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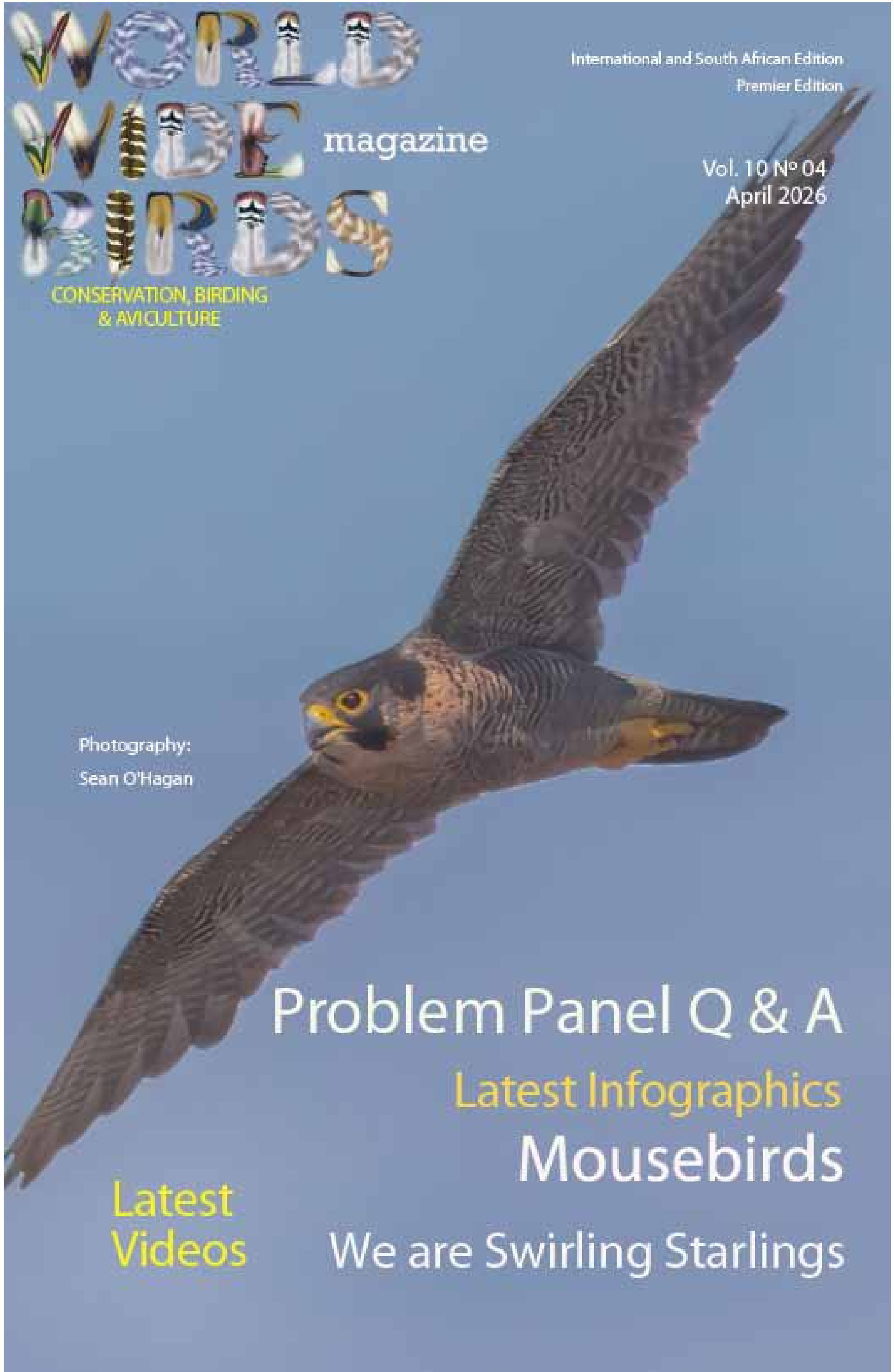
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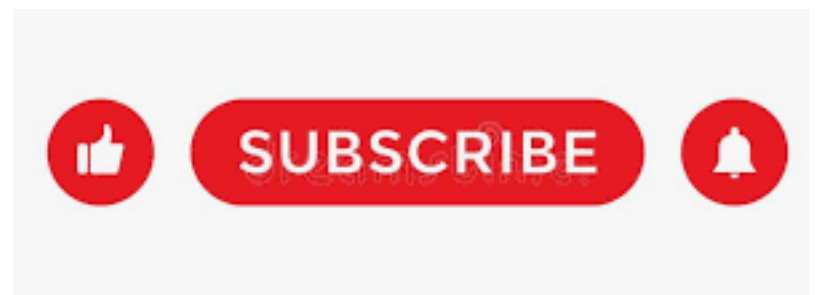
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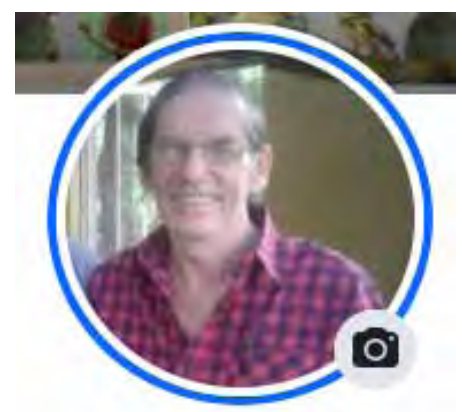


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WELCOME

As we welcome you to the April edition, we would like to take a moment to thank you for your continued support and enthusiasm for our magazine. Each issue is created with the goal of sharing reliable, practical, and engaging information for bird enthusiasts, breeders, and caretakers around the world.

This month, we would especially value your feedback. Over recent issues, we have introduced more infographics, visual guides, and direct links to our YouTube videos to make the content easier to understand and more interactive.

These infographics are designed to present key information in a quick, clear format, while the embedded thumbnails and hyperlinks allow you to explore topics in greater depth through video demonstrations and discussions.

Your experience as a reader is extremely important to us. We would love to know whether these visual elements and video links are helping you learn more effectively, whether they are easy to use, and what could be improved.

Do you find the infographics useful and clear? Are the video thumbnails and links convenient to access on your device? Is there anything you would like to see explained in more detail in future editions?

Our goal is to make this magazine not only informative, but also practical and enjoyable to use — whether you are reading on a computer, tablet, or mobile device. By combining written articles, visual summaries, and video content, we hope to create a learning experience that suits different reading styles and preferences.

If you have suggestions, ideas, or topics you would like us to cover in future issues, we warmly invite you to share them with us. Your feedback plays a direct role in shaping the direction and quality of this publication, and we genuinely appreciate the time you take to help us improve.

