

## Switch to food in pellets

### 1. Preparatory phase

As far as the smaller species are concerned (canaries, exotic finches, British finches, budgies,...), it is recommended to begin by preparing them for the switch. The aim is not to force the birds to eat pellets during this preparatory phase. They are just taught to recognize pellets as one of the elements of their food. For 2 or 3 weeks, they will be given the normal mixture of seeds to which 10% of pellets will have been added. For parrots and large parakeets, this preparatory phase is not necessary.

### 2. The switch itself

During the switch-over period, seeds and pellets will no longer be mixed. The birds only receive pellets during the whole period. Some days, following the schedule below, they will still be given a bowl containing seeds which they will eat as much of as they want. But the periods during which the birds only receive pellets will become longer and longer so as to oblige them to consume more pellets. "Seed days" will be introduced into the schedule to prevent the birds losing too much weight. During these days, the birds will be able to recover any energy they may have lost during the "pellet days".

### 3. General tips

- Only make a switch in food for birds in good health.
- Do not go directly to a pellet diet with birds you have just bought.
- Show the necessary strictness and observe your birds well.
- Make sure there are no seeds left on the floor of the cage during "pellet days".

d1	NutriBird	d23	NutriBird + seeds
d2	NutriBird + seeds	d24	NutriBird
d3	NutriBird	d25	NutriBird
d4	NutriBird + seeds	d26	NutriBird
d5	NutriBird	d27	NutriBird
d6	NutriBird	d28	NutriBird + seeds
d7	NutriBird + seeds	d29	NutriBird
d8	NutriBird	d30	NutriBird
d9	NutriBird	d31	NutriBird
d10	NutriBird + seeds	d32	NutriBird
d11	NutriBird	d33	NutriBird
d12	NutriBird	d34	NutriBird + seeds
d13	NutriBird	d35	NutriBird
d14	NutriBird + seeds	d36	NutriBird
d15	NutriBird	d37	Nutribird
d16	NutriBird	d38	Nutribird
d17	NutriBird	d39	Nutribird
d18	NutriBird + seeds	d40	NutriBird + seeds
d19	NutriBird	d41	Nutribird
d20	NutriBird	d42	Nutribird
d21	NutriBird	d43	Nutribird
d22	NutriBird	d...	Nutribird