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## NEWSLETTER

**October 2022**

Before considering a new feed regime for your horse in spring...

- \*Monitor body condition. Have they gained or lost weight over winter?
- \*Do they have access to plenty of forage or do they need to be kept off spring grass?  
Does fibre need to be supplemented?
- \*Do they require less concentrates or something that is low starch/sugar?
- \*Are they getting the minerals and vitamins they require.

**Available from  
Kiwi Seed**



### What to feed when:

**Chick crumble:**  
birth to 6 weeks of age

**Pullet grow meal or Pellets**  
6 weeks to 20 weeks

**Layers Meal**  
20 weeks onward

**Layers Pellets**  
20 weeks onward

**Layers Pellets Extra**  
(Layers Pellets, grit, wheat,  
corn and peas)  
20 weeks onward

**Meat bird Pellets or Crumble**  
**designed for**  
broilers, turkeys, ducks and  
gamebirds.

## Kiwi Seed Layer Pellets

TOP QUALITY, NUTRITIONIST FORMULATED  
including Meat and Bone Meal, 18% Protein and 4% Calcium  
"Your Chooks will love you for it."

*Plants to grow for your chooks this  
summer!*

<b>White Clover</b>	not only high in protein, but it can also withstand foot traffic with ease.
<b>Sunflowers</b>	a delicious treat, but they are a great source of nutrients for your birds, too
<b>Garlic</b>	phenomenal immune system booster and has tons of other health benefits, like repelling internal and external parasites, too
<b>Cucumbers</b>	Hydrating and cooling in summer. Seeds also help reduce intestinal worms
<b>Sweet Corn</b>	A delicious treat for your chickens. Can be fed dried or straight off the cob.
<b>Beets</b>	Aids in cleaning the blood and digestive tract.
<b>Kale</b>	high in calcium, vitamin A, and other nutrients, making it a good source of vitamins and minerals for your chickens
<b>Peas</b>	High in protein and provide Niacin which your chickens need to develop strong, healthy bones.
<b>Watermelon</b>	provide your chickens with lots of hydration during the hot summer months.



### WHEN SHOULD I WEAN MY LAMB??

You can consider weaning your lamb at around 10—12 weeks of age.

However, before you start to wean your lamb, they should be at least 3 times their birth weight (no less than 10kg), and be eating grass and drinking water themselves.

At weaning, milk should be gradually reduced over a few weeks, and then stopped altogether. A slow weaning is less stressful on the lamb.



**October** is the time for planting new roses.  
Use Daltons Premium Compost and a good slow release  
Fertiliser such as Nitrophoska when planting.

Feed existing Roses by sprinkling a few handfuls of Daltons Premium Compost around the base of the  
plant and Kiwi Seed Rose Fertiliser.

Protect Roses from Insects and Disease by spraying every two weeks with Yates Super Shield.  
Remember not to spray blooms to protect bees that may visit.

Labour weekend is the time to plant your Sweetcorn seeds directly into your garden.

We have plenty of Honey and Pearl Sweetcorn Seed available in store.

Grow your corn in blocks or short rows rather than one or two long rows as this will help with pollination.  
Sow corn seeds in pairs, 25 mm deep, in moist well-drained soil direct where they are to grow. No further  
watering is needed until seedlings appear. The weaker of the two seedlings can be thinned out when  
they reach around 15 cm tall.

Corn is a gross feeding plant and will benefit from regular feeding with a nitrogen rich fertilizer.

Soak the roots of your vegetable seedlings in a solution of Maxicrop Seaweed Extract before planting.  
This will give them a boost and ensure they become strong, healthy plants.

Sow eggplant, lettuce, cucumber, courgettes, capsicum, pumpkin and cauliflower directly into the  
ground.

Protect new seedlings from slugs and snails with No Pest Slugoff Lentils. They are a long lasting option.  
Feed with Maxicrop Seaweed Extract to grow strong plants.

Its not too late to sow lawn seed!

Ensure that the seed is raked into the soil or covered with a light dressing of Daltons Lawn soil for  
protection. Keep seed watered daily, but be careful not to over water so that water forms puddles and  
washes seed away.

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## Seed Potatoes available in store now

Buy 1 or many.

Old fashion favourites and some new varieties for you to try  
at very competitive prices.



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## Wildflowers for Marlborough blended here at Kiwi Seed

Talk with Bruce or Hamish about what you can do to increase  
beauty and biodiversity on your place.



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**Thank you from all at Kiwi Seed.**