Thank you once again for being part of our growing community and for supporting both the magazine and our educational video content.

Petrus Albertus van Tonder and
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Peregrine falcon.

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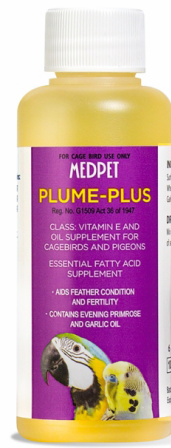
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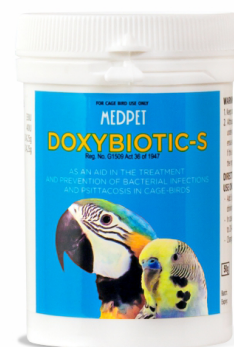
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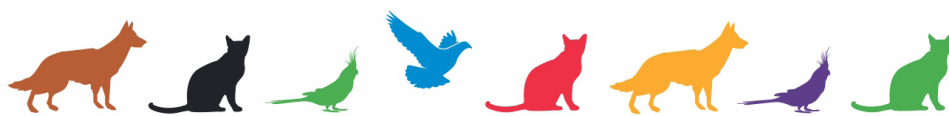
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It is well known that the quality and composition of the diet for young birds affect the condition of their feathers, skin and beak. This can be seen particularly well in young hyacinth macaws. Poorly and unbalanced nourished young Hyacinth macaws have blackish, dull plumage and pale, sometimes almost whitish skin around the eyes and the lower beak.

The young Hyacinth macaw pictured here is approximately 7 months old and not fully weaned. It has bright blue and shiny plumage and perfect toe skin without hyperkeratosis. Its skin around the eyes is an intense yellow color.

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Both Hyacinth macaws can be exported in special transport boxes according to the IATA regulations accompanied with CITES export permit, veterinary health certificate and negative test results for avian influenza and Newcastle disease.

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Balancing the Nest:

Managing Parrot Breeding Frequency for Longevity



BREEDING PATTERNS & RISKS



SEASONAL NESTERS
Internal controls manage cycles.



CONTINUOUS NESTERS
Require manual intervention; often captive species.

SIGNS OF OVERBREEDING



THE PHYSICAL TOLL OF REARING
Rearing young drains more stamina than egg-laying due to food processing.



SIGNS OF OVERBREEDING
Leads to bedraggled plumage, smaller clutch sizes, and progressively smaller, weaker chicks.

MANAGEMENT & LONGEVITY

EXTENDED REPRODUCTIVE LIFE

15-35 YEARS



Managed pairs produce for extended lives.

OVERBRED PAIRS

3-5 YEARS



Overbred pairs often stop after.

METHODS OF BREEDING CONTROL



CONTROL NESTING:
Remove boxes.



SEPARATE SEXES:
Gender groups.



USE FAKE EGGS:
Incubation of plastic/glass eggs.

THE TWO-CLUTCH RULE:

Most continuous nesters should be limited to only two clutches per year.

COMMON SPECIES LIMITS & CONTROLS



SPECIES & TYPE



ANNUAL CLUTCH LIMIT



PRIMARY CONTROL METHOD



COCKATIELS/LOVEBIRDS

2

CLUTCHES



Nest removal or sex separation



BUDGERIGARS

3

CLUTCHES



Separating sexes into gender groups



ECLECTUS PARROTS

2

CLUTCHES



Incubation of fake glass or plastic eggs

The Silent Patient:

Detecting and Preventing Illness in Birds



EARLY WARNING SIGNS OF ILLNESS

Behavioral Deviations are the First Signal



Unusual Quietness & Back Turning

Look for lack of vocalization or bird turning its back.



Ruffled Feathers & Posture Changes

Watch for unusual perching with both feet instead of one.

Physical Indicators of Deterioration



Weight Loss

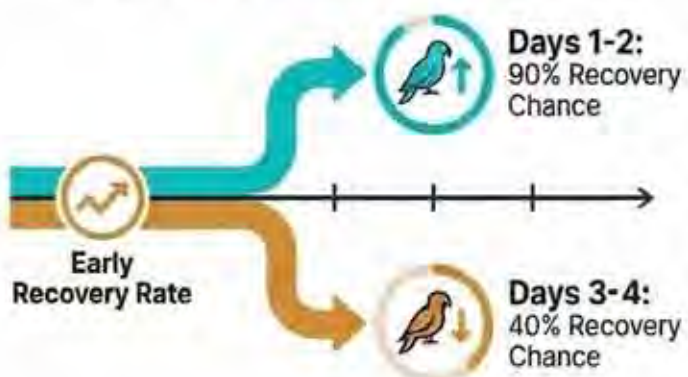
Monitor for significant and rapid weight drop.



Poor Feather Condition

Check for overall disheveled appearance.

Early Detection Saves Lives



PREVENTATIVE CARE & MONITORING

Establish a Daily Observation Routine



Twice Daily Inspections

Inspect birds during peak activity periods (morning & afternoon).

The 45-Day Quarantine Rule



Isolate & Test New Arrivals

Prevent disease outbreaks by quarantining all new birds.

Monitor Enclosure Hygiene



Daily Checks for Droppings & Appetite

Check daily for "soupy" droppings or uneaten food.

YouTube Members only video.



African Birds B and Canaries with Sounds Bird ID, Gender Differences & Maps
Discover the second part of our alphabetical journey through African birds — featuring species that start with B and Canaries!

- Hear the unique calls of 32 birds
- Learn differences between males and females (when available)
- View distribution maps for selected species

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My YouTube channel now qualifies for membership. I included the Premier magazine as a perk in levels 2 and 3.

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Tarragon for Birds:

A Guide to Safe Feeding and Enrichment



ESSENTIAL SAFETY GUIDELINES



French tarragon



Texas tarragon

Safe Varieties for Birds

French and Texas tarragon are safe for parrots, cockatiels, and budgies.



Serve in Moderation

Use as an occasional treat to avoid irritating a bird's sensitive digestive system.



Prioritize Organic Sourcing

Use pesticide-free herbs and wash thoroughly to remove harmful chemical residues.

SERVING SUGGESTIONS & PREPARATION



The 'Bird Chop' Method
Mince fresh leaves into a mix of leafy greens, broccoli, and carrots.



Foraging and Enrichment

Tuck whole sprigs into cage bars to encourage natural shredding and tasting.



Utilize Edible Flowers

Texas tarragon produces bright yellow flowers that are safe for birds to eat.

