



## Tip Sheet for Beginning Swine Members

- This project requires dedication and hard work
- Attend regular swine meeting
- Decide which fair you will go to and find out the rules, such as weight limits this will dictate the type of pig you will want to purchase
- Make a budget on how much to spend on your swine project
- Ask your swine leader for a list of breeders where you can purchase a market pig
- Learn why we raise pigs
- Learn swine terminology
- Learn how to select a market pig
- Learn about pen size for your pig
- Learn the different breeds of a pig
- Learn the parts of a pig
- Learn about health and nutrition
- Learn how to show pigs
- Find out what you should bring to fair
- Learn how to write buyers letters and thank you notes

## Resources

Swine Showmanship

[http://ucanr.edu/sites/Calaveras\\_4-H\\_Program/Projects/Swine\\_Showmanship/](http://ucanr.edu/sites/Calaveras_4-H_Program/Projects/Swine_Showmanship/)

Swine Helpers Guide

<http://www.4-h.org/resource-library/curriculum/4-h-swine/the-incredible-pig/>

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