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This book compares and contrasts alternative housing with conventional and traditional systems for commercial poultry. The full spectrum of poultry species is considered, from the commercially vital laying hens and meat chickens and turkeys to the more specialised areas of waterfowl and game bird production. Bird welfare, health, disease, nutrition, sustainability and genotype-environment interaction are discussed to provide an all-encompassing view of poultry housing suitable for researchers and students of poultry science and production.

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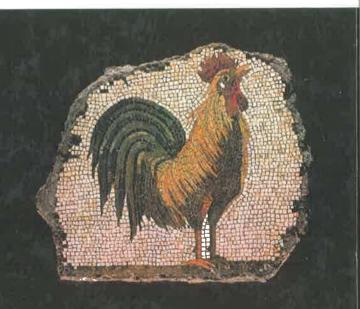
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