

Non-Breeding Season Programme for Gouldians, Finches and Canaries

This Programme provides a perfect level of nutrition and protection for adult Gouldian Finches – and other finches – and maintains their health fitness during cold winter months and between the molt and breeding season. This Programme is used following breeding activities until the annual molt cycle and for one month before breeding.

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 > 7
Monday	DufoPlus & Ioford ³	TurboBooster, Quik-Gel, ePowder, F-Vite, Bloomford & Inca Honey	³ DufoPlus (2.5ml), Ioford (5ml) and Megamix (2mls) are mixed into one liter of drinking water. These products provide the vitamins and trace elements needed to maintain health.
Tuesday	Ioford/Megamix ²	TurboBooster, ePowder, F-Vite & Bloomford	
Wednesday	Quik-Gel/Megamix	Dry Seed Mix	Quik-Gel/Megamix ² (2mls/liter) whenever birds show lethargy.
Thursday	Fresh Water pH < 7	Dry Seed Mix	Air-sac mite treatment. S76 – 2.5mls per liter of drinking water for 2 consecutive days each month.
Friday	Fresh Water pH < 7	Dry Seed Mix	
Saturday	Quik-Gel/Megamix	Dry Seed Mix	Quik-Gel/Megamix ² (2mls/liter) whenever birds show lethargy.

Options for Food Supplements

TurboBooster, ePowder and F-Vite should be provided as scheduled above and may be mixed into the dry seed or provided as part of a soft food mixture.

Dry Seed Ingredients: TurboBooster (5ml) is thoroughly mixed into 500 grams of seed. Then 1 level teaspoon (5grams) each of ePowder, F-Vite & Bloomford are mixed through the seed mix. This seed mix may safely be left in the cage for 2 days when temperatures are below 72° F (24° C)

"I prefer mixing the Inca Honey with the TurboBooster and Quik-Gel and adding it to the dry seed or soft food rather than adding it to the drinking water as suggested on the bottle label. The high fiber content seems to prevent it from dissolving completely when added to the drinking water." Laraine

Alan Simpson's – World Famous – Soft Food Recipe

Ingredients –

- 1 cup (250 grams) Finch Crumbles
- 1-12 hard boiled eggs
- 1 tablespoon TurboBooster
- 2 tablespoons ePowder
- 1 tablespoons each F-Vite & Bloomford
- 3 drops Quik-Gel & 3 drops Inca Honey (when indicated)

Procedure –

- Dissolve Quik-Gel into a small amount (10mls) of warm water
- Thoroughly mix TurboBooster with Inca Honey and Quik-Gel Solution into Finch Crumbles.
- Store in the refrigerator overnight.
- In the morning mix in the ePowder, followed by the F-Vite & Bloomford
- Finally fold the crushed boiled egg through the mixture
- Provide everyday in a clean container
- Remove any uneaten portions within 6 hours during hot weather