

Health Programme for Juvenile Gouldian Finches

The Programme protects Juvenile Gouldians – and other juvenile finches – during their most vulnerable time of life and especially during the cold winters. The Programme starts when the young are moved away from their parents. If juveniles remain with their parents the entire breeding season, they should remain on the Breeding Programme

Day of Week	Water Supplements	Food Supplements	Additional Info
Sunday	KD ¹	Dry Seed Mix	¹ KD – ¼ teaspoon/liter of drinking water to maintain normal foregut pH KD bath weekly
Monday	DufoPlus & Ioford ³	TurboBooster, ePowder & F-Vite	³ DufoPlus (2.5ml), Ioford (5ml) and Megamix (2mls) are mixed into one liter of drinking water.
Tuesday	Ioford/Megamix ²	TurboBooster, ePowder & F-Vite	These products provide the vitamins and trace elements needed to produce robust young.
Wednesday	Quik-Gel/Megamix	Dry Seed Mix	Quik-Gel/Megamix (2mls/liter) helps protect The juveniles from stress related diseases.
Thursday	Fresh Water pH < 7	TurboBooster, ePowder & F-Vite	Air-sac mites, Lice & Tapeworm & Coccidiosis treatments are administered in a weekly rotation schedule
Friday	Fresh Water pH < 7	Dry Seed Mix	S76 is rotated with Worm-Away & Cocci-Care in the drinking water for 2 consecutive days each 3 weeks
Saturday	Fresh Water pH < 7	TurboBooster, ePowder & F-Vite	² Megamix is used daily to control intestinal infections when drinking water pH > 7

Special Notes

TurboBooster, ePowder and F-Vite should be provided as scheduled above may be mixed into the dry seed or provided as part of a soft food mixture. To prevent disease S76, Worm-Away and Cocci-Care are administered on a weekly schedule each 3 weeks. Megamix must be used daily when the drinking water pH is over 7 to help prevent Thrush, E coli and other intestinal infections. Quik-Gel is given in the drinking water during cold or inclement weather and whenever the juveniles show signs of lethargy.

SOFT FOOD RECIPE

Ingredients – 1 cup (250 grams) Finch Crumbles

- 1 hard boiled egg
- 1 tablespoon (10mls) TurboBooster
- 2 tablespoons (20 grams) ePowder
- 1 tablespoons (10 grams) F-Vite
- 1 drop (0.2mls) Quik-Gel

Procedure – Dissolve Quik-Gel into a small amount (10mls) of warm water
Thoroughly mix TurboBooster and Quik-Gel Solution into Finch Crumbles
Store in the refrigerator over night
In the morning mix in the ePowder, followed by the F-Vite
Finally fold the crushed boiled egg through the mixture
Provide each day indicated in a clean container
Remove any uneaten portions within 6 hours during hot weather

