



Shearer's Blanket DOES NOT EQUAL Mill blanket

Area labeled PRIME is the mill blanket.

If you ensure that ONLY that portion of the blanket is sent to the mill for processing, the yarn/roving will be the best possible from the animal's fiber.

Measure staple length if you want yarn.

Staple length less than 3" is too short Greater than 6" is too long.

FEEL the fiber. The yarn/roving will be NO FINER than the coarsest fiber present. As alpacas age, their fiber may become shorter, may become coarser, the primaries (coarse, long fibers) more pronounced; SO just because the fleece was good for processing last year, it might NOT be good for processing this year.

Remove any fiber that has a lot of vegetation and has poop (IF IT CRUNCHES THROW IT OUT).

DO NOT USE SHAVINGS OR SAW DUST FOR BEDDING. FIBER WITH EITHER WILL NOT BE PROCESSED.