GARDEN-FRESH TARRAGON BIRD CHOP RECIPE



Base (Leafy Greens)
2 Cups

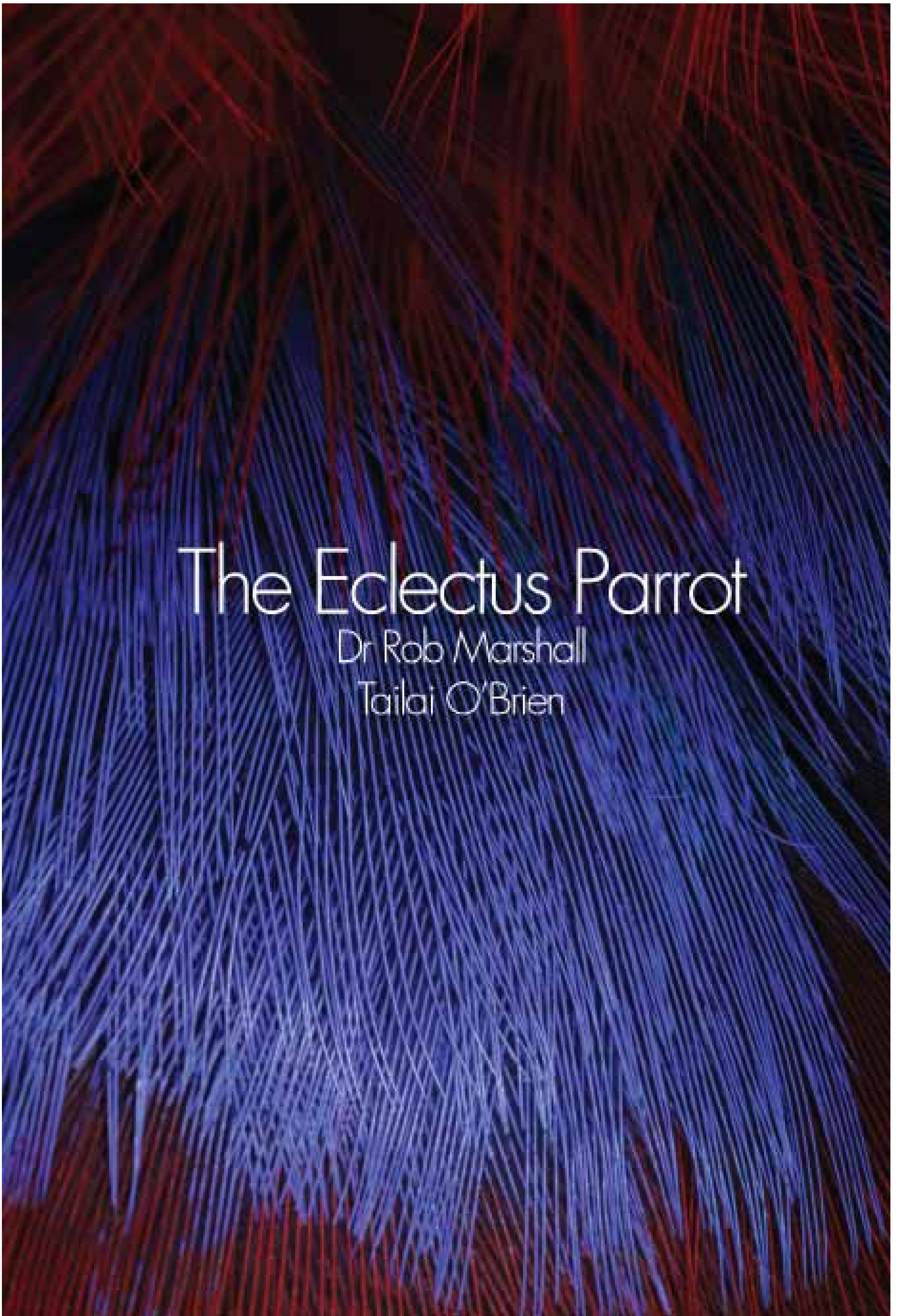


Mixed Vegetables
2.5 Cups



Fresh Tarragon
2 Tablespoons

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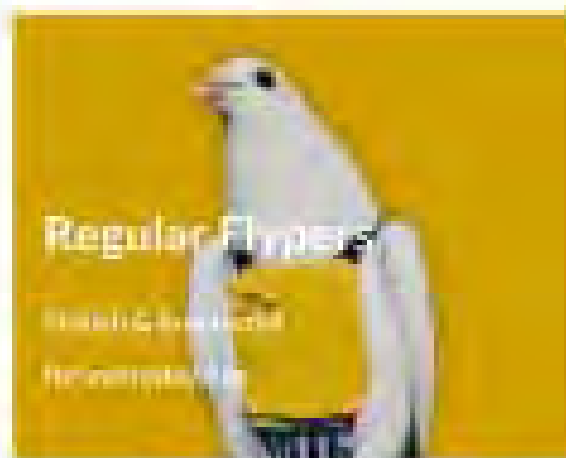
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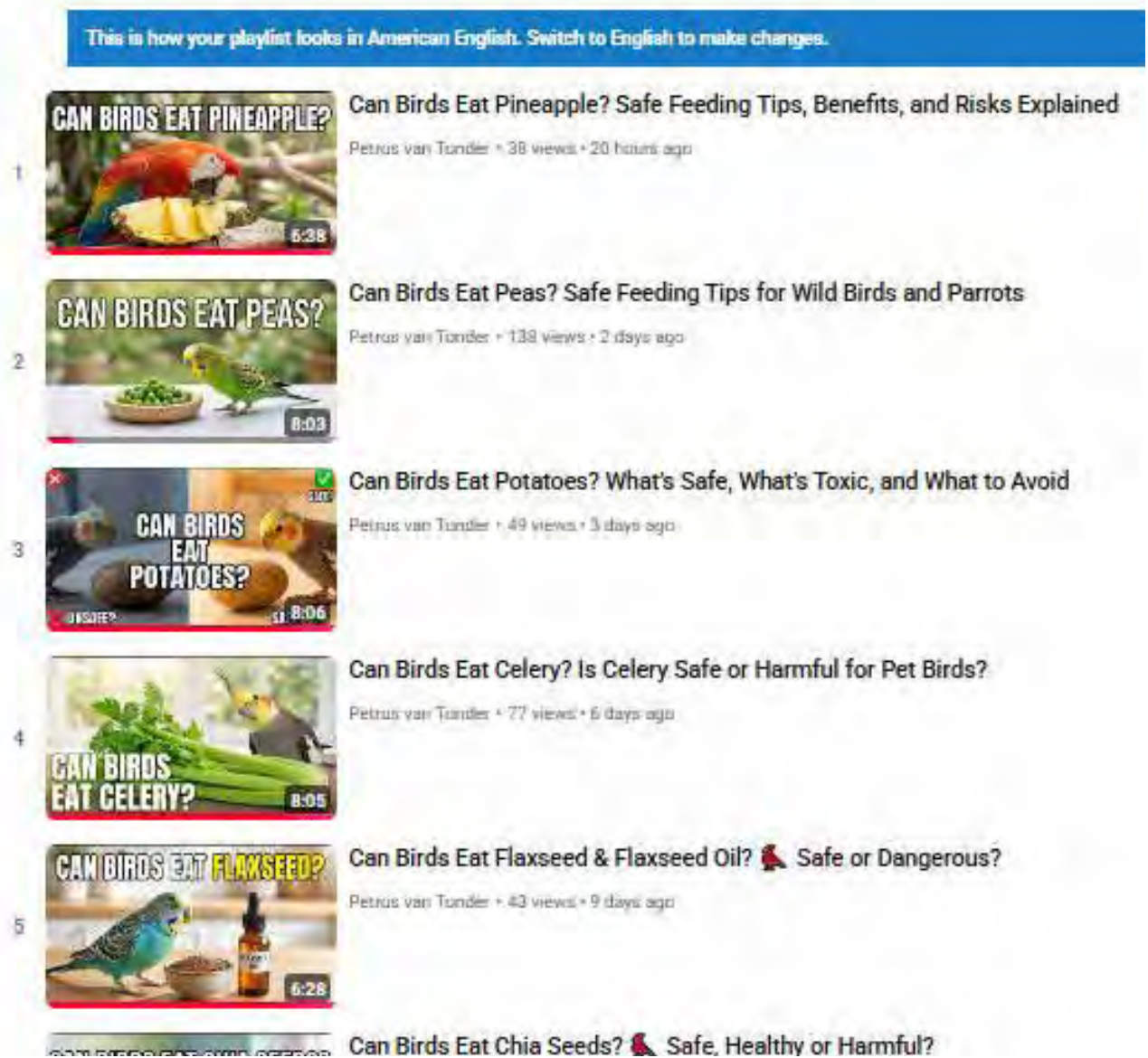
Stu is doing so well in her Flyper Heavenly Hammock! She spends a few hours per day in it (super-vised of course) and enjoys looking around at everyone. I have found that using a milk crate to suspend the hammock in is a great tip. I use soft silicone cups to feed her and figured how to attach them to the milk crate. I use the binder clips that one can buy in a stationary store.

