

WHAT'S THE BEST WAY TO WORM YOUR BIRDS?

Worming birds is a critical part of good aviculture. Your birds need to be regularly wormed to maintain good health and breeding ability.

To worm birds you need to consider several things: the type of bird, the common worms, and how to best get the medicine into the bird.

Wormout Gel is a very effective way to worm your birds. It is active against all the common bird worms, is much safer than most of the alternatives on the market and is able to be administered in water or via a crop needle.

In water medication with **Wormout Gel** is quite successful if you follow a few tips.

- ▶ Do not medicate in cold or damp conditions (birds reduce their water intake)
- ▶ Add 5-10% orange juice to the water if birds reject the medication
- ▶ Only use the minimum amount of medicated water that the birds require, overfilling the water bowls only wastes medication.
- ▶ Treat for two days, stir water every 8-12 hours.

Direct medication via a **crop needle** is the preferred method of worming birds. The crop administration ensures every bird gets the right amount of the drug.

You need to be confident with the use of a **crop needle**. If you are unsure then the **Crop Needling DVD** is a good way to learn the tricks. **Crop needling** is one of those techniques that as a birdkeeper you really should be able to use.

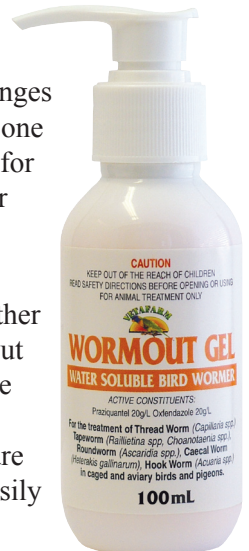
To use **Wormout Gel** as a **crop needle** medication you need to be able to dilute it to a practical volume. Use the following recipe:

- ▶ In 9 mLs of water add 1 mL of **Wormout Gel**.
- ▶ Shake well to ensure complete mixing of the gel.
- ▶ Administer 0.5 (half) a mL per 100 grams Body Weight

Vetfarm produce a range of **Crop Needles** suitable for all birds. You may require several **Crop Needles** depending on the size of the bird species you have. The most commonly used **Crop Needle** is a Gauge 12.

All Luer fit syringes will attach to the **Crop Needles**. Vetfarm produce a range of syringes including reusable and one time use, that are ideal for use when medicating or feeding birds.

If you have pigeons or show poultry, then another option is to use Wormout in the tablet format. The Wormout Tablets for Pigeons and Bantams are very convenient and easily given to these birds.



Contact Vetfarm

3 Bye St Wagga Wagga NSW 2650 Ph: (02) 6933 0400