

**Sale Name:** Merced County Fair Livestock Sale- CA

**LOT 4 - Courtney Fernandes Dos Palos Community 4-H**



**First Name** Courtney

**Last Name** Fernandes

**FFA Chapter or 4H Club Name** Dos Palos Community 4-H

**Validation Tag or Show reference#** 4

**County** Merced

**Animal Weight (in Pounds)** 1375

**Date of Reported Weight** 05/16/2020

**City** Dos Palos

### **Description**

Hello! My name is Courtney Fernandes. I'm 11 years old and I'm a member of Dos Palos Community 4-H. I am currently serving as the 2019-2020 treasurer. I love 4-H. It's where I've learned to come out of my shell, met some of my best friends and get to do what I love most: show animals.

I have been raising and showing animals since I was 5. I have raised chickens, goats, sheep and cattle. My favorite of all of them has been cattle. My family runs a herd of Maine Anjou cattle and I have a small herd of Charolais. I have shown my cattle with great success up and down the state and in Arizona and Oregon. This year, I was going to show my steer, BFG (Big Friendly Giant), and my breeding cattle at the Merced Fair, but it has been canceled due to COVID-19. Luckily, I have the opportunity to market my steer in the first-ever Merced County Fair Virtual Livestock Sale.

My steer, BFG, has been a fun project. I've been taking care of him for the past 7 months. I love going out to the barn and feeding him (twice a day), taking him for walks and of course giving him lots of baths. He's been eating high quality feed (grain and oat hay) and has finished out nicely on it. We worked hard together as a team so we could do a good job in the show ring. BFG learned how to set up, or pose, perfectly and stand still so the judge could get a good view of him. I'm proud of all of my hard work and I know I've raised a quality animal. Bid with confidence if you want to fill your freezer with delicious beef

**Quantity:** 1



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