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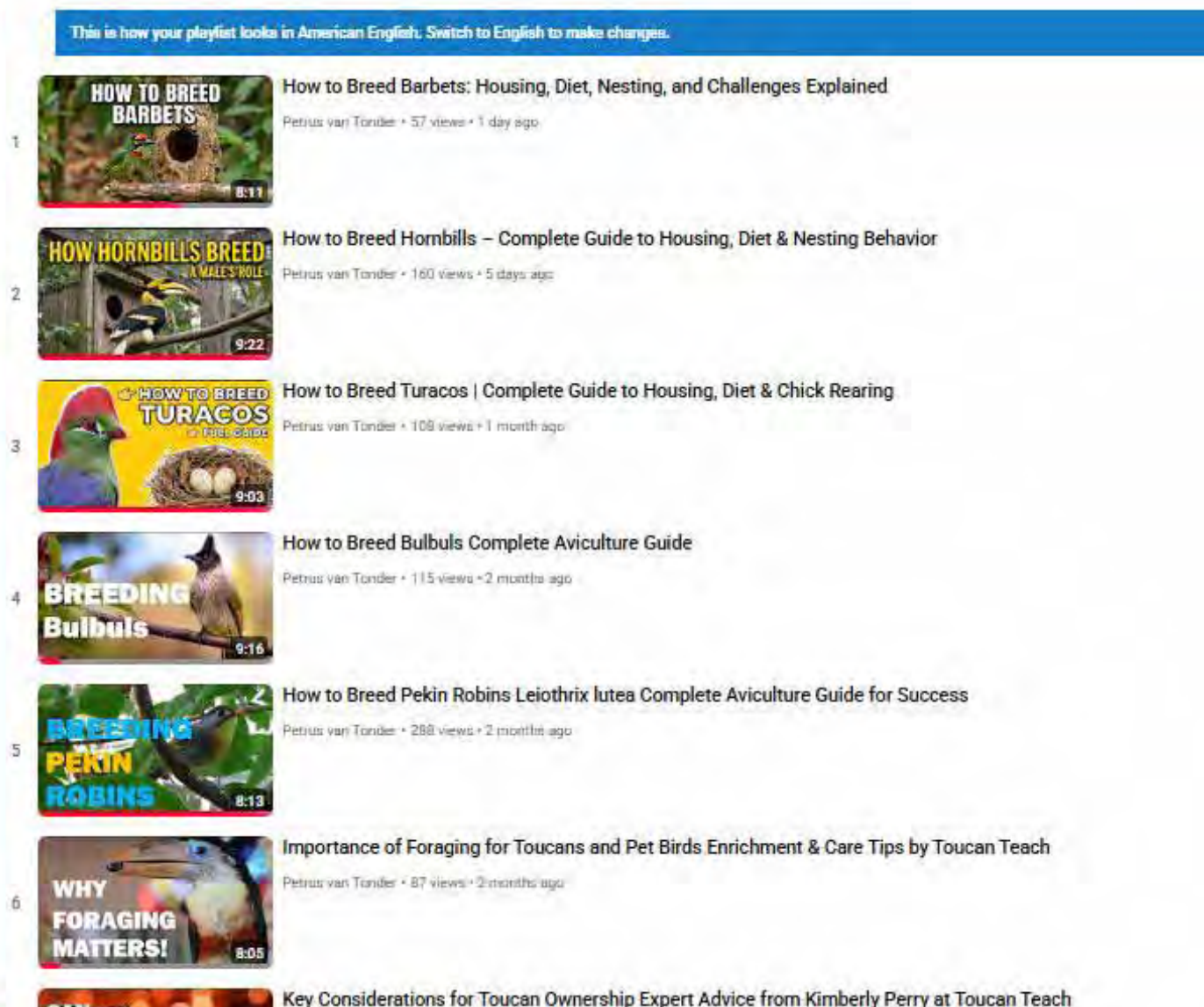
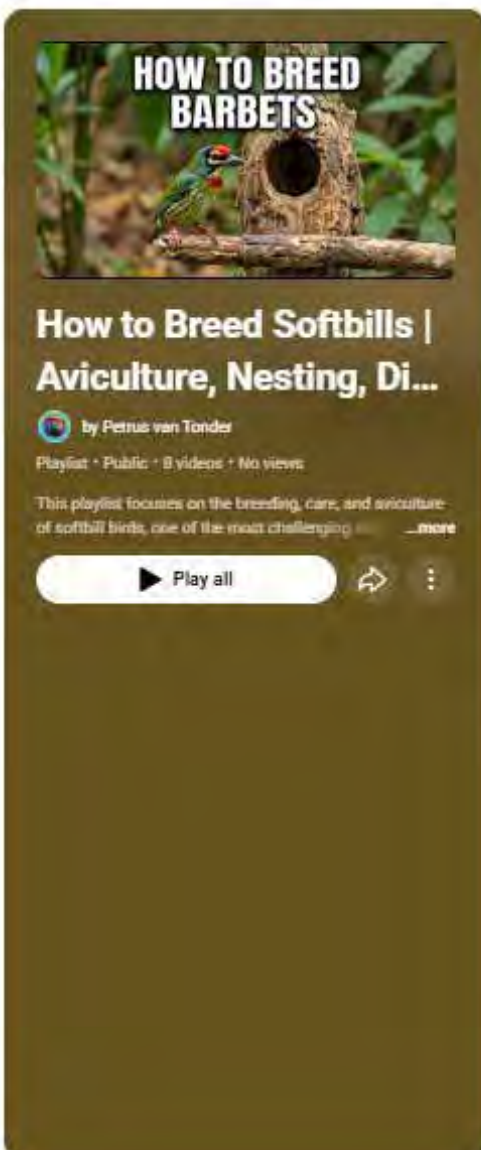
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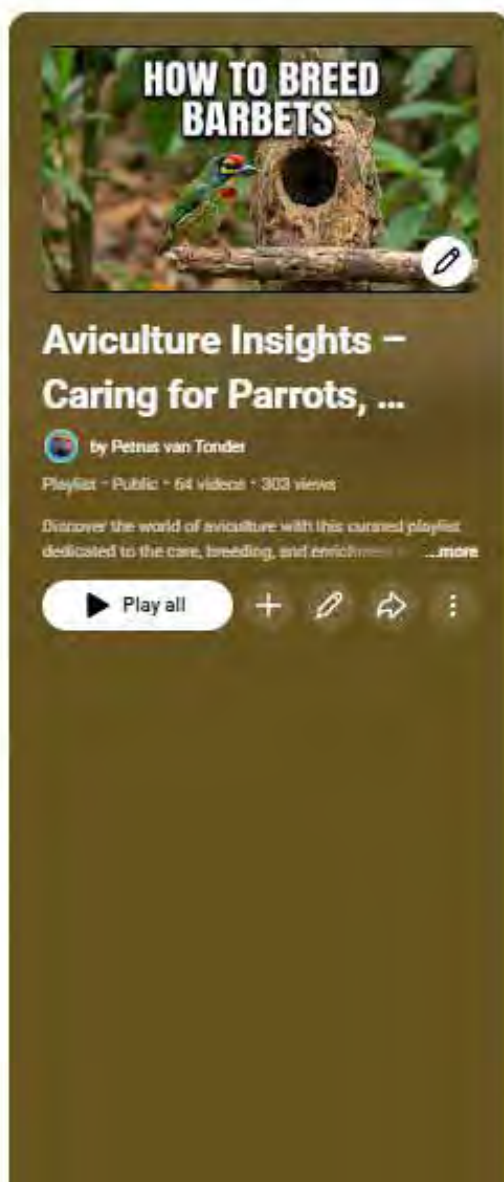
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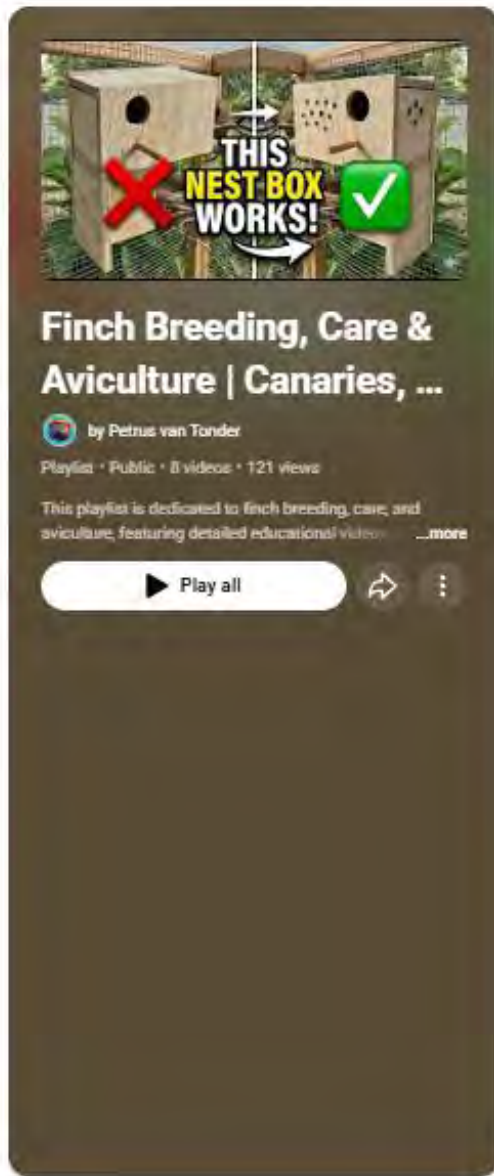
