

**Cast In Order Of Appearance:**

**Announcer**  
**Reporter**  
**Florida Cracker**

**SFX: opening TFC theme**

ANNOUNCER: Cows in Florida? Today we're talking about the Florida Cracker.

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REPORTER: So you're a Florida Cracker.

FLORIDA CRACKER: Sure am.

REPORTER: And you're Florida's equivalent to the Texas Longhorn.

FLORIDA CRACKER: That's right. But we've been called other names like Piney Woods, Florida Scrub and Florida Native Cattle.

REPORTER: But why the name Cracker?

FLORIDA CRACKER: Because the coloring on our hide looks like a firecracker went off in some paintcan we were standin' next to, same as the Texas Longhorn. The Longhorn and I both come from Spain though, originally.

REPORTER: Why yes. I've read that collectively you and various other breeds of cattle from Central and South America are called Criollo cattle.

FLORIDA CRACKER: Yep. That's as true as true can be. Now us Florida Crackers are smaller than the Texas Longhorns and we don't have the extreme (and we're talkin' big here) - we don't have the extreme horn length as the Longhorns in Texas. But that's because of the scrub.

REPORTER: Scrub?

FLORIDA CRACKER: Yes sir, scrub. S-C-R-U-B. Scrub is heavily wooded lowlands. You see we lived for hundreds of years as feral cattle, just wanderin' about eatin' whatever we could find in the woods. If our horns had stuck out too much we'd have gotten all caught up between the trees and died out. That's why our horns are shorter.

REPORTER: Pretty though. Your horns are very attractive.

FLORIDA CRACKER: You think so? I think they're cute. Now you oughtah see my Mama's horns. They have some very interestin' twists for an aged cow.

REPORTER: Well, I think your ability to withstand the heat, insects and humidity of Florida's long summers makes you a very special cow.

FLORIDA CRACKER: Now you're just sweet-talkin' me now.

**SFX: Moooo**

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