable breeding and meat production qualities, will be the subject of a special feature at the 2008 edition of SPACE.

SPACE 2008: Blonde d’Aquitaine Genetic Festival

A breed: Tuesday 9th September 2008 between 15.00 and 19.00 presentation of the whole Blonde d’Aquitaine industry.

83 places:

✓ 48 exceptional breeders in competition, 6 of which come from the original region.
✓ 6 males from the Casteljaloux (47) National Breed Centre.
✓ 12 heifers, daughters of the best AI bulls selected by Midatest (selection company).
✓ 7 “Top genetic” heifers from the best Grand-Ouest lines for sale by auction at the end of the afternoon, the 1st beef breed auction at SPACE.
✓ 6 Cows under the Blond d’Aquitaine Beef Label.
✓ 4 young beef cattle, another leading production area among the current production systems.

The AQUITAINE region will support the event throughout the week with a shared stand including: l’UPRA Blonde d’Aquitaine, Midatest, Blonde Génétique, Label Bœuf Blond d’Aquitaine and l’AAPrA (Association for the Promotion of the Food and Agriculture Industry in the Aquitaine Region).

A region:

During the breeders’ meal, the 600 guests will be able to try the BLONDE D’AQUITAINE beef, unanimously appreciated by connoisseurs and explore the incomparable flavours of Aquitaine’s regional produce and Bordeaux wines.

A spirit:

A typical south-west band will enliven the competition and the breeders’ evening: a festive atmosphere guaranteed!