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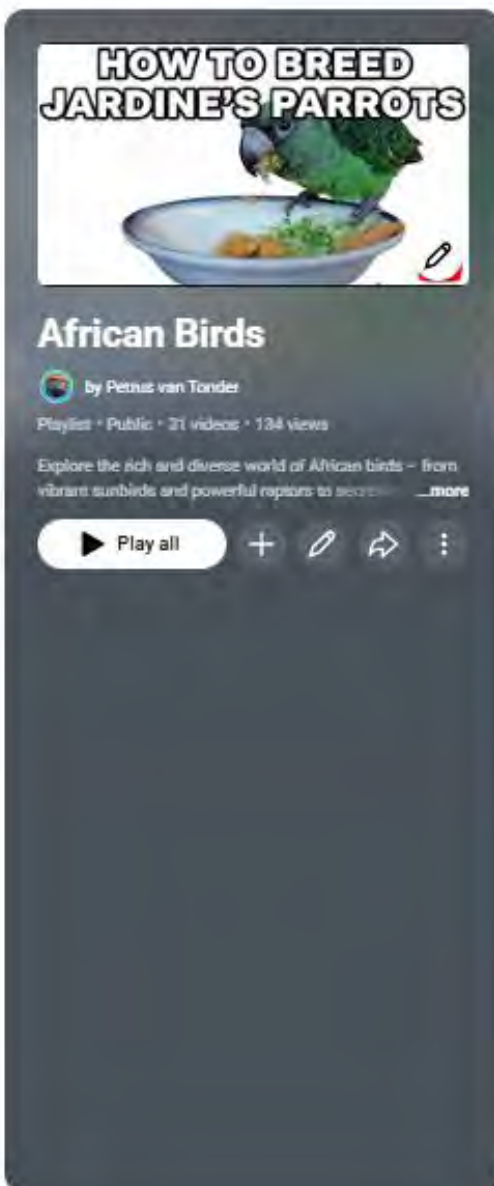
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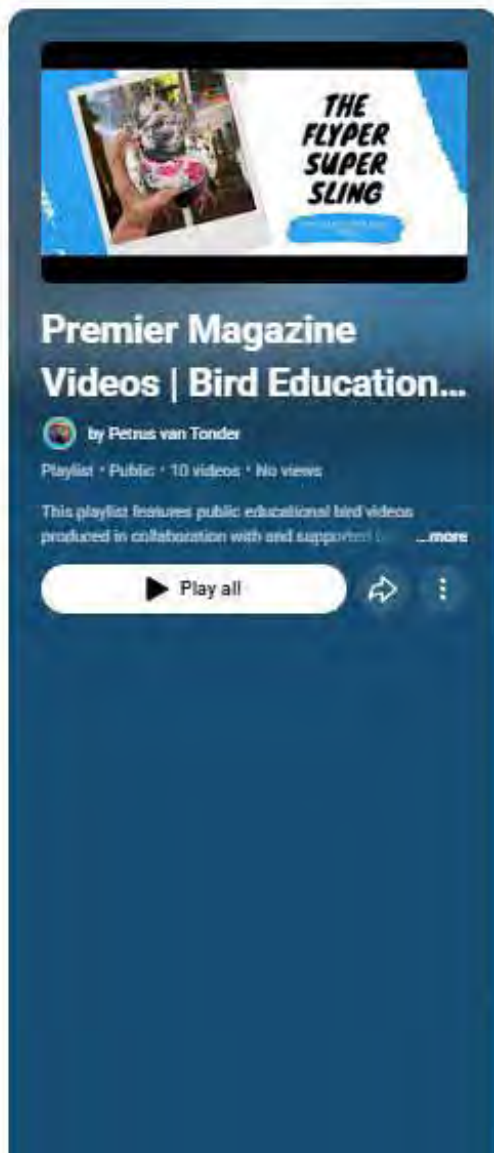
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Essential Safety Precautions

