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NEWSLETTER

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"Organising is what you do before you do something, so that when you do it, it is not all mixed up!" A. A. Milne

February is the last month of summer and autumn is around the corner.

Farmers - now is the time to plan your winter feed needs.

We have a good range of options. Tried and proven under Marlborough's dry conditions.

More information on specific cultivars can be found on our website.

Vineyards - Sheep grazing is becoming more and more popular. We have a grazing fescue, winter active, summer dormant, which fits into the activities of a vineyard very well.

Sowing a lawn? Autumn has been and always will be the best time for this project.

Nutri Drops A fast acting pick-me-up packed full of vitamins and minerals and extra B vitamins to help support birds in stressful situations



- Instant energy source for weak birds (energy levels may be seen to be improved in as little as 30 minutes)
- Provides immune supporting vitamins during periods of environmental stress e.g. when feed intake is depressed at high temperatures
- Helps support peak egg production at times when maximum stamina and energy are required
- Helps support the bird during periods of stress, for example during vaccination, handling and following antibiotic treatment when feed absorption can be disrupted
- Helps support appetite and feed efficiency
- Aids in the preparation for onset of lay

Consider using when introducing a new bird to an established flock, as this is a very stressful experience for a bird.

Net-tex Wound Powder is an essential tool for external wound management.

Net-tex is an anti- bacterial powder for minor cuts, bites and scratches, suitable for all poultry and bird types.

After washing the affected area thoroughly with clean water apply the powder directly to the affected area to aid in the natural healing process



Both Nutri drops and Wound Powder are available in store.

WATERING YOUR POULTRY

Birds must never be without clean water. If they have insufficient water, even for a day, they become stressed which can lead to them moulting and egg production will drop or cease altogether.

Hens body weight is 75% water as are their eggs.

High quality drinker, feeder, grit and more are available in store.

There are different sizes for both types available. It's recommended to match the size of grit with the size of your birds.

If your garden has been well maintained, the green growth amongst trees and plants will still be lush and bright. Hibiscus are blooming and roses are still adding their splashes of colour and fragrance to the flowerbeds. Keep lightly pruning roses and cut off dead heads to encourage more flowers.

Many vegetables and fruits are coming to maturity, while trees and shrubs are nearing the end of their main growing season.

Plenty of water is still needed to maintain growth. If you are using sprinklers water in the morning that way you lose less water to evaporation and prevent disease problems occurring with wet foliage overnight. Soaker hoses and drip irrigation systems are a great option.

Also keep checking and controlling insect pests such as aphids, thrips, caterpillars and psyllids as well as fungus diseases such as powdery mildew, rust and black spot.

It's also time to get your flower bulbs and winter vegetables into the ground. Different fertilisers for maintenance and side dressing are available in store.





Kiwi Seed "Pullet Pellets" has been specially designed by a nutritionist with a specific balanced formulation that ensures a best quality product. Made right here in Marlborough to guarantee the freshest product. High in protein Pullet Pellets promote optimum Available in store health and weight at onset of lay.

Feeding rate: Feed ad-lib from 6 to 8 weeks of age until point of lay.

MOLVINATE CONCENTRATE

Molvinate concentrate is a proven broad spectrum natural feed supplement which contains a wide range of vitamins, minerals, trace elements, electrolytes, proteins and carbohydrates often missing in normal feed.

> Molvinate provides a finely balanced diet rich in health building natural nutrients because it is manufactured from natural concentrate vegetable extracts. Many vets agree that between 80 and 90% of all disorders they treat stem from faulty nutrition. Fed daily, Molvinate maintains and promotes health and condition of your animals.

Being a concentrate, it goes a long way, and is suitable for horses, sheep, beef cattle, dairy cows, goats, deer, dogs and poultry. Being liquid, it's easily digested and so safe you can eat it yourself.

Molvinate can be poured on hay or silage, fed in a lickwheel drum, drenched to sick animals, added to troughs or mixed with feed.

Available in store in handy 2 litre bottles.

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