

Baldies Top Denver Commercial Sale

Black and red F1 baldies powered to the top of the Best of the Best Maternal Merit Bred Heifer Sale held Jan. 15 in the National Western Stock Show Yards Sale Arena. The sale featured nearly 100 top tier replacement heifers bred to ABS bulls. It included Angus, Balancer, F1 black baldy, F1 red baldy, Red Angus and Sim Angus consignments from six producers.

When the final gavel fell, 98 bred heifers averaged \$3,844. The F1 females topped the breed averages with the 18 head of black baldies bringing \$4,267 per head and the 14 red baldies averaging \$4,075.

Hermes Livestock brought the top two top-selling lots and the fourth high-selling lot of F1 black baldies. The Colorado producer sold six head in each lot; the top lot averaged \$4,400 per head,

CENTRAL/NORTHERN PLAINS — 98 head

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No. Head	Breed	Price/Head
18	F1 BWF	\$4,267
14	F1 RWF	\$4,075
18	Red Angus	\$3,833
26	Angus	\$3,758
12	SimAngus	\$3,700
12	Balancer	\$3,550

followed by \$4,300 per head for the second higher-seller and \$4,100 per head for Hermes' other top seller. (Read more about Hermes Livestock and their Hereford-sired F1 replacement females in "Cow Power" published in the January 2025 *Baldy Advantage*.)

Valhalla Ranch of Colorado had the third high-selling lot, which included seven F1 red baldy heifers, commanding an average of \$4,250 per head. Their additional lot of F1 red baldies brought \$3,900 per head. **HW**