Never burn sage around birds; smoke is fatal to their sensitive respiratory systems.

Organic and Moderate

Offer organic sage in moderation as an occasional treat, not a primary food.

HOW TO SERVE PET & WILD BIRDS

The "Garden Chop" Recipe

Mix minced sage with steamed sweet potato, broccoli, and carrots for Vitamin A.



SAGE & SWEET POTATO GARDEN CHOP INGREDIENTS	
Ingredient	Amount / Preparation
Steamed Sweet Potato	1 cup, mashed or diced
Fresh Sage Leaves	1/2 cup, finely minced
Broccoli & Carrots	1/2 cup broccoli, 1/4 cup grated carrots



Freshness and Variety
Remove uneaten fresh food after 4 hours to prevent spoilage and bacteria growth.

Wild Bird Favorites



Songbirds eat the small spherical seeds.



Hummingbirds visit flowers for nectar.

BIRDING DECODED: A GUIDE TO BIRDER SLANG



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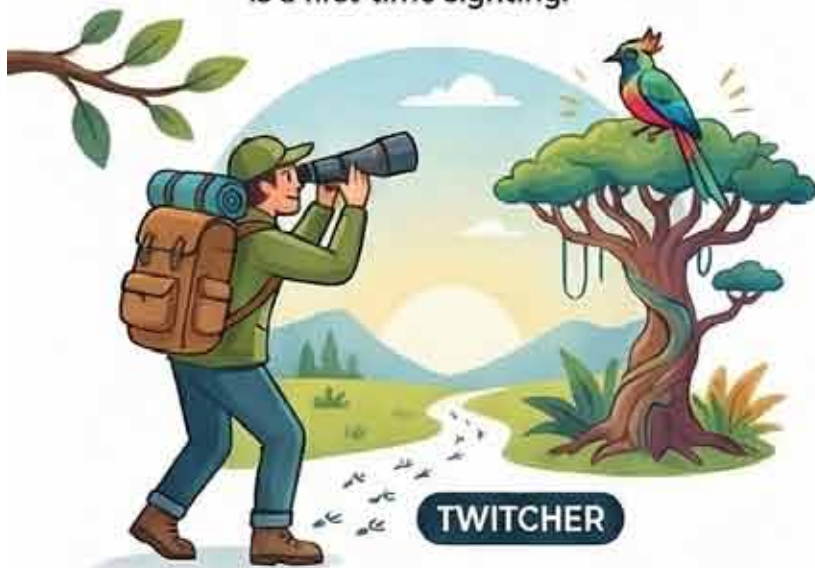


The Life List & Lifer: A permanent tally of every species seen; a "Lifer" is a first-time sighting.

IDENTIFICATION & THE CHASE



Jizz (or Gizz): The "General Impression of Size and Shape" used for instant, "vibe-based" identification.



The Twitcher: A hardcore birder who travels long distances specifically to "tick" rare bird sightings.



LBJ (Little Brown Job): A humorous term for small, drab birds that are notoriously difficult to identify.



The "Patch" vs. "Micropatch": A regular local birding spot, ranging from a large site to a backyard.



Megas & Vagrants: "Megas" are exceptionally rare, while "Vagrants" are wild birds found outside their range.

Dill: A Fresh & Nutritious Boost for Your Bird

A safe, nutrient-dense herb that offers digestive support and flavor variety. When served fresh and in moderation, it's an excellent supplement to a balanced avian diet.

Nutritional Benefits & Safety



Essential Nutrient Powerhouse

Contains Vitamins A and C, calcium, iron, and antioxidants for overall health.



Botanical Profile of Dill



Scientific Name:
Anethum graveolens



Best Form:
Fresh leaves
(more nutritious than dried)

Preparation & Serving Tips



Chop and Mix

Finely chop leaves and mix into pellets, vegetables, or grains.

Natural Digestive Aid

Dill possesses properties that help soothe and support avian digestion.



Dill & Veggie Grain Salad

Combine dill with quinoa, carrots, broccoli, cucumber, and leafy greens.



Pesticide Precaution

Always use organic dill or wash thoroughly to remove harmful chemicals and pesticides.

