

The pig house (pig sty)

Site selection: Select a site which is well drained and wind blows away from the homestead.

What to use: You can make a pig sty using timber, bricks or blocks.

Measurement

A standard pen measurement is 3m by 2.5m. This is enough for:

- 1 boar
- 3 dry sows or
- 8 - 12 weaners

Always ensure to keep different ages in separate runs i.e sort cages as per age group in separate cages for instances the young, male, female and castrated. This will avoid competition for feeds which can make the younger ones grow thin.

- Keep boars in separate sections to avoid them from fighting
- Keep mothers after farrowing in individual runs too
- You can keep piglets of same age in one run

Exterior view





- The length may vary with the number of runs determined by how many pigs you have
- Raise a wall of at least 4-5 feet to protect from direct winds
- Also, have a roof to shade from scorching sun and protect from rains
- Have entrance door to each run for ease access
- Also, leave a corridor i between the runs on opposite service for ease in attending to.

Interior view

- This should be sectioned into runs which allows specified number of pig as per their ages as indicated above
- To save on costs, you can section/ divide using timber.





Floor

- Have sawdust on the floor to help keep the floor dry, easy to clean and avoid bad smell