Moderation is Key

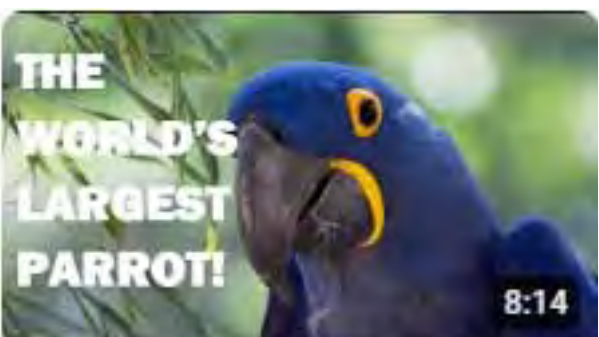
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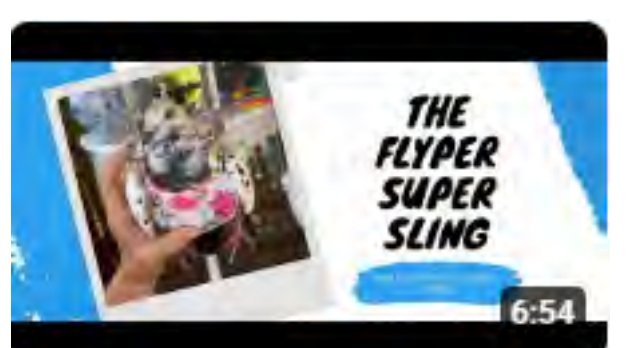
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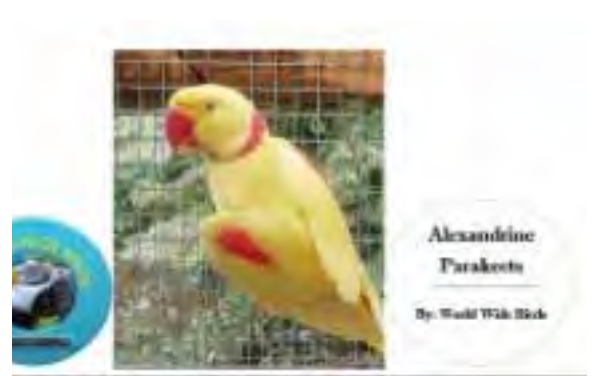
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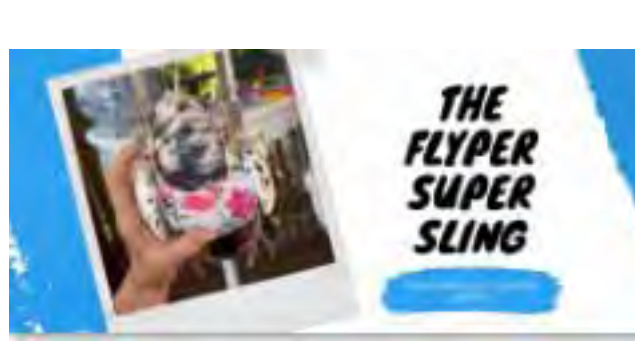
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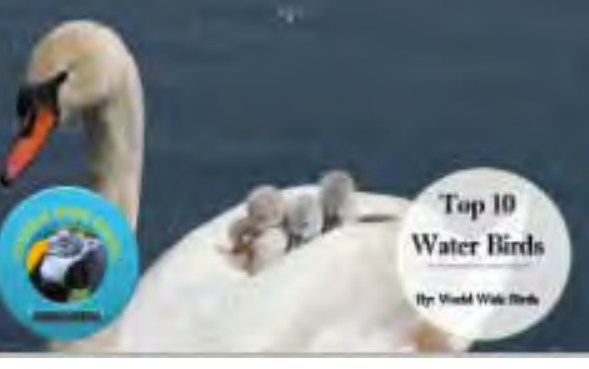
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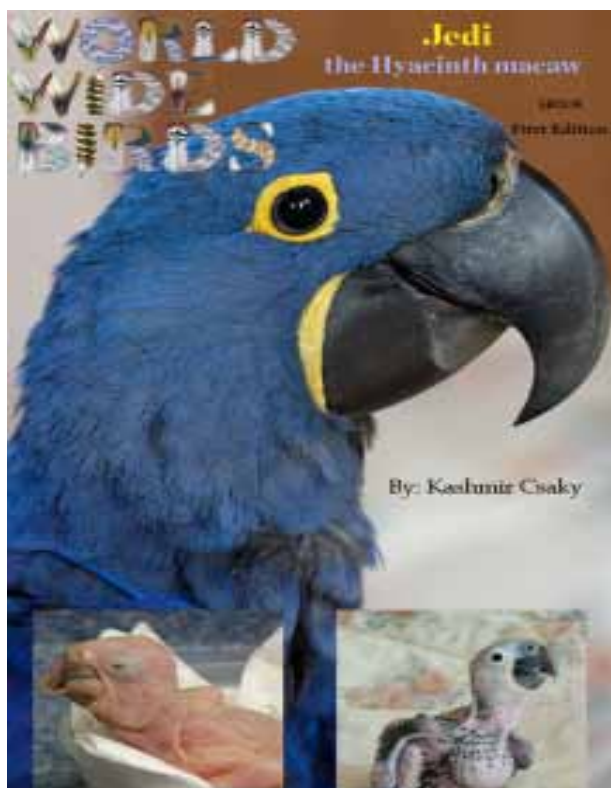


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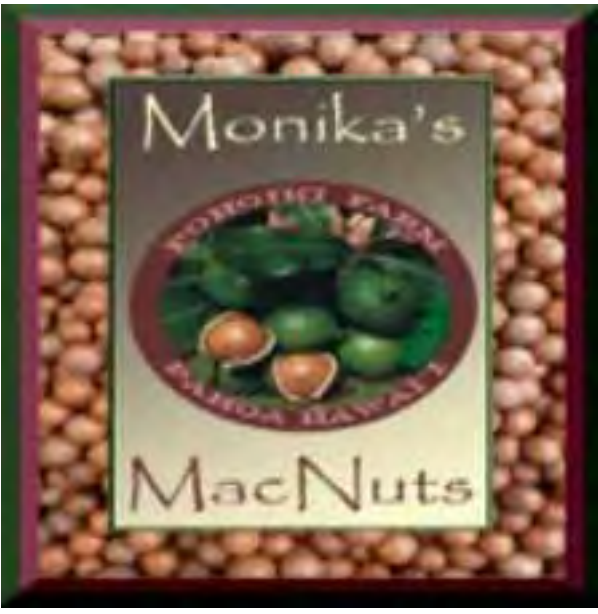
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- Herbal Tea**
Brewed and added directly to drinking water

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Growth & Pruning Essentials

- Requires full sun and well-drained soil
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Species Info

Mousebirds

PART I

By: Kateri J. Davis



White Back Mousebird

The Ultimate Pet Softbill!

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At the Davis Lund Aviaries, we have worked with five of the six species and currently have about 30 mousebirds of different species.

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Preparation for fertility and the beginning of breeding in Psittacines

By: Rafael Zamora Padrón

Scientific Director

Loro Parque Fundación



A taranta sunbathing while the female takes care of the chicks. Photo RZ LPF

At Loro Parque Fundación, the reproduction of each parrot species depends not only on prior preparation before the breeding season, but also on the development of each individual up to the moment of entering this phase.

The months of January and February in the Canary Islands are very important to keep the birds active and ready to begin the breeding process. New pairs should already be formed, in most species, several months beforehand.

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Association for Wild-type and Exhibition Budgies of South Africa

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Breeding Better Budgerigars

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There seems to be a fair amount of confusion within the fancy, regarding the breeding of quality Budgerigars. I think this has come about because there is so much contradictory information passed on to the fancy. Most of the techniques tried by fanciers do not give the results they were expecting. This is because the providers of the information are generally very experienced breeders, who are giving information about their own birds and experiences. This is fine, only they are in possession of better quality birds than most of us. I have no doubt their information is correct, but it is only relevant to their own birds and as such can't be considered a generalization.

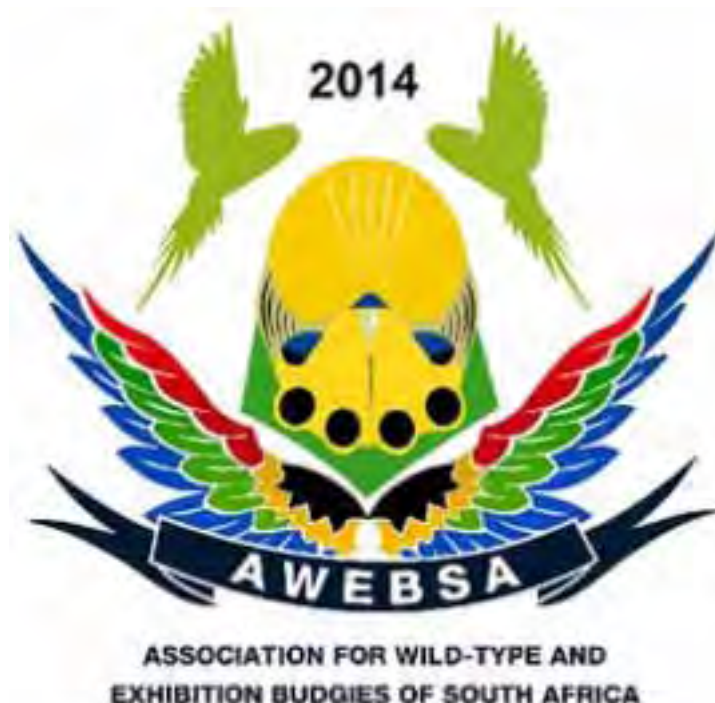
Therefore, what is successful for them would have a very different result if they were working with lesser quality or even a different line of birds. So what works for them will not necessarily work in our aviaries. Thus we need to formulate our own strategy with which we can work, to breed better quality from whatever birds are in our present possession.

Another important thing we must do when seriously trying to improve our birds, is to be very sceptical regarding the information passed onto the fancy in the way of miracle pairings. I'm sure your aware of the ones I mean, like flecked headed birds carry the feather you want, or use large dirty opalines to improve spot, put spangle into everything they will only do good and increase fertility at the same time. Some fanciers in Australia have become so paranoid regarding the shape of the wings on a bird, they have become oblivious to the rest of the bird.

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STANDARD SETUP



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Day 10

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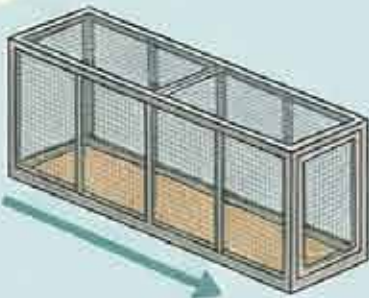
The "Blue" Mutation:
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Female:
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Breeding & Nutrition



Prioritize Aviary Length over Width

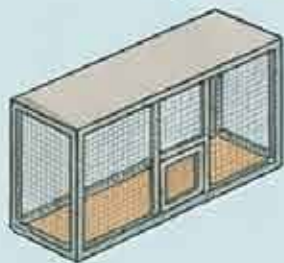


Long Aviary
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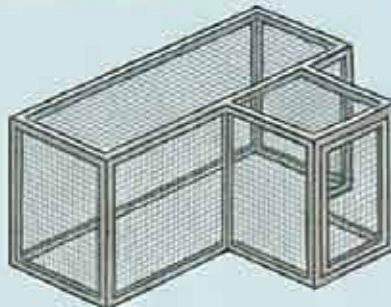


Wide Aviary
(Avoid)

Specific Dimensions



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Walk-in Aviary:
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Standard Nest Box:
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Essential Nesting Materials



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The Sprouted Seed Advantage



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SOUTH AFRICA'S GAME LODGES and SAFARI ACCOMMODATION

South Africa is a country where magic infuses the views and landscapes, where the smiles of the local people can only be matched by the splendour of the ocean, mountains, forests, savannahs, waterfalls and rivers. This country is known the world around for its extraordinary collection of fauna and flora, and some of the best places to see these treasures up close are in the numerous game parks, reserves, sanctuaries and national parks.

Game lodges in South Africa range from rustic bush camps that immerse their guests in the wild side of Africa to luxurious 5-star retreats that showcase the bushveld on a platform of opulence. South Africa is known the world around for its abundance of wildlife, not least of all its many birds. In fact, there is an established avi-tourism industry that invites birding enthusiasts from all over the world to indulge in top-class bird-watching.

SOUTH AFRICA AS A BIRDING HOTSPOT

Thanks to the abundance of excellent South African hotels and accommodation facilities, as well as an established transport infrastructure (including international car hire companies), South Africa is proving to be one of the world's top birding hotspots.

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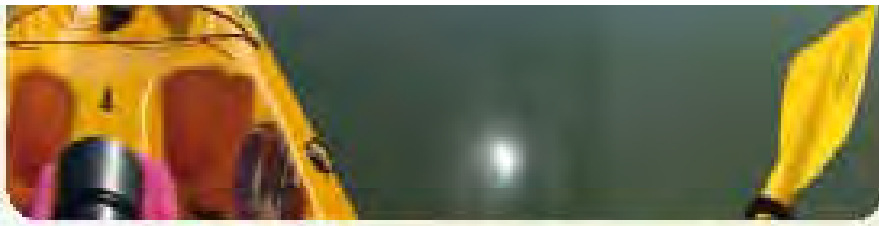
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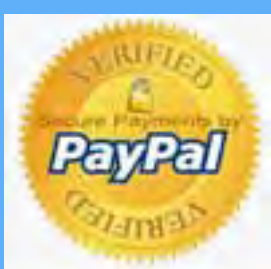
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